



**Fort Mill Town Council Regular Meeting Minutes
February 27, 2023
6:00 p.m.**

**Council Chambers
112 Confederate Street
Fort Mill, SC 29715**

PRESENT: Mayor Savage, Councilman Helms, Councilman Moody, Councilwoman Cook, Councilman Wolfe, Councilman Garrison and Councilman Hudgins were present.

CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

INVOCATION

Councilman Helms provided the invocation.

MINUTES

Minutes of the February 13, 2023, Council Meeting

Minutes of the January 5, 2023, Special Called Meeting

Councilman Wolfe made a MOTION to approve the minutes of the February 12, 2023, Council meeting and the January 5, 2023, Special Called Meeting.
SECONDED by Councilman Hudgins. Passed 7-0.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Pursuant to Section 2-46 of the Code of Ordinances for the Town of Fort Mill, any citizen of the Town may appear before council for the purpose of providing public comments on any municipal matter (except personnel matters). Those who wish to speak must sign in outside of Council Chambers prior to the start of the meeting. Citizens will be given 3 minutes each to speak.

No one signed up to speak for Public Comment.

PRESENTATIONS

Presentation #1

Presentation of Downtown survey results.

Steve Tolson presented the downtown survey results that he collected from the public regarding downtown events.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Committee Report #1

Events Committee report

Mayor Savage gave a report on the Events Committee meeting. She stated that process' are needed to start limiting outside events that need Town support to hold. Too many events are taxing on already short-handed employees. She stated that contracts are needed that identify who is expected to what so that there is no confusion on responsibilities.

OLD BUSINESS ITEMS

There are no Old Business Items.

NEW BUSINESS ITEMS

New Business Item #1

Main Street Jam Resolution - A resolution designating Main Street (Tom Hall Street to Academy Street) as the site of a public festival on Saturday, March 17, 2023, from 5PM-9PM, in which alcoholic beverages may be sold, possessed, and consumed, and to authorize a special event permit for live music and sound amplifying equipment.

Jacona Hester explained that this is a resolution for the sell of alcoholic beverages and to authorize a special event permit for live music and sound amplifying equipment downtown on Saturday, March 17th.

Councilwoman Cook made a MOTION to approve a resolution designating Main Street (Tom Hall Street to Academy Street) as the site of a public festival on Saturday, March 17, 2023, from 5PM-9PM, in which alcoholic beverages may be sold, possessed, and consumed, and to authorize a special event permit for live music and sound amplifying equipment. SECONDED by Councilman Helms. Passed 7-0.

New Business Item #2

South Carolina Opioid Settlement Allocation Agreement.

Davy Broom explained It has been reported that the state of South Carolina is being awarded \$26 billion in the national opioid settlement stemming from opioid companies distributing opioid painkillers even as addiction and overdose deaths skyrocketed. This settlement requires these companies to provide funds for treatment and recovery services. The Town of Fort Mill is considered a Guaranteed Political Subdivision which means we are guaranteed to receive funds based on the ability to adhere to the list of approved opioid remediation uses. The town does not have the ability to administer these programs. However, Keystone Substance Services located within York County provides 7 of the 9 required services.

York County Government and the City of Tega Cay have partnered with Keystone Substance Abuse Services to administer this program on their behalf. Staff is requesting that Fort Mill partner with them as well. The sign-on deadline for submitting for the upcoming funds is April 18, 2023.

Councilman Moody made a MOTION to approve the South Carolina Opioid Settlement Allocation Agreement. SECONDED by Councilman Wolfe. Passed 7-0.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Please Note: Council may take action on Executive Session Items listed on the agenda when they come back into Public Session.

Executive Session Item #1

Discussion incident to contractual matter with York County.

Executive Session #2

Receipt of legal advice relating to potential claims and ongoing legal matters.

Executive Session Item #3

Discussion incident to personnel matters pertaining to Town Manager annual review.

Councilman Helms made a MOTION to go into Executive Session. SECONDED by Councilman Garrison. Passed 7-0.

Councilman Wolfe made a MOTION to come out of Executive Session. SECONDED by Councilman Helms. Passed 7-0.

Mayor Savage stated that no votes or actions were taken during Executive Session.

ADJOURN

Councilman Wolfe made a MOTION to adjourn. SECONDED by Councilman Garrison. Passed 7-0.

Being no more business to conduct, the meeting adjourned at 9:19 p.m.

The following press was notified of the meeting by email or fax in accordance of the Freedom of Information Act: The Herald; CN2; WRHI, WSOC and WBTV. The agenda was also posted on the board outside of the entrance to Town Hall the required length of time and on the Town website.

Respectfully Submitted:

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Virginia C. Burgess". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Virginia C. Burgess, CCC, CMC
Town Clerk

Approved by Council: March 13, 2023

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