MINUTES
Town of Lexington
Executive Session and
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
September 3, 2019

Town Council held an Executive Session at 5:30 p.m. followed by the Regular Council meeting at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers on September 3, 2019. The meetings were attended by: Mayor Steve MacDougall, Mayor Pro-Tem Hazel Livingston, Councilmembers Kathy Maness, Todd Carnes, Ron Williams, Steve Baker and Todd Lyle.

Staff members present were: Town Administrator Britt Poole, Assistant Town Administrator Stuart Ford, Municipal Attorney Brad Cunningham, Transportation Director Randy Edwards, Police Chief Terrence Green, Planning, Building and Technology Director John Hanson, Economic Development Johnny Jeffcoat, Utilities and Engineering Director Allen Lutz, Utilities Superintendent David Patton, Finance Director Kathy Pharr, Parks and Sanitation Director Dan Walker, Assistant Parks and Sanitation Director Johnny Dillard, Events and Media Coordinator Laurin Barnes, Digital Media Coordinator Darrell Pritchard, Assistant Municipal Clerk Karen Hanner, and Municipal Clerk Becky Hildebrand. Architect Wayne Rogers was present for a portion of Council’s Executive Session.

There were approximately thirty-five (35) citizens present for the Council meeting and no members of the news media were present.

INVOCATION, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND CALL TO ORDER: Mayor MacDougall welcomed everyone to the meeting and introduced the Council Members. He called on Councilmember Carnes to give the invocation. Mayor MacDougall asked Councilmember Lyle to lead in the Pledge of Allegiance. Mayor MacDougall called the meeting to order at 6:36 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION REPORT

Mayor MacDougall reported that the Executive Session was called to order at 5:30 p.m. after a motion was made by Councilmember Carnes and seconded by Councilmember Baker to go into Executive Session. The motion was unanimously carried. Council adjourned from Executive Session at 6:30 p.m. after a motion was made by Councilmember Maness and seconded by Councilmember Williams. The motion was unanimously carried. Mayor MacDougall reported that pursuant to SC Code §30-4-70(a) (1) and (2), Council met in Executive Session to discuss: Two legal issues regarding pending litigation and advice regarding agenda items; four contractual issues regarding Downtown Economic Development and the farmers market; and two personnel items regarding a routine personnel reviews. No vote was taken. A motion was made by Councilmember Baker and seconded by Councilmember Maness to ratify the Mayor’s report. The motion was unanimously carried.
DELETIONS ON AGENDA: None.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: A motion was made by Councilmember Maness and seconded by Councilmember Carnes to approve the minutes as submitted from Council’s Work Session and Council’s Regular Meeting, both held on August 19, 2019. The motion was unanimously carried.

PRESENTATIONS

Councilmember Maness requested to add three proclamations honoring three pageant winners. The information was received after the agenda approval. There being no objections, three proclamations were added to Presentations.

1. Lexington Lions Cricket Team Championship – Mayor Steve MacDougall: Mayor MacDougall read a proclamation congratulating the Lexington Lions Cricket Team for winning the Eagles Cup 2019 Regional Cricket Tournament on August 25, 2019 where 12 teams from South Carolina competed for the title. He added that the team has played cricket in Lexington since 2014 and formed Palmetto Sports, Inc. to promote the sport of cricket. Mayor MacDougall welcomed his neighbor, Krishna Mallampati, along with the entire team. Mr. Mallampati thanked the Mayor and Council for honoring the team tonight. He introduced the team members. (Copy attached.)

2. Pulmonary Fibrosis Awareness Month – Councilmember Steve Baker: Councilmember Baker read a proclamation recognizing September 2019 as Pulmonary Fibrosis Awareness Month and to help bring awareness to Pulmonary Fibrosis which affects 200,000 people in the United States. Councilmember Baker welcomed Ms. Carolyn Brooks, Co-Founder of the Pulmonary Fibrosis Support Group of the Midlands and several members of the local chapter of the Pulmonary Fibrosis Foundation. Ms. Brooks thanked the Mayor and Council for recognizing their support group and for bringing attention to Pulmonary Fibrosis. She added that when people are diagnosed with the disease they usually only have 3 to 5 years to live. She honored Ms. Sue Amick who was the lead person behind getting the group started, but unfortunately she passed away two weeks ago.

3. Airbag Recall Repair Month – Councilmember Todd Lyle: Councilmember Lyle read a proclamation recognizing September 2019 as Airbag Recall Repair Month in conjunction with the National Safety Council’s Check to Product program which helps educate residents about defective airbags. There are 193,000 unrepaired airbags in South Carolina which puts drivers and passengers at risk of injury. Citizens were encouraged to check their vehicles regularly for open recalls and to make safety a priority. The proclamation would be mailed to the National Safety Council in Washington, D.C.
4. **Proclamation Congratulating Madison Emily Barrett “Teen Miss South Carolina 2019 – Councilmember Todd Carnes:** Councilmember Carnes read a proclamation congratulating Madison Emily Barrett who recently won “Teen Miss South Carolina 2019” during competition in July 2019 in Hartsville, South Carolina where she represented Lexington as Teen Miss Lexington. Ms. Barrett also received the United States Presidential Volunteer Silver Award. Ms. Barrett is a senior in the International Baccalaureate Program at Lexington High School and plans to attend Clemson University.

5. **Proclamation Congratulating Susannah Ashleigh Counts “Little Miss South Carolina Overall Queen 2019” – Councilmember Kathy Maness:** Councilmember Maness read a proclamation congratulating Susannah Ashleigh Counts who recently won “Little Miss South Carolina Overall Queen 2019” during competition in July 2019 in Hartsville, South Carolina as Young Miss Teen Columbia. Ms. Counts is a sophomore at Lexington High School where she is in the Sign Language Club and plans to attend the University of South Carolina.

6. **Proclamation Congratulating Jaqueline Taylor Spires “South Carolina’s Outstanding Teen 2019” – Councilmember Ron Williams:** Councilmember Williams read a proclamation congratulating Jaqueline Taylor Spires who recently won “South Carolina’s Outstanding Teen 2019” during competition in July 2019 in Hartsville, South Carolina as Teen Miss Hartsville. Ms. Spires is a senior at Lexington High School where she is the Student Body Secretary and an officer for the Students in Action Club. She plans to attend Clemson University.

All three young ladies thanked the Mayor and Council for recognizing them tonight. Mayor MacDougall thanked them for attending and helping with the Police Department’s recent National Night Out.

**Mayor MacDougall welcomed Boy Scout Troop # 221.** Scout Leader Bob DeLoach introduced the other leaders and explained that the Boy Scouts were fulfilling one of their requirements for an Eagle merit badge, Citizenship in the Community badge. He added that the principle behind the badge is embodied in part of the Scout Oath in which they promise, among other things, on their honor to help other people at all times. Mr. DeLoach stated that those values are fulfilled with their involvement with community service which is one of the strongest components of scouting wherein they are required to be a member of a scouting troop to donate time and talents toward service hours for the community and helping others. He added that they were pleased and honored to join Town Council tonight. He thanked the Mayor and Council for assisting the scouts in their advancement.

**VISION PLAN UPDATE**

Mayor MacDougall announced: (1) There was great weather Friday night for the 70’s and 80’s Rock Tribute performed by Interstate Exiles. Thanks to WOMG 98.5 for hosting such a fun (and free) concert! If you missed it, there are more concerts to come.
(2) Last month the Lexington LIVE’s third free Fall Concert Series lineup was announced, so get ready next Thursday (September 12th) for the kickoff with THE SWINGIN MEDALLIONS! It is sure to be a great concert and, before Council meets again there will be 3 more Lexington Live concerts:
September 19th @ 6:30   THE MIGHTY KICKS
September 26th @ 6:30   TOKYO JOE
October 3rd @ 6:30   BIG TIME BAND

(3) On September 20th The Ultimate Journey Tribute Band – RESURRECTION is back to bring the house down! Doors open at 6:00 with Interstate Exiles as the opening band. Tickets are $19.00. You can always get more information about the Icehouse Amphitheater events on www.icehouseamphitheater.com, Facebook, Twitter or Instagram.

(4) Just 5 more weeks to visit The Market at Icehouse! Each Saturday through September 28th from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Come check it out! The Market averages 30 vendors and attendance has averaged 150 to 200 people.

(5) Each month the Mayor announces events going on in and around Lexington. All these events are a result of the Town’s Vision Plan which was reviewed and updated in 2017 and again this summer. The Town has stayed true to the Guiding Principles and Goals of the Vision Plan which includes “Sustain Main Street and downtown heart of Lexington” and “Sustain Lexington’s Sense of Community” just to name a few. The entire Vision Plan is on the Town’s web page. From the beginning, Council said they did not want the Vision Plan to be a book that just sit on the shelf. This Council continues to look for ways every day to improve AND preserve the Lexington community. The Mayor and Council are always open to citizens’ ideas by calling the Mayor, Councilmembers or Staff to share your thoughts if you think of something that will improve the quality of life for all citizens.

**TRAFFIC UPDATE**

Mayor Pro-Tem Livingston gave the Traffic Update: (1) Construction continues on the new deceleration lane in front of Wal-Mart and Chick-fil-A on Highway 378/Sunset Blvd. Citizens were urged to use caution in this area. (2) Now that the new school year has started there will be an increase in traffic on Town roads especially during peak drop-off and pick-up hours. Citizens were urged to use caution and allow more travel time to reach their destination. (3) The next Traffic Committee meeting will be September 25th in the third floor conference room. Citizens were encouraged to call 358-7273 if they were aware of a traffic signal issue, unsafe roadway situations, or a pothole that needs repair.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS**
Mayor MacDougall called the Public Hearing to order and requested that those wishing to speak limit their comments to five minutes.

1. **Final Reading** of an Ordinance Annexing Lexington County Tax Map #5497-01-027 located at 224 Autumn Lane.
2. **Final Reading** of an Ordinance Annexing Lexington County Tax Map #3420-01-043 located at 311 Pilgrim Point Court.
3. **Final Reading** of an Ordinance Annexing a portion of Lexington County Tax Map #5423-02-004 located behind 210 Parker Street.
4. **Final Reading** of an Ordinance to Purchase Property, approximately .20 acres.
5. **Final Reading** of an Ordinance to Purchase Property, approximately .73 acres.
6. **Final Reading** of an Ordinance Amending §31.02 of the Town of Lexington Code of Ordinances, Enforcement of Ordinances and Laws.

There being no comments, Mayor MacDougall declared the Public Hearings closed.

**OLD BUSINESS**

1. A motion was made by Councilmember Maness and seconded by Councilmember Williams to approve **Final Reading** of an Ordinance Annexing Lexington County Tax Map #5497-01-027 located at 224 Autumn Lane. The motion was unanimously carried. (Copy attached.)

2. A motion was made by Councilmember Carnes and seconded by Councilmember Lyle to approve **Final Reading** of an Ordinance Annexing Lexington County Tax Map #3420-01-043 located at 311 Pilgrim Point Court. The motion was unanimously carried. (Copy attached.)

3. A motion was made by Councilmember Williams and seconded by Councilmember Baker to approve **Final Reading** of an Ordinance Annexing a portion of Lexington County Tax Map #5423-02-004 located behind 210 Parker Street. The motion was unanimously carried. (Copy attached.)

**Scout Leader DeLoach** explained to the Boy Scouts how and why the Town accepted and approved annexations. Mayor MacDougall added that the Town is very fortunate to be able to expand the borders of the Town every time there is a Council meeting because people want to annex into the Town.

4. A motion was made by Councilmember Baker and seconded by Councilmember Carnes to approve **Final Reading** of an Ordinance to Purchase Property, approximately .20 acres. The motion was unanimously carried. (Copy attached.)

5. A motion was made by Councilmember Lyle and seconded by Councilmember Baker to approve **Final Reading** of an Ordinance to Purchase Property,
approximately .73 acres. The motion was unanimously carried. (Copy attached.)

6. A motion was made by Mayor Pro-Tem Livingston and seconded by Councilmember Williams to approve Final Reading of an Ordinance Amending §31.02 of the Town of Lexington Code of Ordinances, Enforcement of Ordinances and Laws. The motion was unanimously carried. (Copy attached.)

NEW BUSINESS

1. **First Reading of an Ordinance Annexing Lexington County Tax Map #3524-01-004 located at 129 Ashley Trace Drive**: Shuai Chen and Chensi Zhou recently purchased 14.47 acres located at 129 Ashley Trace Drive and have petitioned to annex the property. A single family home is located on the site. Properties in town near this property are zoned General Commercial and Ashley Trace Drive is not currently classified. The Planning Commission reviewed this annexation during their August meeting and recommended Protected Residential zoning for the property and an RL-2 road classification for Ashley Trace Drive. (Copy attached.)

A motion was made by Councilmember Maness and seconded by Councilmember Lyle to approve First Reading of an Ordinance Annexing Lexington County Tax Map #3524-01-004 located at 129 Ashley Trace Drive as stated. Councilmember Carnes confirmed with Mr. Hanson that most of the property is wetlands and that the zoning is Protected Residential-1. The motion was unanimously carried.

2. **First Reading of an Ordinance Adopting the MASC Model Small Cell Wireless Ordinance**: The Municipal Association of South Carolina (MASC) recommended for municipalities to adopt the attached Model Small Cell Wireless Ordinance. Small cell request are becoming common across the state. The adoption of the Ordinance would allow the Town to treat all future requests in the same manner. The Town currently has no Ordinance dealing with this topic. (Copy attached.)

A motion was made by Councilmember Carnes and seconded by Councilmember Maness to approve First Reading of an Ordinance adopting the MASC Model Small Cell Wireless Ordinance as stated. The motion was unanimously carried.

3. **First Reading of an Ordinance Establishing a New Telecommunications Franchise Agreement with Celco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless**: Celco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless provides “Small Cell Projects” that are designed to boost mobile phone coverage in populated areas. Small Cells “boosters” are usually about three (3) feet tall and are placed on existing utility
poles where possible. Since the equipment will be placed in the public right of way, South Carolina Law allows municipalities to enact a franchise agreement. The franchise agreement being requested is consistent with other agreements for this type of equipment that have been adopted by the Town. (Copy attached.)

A motion was made by Councilmember Williams and seconded by Councilmember Lyle to approve First Reading of an Ordinance establishing a New Telecommunications Franchise Agreement with Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless as stated. The motion was unanimously carried.

4. **First Reading of an Ordinance Transferring a Portion of Caughman Farm Lane:** Mr. Frank Chapman developed many of the commercial properties around Caughman Farm Lane. When Caughman Farm Lane was dedicated to the Town as a public road, it included property in excess of the standard 50 foot right of way. This excess property is where the Cherokee Bend sign was permitted by the SCDOT before it was dedicated as a public road. The sign was recently destroyed by a car accident. The sign must be on private property if it is to be replaced. Mr. Chapman requested the Town transfer a portion of the right of way back to him. The area that would be transferred is shown on the attached drawing. (Copy attached.)

A motion was made by Councilmember Baker and seconded by Councilmember Carnes for First Reading of an Ordinance Transferring a Portion of Caughman Farm Lane as stated. Councilmember Williams asked if the Town had originally paid for the property. Mr. Poole responded that the Caughman family originally owned the Golden Glow Dairy so they owned both sides of the road in that area. He added that as the property was developed it was transferred to the Town as right of way for public road access without any cost to the Town. Mr. Poole stated that the property that was transferred was in excess of what had to be transferred and there was an existing sign. The motion was unanimously carried.

5. **Wastewater Pumping Station Design Guidelines and Standard Specifications Policy:** The Utilities department has been using standards from the Town’s Ordinances which are outdated based on the department’s needs. They have been working with the Town’s Engineer to improve the design guidelines and standard specifications to meet the current needs. Following are several items included in the new guidelines: (Copy attached.)

   (1) Property will be deeded to the Town and will not be an easement which many times causes access problems due to vehicles parked in the easement.
   (2) The required area for the pump station allows turn around space as well as easier access around the equipment.
   (3) A standard wet-well sizing at each pump station.
(4) Canopies to protect the control panel and give Staff a safe work area.
(5) Either backup pumps or connections at each new pump station.
(6) Equipment specified by model, materials, and manufacturer which
standardizes pump stations giving the ability to minimize spare parts
inventory.

A motion was made by Councilmember Lyle and seconded by
Councilmember Williams for approval of the Wastewater Pumping
Station Design Guidelines and Standard Specifications Policy as stated.
The motion was unanimously carried.

6. **First Reading of an Ordinance Amending §51.02.02 of the Town of
Lexington Code of Ordinances, Sewer System Pump Station Specifications:**
The Town of Lexington Sewer System Pump Station specifications have been
updated and changes need to be reflected in the Town of Lexington Code of
Ordinances. The new specifications are attached and necessitate the amendment
of Subsection (D) and (E) of §51.02.02. Subsection (D) and (E) are to be deleted
and reference will be made to the attachment which will be reflected in the Town
Policy Manual. (Copy attached.)

A motion was made by Mayor Pro-Tem Livingston and seconded by
Councilmember Baker to approve First Reading of an Ordinance Amending §51.02.02 of the Town of Lexington Code of Ordinances,
Sewer System Pump Station Specifications as stated. The motion was
unanimously carried.

7. **State Revolving Loan Fund Resolution:** The next phase of the I-20
Wastewater System Pump Station Repairs Project is estimated to cost
$5,100,000. The project will entail rebuilding several stations and closeout of
lagoons and various combinations of pump replacements, wet well lining, and
other repairs to other stations. The State Revolving Loan Fund program offers
loans at low rates and up to 30 year amortization for qualifying projects. In order
to proceed with SRF funding, Town Council must authorize by Resolution,
prepared by Bond Counsel, the completion and submittal of an application to
SRF for the I-20 Wastewater system Pump Station repairs. (Copy attached.)

A motion was made by Councilmember Maness and seconded by
Councilmember Lyle to approve the State Revolving Loan Fund
Resolution as stated. The motion was unanimously carried.

8. **Sanitary Sewer Manhole Covers Design Concept:** At the August 19, 2019
Work Session, Council considered a new design concept for the manhole covers
in the Town’s sewer service area that would identify the Town of Lexington. A
drawing of the new concept was presented to Council. (Copy attached.) The
initial fee to create the mold at the foundry is $5,000. The purchase of the
manhole covers would be standard pricing for contractors after the initial fee.
A motion was made by Councilmember Carnes and seconded by Councilmember Maness to approve the new manhole cover design concept and to update the Town’s specifications as stated. Councilmember Lyle confirmed that the initial fee of $5,000 was a one-time charge. Mr. Poole responded that it was a one-time set up fee and the price for manhole covers would remain the same after the new design. The motion was unanimously carried.

9. **Travel Policy Update**: At the August 19, 2019 Work Session, Council reviewed updates and revisions to the Town’s Travel Policy. The updated policy was presented to Council. (Copy attached.)

A motion was made by Councilmember Williams and seconded by Councilmember Maness to approve the updates and revisions to the Town of Lexington’s Travel Policy as stated. The motion was unanimously carried.

10. **Boards and Commissions Appointment**: Three Boards and Commissions applications were received expressing an interest in serving on the Planning Commission which has one vacancy. Mr. Justin Brown, a Town resident has served on the Board of Zoning Appeals since July 2018; Mr. Ron Fisher, a Town resident and is employed as a land surveyor; and, Mr. Chris Browlee, a Town resident and previously served on the City of Columbia Planning Commission. (Copies attached.)

A motion was made by Councilmember Baker and seconded by Councilmember Carnes to approve the appointment of Mr. Chris Browlee to the Planning Commission. The motion was unanimously carried.

11. **Mineral Springs Road Intersection Improvement**: At the August 19, 2019 Council Work Session, Council discussed the Hope Ferry Road/Mineral Springs Road Traffic Study. Council selected Option C for the intersection improvements with the secondary connector as the alternative for which to pursue funding. This choice includes improvements that were identified in the 2017 Local Transportation Improvements Plan (LTIP). Staff requested that Council approve Road and Infrastructure funding for the design and construction of the Town’s portion of the US Highway 378 at Mineral Springs Road intersection improvements identified by the LTIP with the remainder paid for by future commercial development.

A motion was made by Councilmember Lyle and seconded by Councilmember Baker to approve the Mineral Springs Road intersection improvement plan as stated. Mayor MacDougall thanked Transportation Director Edwards for all his work on this project and pulling it forward because it is very important for the Town of Lexington in order to improve our roads as much as possible. Councilmember Maness called
on Mr. Edwards to explain the project. Mr. Edwards stated that alternative C is improvements that were identified from all directions to take that corridor from its current level of F, failing conditions, to an improved level of service ranging from level C to a D which is considered acceptable. He added that it includes the Town’s portion that Council approved to move forward with a complete deceleration lane that will go on the eastbound US Highway 378 and enter onto Mineral Springs. Mr. Edwards stated that the other part of alternative C includes major improvements at Hope Ferry Road which currently is just identified as well as some significant improvements on Mineral Springs Road. He added that they have been working diligently with local development to incorporate that component as part of their improvements. Mr. Edwards stated that as of right now the Town has permission to move forward with the decel lane on US Highway 378 and a commercial development has submitted plans to SCDOT for the Mineral Springs Road improvement. He added that currently they only have a concept plan for Hope Ferry Road. Mr. Edwards stated that alternate C also includes a proposed connector between Tom Corley Place and Mineral Springs Road which allows the Town a tool as development occurs. Councilmember Williams asked Mr. Edwards based on his past experience with SCDOT and the one-way pairs and improvements at the elementary school, what he thought the timeline would be for this project. Mr. Edwards responded that the decel lane will be a local project managed by the local SCDOT district office, whereas the Hospitality Tax project for the one-way pair was a large scale project and the Town is in an intergovernmental agreement with SCDOT and all that work will go through program management at headquarters so he estimated that it would be about a year before the project started. Councilmember Maness stated that four years ago tonight this Council voted to pass the Hospitality Tax and she asked how much money has the Town received from Hospitality Tax. Mr. Poole responded that it is approximately $10 to $11 million. Councilmember Maness confirmed that those funds have been used for the one-way pairs and to improve traffic. Mr. Poole responded that the one-way pair project, the work downtown, work for Ginny Lane improvements, and at I-20 and US Highway 378 was accomplished with Hospitality Tax, plus a significant amount of engineering for the work that will be done in front of the elementary school and tie into the front of the middle school which includes moving Dreher Street and tying it into Azalea Street. He added that it includes engineering for the big study which they reviewed during the retreat for the Corley Mill area. Councilmember Maness stated that the vote for Hospitality Tax was a difficult conversation but they found that it was the only way to improve traffic in Lexington as Council had to do it themselves without the help of the state or federal government. She stated that at that time they had citizens telling them that it would run businesses out of Town. Mr. Poole confirmed that that has not happened.
in fact business licenses for that time period have increased over $500 million in gross revenues. Councilmember Maness stated that the Town has continued to grow. She added that even though it was a hard decision, it had to be made in order to make the Town safe for the citizens. Mr. Poole wished to add that it was a difficult political decision which took courage and he applauded Council for making the decision they did because we are now proving that it was a good investment of money and we see positive results of it day after day. Councilmember Lyle thanked Mr. Edwards for his work on this project because he knows the data can be overwhelming when 25% of all cars in the county use this intersection so there is a lot to do. Mr. Poole added that it is also 2% of cars in the state every day. Councilmember Maness agreed since she uses this intersection on a daily basis.

Mayor MacDougall called for the vote to the motion made by Councilmember Lyle and seconded by Councilmember Baker to approve the Mineral Springs Road intersection improvement plan as stated. The motion was unanimously carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Councilmember Williams made the following announcements: (1) The Mayor mentioned many upcoming events and concerts to be held at the Icehouse Amphitheater including The Market. Everyone was encouraged to visit the Town’s social media pages for a complete list of events. (2) The Board of Appearance will meet on September 10th at 8:30 a.m. in the Council Chambers. (3) Council will meet again on September 16th at 6:00 p.m. for Council’s September Work Session in the Eli Mack Room. (4) Don’t forget the Lexington Police Department Foundation’s 2nd annual Golf Tournament on September 16th. All proceeds provide funding for needed equipment, unexpected expenses and to pilot new community based outreach programs. To participate call 359-6260. (5) The Planning Commission will meet on September 18th at 8:00 a.m. for their regular meeting in the Council Chambers. (6) The Traffic Committee will meet on September 25th at 8:00 a.m. in the 3rd Floor Conference Room. (7) Everyone wished Councilmember Todd Carnes a Happy Birthday on September 28th. (8) Prayers were extended to the citizens of the Bahamas tonight after such a direct hit from Hurricane Dorian. As the hurricane churns toward our coast, everyone was encouraged to follow all the advice given by local emergency officials and to stay safe and please be patient with traffic as thousands evacuate the coastal areas of South Carolina. Councilmember Williams thanked everyone for watching their Town Council in action tonight.

Mayor MacDougall welcomed the Town’s newest employee, Laurin Barnes, who is the new Events and Media Coordinator/PIO for the Town.
Mayor MacDougall wished Jonathan Maness a Happy Birthday. He added when he first met him he was a little guy and now he is in high school and is taller than him.

NEWS MEDIA QUESTIONS: None.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor MacDougall thanked the Council members and citizens for attending the Council meeting. He thanked those at home for viewing the Council meeting on cable channel 1301 and it will also be replayed several times during the week.

Mayor MacDougall stated that without objection from Council, he declared the meeting adjourned. The Regular Council meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Becky P. Hildebrand, CMC
Municipal Clerk

APPROVED:

Steve MacDougall
Mayor
FOIA COMPLIANCE – Public notification of this meeting was published, posted and mailed in compliance with the Freedom of Information Act and the Town of Lexington requirements.