

**Town Council Meeting Minutes**  
**Monday, January 8, 2018**  
**5:30PM**

**Present:** Mayor Mike Fanning  
Bill Brandenburg, Council Member  
Kim Gidron, Council Member  
Harold Void, Council Member

Leslie Furtick, Clerk of Court  
Freda H. Trupiano, Town Clerk

Mayor Mike Fanning welcomed everyone to the meeting and asked Pastor Joseph Ham, St. Paul Baptist Church to provide the invocation. After the Invocation Mayor Fanning asked everyone to rise for the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Call to Order**

Mayor Mike Fanning called the meeting to order at 5:30PM. At this time Mayor Fanning recognized Mr. Milt Felder for his years of service to the Town of Elloree.

Mr. Felder tendered his resignation effective January 1, 2018 due to health issues.

**I. Swearing-In Service**

Mayor Fanning invited Judge Chasity Avinger to come up and swear in Council Members Kim Gidron and Bill Brandenburg. Judge Avinger also swore in Mayor Pro Tem Harold Void.

**II. Business of the Month Recognition**

Mayor Fanning recognized Elloree IGA as the January Business of the month. Manager Teddy Johnson was present to accept the plaque.

**III. Special Guests**

Mayor Mike Fanning presented Pastor Joseph Ham, St. Paul Baptist Church, with a plaque for his leadership within the community.

Dave Durgin, Director, City of Orangeburg, Natural Gas Division was unable to attend the meeting. Mayor Fanning stated that gas is now available to the residents of the Town of Ellore.

**IV. Approval of Minutes**

Council Member Harold Void made a motion to approve the Council Minutes from December 11, 2017. Council Member Kim Gidron seconded the motion and all were in favor.

**V. Ellore Water Department Report**

Ellore Water System had 21 work orders for the month of December and 654 customers were billed. December's estimated water loss was 10%. Waste Water Plant had no violations with SCDHEC and the water Bacti samples were in compliance. The next meeting for the Ellore Water System will be January 9, 2018 @ 6:00PM.

**VI. Public Comments, Concerns, Information or Recommendations to Council**

Ms. Claudette Pauling spoke to Council concerning recreation and transportation within the Town of Ellore.

**VII. Police Report**

Chief Shawn Murphree presented the December 2017 Police Report.

- a. 8- assistance with other agencies
- b. 3-Alarm Call
- c. 1-Shoplifting IGA
- d. 1-car chase
- e. 1-intoxicated person
- f. 1-assistance wanted person
- g. 1-assist animal control
- h. 28-business escorts
- i. 1-mental health patient IGA
- j. 1-assist motorist
- k. 15-tickets total

VIII. **Clerk's Report**

Town Clerk Freda Trupiano presented Mayor Fanning and Council with the financial report for the Month of December. Council Member Harold Void made a motion to accept the financial report for the month of December and Council Member Kim Gidron seconded the motion. All were in favor. Ms. Trupiano stated that Court for the month of December had been cancelled. Next court date will be January 22, 2018 at 5:30PM.

IX. **Mayor's Report**

Please see attached power point.

X. **Old Business**

Mayor Fanning stated that the renovations on Town Hall have been completed. Also the facts and figures will be presented at next town meeting.

Mayor Fanning stated that Murdaugh and Associates are running 3 months behind on the audit. Mayor Fanning stated that we had complied with everything that had been requested.

XI. **New Business**

Mayor Fanning stated that the new 2018 Town Council Schedule is available.

Mayor Fanning spoke about the Town Policy for postponing or cancelling a Town event due to inclement weather. Mayor Fanning stated that this will be placed on the agenda for next month to discuss options.

Mayor Fanning stated the Town of Ellore Event Schedule for 2018 will be available at the next Council Meeting.

XII. **Executive Session**

None

XIII. **Adjournment**

Council Member Bill Brandenburg made a motion to adjourn and it was seconded by Council Member Harold Void and all were in favor. Meeting adjourned at 6:26PM.

Respectfully Submitted  
Freda Trupiano  
Town Clerk/Treasurer