

VARNVILLE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

Monday, January 13, 2020 @ 7:00 PM

1. Call to Order

Meeting was called to order by Mayor Nathaniel "Nat" A. Shaffer, other officials present Mayor Pro-Temp Alexander Campbell, Councilman Kevin Brown, Councilman Ronald Williams, Councilwoman Doris Sheffield, Councilwoman Linda Cooler and Councilman Joseph Williams, others - Chief Tyrone Smith and Clerk Seneinka Jones.

- 1.1 Invocation – Mayor Nathaniel Shaffer
- 1.2 Pledge of Allegiance – All in attendance
- 1.3 Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) Compliance – Clerk - Seneinka Jones

2. Consent Agenda Items

2.1 Approval of the agenda – Approved, all in favor.

2.2 Approval of minutes - A motion was made by Councilman Kevin Brown to amend the minutes. Minutes were amended. A motion was made by Councilman Joseph Williams to accept amended minutes and Seconded by Councilman Ronald Williams. All in favor.

3. Public Comments and/ or Introductions

3.1 N/A

4. Unfinished Business:

4.1 N/A

5. Public Hearing:

5.1 2020- Community Development Block Grant Needs Assessment (CDBG Program) Kimberly Mullinax, Lowcountry Council of Governments.

Kimberly Mullinax held a public hearing with the Town Council and Citizens of Varnville In reference to Community Development Block Grant Needs Assessment.

6. Reports of Department Head and Committee:

6.1 **Mayor Report:** Mayor advised the Council that Ed Simmons, CDBG Loan, has been paid off. Mayor also advised the Council of the Town Election. The opening date for filing is January 24, 2020 at noon and remain open during regular business hours until, February 7, 2020 at noon. The filing fees for the council is \$15.00 and for mayor \$25.00. The Election date is Tuesday, April 7, 2020.

Chief Smith Report: N/A

Chief Allen Dean Report: N/A

7. New Business:

7.1 Adoption of 2020 (CDBG Program) Needs Assessment Priority

Motion was made by Councilman Ronald Williams to adopt the 2020 (CDBG Program) Needs Assessment Priority Listing (1) Neighborhood Improvement, (2) Downtown Improvement, (3) Public Facility Safety, and (4) Public Infrastructure... Seconded by Mayor Pro-Temp Alexander Campbell. All in favor.

7.2. William Hancock W/ The Brittingham Group, LLC to present the 2018-2019 Audit Report

William Hancock presented the Council with the 2018-2019 Audit Report.

7.3. American Legion Post 108-Requesting Palmetto Boys State Sponsorship

Motion was by Council Kevin Brown to sponsor (2) boys for the Palmetto Boys State at the rate of \$600, Seconded by Mayor Pro-Temp Alexander Campbell. All in favor.

8. Executive Session

8.1 N/A

9. Adjournment: With no objections, Mayor Shaffer adjourned the council meeting at 8:06 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Seneinka Jones

Town Clerk