

Minutes from July 14, 2020
Hanahan Council Workshop - 6:30PM
Debbie Lewis Municipal Chambers
1255 Yeamans Hall Road Hanahan, SC 29410

A City Council Meeting was held on Tuesday, July 14, 2020 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 Christie Rainwater presided. Council Members that were present at tonight's meeting were – Mayor Pro Tem Chandler, Council Member Hedgpeth, Council Member Dyson, Council Member Sally and Mayor Rainwater. Council Member Hodges was not in attendance. We had a quorum for tonight's meeting.

Staff members that were present were: Mike Cochran - City Administrator, Courtney Soler – Finance Director, Bo Bowers – Fire Chief, Joe Gill – Public Works Director, Jon Ellwood – IT, Larry Sturdivant – Building & Codes, Dennis Turner – Police Chief, Hilary VanOrsdel – HR Director, Tyler Dempsey – Building & Codes, Mike Langan – Fire Department, Gale Dollar – Court, Danny Stewart – Parks & Rec and Emily Huff – Clerk of Council.

Sign-in sheet is included with the minutes.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Rainwater called the Tuesday, July 14, 2020 City Council Meeting to order at 6:31pm.

INVOCATION

The Invocation was led by Mayor Rainwater. Pastor Joe Douglas of Restoration Community Church was supposed to led the invocation, but was not in attendance.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Council Member Sally led us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

RECOGNITIONS

-Employee of the Month - Mike Cochran, City Administrator and Bo Bowers, Fire Chief announced the July Employee of the Month, Battalion Chief Mike Langan. They stated that Langan takes on every project and helps stretch a dollar. He is very crafty and is still able to run a squad. It was noted that he made the wagon wheel lights in the barn over at Yeamans Hall Canteen. They sell for over \$500, but they bought the materials for around \$200 and he made our own. We appreciate him and his crafty ways and even more so, his drive and determination for the Fire Department. He was awarded with a certificate and \$25 gift card.

-Citizen of the Month – Mike Cochran, City Administrator then announced the July Citizen of the Month, Jesus Martinez.

Mike said that Jesus came to him, wanting to help and volunteer at the Food Truck Park barn. Not many people come to you, to volunteer their time and supplies; but Jesus did. He has done several projects around our city and he's awesome. He is always looking to pay it forward. Jesus was presented with a certificate and a \$25 gift card. Pictures were taken with his family and Council.

-Swearing in – Mayor Rainwater introduced our new part time Judge, Mary Vosburgh. The position of Associate Judge was vacated earlier this year, with the retirement of longtime Associate Municipal Judge Mark Stokes. Mary is a long-time resident of Hanahan with her family. Her full-time legal work is in the capacity as staff attorney for One80 Place in Charleston, where she represents homeless veterans. Mayor Rainwater conducted Mary's swearing in, while Mary's young son, Easton held the Bible. Judge Vosburgh signed the Oath and was welcomed by Council. Pictures were taken with Council.

-Placemaking Grant – Mayor Rainwater invited Mr. Rusty Hughes, Vice President of The Charleston Trident Association of Realtors (CTAR) up. She stated that The Charleston Trident Association of Realtors applied for, on behalf of the City of Hanahan, to the National Association of Realtors a Placemaking Grant and Rusty Hughes, was in attendance to present the \$4,500 check to Council. Rusty stated that he spent many Christmases here in Hanahan with the Chubbs'. He loves that Yeamans Hall Canteen brings the city together in one central location. Rusty then congratulated Council Member Sally and Mayor Rainwater who wrote the grant.

-Resolution #7-2020 – 2020 Fair Housing – Larry Sturdivant, Building & Codes Official on behalf of Jeff Hajek, who was unable to be present tonight. Larry presented Resolution #7-2020 - 2020 Fair Housing and said that it is a requirement from HUD. It states that the city does not discriminate in any fashion. Larry noted that this is typically done in April, but due to COVID-19, it was postponed until tonight. Larry then read the Resolution, which stated the City of Hanahan desires that all its citizens be afforded the opportunity to attain a decent, safe, and sound living environment; and the City of Hanahan rejects discrimination on the basis of race, religion, color, sex, national origin, disability, and/or familial status in the sale, rental, or provision of other housing services.

- *A motion to approve Resolution #7-2020 – 2020 Fair Housing, was made by Council Member Sally.*
- *A second was made by Mayor Pro Tem Chandler.*
- *There was no discussion.*
- *The motion was called, and the vote was 5-0. *NOTE: This vote reflects one less vote than usual, as Council Member Hodges was absent.*

CITIZENS COMMENTS REGARDING AGENDA ITEM ONLY

The Mayor opened the meeting for Citizens comments regarding Agenda items only.

-Jean Lauver – 1061 Stonehenge Drive took the podium and started by saying that she wasn't planning on coming tonight and she is not happy that there wasn't advance notice about this topic (referring to the Bond Referendum). She said that when she and her husband bought their home, they were able to make some amendments along the way, and she feels that we should do the same with the parks. She went on to say that we don't need to do it all and she just doesn't understand \$13.9 million on this project during a pandemic. She doesn't think we should do it. Jean then said that she also has an issue with the food truck park. She thinks it is an eyesore and the painted doors aren't helping.

-Jonnie Harkness – 1036 Dominion Drive then took the podium and said that when the city had all of that land, we had impact fees. He said to put an expense like this on our city is burdensome, especially with financial hardships that many may be facing. He then said that we have parks that are already dilapidated, that we don't take care of. If we can't maintain them, it should be bulldozed and flattened.

-Dan Owens – 1310 King Fisher was next to take the podium and he opened by saying that since he started a lot of this, he feels he should say a few things. He wasn't trying to cause commotion; he simply was trying to state that since we are in a pandemic, that perhaps now isn't the best time to go about this. He just doesn't feel that now is the time.

There being no further input, the Mayor 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 July 14, 2020 Consent Agenda were:

1. Approval of the Minutes from the June 9, 2020 City Council Meeting
2. Approval of the Minutes from the June 23, 2020 Council Workshop
3. Approval of the Minutes from the June 26, 2020 Emergency Council Meeting
4. Approval of the Minutes from the July 1, 2020 Emergency Council Meeting

- *A motion to approve the items on the July 14, 2020 Consent Agenda, was made by Council Member Hedgpeth.*
- *A second was made by Council Member Sally.*
- *There was no discussion.*
- *The motion was called, and the vote was 5-0.*

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Larry Sturdivant was invited back up by Mayor Rainwater for the Second Reading of **Ordinance #7-2020** - Amend Zoning Map – TMS numbers 266-13-00-053, 266-13-00-052, 266-13-00-051, 266-13-00-50, 266-13-00-49, 266-13-00-048, 265-03-00-029, 265-07-05-066, 265-07-05-065, 265-07-05-061, 265-07-05-060, 265-07-05-059, 265-07-05-058, 265-07-05-057, 265-07-05-056, 265-07-05-055, 265-07-05-054, 265-07-05-053, 265-07-05-052, 251-12-00-073, 251-12-01-014, 251-12-01-017, 251-12-01-016, 251-12-01-004, 251-12-01-002, 251-12-01-007, 251-12-01-010, 251-12-01-005, 251-12-01-011, 251-12-01-008, 251-12-01-001, 251-12-01-006, 251-12-01-009, 251-12-01-015, 251-12-01-013, 251-12-01-012, 265-11-07-039, 265-11-07-030, 265-11-07-031, 265-11-07-032, 265-11-07-033, 265-11-07-034, 265-11-07-035, 265-11-07-036, 265-11-07-037, 265-11-07-038.

Larry had a PowerPoint slideshow ready to show, that Jeff Hajek had prepared. He stated the rezoning of RM-N properties was initiated by the City; all properties currently being proposed for rezoning are zoned as RM (Multifamily). The Ordinance, Multifamily Residential-Neighborhood (RM-N), was created to allow the City to accommodate for population growth, as well as respect the character of adjacent lower-density districts (i.e. single-family, etc.). It was also created in order to be update the existing RM ordinance, which restricted potential development/redevelopment. Larry said this was a two-step process: 1. Amend the Zoning Ordinance - which was completed in March 2020 and 2. Amend the Zoning Map – they are currently in this phase. Larry stated the process started back in December 2019.

Larry showed a slide referencing Forest Cove Apartments and stated:

- Existing (non-conforming): 207 Units
- 2008 RM Ordinance: 44 Units
- Potential Units with New RM-N Ordinance: 92 Units

Larry then showed a slide referencing Sedgefield Apartments and stated:

- Existing (non-conforming): 95 Units
- 2008 RM Ordinance: 52 Units
- Potential Units with New RM-N Ordinance: 107 Units

- Mayor Pro Tem Chandler said so you are saying it is 207 units now and it would go to 92 units. Larry replied it is non-conforming. – Definition: A nonconforming use is a use of property that was allowed under the zoning regulations at the time the use was established but which, because of subsequent changes in those regulations, is no longer a permitted use – Source: <http://mrsc.org/Home/Explore-Topics/Planning/Development-Regulations/Nonconforming-Uses-Structures-and-Lots-Regulation.aspx#:~:text=A%20nonconforming%20use%20is%20a,no%20longer%20a%20permitted%20use.&text=State%20law%20does%20not%20regulate%20nonconforming%20uses%2C%20structures%2C%20or%20lots.>)
- Mayor Pro Tem Chandler said Forest Cove Apartments would be non-conforming but for Sedgefield Apartments, this means that they could add. Larry replied that Forest Cove can't build anything, they would still be non-conforming, unless they bulldozed it and rebuilt.
- Mayor Pro Tem Chandler then asked if people who live in these areas already will be forced to move. Larry replied no, no one will have to sell their property, if they don't want to. No one is saying that. Mayor Pro Tem Chandler asked about the homes by Murray and the church (Divine Redeemer). Council Member Sally stated that those are individually owned properties there. He then told Mayor Pro Tem Chandler, the reason for doing this, is the reduction in RM.
- Mayor Pro Tem Chandler stated that we may have gone about this the legal way, by advertising it, but it wasn't done tastefully, in his opinion.
- Mayor Rainwater asked if this was approved by the Planning Commission and Larry Sturdivant replied, yes.
- *A motion to approve **Ordinance #7-2020** - Amend Zoning Map – TMS numbers 266-13-00-053, 266-13-00-052, 266-13-00-051, 266-13-00-50, 266-13-00-49, 266-13-00-048, 265-03-00-029, 265-07-05-066, 265-07-05-065, 265-07-05-061, 265-07-05-060, 265-07-05-059, 265-07-05-058, 265-07-05-057, 265-07-05-056, 265-07-05-055, 265-07-05-054, 265-07-05-053, 265-07-05-052, 251-12-00-073, 251-12-01-014, 251-12-01-017, 251-12-01-016, 251-12-01-004, 251-12-01-002, 251-12-01-007, 251-12-01-010, 251-12-01-005, 251-12-01-011, 251-12-01-008, 251-12-01-001, 251-12-01-006, 251-12-01-009, 251-12-01-015, 251-12-01-013, 251-12-01-012, 265-11-07-039, 265-11-07-030, 265-11-07-031, 265-11-07-032, 265-11-07-033, 265-11-07-034, 265-11-07-035, 265-11-07-036, 265-11-07-037, 265-11-07-038, was made by Council Member Sally.*
- *A second was made by Council Member Hedgpeth.*
- *There was no discussion.*
- *The motion was called, and the vote was 4-1 (Chandler).*

NEW BUSINESS

1. Mike Cochran, City Administrator came back up for the Introduction and First Reading of Ordinance #9-2020 – Bond Referendum. Mike went over the park needs for each park and he said the challenge is how do we get all of this done. The site work alone was \$4.2 million; it is all so expensive. When you deal with a park that has been platted out, it is even more expensive, which is why we thought to bond it out. Mike said that bonding is like financing for the city. He went on to say that interest rates are incredibly low (2% range) and the demand for fields is huge right now and will be even more so come Daylight Savings time. Construction rates will only go up, currently they are pretty low. Mike Cochran said that bonding allows residents to play on these fields now and pay for it over time. Mike ran down the parks and ideas in mind for each:

53-Acre Park – Years in the making. We are under contract with Federal Government and partnered with BCSD.

Steward Street – It's the old Public Works and it is an eyesore at the moment, but there are structures that are already out there, that we can use, i.e. birthday parties, one will even be offices for park staff. We plan to add a pavilion with bathroom, warming kitchen, and fireplace. Multipurpose room with office and restrooms. We would add some playground equipment and a kayak launch/fish/floating dock, walking trails and picnic tables.

Loftis Field & Spell Field – the field lighting has been inoperable for 15+ years, the fields aren't irrigated, the fencing is old, broken and needs repair. Spell Field tennis courts needs resurfacing. Loftis bathrooms are inoperable. The plans for these two (2) fields are adding shade structure (Spell), swings and playground equipment (Spell), new black vinyl fencing (Spell & Loftis), LED field lights (Spell & Loftis), Bermuda sod/ clay/ sand (Spell & Loftis), irrigation (Spell & Loftis) and resurfacing tennis court (Spell).

Venus Court Park & Roma Road Park – the park is only 5-6 years old and it is a great park already, we just need to add some swings for the children. For a relatively minimal costs, we could really utilize this area. Plans are to add some swings/ playground equipment.

Bettis Boat Landing Boardwalk/ Amphitheater Boardwalk –

53-Acre Park – \$11.5 million – a huge chunk of the \$13.9 million bond is the 53-Acre Park. 2.25% interest rate, market the bond, 20-year loan. We don't have to borrow all of the money at once, we can borrow as we go.

\$13,438,000 20-year loan/ \$838,849 annual payment (2.25%)
 Value of a Mill = \$84,857

9.9 Mills	Hanahan Bond	assessed value	0.0099
	100,000 House 4%	\$ 4,000	\$39.60
	200,000 House 4%	\$ 8,000	\$79.20
	300,000 House 4%	\$ 12,000	\$118.80
	400,000 House 4%	\$ 16,000	\$158.40
	250,000 House 6%	\$ 15,000	\$148.50

Mayor Rainwater spoke next and said, I want you all to think about your Parks and Recreation time. This is where a lot of our memories are made, through the parks and our Rec Department. Mayor Rainwater said that she remembers when she started a year ago, while out on the tour of the City, she remembered hearing the barking dogs and seeing the rundown Public Works building and she thought, how do the dogs have the best view of the city. She said she saw the vision then; it's a beautiful area and she wants to take advantage of the all-time low interest rates; they are at a historical low right now and construction rates are also very low right now. Mayor Rainwater said that when we think about waiting, we know that the costs will be going up. Mayor Rainwater said this would be like a mortgage. We can only use it on Capital projects – they have to add value to the city. Mayor Rainwater then reiterated that we are not making the decision tonight on our own. This will go on the November ballot for y'all (residents) to vote on. Additionally, in two (2) weeks we plan to hold a Public Input session. Mayor Rainwater said that we want y'all to vote, not us. Mayor Rainwater then went on to say that we have done a ton of research and we are in a contract with BCSD for 2-3 years. We were given this land. We looked at what our city needs now and what it may need in twenty (20) years. We've already placed a hold on somethings and saved that space for future needs. Mayor Rainwater wrapped up her speech by asking residents, what will this mean to you and your family. What memories will you make. We are asking the City to dream with us on this park. This is our plan, YOU decide.

- A motion to go into a Public Hearing to discuss Ordinance #9-2020 – Bond Referendum was made by Council Member Sally.
- A second was made by Council Member Hedgpeth.
- There was no discussion.
- The motion was called, and the vote was 5-0.

PUBLIC HEARING –

-Johnnie Harkness - 1036 Dominion Drive – came up to the podium and stated that SC is already a high-tax state. We're maxed out. He stated that we can't even provide essential services already, i.e. trash and y'all want to add even more of a burden. Mr. Harkness then said that construction rates are not low, that is not true. He said that the community doesn't need anymore taxes; that would put us at the highest rate in SC. Mr. Harkness finished by stating that we are bankrupting the community and the community can't handle it.

-Jean Lauver – 1061 Stonehenge Drive – took the podium again and said that she had two (2) questions. All she's heard about tonight is that the Council has had workshop after workshop and meeting after meeting, like we've just been working so hard, but she wanted to know why they (the residents) didn't know anything about all of these workshops and meetings. Council Member Sally replied to her by stating that all of our meetings and workshops are indeed posted online as well as published in The Post and Courier newspaper. Jean's next question was why the park can't be done incrementally, she doesn't understand why we have to do it all at once, it's just too expensive and it's not the time. Council Member Sally answered her question by saying that we have looked at scaling back the 53-Acre Park. He stated that we are under contract because our schools need facilities; BCSD needs tennis courts because there aren't any courts for Hanahan schools. He went on to say that our needs are grass soccer fields, we desperately need this. Council Member Sally said that it wasn't feasible to graze only one area, as most of the costs is just developing the dirt alone and that is where BCSD is pitching in and helping. We have already scaled back on this project. We aren't doing everything at once or even everything that we originally envisioned. Jean then asked when the Federal Government put restrictions on this, when did the two (2) years start and how much of the development must be done before we have committed our part. Council Member Sally said he wasn't sure when the two (2) years started. Ms. Jean then stated that she would vote on the bond if it was for a firetruck since we don't own one. Council Member Sally said that he wasn't sure where she was getting her information, but it was incorrect. We do own a firetruck, in fact, we own five (5) he said.

-Hilary VanOrsdel – Coopers Hawk then came up to the podium and said that she is City of Hanahan staff as well as a Hanahan resident. She said that she has a 5 and 6-year-old and she loves the vision of the park. Hilary said, from a person who grew up in athletics, she loves the idea and she thanked the council for working so hard on this project and for letting them (the residents) get to vote on this and them not doing it on their own.

There were no further comments/questions.

- *A motion to close the Public Hearing was made by Council Member Sally.*
 - *A second was made by Council Member Hedgpeth.*
 - *There was no discussion.*
 - *The motion was called, and the vote was 5-0.*
- Council Member Sally stated that for the Public Input meeting two (2) weeks from tonight, that he would like for there to be an email option for residents to send their input to, for those who don't want to come due to COVID and/or those who can't attend. City Administrator Mike Cochran said that we would make sure that is set up.
 - Mayor Rainwater said that she would like to add to Exhibit A – she encourages residents to give additional input for other parks, citywide.
- *A motion to approve the First Reading, Introduction and Public Hearing for Ordinance #9-2020 – Bond Referendum was made by Council Member Sally.*
 - *A second was made by Council Member Hedgpeth.*
 - *There was no discussion.*
 - *The motion was called, and the vote was 5-0.*

2. Larry Sturdivant, Building and Codes Official came back up for the Planning Commissioner appointment. Larry introduced Mr. Earl Gurley. He stated that Mr. Gurley works for the City of Charleston, served as Fire Marshall in DC. Larry said that he will bring a good aspect to the Planning Commission as well as some diversity. He said Mr. Gurley has a lot of knowledge and it was unanimous. He will serve a 4-year term. Larry asked Mr. Gurley to introduce himself and he jokingly said that Larry already said everything he would have said. Mr. Gurley said that he and his wife Jessie, moved from Washington, DC two (2) years ago. He is now employed with the City of Charleston. He stated that it is totally different than up North – it's a much slower pace, we are more relaxed and friendlier. He then stated that they have two (2) children and three (3) grands back in DC. He finished by stating that he hopes that he can fill the large shoes that were left for him. Pictures were taken with Council.

- *A motion to approve the appointment of Earl Gurley to the Planning Commission Board was made by Council Member Sally.*
- *A second was made by Mayor Pro Tem Chandler.*
- *There was no discussion.*
- *The motion was called, and the vote was 5-0.*

REPORTS AND COMMENTS:

A. CITIZENS COMMENTS

-Rosemarie Williams – 5748 Corner Avenue – took the podium and stated that she is retired from Joint Base and she bought a flip house on Corner Avenue, which she has been busy on. Prior to her house on Corner Avenue, she lived in the apartments in Tanner. She stated that she has done a ton of work in their yard and one of her main complaints is the brown trash that has been on the ground for a year. She said that she wrote a complaint last year about the brown trash and the yard trash and never heard back; she's not even sure if we received the complaint. Ms. Williams then stated that just last week there was an issue on her street and there were some police officers out there, so she brought up the issue with the police while they were out there. She went on to say that she sometimes hosts lunch after church, but she is embarrassed with trash. She said that the trash never leaves completely; there is always some that is left behind, and she doesn't understand why. Ms. Williams then went on to read the City's own Ordinance on trash. She said that it is a health risk and aesthetically, it just looks bad. Additionally, she stated that she worries about her grand puppy being injured from something in the trash pile or what could be living in it even. Ms. Williams stated that she knows that they are considered low-income on their end, but that shouldn't be an issue, we should all matter, equally. Public Works Director Joe Gill stated that he is aware of some of the trash, as some of it isn't bagged or it is chemicals, which they can't take. Ms. Williams said no sir, it is brown trash, not chemicals. Joe Gill then said that it is often the result of a move out, where someone moved out and left their trash, but he will go look at it tomorrow.

-Johnnie Harkness – 1036 Dominion Drive – returned to the podium to piggy-back off what Ms. Williams just said. He stated that they (Ms. Williams) trimmed their trees and put the limbs out and they are still there. The limbs are still sitting in her yard, a month or so later. Council Member Sally chimed in and asked Ms. Williams if the trash she was referring to was in her yard, because he thought she said it was across the street from her home. Ms. Williams answered by stating the limbs are in her yard and the trash pile is across the street, on the trailer-park side. Mr. Harkness continued by stating that it looks like a squat meet and it is ridiculous. He said that he has been coming here since March about this trash. He said that it was put out there from someone on Dorchester Road. Mr. Harkness said that he saw someone dump a couch there and he chased the truck down and the Police Department made the guy come back and pick up the items he dumped, but he wasn't fined anything. He just doesn't understand it. Council Member Hedgpeth asked if there is anyway that we can get a report back from Public Works, in a week or less, as to why this can't be done. It's been going on for long enough. Mr. Harkness went on to say that the limbs are still there on his mother's property from last year. The pictures that were taken were trickery; they got down low to take the pictures. It's not next to any guidewires. He shouldn't have to go through this.

-Mark Smith – 135 Pier View Street Daniel Island – introduced himself as the highest vote winner for District 99 and two (2) weeks later, he had to run again, and won. He thanked everyone who voted for him. Mr. Smith stated that he will now run in the General Election. He said that he doesn't need another job and he certainly doesn't need another meeting to sit in; he has sat in a seat for Mt. Pleasant and said to our Council, that it is a hard job and it is never ending. He appreciates our Council and said that he will not be a stranger to Hanahan. He closed by thanking everyone again who voted for him. Mayor Pro Tem Chandler said that he wishes to make a request, should Mark Smith win. The request is that we are still waiting for Railroad Avenue. This is major priority for us and is a huge safety issue as well. Mark Smith replied that he will make it a priority.

- ... Martinez – 1139 Mount Batten Drive – this young lady (first name unknown and she didn't sign in on the sheet) came to the podium and asked what happened to the houses that was on the property of the Canteen. She stated that she has worried about them. Council Member Sally said that the people who owned the property, sold it and we did not want to be home, land-owners. He went on to say that if a private entity had purchased it, it could have been. Miss Martinez then stated that she likes the Canteen, she was just curious as to where the people went who lived on that land. Mayor Rainwater chimed in and said that she loves her heart and thanked her for caring so much.

There were no additional citizen comments or questions.

B. CITY ADMINISTRATOR - Mike Cochran gave his Administrator's report for July: Mike Cochran, City Administrator came back up to present his monthly report.

- 1. Boat Landing Boardwalk** – Bid has been awarded, construction to start soon. There will be a mobilization day (July 21, 2020) where the ramp will be closed for launching of large construction equipment.
- 2. Village Renaissance Grant** – Dept. of Commerce is reviewing a change order due to the need for movement of a fire hydrant. Once approved, the sidewalk work will proceed.
- 3. Flooding at Turkey Creek** – The ACOE is reviewing feedback from Council and will report back. Once the ACOE's restrictions of in-person meetings is lifted, there will be a public forum on this. In the interim, there are some stormwater culvert capacity issues that may provide immediate relief. This stormwater project is being explored as a possible shorter-term solution.
- 4. Downtown Revitalization** – Landscaping has been improved. Streetlights have been ordered. Dominion Energy is continuing their work so that the powerlines can be removed.

5. **Railroad Avenue** – The SCDOT & CSX are working through issues; project is still slated but delayed.
6. **53-Acre Park** – Final costing is nearly complete. The project is moving forward.
7. **Food Truck Court** (*Yeamans Hall Canteen*) – This has been well utilized since it has opened. The Doors of Our Community day on June 20th was a great success.
8. **Ball Field Renovations** – Fields 1 & 2 remain; the rest of the project has been completed. The work on those fields will begin soon.
9. **Phase 3 Tanner Trail** – The alternative site analysis is in process. Surveyors were on-site last week, and we expect that the work will be moving forward according to the BCD COG's timeline.

Notes:

7/16/20 – COVID testing at Station 1

8/11/20 – August Council Meeting and swearing in of new council person

Golf Tournament has been postponed until September 21st if the club reopens by then. It had been slated for early August.

C. MAYOR AND COUNCIL COMMENTS

- Mayor Pro Tem Chandler thanked our Police and Fire personnel for offering a COVID testing site. He said he knows those were long days and you put yourselves at risk, running this. You all did an outstanding job.
- Council Member Hedgpeth thanked the Recreation Department for hosting their abbreviated season. He knows that took a ton of work on their part and they did a great job. Council Member Hedgpeth's son enjoyed his season of Rec ball.
- City Administrator Mike Cochran thanked the motorcycle riders who hosted a BBQ here for our very own First Responders. They were very public about their event and really went above and beyond.
- Mayor Rainwater said that she has received tons of feedback on the Doors of Our Community project. It was a beautiful day, she added. It was a day full of diversity, generosity, and community. The Art Pot got a grant and there has been a lot of requests for other door art.
- Mayor Rainwater then stated that she wanted to remind everyone about wearing their masks, washing your hands and social distancing. She said that the numbers need to come down; Charleston is still so high.

ADJOURNMENT

- *There being no further business to discuss tonight, a motion to adjourn was made by Mayor Pro Tem Chandler.*
- *A second was made by Council Member Hedgpeth.*
- *There was no discussion.*
- *The motion was called, and the vote was 5-0.*
- *Meeting adjourned at 8:31pm.*

Our next regular monthly City Council Meeting will be August 11, 2020 at 6:30pm.