# Minutes from November 9, 2021 Hanahan Council Meeting - 6:30PM Debbie Lewis Municipal Chambers 1255 Yeamans Hall Road Hanahan, SC 29410

A City Council Meeting was held on Tuesday, November 9, 2021, at 6:30pm. The meeting was advertised in the Post and Courier. The agenda was posted on the City of Hanahan webpage, the City's Facebook page and a copy of the agenda was posted on the lobby bulletin board at least 24 hours prior to the meeting. Mayor Rainwater presided. Council Members that were present at tonight's meeting were – Mayor Pro Tem Hedgpeth, Council Member Sally, Council Member Boggs, and Council Member Spurlock. Council Member Chandler & Council Member Dyson were not present this evening. We had a quorum for tonight's meeting.

Staff members that were present were: Mike Cochran - City Administrator, Courtney Soler – Finance Director, Allyson Driggers – Accounts Payable, Bo Bowers – Fire Chief, Danny Stewart – Parks & Recreation Director, Jon Ellwood – IT, Larry Sturdivant – Building & Codes, Dennis Turner – Police Chief, Gale Dollar – Clerk of Court, Tyler Dempsey – Building & Codes, Wynette DeGroot – HR Director, and Emily Huff – Clerk of Council.

The sign-in sheet has been included with the minutes.

## CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Rainwater called the Tuesday, November 9, 2021, City Council Meeting to order at 6:31pm.

## INVOCATION

The Invocation was supposed to have been led by Pastor Justin Cabit of Restoration Community Church.

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Council Member Sally led us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **RECOGNITIONS**

1. Citizen of the Month – Mayor Christie Rainwater and Lt. Cassie Brooks called up Mandy Brabham. Mandy was nominated as Citizen of the Month, by Lt. Brooks. In Lt. Brooks submission, she stated that Mandy has volunteered in numerous ways; two years ago, she assisted the Police Department with their National Night Out event. During Christmas, Mandy adopts families, so that children don't have to go without Christmas presents. She is an active member of the Hanahan Booster Club. Mandy also spearheaded her community group at Restoration Community Church to adopt the Police Department for a year. During that year, they prayed for the Police Department and met with them once a month, providing snacks, drinks, and dinners. Additionally, they helped collect socks and blankets for the Police Department to give to the homeless, as that was a request they had. Notably, in September, we had a member of

the Police Department lose his grandson in a tragic accident. Mandy brought our Officer food and continued to ask what she could do to help. She organized an entire dinner for the Officer's 35 family members to be held at the church, after the service. Mandy continuously goes above and beyond in serving our community and the selfless act of helping one of our Officers, which essentially helped all of our Officers in such a sad time, deserves recognition for her graciousness. A certificate of appreciation and a gift card was presented, and pictures were taken with Council.

- 2. Employee of the Month Mayor Rainwater asked for Police Chief Turner to come up as they recognized the November 2021 Employee of the Month, Officer Shawn Padgett. He also asked Mrs. Roberson, the Principal of Hanahan Middle School to come up. Officer Padgett was nominated as Employee of the Month, for the month of November by Chief Turner. Chief Turner stated that Officer Padgett invited students from Mr. Graham's SPED (Special Education) class at Hanahan Middle school, where Padgett serves as the SRO, to enjoy some Friday Night Lights on October 15. This was the first football game these students had ever been to, and they had an absolute blast. Officer Padgett bought each of them concession snacks and checked in with them frequently as he worked security at the game. Mrs. Roberson said that Officer Padgett impacts not just those kids that night, but each and every student, every day. She went on to say that he is a valuable member of our community and is the most dedicated and passionate SRO that she has worked with in her 20 years in education. A certificate of appreciation and a gift card was presented, and pictures were taken with Council.
- 3. Small Business Saturday Proclamation Mayor Rainwater asked for Council Member Boggs to read the Small Business Saturday Proclamation, which stated The Breast Cancer Awareness Month Proclamation stated, since its inception in 2010, Small Business Saturday, proudly backed by American Express, has illuminated the significance of supporting small, independently owned businesses across the country. Falling between Black Friday and Cyber Monday, it's a day dedicated to supporting the diverse range of local businesses that help create jobs, boost the economy, and keep communities thriving across the country. According to the United States Small Business Administration, there are 30.7 million small businesses in the United States, they represent 99.7% of all firms with paid employees in the United States, are responsible for 64.9% of net new jobs created from 2000 to 2018. The City of Hanahan wishes to encourage our community to share joy and shop small businesses all season long.
  - A motion to approve the Small Business Saturday Proclamation, was made by Council Member Spurlock.
  - A second was made by Mayor Pro Tem Hedgpeth.
  - Mayor Rainwater stated that if you love a small business, get the word out and help that small business.
  - There was no further discussion.
  - The motion was called, and the vote was 6-0. \*This vote count reflects Chandler not voting, as he was a little late arriving.

- 4. Diabetes Awareness Month Proclamation Mayor Rainwater then asked Council Member Chandler to read the Diabetes Awareness Month Proclamation, which stated, that diabetes is an incurable disease in which the body does not produce or properly use insulin. Diabetes affects approximately 577,000 South Carolinians. Of these, an estimated 127,000 have diabetes and don't know it, greatly increasing their health risk. Every year an estimated 27,000 people in South Carolina are diagnosed with diabetes. Type 1 diabetes is one of the most common autoimmune diseases to affect people of all ages, including toddlers and babies, while the incidence of Type 2 diabetes, once thought of as a disease affecting adults only, is quickly growing among children and adolescents. An estimated 127,000 have diabetes and don't know it, which if left undiagnosed and untreated, can cause serious and costly complications including heart disease, stroke, end-stage kidney disease, blindness, amputation and death. Treatments used to manage diabetes, including maintaining a healthy weight through diet and exercise have shown to help prevent the development of the disease. November 2021 is Diabetes Awareness Month and the City of Hanahan is committed to helping raise awareness of the importance of prevention, diagnosis, and management of all types of diabetes.
  - A motion to approve the Red Ribbon Week Proclamation, was made by Mayor Pro Tem Hedgpeth.
  - A second was made by Council Member Boggs.
  - There was no further discussion.
  - The motion was called, and the vote was 7-0.

## CITIZENS COMMENTS REGARDING AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

There were no citizen comments.

There were no comments/questions that were submitted online either. There being no further input, Mayor Rainwater closed this segment of the meeting.

## CONSENT AGENDA

Consent Agenda items are adopted with a single motion, second, and a vote unless a request for removal is heard from a Council Member. Items on the October 12, 2021, Consent Agenda were:

- 1. Approval of the Minutes from the October 12, 2021, City Council Meeting
  - A motion to approve the items on the November 9, 2021, Consent Agenda, was made by Council Member Sally.
  - A second was made by Boggs.
  - There was no further discussion.
  - The motion was called, and the vote was 7-0.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

There wasn't any Unfinished Business to discuss this evening, Council moved on to New Business.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

 Mayor Rainwater asked for City Administrator Mike Cochran and Larry Sturdivant, Building Official to come up for the Introduction and First Reading of Ordinance #5-2021

 An Ordinance to Repeal and Replace Business License Ordinance in Accordance with the Business License Standardization Act (2020 ACT. No. 176). An ad was placed to hold a Public Hearing, with the Post and Courier which ran on October 24, 2021.

-City Administrator, Mike Cochran stated that the MASC wanted to streamline the process of obtaining a new Business License.

-In most cities, 25% to 50% of their general fund budgets come from the business license tax, and there is no alternative revenue stream to replace it. Hanahan generates \$1.8 million from this source annually.

-City leaders have little flexibility in raising revenue because of Act 388's millage and reassessment caps and restrictions on the use of other revenue sources such as hospitality and accommodations taxes, thereby making the business license tax a critical revenue source.

Overview:

-The lack of standardization created the new law.

- -Different cities had different renewal dates
- -Different cities had different rates and classifications

-Some cities were not online

-Larger companies that operate across multiple jurisdictions and small companies alike had difficult complying

-Standardization helps everyone, especially businesses

Standardization: New Law, New Action:

-The General Assembly passed the <u>SC Business License Tax Standardization Act</u>, Act 176, in September 2020. Act 176 streamlines the business license process, creating the same process for taxing jurisdictions across the state. The standardization process is not optional; it is now required by law.

-Cities and towns must also update their license ordinance to comply with the new law, effective January 1, 2022.

Path to Compliance:

-Step 1: Convert Business License Year

-Step 2: Review Data -Step 3: Rebalance Rates

-Step 4: Adopt Class Schedule

- -Step 5: Replace Ordinance
- -Step 6: Set up an online renewal center account
- -Step 7: Notify Stakeholders

<u>Step 1</u> – Path to Compliance

- The new license period is May 1 to April 30. This license period is now mandated by state law.
- It is important for cities and towns to begin planning for the license year transition before the rebalancing process or adopting the model ordinance. This will help ensure a smooth transition to the new license year for businesses and to reduce problems because of license year and fiscal year overlap.
- Each city and town need to consider how the license year transition will overlap with its fiscal year and the current business license calendar.
- To be in compliance with the January 1, 2022, effective date of the new law, municipalities need to transition so that their license period ends April 30, 2022. Those whose current license year ends before May 1 need to extend the license period so that it ends on April 30, 2022. Those whose current license year ends after May 1 will need to shorten the license period so that it ends on April 30, 2022.

<u>Step 2</u>

- Review all business license tax data for accuracy
- Make sure the North American Industry Classification System number is assigned correctly for the business type.

The law's standardized class schedule uses the latest edition of the NAICS codes to place businesses into appropriate rates classes. All cities and towns must use the six-digit NAICS codes from the 2017 edition. <u>2017 edition</u>

<u>Step 3</u>

- Rebalance to prevent a windfall or loss.
- Cities and towns must rebalance their business license tax rates to ensure revenue neutrality during the 2022 business license cycle. In other words, achieving compliance with the law during the first year of 2021 cannot have the effect of creating a revenue windfall relative to 2020 revenue.

# <u>Step 4</u>

- Use the Association's 2021 class schedule
- Previous schedules included the standard seven classes and a special Class 8. Beginning with the 2021 class schedule, there will be seven standard classes, a Class 8 showing

mandatory special classes based on state law and a Class 9. Class 9 outlines business types that can be placed into optional, special subclasses.

 Act 176 mandates that the Municipal Association create a new class schedule <u>every odd</u> <u>year</u> to be approved the by the Office of Revenue and Fiscal Affairs and then adopted by every municipality.

# <u>Step 5</u>

- Repeal and replace the Business License Ordinance
- The Association advises cities and towns to repeal your existing business license ordinance and replace it with Association's new model ordinance. The law creates numerous, specific requirements of municipalities that collect the tax, and attorneys have carefully vetted the model ordinance to comply with all of them. This focus on compliance makes the new model ordinance different from past model ordinances, which provided only suggestions on best business license practices.
- Because of all of these important changes, municipalities should not revise their current business license ordinance. Instead, every city and town with a business license tax needs to repeal current ordinance and adopt the 2022 model ordinance.

# <u>Step 6</u>

- Set up an online renewal center account.
- The Association has developed the Local Business License Renewal Center, a statewide online portal for business license renewals. The online portal is for renewals only. New business licenses will still be issued by the city or town. Per Act 176, this portal will be hosted by the SC Revenue and Fiscal Affairs Office.

# <u>Step 7</u>

- Notify Stakeholders
- Cities and towns need to communicate changes about the law with various audiences who will be affected by it.
- It is important to communicate to various stakeholders the changes taking place due to the business license standardization act. How these changes will impact each group varies so we have provided some language to assist cities in explaining the ramifications.
  - Businesses
  - Business License Staff
  - Elected Officials

-In an effort to encourage a complete repeal and replace of the ordinance, we did not create a comparison between the two or a red-lined version.

-The model ordinance was written by the Association and several outside attorneys. We updated it to include the changes from Act 176.

This concluded City Administrator, Mike Cochran's presentation.

- Council Member Chandler asked if we are reporting gross income of business? Larry Sturdivant, Building & Codes Director answered that that is the applicant's responsibility. They will go through the same renewal process. We do not report to the IRS, that is up to the business to do so.
- Tyler Dempsey, Code Enforcement said that we can ask for proof of income or do an audit on a business if we don't feel that they are reporting correct numbers.
- Council Member Sally stated that he believes that the portal will only have businesses putting in their information one time, which is new. In past, they would have to enter all the same information for each city they were requesting a business license. This is more user friendly.
- Mayor Rainwater asked if Section 6C has always read (see below insert) ... and asked if wholesale has always been exempt, to which Tyler said that he would have to look more into that and get back with her/Council. Mayor Pro Tem Hedgpeth said that he thinks that this would relate mostly to food delivery trucks, like Nestle as an example.

#### Section 6. Deductions, Exemptions, and Charitable Organizations.

- A. No deductions from gross income shall be made except income earned outside of the Municipality on which a license tax is paid by the business to some other municipality or county and fully reported to the Municipality, taxes collected for a governmental entity, or income which cannot be included for computation of the tax pursuant to state or federal law. Properly apportioned income from business in interstate commerce shall be included in the calculation of gross income and is not exempted. The applicant shall have the burden to establish the right to exempt income by satisfactory records and proof.
- B. No person shall be exempt from the requirements of the ordinance by reason of the lack of an established place of business within the Municipality, unless exempted by state or federal law. The license official shall determine the appropriate classification for each business in accordance with the latest issue of NAICS. No person shall be exempt from this ordinance by reason of the payment of any other tax, unless exempted by state law, and no person shall be relieved of liability for payment of any other tax or fee by reason of application of this ordinance.
- C. Wholesalers are exempt from business license taxes unless they maintain warehouses or distribution establishments within the Municipality. A wholesale transaction involves a sale to an individual who will resell the goods and includes delivery of the goods to the reseller. It does not include a sale of goods to a user or consumer.
- Mayor Rainwater then asked about Section 12A, regarding late penalties and penalties not being waived. Council Member Sally said that the MASC isn't trying to make this business-friendly and that is his problem with this Ordinance. He doesn't agree with this and would like to know how widely adoptive this Ordinance will be. Larry Sturdivant replied by saying this has always been in place. It was 5% in the old Ordinance. With the tax, we can't waive it.

#### Section 12. Delinquent License Taxes, Partial Payment.

- A. For non-payment of all or any part of the correct business license tax, the license official shall impose and collect a late penalty of five (5%) percent of the unpaid tax for each month or portion thereof after the due date until paid. Penalties shall not be waived. If any business license tax remains unpaid for sixty (60) days after its due date, the license official shall report it to the municipal attorney for appropriate legal action.
- B. Partial payment may be accepted by the license official to toll imposition of penalties on the portion paid; *provided*, however, no business license shall be issued or renewed until the full amount of the tax due, with penalties, has been paid.

- Mayor Rainwater then asked about the wording in Section 12B, she wasn't fond of it either. She stated that she didn't like and didn't understand why we would in essence, double-penalize a struggling company. She said this makes it sound like if a business falls behind, then they can't sell their goods to make the income they obviously are needing. She said we must have some space for grace!
- Council Member Chandler then asked if can change some of the verbiage to our liking. City Administrator, Mike Cochran said that he would look into being able to change the verbiage and will report back next month. He said that he will get with MASC and legal for Sections 12A and 12B.
  - A motion to hold the Public Hearing, Introduction and First Reading of Ordinance #5-2021 – An Ordinance to Repeal and Replace Business License Ordinance in Accordance with the Business License Standardization Act, was made by Council Member Sally.
  - A second was made by Mayor Pro Tem Hedgpeth.
  - There was no further discussion.
  - The motion was called, and the vote was 7-0.

## **Public Hearing**

- Johnnie Harkness 1036 Dominion Drive stated that in regard to Section 13 notifying businesses, the Ordinance states that you can notify businesses, but we aren't required to. Mayor Rainwater replied that we do have a general practice that we do indeed notify our businesses. Council Member Sally stated that he thinks that it shouldn't be an option, that we must notify them. Johnnie Harkness replied that would be great if it is mailed.
- Johnnie Harkness had second question, asking is a person gets a business license in September and another person gets theirs in March, do they both pay for the full year. Larry Sturdivant replied no, it is prorated.

There were no additional comments or questions.

- A motion to close the Public Hearing, Introduction and First Reading of Ordinance #5-2021 – An Ordinance to Repeal and Replace Business License Ordinance in Accordance with the Business License Standardization Act, was made by Council Member Sally.
- A second was made by Council Member Chandler.
- There was no further discussion.
- The motion was called, and the vote was 7-0.

- A motion to approve the Introduction and First Reading of Ordinance #5-2021 An Ordinance to Repeal and Replace Business License Ordinance in Accordance with the Business License Standardization Act, if we can legally strike some of the wording in Ordinance, such as "shall not be waived" and "shall not be renewed" was made by Council Member Chandler.
- A second was made by Council Member Boggs.
- There was no further discussion.
- The motion was called, and the vote was 7-0.
- Mayor Rainwater then asked for City Administrators, Mike Cochran to present Ordinance #6-2021 - An Ordinance to Provide for Noise Control in the City of Hanahan; to Provide for Penalties Thereof; to Repeal Ordinance No. 26-32 In Its Entirety; And Other Matters Related Thereto.

Mike Cochran, City Administrator presented and started by stating that with our current Ordinance, only three (3) such citations have been written in Hanahan since January 2019. The current Ordinance is overly broad and unconstitutionally vague.

The proposed ordinance:

- Adds definitions and more clarity to avoid being unconstitutionally vague.
- This ordinance is the same as the one in Berkeley County that was passed recently.
- This ordinance has been reviewed and deemed enforceable by the South Carolina Attorney General's Opinion.
- This ordinance will give our code and police officers a tool they can use to help maintain the quality of life in Hanahan.

In summary the proposed ordinance will enable our law enforcement and code officer to enforce the ordinance by adding clarity where it is needed so that they can help maintain the quality of life for those in Hanahan.

- Mayor Pro Tem Hedgpeth asked if we will require a permit for fireworks on nonholidays, asking would they need a firework permit and a special event permit, as well, for a birthday party, for example. Police Chief Turner replied that they already do this now. They come in and get a special event permit and they would also incorporate a fireworks permit as well.
- Mayor Tem Hedgpeth then asked about Part G asking what is classified as "normal noise", to which Mike Cochran answered, lawn mowers, edgers, etc. The times of the ordinance was then brought up stating that 6am is early. Mike

Cochran stated that we can offer an amendment on the times, if you want from 6am.

- Council Member Sally then asked about the recent noise complaints that we have gotten from Eagle Landing/Reservoir Hall, he asked so is this now a permit. City Administrator, Mike Cochran replied, with that particular location, no. This would be for someone like renting out the Senior Center. Council Member Sally then asked how someone getting a permit for fireworks different than someone trying to get a permit for a wedding. Mike Cochran replied, one is clearly a business; a wedding/reception hall and the other is not. When it come to the Reservoir Hall, that wouldn't be something that we would approve, as that is in a residential area.
- Council Member Boggs asked what the penalties of violating this are. Larry Sturdivant and Tyler Dempsey of Building and Codes answered \$500 fine and \$588 court costs.
- A motion to hold the Public Hearing, Introduction and First Reading of **Ordinance #6-2021** - An Ordinance to Provide for Noise Control in the City of Hanahan; to Provide for Penalties Thereof; to Repeal Ordinance No. 26-32 In Its Entirety; And Other Matters Related Thereto, was made by Council Member Sally.
- A second was made by Mayor Pro Tem Hedgpeth.
- There was no further discussion.
- The motion was called, and the vote was 7-0.

## **Public Hearing**

- William Smart 1104 Belvedere Drive came up and said that a few months back, he
  lost power and his backup generator kicked in, in the middle of the night. He asked if
  that would have been in violation because he said he thought it was loud. City
  Administrator, Mike Cochran replied no, there are exceptions, and your generator
  would have fallen under that. Mr. Smart also stated that he has a pool and young
  teenage grandchildren that like to listen to loud music when they are out in the pool. He
  doesn't allow the vulgar music and agrees that should be mentioned in the Ordinance.
  No one should have to listen to that type of obscene language.
- Johnnie Harkness 1036 Dominion Drive came back up to the podium and asked when we issue a permit, does it state on the permit the list of rules of what is acceptable and what is not. Police Chief Turner answered by stating for a fireworks permit, they educate them, but when it comes to music and the vulgarity, that gets tricky, as that can go against freedom of speech. He said that their best approach is the educational approach by explaining everything when they come in to apply for the permit (special event permit/firework permit/parade, etc.).

There were no additional comments or questions.

- A motion to close the Public Hearing, Introduction and First Reading of **Ordinance** #6-2021 - An Ordinance to Provide for Noise Control in the City of Hanahan; to Provide for Penalties Thereof; to Repeal Ordinance No. 26-32 In Its Entirety; And Other Matters Related Thereto, was made by Council Member Sally.
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- A motion to approve the Introduction and First Reading of **Ordinance #6-2021** An Ordinance to Provide for Noise Control in the City of Hanahan; to Provide for Penalties Thereof; to Repeal Ordinance No. 26-32 In Its Entirety; And Other Matters Related Thereto, was made by Council Member Boggs.
- A second was made by Council Member Chandler.
- There was no further discussion.
- The motion was called, and the vote was 7-0.
- 3. Mayor Rainwater moved on to our final agenda item for the evening, which was the naming of the 53-Acre Park. It was noted that we had an online survey originally posted, but also made post for those who would rather send an email in with their park name input to be sent to <u>namethepark@cityofhanahan.com</u> which Emily Huff managed. Voting ending the day of Council Meeting, November 9<sup>th</sup> at 4:00pm. Votes were tallied and there were several write-in's, such as Bowen's Corner Park and Tanner Park, but The Hawks Nest Park won with 46 votes. Veterans Memorial and/or Hanahan Memorial Park had 38 votes. Freedom Park was another popular choice getting 22 votes. Ultimately, The Hawks Nest Park won the voting contest.
  - A motion to approve the naming of the new 53-Acre Park to **The Hawks Nest Park**, was made by Council Member Sally.
  - A second was made by Council Member Chandler.
  - There was no further discussion.
  - The motion was called, and the vote was 7-0.

### **REPORTS AND COMMENTS:**

### A. CITIZENS COMMENTS

There were no additional citizen comments/questions.

### B. CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Mike Cochran, City Administrator then presented his monthly report.

- Flooding at Turkey Creek We have submitted for a grant from the South Carolina Emergency Management Division to implement the drainage improvement that were recommended by the Army Corps of Engineers and later studied by the contractor that was hired by Berkeley County Water & Sewer on the city's behalf. The grant has been cleared through pre-approval and we are working on the full application now.
- 2. Downtown Revitalization Comcast reported this morning that they have not been able to get the removal completely done. Two weeks ago, they had projected by November 5<sup>th</sup> but then were not able to meet that deadline. We have been in constant contact so that Dominion can begin the removal once the final lines are cleared. Dominion will be able to schedule the removal once this is done.
- 3. Phase 3 Tanner Trail Met with the COG staff on this and they are now saying that they need an additional \$75,000 for construction oversight for the 16-17 weeks of construction. Their engineering company is seeking an additional \$25,000 due to additional study that was needed for alternative analysis. The total request was more than an additional \$100,000. This was after we were given a total to ask for from the CTC. The COG has unused federal funding that they were waiting on getting before they would be able to allocate any of that towards this project.

We have submitted for the required encroachment permits for the trail.

## 4. Parks Bond –

-53-Acre Park – progressing on schedule. We meet with the contractors and engineers on this twice a month and go over the progress. Despite a lot of rain, it is still moving forward.

-Steward Street Park – met with ADC engineers on this project and they are working on permitting. We expect to go to bid in July of 2022.

-Venice Park – the split rail fencing, and other items are in the process of being replaced or refreshed.

-Roma & Manor – awaiting installation of the playground equipment. -Spell Field – awaiting the installation of the dog park obstacles and the remainder of the playground equipment.

Mike Cochran then stated that if we have an elderly neighbor, make sure they know about our Senior Center. He met a lady a few weeks ago who lost her husband and has been looking for things to do. She didn't know about our Senior Center. Call (843) 266-0723 for more info.

We received notification that our Community Rating System (CRS) flood certification has been renewed. This provides a discount on flood insurance for our residents that have it. CRS is the flood equivalent of ISO.

Red, White and Blue Festival – next year, we will move our vendors inside if the weather is adverse 24 hours in advance.

Notes/Dates:

- City offices will be closed on Thursday, November 11<sup>th</sup> in observance of Veterans Day.
- Senior Thanksgiving Luncheon is scheduled for Monday, November 15<sup>th</sup> at 12:00pm at the Senior Center.
- City Council Workshop is scheduled for Tuesday, November 16<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm.
- City Employees Thanksgiving Luncheon is scheduled for Friday, November 19<sup>th</sup> at 12:00pm at the Yeamans Hall Gym.
- Comp Plan Meeting #1 is scheduled for Monday, November 22<sup>nd</sup> from 1:30-4:00 at the Senior Center.
- Comp Plan Meeting #2 is scheduled for Monday, November 29<sup>th</sup> from 6:30-8:00pm at the Yeamans Hall Gym.
- Comp Plan Meeting #3 is scheduled for Tuesday, November 30<sup>th</sup> from 6:30-8:00pm at Fire Station #3 (Tanner).
- Comp Plan Meeting #4 is scheduled for Thursday, December 2<sup>nd</sup> from 6:30-8:00pm at Fire Station #2 (Otranto)/Virtual.
- Christmas Tree Lighting is scheduled for Friday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6:00pm at the Amphitheater.
- Annual Christmas Parade is scheduled for Saturday, December 4<sup>th</sup> at 10am.
- Staff Christmas Party is scheduled for Friday, December 10<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 at Yeamans Hall Canteen.
- Our next regular monthly City Council Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, December 14<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm.

# C. MAYOR AND COUNCIL COMMENTS

- Council Member Boggs said that he thinks we did a great job honoring our Veterans despite the rain. He thinks that we should look into another venue, like the high school, should we run into this issue again, weather wise.
- Council Member Sally said that he thinks that we need to rebrand "Comp Plan Meeting", because he doesn't think our residents will know that this is open to them. The name is kind of confusing, it could mean Compensation Plan for all they know. Mike Cochran agreed and said that we will do so.
- Mayor Rainwater asked if could see about having a Comp Plan Meeting at the Holiday Craft Fair or the high school at a sporting event. Mike Cochran replied that we had someone out doing just that at the Red, White and Blue Festival but unfortunately, the weather didn't cooperate.

There were no additional Council Comments.

### ADJOURNMENT

- There being no further business to discuss tonight, a motion to adjourn was made by Mayor Pro Tem Hedgpeth.
- A second was made by Council Member Sally.
- There was no discussion.
- The motion was called, and the vote was 7-0.
- Meeting adjourned at 8:15pm.

Our next regular monthly City Council Meeting will be December 14, 2021, at 6:30pm.