

Town of Seabrook Island
Ways and Means Committee Meeting
February 20, 2018
2:30 P.M.

After the pledge of allegiance, Mayor Ciancio called the meeting to order. Council members Crane, Gregg and Finke, Town Clerk Allbritton, Town Administrator Cronin and Town Attorney Stephen Brown attended the meeting. Mayor Ciancio led the pledge of allegiance and confirmed that the requirements of the Freedom of Information Act had been met.

Mayor Ciancio indicated that he had received several inquiries regarding the effect of the City of Charleston's proposed building moratorium on those sections of Johns Island falling within the jurisdiction of the City of Charleston. The Mayor noted that Charleston's City Council had deferred action on the matter to allow further consideration by Council of the funding and implementation of the Johns Island Community Plan. The Mayor reviewed for Council goals of the plan and the urban growth boundary outlined therein.

Councilman Crane reported on the Town's open house to allow residents to review and ask questions regarding the proposed FEMA flood maps. He stated that the event was well attended by both Seabrook and Kiawah Island residents. Councilman Crane also reported that the Communications Committee will meet on March 6th to consider, among other things, a redesign of the Town's website.

Councilman Crane noted that he and the Town Administrator had met to discuss the possibility for a Town article in the Columbia Metropolitan Magazine and had decided to pass on the opportunity.

Councilman Crane reminded council members that the annual strategic planning session would take place this Thursday, February 22,nd and that Councilwoman Finke was responsible for the next Seabrooker article.

Councilwoman Finke distributed to council members copies of a brochure intended to be distributed to beach goers this summer. Council members commented on the design and implementation of the brochure with specific reference to the synopsis of the Town's beach ordinance as it relates to when and where dogs may be permitted off leash on the beach.

Councilwoman Finke reviewed her latest draft comment letter regarding the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management's five year off-shore oil and gas leasing program. She indicated that she had received a number of comments from council members on the draft and was prepared to make it final. Councilman Gregg offered additional suggestions which will be taken into consideration in the final draft.

The Mayor reviewed for council members considerations that had been taken into account in the preparation of the 2018 Town budget, particularly as they related to the beach patrol contract. Town Administrator Cronin noted that the budget would have to be amended to allow for use of State accommodation tax funds not included in the budget as adopted. The Town Administrator indicated that an ordinance would be presented to Council for first reading at its next regularly scheduled meeting to amend the budget as needed.

Town Administrator Cronin indicated that the 2018 beach patrol agreement was ready to present to Council. One change would be required to reflect the name under which the beach patrol

company is currently doing business. The Mayor indicated that the beach patrol contract should be put on the agenda for Council's approval at the next regularly scheduled meeting.

Town Administrator Cronin reviewed for Council proposals the Town had received for new conference room furniture and equipment and for a new, updated recording system for council chambers. Administrator Cronin responded to questions from council members and was instructed to proceed with ordering the office equipment and obtaining additional quotations for the council chambers recording system.

Upon motion duly made, seconded and unanimously approved, Council voted to go into executive session.

Upon the conclusion of the executive session, Mayor Ciancio resumed the regular meeting. He noted that during the executive session Council had received legal advice regarding two separate matters but had taken no formal action regarding either such matter.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:25 p.m.

Date: February 28, 2018

Faye Allbritton, Town Clerk