

September 19, 2022

CITY OF CONWAY
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
BUILDING & PLANNING DEPARTMENT
196 LAUREL STREET, CONWAY
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2022 - 4:00 P.M.

PRESENT: Mayor Barbara Blain-Bellamy, Alex Hyman, Mayor Pro Tem
Council Members: Amanda Butler, William Goldfinch, Beth Helms, Justin Jordan
ABSENT: Larry White

STAFF: Adam Emrick, City Administrator; John Rogers, Deputy City Administrator; Mary Catherine Hyman, Deputy City Administrator; Jeff Leveille, Technology Services Director; June Wood, Public Information Officer; Le Hendrick, Fire Chief; Allison Hardin, Planning & Development Director; Captain Tammy Carter, Police; Sergeant Steven Pearce, Police; Lynn Smith, Human Resource Director; Reggie Jenerette, Solid Waste Director; Kayla Fleming, Associate Judge; Robert Cooper, Building Official; Rock Rabon, Fleet Maintenance Director; Allison Williams, Finance Director; Roseanne Dates, Grants Supervisor; Timmy Williams, Hospitality & Beautification Director; Nevada Mileur, Litter Control Coordinator; Jessica Hucks, Planner; Billy Thompkins, Parks & Recreation Maintenance Manager; James Friday, Public Utilities Director; Braxton Fleming, Public Works Superintendent; David Haines, Fire; Lucas Partin, Fire; and Alicia Shelley, City Clerk

OTHERS: Hillary Howard, Devin Parks, Priscilla Fuller, and Tammy Faulk.

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Blain-Bellamy called the meeting to order. Josh Finklea of The Rock Church gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The requirements for posting notice of this meeting under South Carolina's Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) were met.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: **Motion:** Hyman made a motion, seconded by Jordan, to approve the September 19, 2022 meeting agenda. **Vote:** Unanimous. Motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA:

- A. Special Event – Falktoberfest – October 8, 2022**
- B. Special Event – Rivertown Christmas Celebration – December 1, 8, 15 & 22, 2022**
- C. Final Reading of Ordinance #ZA2022-09-19 (A) to annex approximately 17.71 acres located at the intersection of Hwy 813 and Hwy 65 (PIN 324-00-00-0036) and rezone from Horry County Residential (SF-10) to City of Conway Low/Medium Density Residential (R1).**
- D. Final Reading of Ordinance #ZA2022-09-19 (B) to annex approximately 0.72 acres of property located at 3601 Long Ave Ext (PIN 324-04-03-0003) and request to rezone from Horry County Commercial Forest Agriculture (CFA) to City of Conway Low/Medium Density Residential District (R-1).**

- E. Final Reading of Ordinance #ZA2022-09-19 (C) to annex approximately 1.0 acre of property located at 3721 Long Ave Ext (PIN 323-01-04-0023) and request to rezone from Horry County Commercial Forest Agriculture (CFA) to City of Conway Low/Medium Density Residential District (R-1).**
- F. Final Reading of Ordinance #ZA2022-09-19 (D) to annex approximately 0.53 acres of property located at 134 Clemson Road (PIN 383-10-01-0009) and request to rezone from Horry County Residential (SF-10) to City of Conway Low/Medium Density Residential District (R-1).**
- G. Final Reading of Ordinance #ZA2022-09-19 (E) to annex approximately 1 acre of property located at 540 Four Mile Road (PIN 326-06-04-0002) and request to rezone from Horry County Commercial Forest Agriculture (CFA) to City of Conway Low/Medium Density Residential District (R-1).**
- H. Resolution Accepting Dedication of Roadways and Drainage System in Phase 5 of the Carsen's Ferry Subdivision (Rodessa Court, Elsmore Drive)**
- I. Resolution Accepting Dedication of Roadways and Drainage System in Spring Oaks Subdivision (Spain Lane (ext.), Capri Court, Campton Loop)**
- J. Approval of MOA with the South Carolina Department of Juvenile Justice**
- K. Approval of September 6, 2022 City Council Minutes**

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA: **Motion:** Hyman made a motion, seconded by Jordan to approve the September 19, 2022 consent agenda. **Vote:** Unanimous. Motion carried.

PUBLIC INPUT:

There was no public input. **Motion:** Goldfinch made a motion, seconded by Helms, to close public input. **Vote:** Unanimous. Motion carried.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION:

- A. Employee of the Month for Public Works – August 2022 –** Williams presented Nevada Mileur, Litter Control Coordinator with Public Works Employee of the Month for August 2022.
- B. Employee of the Month for Public Safety – September 2022 –** Hendrick presented Engineer David Haines, Firefighter Lucas Partin and Sergeant Brian Cummings (absent) with Public Safety Employees of the Month for September 2022.
- C. Accommodations Tax Advisory Committee Funding Recommendations –** Mungo stated that The Accommodations Tax Advisory Committee is tasked with reviewing applications and making a recommendation on how to allocate the 65% balance of \$51,308.85 from the City's State Accommodations Tax, totaling \$103,936.69 for FY 21-

22 to tourism related expenses. On September 6, 2022, the City of Conway Accommodations Tax Advisory Committee met and considered applications from four organizations requesting funding totaling \$44,080. The Committee recommendations are as follows: Conway Chamber of Commerce – \$10,000; Conway Downtown Alive - \$21,080; Theater of the Republic - \$12,000; and the Conway Farmers Market Association - \$1,000.

FIRST READING

- A. First Reading of Ordinances #ZA2022-10-03 (B) and #ZA2022-10-03 (C) to annex approximately 3.95 acres located at 220 University Plaza Dr (PINs 383-14-01-0007, 383-14-01-0008 and 383-11- 04-0026) and 1.89 acres located at 107 University Plaza Dr (PIN 383-14-01-0017) and rezone all properties from Horry County Highway Commercial (HC) to City of Conway Highway Commercial (HC).** Hardin informed Council that the two parcels located at 220 University Plaza and 107 University Plaza Drive are requesting to be annexed into the City of Conway and rezoned from Horry County Highway Commercial to City of Conway Highway Commercial.

Motion: Goldfinch made a motion, seconded by Hyman to approve first reading of this request. **Vote:** Unanimous. Motion carried.

- B. First Reading of Ordinance #ZA2022-10-03 (D) to annex approximately 0.25 acres located at 1621 Church St (PIN 338- 10-03-0016) and rezone from Horry County Highway Commercial (HC) to City of Conway Highway Commercial (HC).** Hardin informed Council that this parcel looking to annex into the City of Conway is located between the new Bojangles and Zaxbys on Church Street and will fill a donut hole. The request is to rezone from Horry County Highway Commercial to City of Conway Highway Commercial.

Motion: Blain-Bellamy made a motion, seconded by Butler to approve first reading of this request. **Vote:** Unanimous. Motion carried.

- C. First Reading of Ordinance #ZA2022-10-03 (E) to amend the Ekklesia Church Planned District (PD) to expand the permitted uses for the Miller Motte building at 2451 E Hwy 501 (PIN #383-11-03-0004) and the Canal Industries Facility/ “The Hub” at 2431 E Hwy 501 (PIN #383-11-04-0025).** Hardin informed Council that Ekklesia Church Planned District is looking to expand the permitted uses for the Miller Motte building and the Canal Industries Facility, known as The Hub. This PD was created in 2017 to provide a church campus including active and passive recreational use on the church’s 8.31-acre property. In 2021, the church purchased two properties, the Miller Motte building and the Canal Industries facility, and increased the church’s area to 21.24 acres. Staff has received applications from businesses seeking to operate their businesses in these buildings but have been denied as the PD does not allow for these uses. Staff recommends approval of all uses in the Highway Commercial district except the following: Bars, Taverns, and Nightclubs; Gas and service stations; Meat processing; Microbrewery; Package and liquor stores; Private club; and Tobacco shop. The Planning Commission held a public hearing and recommended approval to add the list of permitted uses from the City of Conway Highway Commercial zone with the exception of those stated by staff.

Blain-Bellamy asked if this request would follow the land. Hardin said yes, the Planned Development.

Blain-Bellamy asked what happens if the they are sold. Emrick said it would require a rezoning.

Motion: Hyman made a motion, seconded by Helms to approve first reading of this request. **Vote:** Unanimous. Motion carried.

Goldfinch asked if the future land use maps show it as Highway Commercial. Hardin said yes.

D. First Reading of Ordinance #ZA2022-10-03 (F) to amend the Carsen's Ferry Planned District (PD) to expand the list of permitted uses on Commercial Lot B off Riverport Dr (PIN #337-05-01-0006). Hardin informed Council that this request is to amend the Carsen's Ferry PD to allow the remaining Commercial Lot B to exchange the list of specific uses for the sites as stated in the PD and use instead the list of uses allowed in the City of Conway's Highway Commercial zone. The Planning Commission held a public hearing and recommended unanimous approval of the request.

Blain-Bellamy asked if this would become Highway Commercial. Hardin said that the list of uses in the Highway Commercial zone would be included in this PD.

Emrick further explained that the purpose of a PD is to write its own zoning ordinance with limited uses and they are wishing to expand those uses in the Carsen's Ferry PD.

Blain-Bellamy asked if strip clubs, adult stores or bars could go in. Emrick said a bar yes, but no to the others.

Blain-Bellamy asked for a list of uses that cannot go in this PD. Hardin said adult uses, manufacturing uses, things that are beyond Highway Commercial that are found in the limited or high industrial zones. Hardin said it is a little different than the one we just discussed as the first one had existing uses and the purpose was to use for church and children. This is a vacant piece of property that has no structure on it and serves as the anchor piece for the PD, located right on 501 surrounded by Highway Commercial uses.

Blain-Bellamy said she has never heard of Highway Commercial, but not quite. Hardin said that zoning is made up of several quadrants that consist of list of uses, how you can place the building on the site or dimensional uses, and the amenities around it. The applicants are asking just to include the list of uses but keep the setbacks, height restrictions, buffer, etc. as what is already in the PD. The PD has about a dozen uses listed for that lot, some of which are in the Highway Commercial as well, like a restaurant. The intent of the site is for a farmer's market type store with potential for distribution for that outside of the building delivery

Motion: Blain-Bellamy made a motion, seconded by Goldfinch to approve first reading of this request. **Vote:** Unanimous. Motion carried.

Goldfinch asked for clarification and said that it sounds like they want to expand the uses of the PD but they don't want to go all the way to commercial or they would have requested a commercial rezoning, and the PD makes it stricter. Hardin said the reason they did not ask for a rezoning is because this PD has to have a mixed-use component and this is the one piece that is left for commercial.

- E. **First Reading of Ordinance #ZA2022-10-03 (G) to amend the Unified Development Ordinance (UDO) Article 11 – Signage to create a new section, Article 11, for the proposed Conway Landmark Sign program.** Hardin informed Council that this amendment is at the request of the American Planning Association. Hardin stated that the purpose for this Landmark Sign program is to provide for the preservation of the City of Conway's unique character, history, and identity, as reflected in its historic and iconic signs; and to confirm a sense of place that exists within the central business district and in future sign districts; and to protect the community from inappropriate reuse of nonconforming and/or illegal signs. There are 3 types of signs: historic, replica, and district. The proposed code highlights are as follows: (1) Creates application and review process, and framework for future district sign areas; (2) Requires maintenance plan, responsible parties; (3) Allows for repair and restoration of signs; (4) Allows changeable copy; (5) Signs (except historic ones) may be relocated; and (6) Requires 30-day notice prior to demo/salvage. Staff created a list of potential additions to the CLS registry from the Horry County Legacy Business list and a list of other potential additions to the CLS registry. The Planning Commission held a public hearing and along with staff recommend approval of this amendment.

Hyman said he had concerns with the inability to move the signs to a different location due to flood, etc. Hardin said that staff could make an amendment to say that the signs are movable. Hardin then said that the whole idea not to move the historic sign came out of a discussion with CAB as they were concerned about someone taking under the replica idea of someone else's business or taking a big sign that might not be appropriate somewhere else to that new location. If the business moves to another part of Conway the character of that sign might not fit as well in that area.

Hardin said if all agrees staff would make an amendment that signs could be moved away from its original location with CAB approval.

Motion: Hyman made a motion, seconded by Goldfinch to approve first reading of this request with the amendment that historic signage may be relocated with CAB approval, and not limited to CAB district. **Vote:** Unanimous. Motion carried.

Goldfinch inquired about the provision for maintenance and ask Hardin to elaborate. Hardin said that is an administrative level review that there is a maintenance plan in place and there is a responsible person. As far how they are going to maintain we choose not to pick those in as we want the owner of the signage to be able to explain to us how it needs to be maintained and everything put on paper.

Goldfinch asked if CAB would have jurisdiction outside of their jurisdiction to maintain. Emrick said only for the review of the historic signs that are wishing to be moved.

Goldfinch said he would even go a step further to add that if they are outside of the historical district that the CAB has jurisdiction over these signs to ensure that the signs are maintained in a way that is aesthetically pleasing. Hardin said that she understands Goldfinch's point and she added an additional thought when the CAB is involved in reviewing the maintenance plan they can add in there at anytime but the mechanism that is going to be kicking it over to keep going is staff, so having an administrative review rather than a board review is recommended by the APA.

Emrick said there are two issues; one is the maintenance plan and the other is the actual maintenance. For maintenance, the Code Enforcement Department would keep up with that under our existing code and the maintenance plan goes into effect before hand and that the owners of the sign have the aforethought to not put it up and have it get dilapidated.

Blain-Bellamy said if there is some reasonable maintenance plan, is there a piece that speaks to what happens if there is damage to the sign by natural causes in a certain amount of time. Hardin said there is not a certain amount of time but this code makes sure that they are not forced to go to a different type of sign after a storm.

Goldfinch stated that one of the businesses that was highlighted in the packet bears his last name, and for the record he stated that he has no economic interest in Goldfinch Funeral Home, so there is no conflict.

- F. First Reading of Ordinance #ZA2022-10-03 (I) to annex approximately 0.37 acres located at 806 Johnson St (PIN 369-12-02-0022) and rezone from Horry County Single Family Residential (SF20) to City of Conway Low/Medium Residential (R1).** Hardin informed Council that this request located at 806 Johnson Street is being made as part of the requirements for connection to water and/or sewer utilities. The Future Land Use map shows this parcel as Low Density Residential and staff recommended approval.

Motion: Blain-Bellamy made a motion, seconded by Butler to approve first reading of this request. **Vote:** Unanimous. Motion carried.

- G. First Reading of Ordinance #ZA2022-10-03 (H) to adopt the 2022 Conway Pathways and Trails Plan and Incorporate it by Reference in the Comprehensive Plan.** Hardin informed Council that the Pathways and Trails Plan was discussed at the last Council meeting and recommends approval of first reading.

Motion: Goldfinch made a motion, seconded by Jordan to approve first reading of this request. **Vote:** Unanimous. Motion carried.

- H. First Reading of Ordinance #ZA2020-09-21 (A) to amend the Unified Development Ordinance (UDO) Article 2 – Definitions, Article 4 – Use Tables, Article 6 – Design Standards, Article 7 – Streets and Circulation, Article 9 – Landscaping and Buffer Requirements, and Article 10 – Subdivision and Land Development, regarding development and design standards for major residential developments.** Hucks stated that Council asked staff to consider the addition of design standards for residential subdivisions. Based on results from meetings, workshops and the visual preference survey, staff drafted a text amendment for Planning Commission (PC). PC recommended that a

committee be formed from members of the development community. The committee met several times. Since the inception of the proposed amendments, there have been changes made to address some of the previous concerns by Council. In order to provide consistency throughout the UDO, staff has also identified other areas of the UDO in need of revisions or housekeeping changes, to be in line with other department's requirements.

Hucks further stated that the amendment was deferred by Council in September 2020. Staff has since amended the language in the ordinance to reflect that the standards would only be applicable to new major residential developments. Earlier this year, City Council discussed the proposed amendments at a workshop, and asked staff to move forward with the text amendments that were discussed. The proposed amendments included in this ordinance are not meant to include all suggestions from previous discussions and may not solve all of the concerns that have been previously expressed; however, they are a first step in addressing higher quality housing. Staff recommended approval of first reading of this ordinance.

Motion: Hyman made a motion, seconded by Helms to approve first reading of this request. **Vote:** Unanimous. Motion carried.

- I. First Reading of Ordinance #2022-10-03 (A) to amend Title 7, Chapter 4, Section 7-4-12 in the City's Code of Ordinances relative to Permissive Fireworks.** Hendrick stated that as part of a housekeeping item Section 7-4-12 of City Code stated that Permissible fireworks are those designated in SC Code Section 40-56-20 as consumer fireworks. Staff proposed that the following language be changed in this section: Consumer fireworks are further defined as those classified by the US Department of Transportation hazard classification 1.4G.

Motion: Blain-Bellamy made a motion, seconded by Helms to approve first reading of this request. **Vote:** Unanimous. Motion carried.

CONSIDERATION

- A. Consideration of a Special Event – A Father's Place Community Family Fun Event – September 24, 2022.** Emrick informed Council that A Father's Place wants to host a special event and they are requesting road closures on Racepath from Highway 378 to Thompson Street.

Motion: Blain-Bellamy made a motion, seconded by Jordan to approve A Father's Place Community Family Fun Event as presented. **Vote:** Unanimous. Motion carried.

- B. Approval of a Resolution committing to providing a local match for a MASC Hometown Economic Development Grant** – Rogers stated that the Municipal Association of South Carolina Hometown Economic Development Grant is available for staff to apply if the City adopts a resolution committing the City of Conway to provide a local match. Staff has identified a need for an additional Environmental Refuse Facility (ERF) to be located on the corner of Fourth Avenue and Kingston Street. This new ERF is detailed in the City's Riverfront and Downtown Master Plan draft and will feature gateway signage. The estimated project cost is \$80,000 with much of the work being

done in-house. The maximum grant award is \$25,000 and requires a local patch of 15%, totaling \$3,750. FEMA 428 funds have been designated as the source for the balance of \$55,000.

Motion: Goldfinch made a motion, seconded by Hyman to adopt the resolution committing the City of Conway to provide a local match for a MASC Hometown Economic Development Grant to fund an ERF. **Vote:** Unanimous. Motion carried.

Goldfinch asked if the City's plans change, is this grant flexible as to where the ERF could go. Rogers said if it is something beyond the City's control, MASC may work with the City on an amendment.

C. Consideration of Golf Cart Parking on Second Avenue Fronting the Town Green –

Hyman stated that with the recent growth of downtown businesses and events has led to an increase in golf cart transportation to downtown Conway, and additionally, golf cart cruising became a popular past time during the pandemic and appears to be here to stay. Conway Downtown Alice reached out to City staff and pitched the idea of golf cart parking spaced fronting the Town Green on Second Avenue. At the last Council meeting, City Council reviewed the proposed golf cart parking proposal, and directed staff to bring back alternatives that include both golf cart and vehicle parking. Hyman presented 3 options: Option 1: 11 golf cart spaces; Option 2: 2 vehicle parking spaces and 8 golf cart spaces; and Option 3: 4 vehicle parking space and 5 golf cart spaces.

Blain-Bellamy said that she recommends the 2 vehicle parking spaces.

Hyman recommended that the vehicle parking spaces be on the other end closer to Second Avenue and Laurel Street for people getting permits.

Butler said that it was previously mentioned about motorcycles having access to the golf cart spaces. Hyman said this is strictly golf carts and stated that the thought was to keep the motorcycles with the vehicle parking as we haven't seen as much of an increase in motorcycles as we have golf carts.

Blain-Bellamy said that she feels the same way about a motorcycle taking the golf cart space.

Motion: Goldfinch made a motion, seconded by Hyman to approve 2 vehicle parking spaces closest to the intersection and incorporate motorcycle parking with the 8 golf cart spaces. **Vote:** Unanimous. Motion carried.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Emrick informed Council of the following:

- A Father's Place mural will begin next week.
- The water tower at Sherwood Park on 16th Avenue is about to be sand blasted and repainted. A covering will be placed over the tower to encapsulate it and catch the paint and sand. So, expect to see something weird on the tower in the coming days.

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- Comp Plan meetings continue this Tuesday and next Tuesday.
- CHS Homecoming Parade is this Friday. As usual, we will meet on Elm Street at the Vintage Fire Truck before 4 p.m. Please be there a little early.
- Our October Calendar kicks off in less than two weeks with the Downtown Kids Carnival on the Town Green. That is October 1.
- Crews will work this week to install a special padding underneath the swings at Riverfront Playground, which will protect the surface from the heavy use of those swings. We don't know exactly which day it will be, but we expect the playground to be closed for about a day and a half once it begins.
- We've had staff look at 4th Avenue and assess what can be done until the wiring project is complete. The answer is not much. If we mill the road as it is now, it will basically be a dirt road. We will continue to make sure that the cuts are filled and compacted, but we need them to settle before we can resurface. Further, some utilities are still digging them up to adjust portions of their infrastructure where needed. The good news, is that if you drive the speed limit on 4th Avenue, which is 25 mph, the road condition does not affect your vehicle.
- Conway Superstars is scheduled for September 24 at 2 p.m. in the McCown Auditorium at 805 Main Street.
- Tonight, we have reports from Timmy Williams, Robert Cooper, and Le Hendrick.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Hospitality and Beautification – Williams informed Council on the following:

- The Hospitality and Beautification Department is shortened by two staff members. We are currently working with the Human Resources Department for replacements.
- Special Projects such as Fall decorations and Christmas decorations are going up now.
- This Wednesday is Coastal Carolina University Service Day and we also will begin Holiday preparations on this day.
- We will now have an update from the Keep Conway Beautiful Litter Control Coordinator.

Keep Conway Beautiful Litter Control – Mileur informed Council of the following:

YTD: (as of 9/16/2022)

- 52 cleanups
- 255 volunteers @ 568 hours
- 5,252 pounds of litter collected
- Value of Volunteer Time - \$14,893
- Cleaned 12 illegal dumping sites @ 1,288 lbs. (3,964 + 1,288 = 5,252)

Collaboration:

- Conway Police Department
 - Sgt. Pearce

- Officer Prosser
 - Solid Waste Department (Mr. Jenerette)
 - Public Works Department (Mr. Harrelson: Message Boards)
 - Conway Memorial Library
 - Conway Elementary
 - KCB Board
 - Santee Cooper

Future Endeavors:

- Utility Service Day (October 6th GSW&S, HE, HTC, SC)
- Environmental education & additional recycling initiatives in public schools
- Participating in the Leadership of Conway with The Chamber of Commerce

Building Department – Cooper informed Council of the following:

- Issued 896 total permits since April and 138 of those were single family dwelling permits.
- Performed 6503 inspections
- Facilities Maintenance has been extremely busy working on City Hall and the Terrace.

Fire Department – Hendrick informed Council of the following:

- The Fire Department currently has 36 career personnel, 2 volunteers and 9 Associate members. The total years of service with the City of Conway is 391 and the total years of service in fire service is 459.
- The City has received partial award for the Assistance to the Firefighters grant and \$70,000 for SCBA fill station.
- Retirements: Jimmy Hammond – 44 years; Levon Williams – 30 years; and Nate Nelson will retire on December 31, 2022.
- A high-water vehicle was shown on the screen that the City purchased through the SC Forestry Commission.
- Emergency Management:
 - Annual Drill went extremely well last month
 - Emergency Operations Plan was updated in May
 - Florence reimbursements
 - Debris Management - \$211,445
 - Lift Station Damage - \$173,529
 - Outstanding claims
 - Overtime - \$606,842
 - Parks Damages - \$2.3Mil
- Risk Management:
 - CMIT (WC)
 - YTD claims 16
 - Notice Only – 6
 - SMIRF (Property & Liability)

- YTD claims 53
 - At fault – 13
 - Notice Only – 10
 - Under \$1,00 – 12
- Updated the Employee Safety Manual in August 2022
- EMT Class:
 - First ever Conway Fire EMT class kicked off on Monday the 12th
 - HCFR – 96% success rate with previous classes
 - 9 personnel
 - Ends in November and will start class #2 with 9 more personnel in January
- Map with Hometowns: Lake City – 1; Hemingway – 1; Aynor – 2; Latta – 1; Surfside Beach – 1; Conway – 14; Ohio – 1; Maryland – 2; Pennsylvania – 2; New Jersey – 1; New York – 4; Connecticut – 1; Tennessee – 1; North Carolina – 1; Missouri – 1; Texas – 1; and Bulgaria – 1.

COUNCIL INPUT

Hyman thanked Nevada for the great information that she gave regarding the Keep Conway Beautiful Litter Control program. He said that he would like to put the information out, possibly on the access channel so that the community is aware and hopefully will get more involved. He is excited to see what staff has in store for October. His kids thought that the water tower work was being done to make it look like a ghost. The new soccer club, Kingston United, 10u and 11u, hosted a tournament at the Recreation Department and won 4 of the 5 games. He stated that it was great to have other cities here in our area. Hyman said this is one of his favorite times of the year with Halloween and Christmas coming up.

Goldfinch stated that he would like to move in a direction to carve out more time for staff and Council to collaborate on things, whether before or after meetings. He thinks this would help staff and Council by having more dialogue to help make even better decisions.

Jordan said that as a father of girls he attended the cheer orientation at the Sports and Fitness Center that had 200 participants. He thanked Mileur for her information and said that his daughter participates in the recycle program. He ended and said today is his wife's birthday.

Butler reiterated that it is homecoming week at Conway High and to continue to support our young Conway High School students. She also encouraged everyone to support the band. Butler gave a shout out to Tracy Bailey with Freedom Readers as they have a new location and is huge for our young people as they will be sitting in our seats one day.

Blain-Bellamy said that it has been a challenging week, and as she was hurrying over Highway 90 and 22 from being at a conference in North Myrtle Beach she saw the jack o lanterns as she came over the bridge. She said that they did for her today just what they did for her 3 years ago, just something about small things that make a heart smile and she is so happy as this is her time of year. She applauded staff for getting started and said it is going to be grand.

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ADJOURNMENT: Motion: Blain-Bellamy made a motion, seconded by Hyman to adjourn the meeting at approximately 5:25 p.m. **Vote:** Unanimous. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Minutes approved by City Council this 3 day of October, 2022.



Alicia Shelley, City Clerk