MINUTES

GREENVILLE TOWN COUNCIL

Special Session, January 9, 2017, 5:00 PM

CITY HALL, 154 SW OLD MISSION AVENUE, GREENVILLE FL 32331

Town Charter Changes

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Malone, Council Member Kovacherich Arnold, Council Member Joi Collins, Council Member Brandi Seabrooks and Council Member Barbara Dansey

ALSO PRESENT: JC Fead, Public Works

 Jim McCroskey, Town Manager

Clay Schnitker, Town Attorney

 Kimberly Reams, Town Clerk

After prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance, Ms. Dansey called the meeting to order at 5:18 p.m.

Agenda

1. Charter Change – Election and Terms - Ordinance 240 - B: Mr. McCroskey stated that sometime back when doing goals and objectives the council chose to begin with Charter changes. Mr. McCroskey said that he had met individually with each council member to discuss several charter items that each member had recommended and then some that as Town Manager he recommended. Mr. McCroskey stated that he had worked with the Town Attorney to draft ordinances to match the desires of council. Mr. McCroskey stated that it was his recommendation that council vote on each ordinance individually and modify them as needed. Mr. Schnitker read Ordinance 240 – B. Mr. McCroskey went on to explain the Ordinance. Mr. Arnold and Mayor Malone came in during this time. The following motion was made.

MOTION: Ms. Dansey moved to approve Ordinance 240 - B; second by Ms. Seabrooks. Motion passed unanimously.

 YEA NAY

Mayor Malone X

Kovacherich Arnold X

Ms. Collins X

Ms. Seabrooks X

Ms. Dansey X

1. Charter Change – Compensation of Council – Ordinance 241: Mr. McCroskey asked the Town Attorney, Clay Schnitker to read Ordinance 241. Mr. McCroskey stated that he had looked at this as Town Manager and discovered that this council was making less than the surrounding towns in Madison County. Mr. McCroskey stated that setting the council pay rate at 8.5% of what the County Commissioners make gives a slight increase in pay and he recommended that the council approve the ordinance. After some discussion the following motion was made.

MOTION: Ms. Seabrooks moved to adopt Ordinance 241; second by Mr. Arnold. Motion passed with a 4-1 vote.

YEA NAY

Mayor Malone X

Mr. Arnold X

Ms. Collins X

Ms. Seabrooks X

Ms. Dansey X

1. Charter Change – Designation and Duties – Ordinance 242: Town Attorney, Clay Schnitker read Ordinance NO. 242. Mr. McCroskey stated that he felt that the city organization was somewhat disjointed and could be confusing. Mr. McCroskey stated that the charter change would give the council direct line to one person. The town clerk would no longer be a Charter Officer; the town clerk will become a department of the Town Manager. After discussion the following motion was made.

MOTION: Ms. Dansey moved to approve Ordinance 242; second by Ms. Seabrooks. Motion passed unanimously.

YEA NAY

Mayor Malone X

Mr. Arnold X

Ms. Collins X

Ms. Seabrooks X

Ms. Dansey X

1. Charter Change – Election and Terms – Ordinance 240-A: Mr. Schnitker, Town Attorney read Ordinance 240-A. Mr. Arnold stated that Mr. Hardee, Madison County Supervisor or Elections had come before council a couple of years ago to request that council go to four year terms. Mr. Arnold stated that he agreed with that. Mr. Schnitker went on to explain more in depth the charter change. The following motion was made.

MOTION: Ms. Dansey moved to approve Ordinance 240-A; second by Ms. Collins. Motion passed unanimously.

YEA NAY

Mayor Malone X

Mr. Arnold X

Ms. Collins X

Ms. Seabrooks X

Ms. Dansey X

Ms. Seabrooks moved to adjourn; second by Ms. Dansey.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

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Kimberly M. Reams

Town Clerk