The Town of James Island held its regularly scheduled meeting at 7:00 p.m. at the Town Hall, 1122 Dills Bluff Road, James Island, SC, Thursday, September 17, 2020 by Zoom. Councilmembers present: Boles, Mignano, Milliken, Mullinax, and Mayor Woolsey, presided. Also, Town Administrator, Ashley Kellahan, Town Attorney, Bonum S. Wilson, Finance Director, Merrell Roe, Public Works Director, Mark Johnson, Island Sheriff's Patrol, Sgt. Shawn James, Deputy Christopher King, and Town Clerk, Frances Simmons. A quorum was present to conduct business.

This meeting was held in compliance with the Freedom of Information Act and the requirements of the Town of James Island. Information was provided to the public for participation.

<u>Public Comment:</u> Mayor Woolsey asked those speaking on the agenda item for Climate Emergency Mobilization to offer brief comments due to the number of people signed up to speak. Members of the public spoke verbally via Zoom and some offered emails as attachment.

Support: Emails provided attached.

Olivia Bueno

Dr. Stewart Weinberg, Ph.D.

Steve Gilbert

Jen Wright

Bobbie Lyon

Hanna Noel-Bouchard

Mary Bryan

Opposition: Emails provided attached

Margaret Bobo

Diane Shields

Joe Walters

Jim Bobo

Matt Whisnant

Maintained for the record: *64 emails in support. *23 emails in opposition, in addition to a list of 20 signatures in opposition.

Small Business Loan Assistance Program: Lauren Gellatly spoke in favor of the Town passing the Resolution for Small Business Loan Assistance Program.

Consent Agenda:

Minutes: August 20, 2020 Regular Town Council Meeting and September 3, 2020 Special Town Council Meeting: Motion to approve the Consent Agenda was made by Councilwoman Mignano, seconded by Councilman Mullinax.

VOTE

Councilman Boles yes
Councilwoman Mignano yes
Councilman Milliken yes
Councilman Mullinax yes

Mayor Woolsey

yes

Passed unanimous

Information Reports:

Finance Report: Written report provided with overview by Ms. Roe, Finance Director. Councilman Milliken asked about the \$9,000 admin fee re: JIPSD Tax Relief and Mrs. Kellahan said it shows on the report, but it would not be spent.

Administrator's Report: Mrs. Kellahan added that the Community Services Grant has been advertised on the Town's website and on social media. Applications due October 2. Bids for Grant Writing Services due next week.

Annual Department Report: Deferred to October's meeting without objection.

Public Works Report: Overview provided by Mr. Johnson. Councilwoman Mignano spoke that she is looking forward to a class that she, Mr. Johnson, and Councilman Mullinax will do to educate citizens on low impact practices. She asked about the driveway apron repair at 1062 Renwood Dr. and Mr. Johnson said the request is four (4) weeks with the County. She also asked about the Godber ditch and Mr. Johnson said the County has not given a date, but the project would be done. Councilman Milliken asked the status of the sidewalk from Seaside to Winborn and Mr. Johnson said it is in the permitting stage.

Island Sheriff's Patrol Report: Sgt. James gave the crime statistics and the Island Sheriff's Patrol reports. He congratulated Deputy Chris King on a huge drug bust that he made. Deputy King reported that August has been a busy month responding to complaints on Ft. Johnson Rd. He spoke briefly about the drug arrest. Councilwoman Mignano thanked both for their hard work.

Requests for Approval:

Small Business Loan Assistance Program: Mrs. Kellahan presented the Loan Assistance Program for the Town. She said it is modeled after the City of Goose Creek's "Kickstart the Creek". The Town is proposing to provide low-interest working capital loans to small businesses that have been negatively impacted by COVID-19. The Town would work in partnership with the Charleston Local Development Corporation (LDC). She has discussed this with the Chair of the Business Development Committee, Councilman Boles, and he has communicated it with the members. Mayor Woolsey asked for a motion in favor. Councilman Milliken moved, seconded by Councilwoman Mignano. Cindy Rourk, representing the LDC, gave an overview of the program and answered questions.

Councilman Boles said the Town is proposing to fund an initial amount of \$100,000. He asked if businesses do not apply, could the money be returned to the Town without a penalty. Ms. Rourk answered that option would be up to the Town. She said the Town could put a time on when funds are deployed. She shared that Goose Creek and non-profit Lamcey had received federal funds and set it up as a perpetual revolving loan that stayed in the fund. If the Town sees this as a temporary solution, it could agree on the length of time the LDC deploy funds; when it is returned, or when the principal is repaid. The LDC is willing to work with the Town on options.

Councilman Boles asked if the Town could start with a lesser amount to see if there is interest in the program and if there are interests, we could add to the fund. Ms. Rourk said yes again referring to Goose Creek's program. Ms. Rourk said the goal of the LDC is job creation and retention and they would work with the Town on our interpretation. She asked the Town to help publicize the program.

Mayor Woolsey asked Mrs. Kellahan the likelihood if the Town contributes \$100,000 if that money could be returned as a part of a federal program. Mrs. Kellahan said the guidelines have not been released for the second rounds of COVID-19 funding relief through the SC Cares Act. She said there is a possibility as there is a provision for reimbursement assistance for small businesses and assistance for planned expenses, but the criteria have not been published.

Councilman Boles moved to amend the motion for the Town to provide \$25,000 as an initial startup; if that amount has not been applied for in six months, that it is returned to the Town. He said if businesses apply before then funds could be added; seconded by Councilman Milliken.

Councilman Boles said the program is a good idea and credited Mrs. Kellahan for seeking out this opportunity for our local businesses. He has reached out to his committee about the program but has not gotten any feedback, but it doesn't mean it is not a positive thing. Since the program is not yet known he does not want to allocate \$100,000 to start it up. He would like to see businesses apply or we could discuss other options with the LDC.

Mayor Woolsey summarized the amendment is to fund \$25,000 for six months and monies not lent would be returned to the Town; or in six months Council could make a decision to add monies to the fund. Mayor Woolsey asked Ms. Rourk that if the funds are not lent in six months if it could be returned to the Town. She said yes and explained that the LDC is a CDFI (Certified Community Development Financial Institute) that focuses on economic development and job creation. She said during this pandemic their funds have been in great demand. Also, they are an SBA micro-lender and funding is used for advisory services for businesses.

Councilwoman Mignano asked if we allocated \$25,000 and the need is great, what is the procedure to fund additional monies. She commented that the program is good but does not want a procedural issue to hold it up. Mayor Woolsey said this could be done at a regular or a special meeting.

Vote on Amendment

Councilman Boles yes
Councilwoman Mignano yes
Councilman Milliken yes
Councilman Mullinax yes
Mayor Woolsey no

Amendment passed 4-1

Vote on Main Motion as Amended

Councilman Boles yes
Councilwoman Mignano yes
Councilman Milliken yes
Councilman Mullinax yes
Mayor Woolsey yes

Passed unanimously

Tree Work on Dills Bluff at Boardwalk and on Camp Road: Councilman Milliken said the work is for trees on Dills Bluff and along the boardwalk on Camp Rd. The proposal was submitted by Natural Directions for \$3,900 to remove vines, prune, and fertilize. Motion in favor by Councilman Milliken, seconded by Councilman Mullinax.

Vote

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Councilwoman Mignano	7 C 8
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Councilman Mullinax y	7e 8
Mayor Woolsey	res

Passed unanimously

Drainage Study of Woodhaven Subdivision: Mrs. Kellahan reported this request stems from flooding that caused a large sinkhole on Highwood Circle. She said the Woodhaven infrastructure is in dire need of a drainage assessment and this study is a first step towards that. Cost is \$10,000 by Stantec. Motion in favor by Councilman Boles, seconded by Councilman Milliken.

Vote

Councilman Boles yes
Councilwoman Mignano yes
Councilman Milliken yes
Councilman Mullinax yes
Mayor Woolsey yes

Passed unanimously

JIACC Design Fee Amendment – Construction Admin & MEP Services: Mrs. Kellahan said Jennifer Charzewski with Liollio is on the call to answer questions. Mrs. Kellahan informed Council that the HVAC in the JI Arts and Cultural Center has stopped working and needs to be evaluated to get it working. Motion in favor by Councilman Milliken, seconded by Councilman Mullinax.

Councilwoman Mignano asked what the HVAC renovation would entail. Ms. Charzewski said the intent after speaking with Mrs. Kellahan and in discussions with Council was to try to address the concerns about the failing and aged equipment, primarily the air handler and condenser. She said the idea was to try to replace the equipment without wholesale gutting and redoing all of the ductwork and lights. There is now a General Contractor doing some other work and RMF Engineering could work with them to put a price together to review with the mechanical subcontractor. She said this would give the Town the ability to move forward with implementing that work. If that could be done, we could move into the construction documents for bidding and permitting and depending upon the cost, either bid it out separately or make it a part of the prime contractor's work.

Councilwoman Mignano asked if the \$16,500 expenditure is to evaluate the HVAC or to repair what we have. Ms. Charzewski said it is the cost for engineering, construction, and the permitting documents. The Town and County will need to go through permitting because this is a new scope in the project. Councilwoman Mignano asked if there is a plan to patch up the unit to get it working because with humidity and no AC it causes mold. Ms. Charzewski explained the schematic design cost of \$8,300 to develop the approach and to look into the feasibility of how to address this. It is not only replacing the entire unit, but also the components. They would work with the mechanical subcontractor and mechanical engineer to develop the most feasible approach for the system to function.

Councilman Boles spoke that the cost to replace the HVAC system seemed high and asked if we had checked with HVAC companies about costs. Ms. Charzewski explained \$12,800 is separate from the HVAC. It is for contract administration services for the remainder of the interior renovation, but the other components are directly related to HVAC, engineering, and design, permitting and bidding. Ms. Charzewski said some of the fees includes roof and architectural work to get to the units for the repairs. Mrs. Kellahan said if we award the contract to the apparent low bidder it may be something that could be done as a change order or it might be something more substantial needing to bid separately. Councilwoman Mignano asked if anyone had compared repair of the unit vs. the design costs. Mrs. Kellahan said her understanding is if we could replace the unit there is the potential that the fees towards the MEP would not be needed. Mrs. Charzewski explained that the system we now have uses the R-22 refrigerant and contractors that looked at it cannot tie into it.

Councilman Milliken voiced concerns about the Cultural Center and if we have to put in new HVAC that would be an enormous expense. He is unsure if we have enough money in the budget to handle that as well as the other renovations we plan to do. He wonders if it is a good idea now to examine the HVAC aspects and make a determination before moving forward with the rest. Mayor Woolsey said what we are considering is looking at the HVAC to hire an outside engineering firm to give us what we hope is a definitive answer. Councilwoman Mignano asked if no other companies were able to patch up the system. She is concerned with spending tens of thousands on assessing the HVAC system. To her, it is either

fixable or it is not. Mayor Woolsey said we need to move forward and if we get information that the unit has to be replaced it would come back to Council.

Vote

Councilman Boles yes

Councilwoman Mignano yes

Councilman Milliken yes

Councilman Mullinax yes

Mayor Woolsey yes

Passed unanimously

Award of Bid for James Island Arts & Cultural Center: Mrs. Kellahan reported that great bids were received for the project. Ten bids were received, and the apparent low bidder is Lockridge Builders, \$74,800. Mrs. Kellahan recommended approving Lockridge Builders as the qualified low bidder. Liollio has done the due diligence and approved Alternatives 1 and 2. Alternative 1 freshens the back space and Alternate 2 removes the paneling in the front and patches those walls. Motion in favor by Councilman Boles, seconded by Councilman Milliken.

Councilman Milliken said he would like to know the outcome of the HVAC before additional monies are put towards the renovation. He thinks this would be a practical way to proceed and to find out whether or not we will have a functional system before working on the building. Mayor Woolsey asked Ms. Charzewski if we fail to approve the bid, would we have to rebid, or could we approve the bid later. Ms. Charzewski said the bid form requires a contractor to say their prices are valid for 90 calendar days so the first step would be to post a Notice of Intent to award the bid. Depending upon the Town's procurement policy, there is typically a two-week period that other bidders see the intention to award the contract. She said getting ten bids is shocking and it shows the level of interest in the construction market. Mayor Woolsey asked if troubling new is received about the HVAC system what are our obligations to the contractor. Ms. Charzewski made correction that bids are good for 60 days. She said until the Notice to Proceed is given nothing is owed to the contractor. Mayor Woolsey agreed the bid was good and reiterated that if Council approves the bid tonight, we would not be obligated to move forward until we issue a Notice to Proceed. Mayor Woolsey asked what happens if we do not issue a notice in 60 days and Ms. Charzewski said she is unsure if the Town would have to rebid but costs in construction material could increase. She said it is important to know that the contractor's license limit is \$200,000 per job and depending on the HVAC costs they may be able to add it to the contract or it may have to be done separately; either way it can be done.

Mayor Woolsey said it seems our best approach is to approve a good bid, but we cannot move forward until we have better information about the expense of the HVAC. He asked Ms. Charzewski if a decision could be made at the October's council meeting which was confirmed. Councilman Boles asked if there is harm in deferring a decision to October's meeting because we may have the information we need by then. Mrs. Charzewski said we would lose time because posting the intent to award is not locking into a contract; it is the next step in the procurement process that allows the protest period to happen for other contractors. She said a good amount of work goes into preparing the contract and gathering insurance and in that sense, we want it to be a good faith effort. She said the contractor could be told upfront that we do not want to issue a notice to proceed until a determination of the mechanical scope is done.

Mayor Woolsey said the best situation is to award the contract, but we would need to look at the total costs of the HVAC and the renovations. He said in the long run the HVAC was going to give out but, in some ways, it is better now than later. He thanked Councilman Milliken for his foresight about this last summer. Councilman Milliken asked if we needed the advice of legal counsel or is Council comfortable moving forward having a general knowledge. Mayor Woolsey expressed confidence in our architects and Mr. Wilson said he is willing to look into it, but he does not anticipate it being beyond the ability of Council as it was explained

Vote

Councilman Boles yes

Councilwoman Mignano yes

Councilman Milliken yes

Councilman Mullinax yes

Mayor Woolsey yes

Passed unanimously

Brantley Park Existing Dock Inspection and Structural Evaluation: Chris Haynes and John Orvin with Davis & Floyd addressed Council. Mr. Haynes informed Council that they have been working on the Brantley Park project for permitting through the City to get it open to the public. He said an item in the scope of design was a structural evaluation of the existing dock. He said when they looked at the dock, they hoped it would only need aesthetic improvements. When it was inspected by the structural engineer the depth of the piles was an issue. Mr. Orvin explained to Council that the dock was originally constructed for residential use and now that it would be a public park there are additional considerations. He explained for a commercial dock the live load capacity should be 100 pounds per square feet to be safe for public use. He said the railings do not meet code and the structure's capacity does not meet code for commercial use. There is also an issue with the piles that are a few feet into the mud. Mayor Woolsey commented that he was at the site when the inspection was done had concerns about the piles.

Motion in favor by Mayor Woolsey, seconded by Councilman Milliken. Mrs. Kellahan explained the request is to approve construction design, permitting, and additional survey in the waterway @ \$34,400. She said a plus would be if we would be able to design something in a better location that did not straddle the property lines and design a floating dock for kayaking and another watercraft. Mayor Woolsey asked about an estimated cost and Mr. Orvin gave a rough estimate of \$200,000. Councilman Milliken asked about the City's contribution and Mayor Woolsey said he has asked Councilwoman Jackson for her support, but there is no guarantee. Councilwoman Mignano talked of the future goal of having Brantley Park a bus stop and has a problem spending \$200,000 on a dock and no parking. She said this is on dead end street on a busy and dangerous curve on Folly Road. Mayor Woolsey replied that we are in the process of constructing a sidewalk on Folly Road from the park to the parking lot on Santee Street. He said most of the parking will be on Santee Street and limited parking at the park. Councilwoman Mignano voiced concern about spending a lot of money on property that is owned by the City and she would be okay taking the dock out since it does not meet code for public use. Councilman Boles agreed that if the dock is dangerous then we need to get rid of it or protect the public from getting to it. Mrs. Kellahan said if were able to get a dock that is well designed with public input and permitted, we would be able to seek grant funding and would have a plan to present to the City for matching. Councilman Milliken had questions about the cost of replacing the dock, survey and permitting cost but is not ready to vote for the dock until knowing what kind of buy-in we would get from the City.

Councilman Boles said he looked at the Memorandum Of Understanding (MOU) and it says the Town is responsible for all improvements and maintenance, so he does not anticipate the City kicking in anything. Mayor Woolsey said he did not agree. He said if we were to demand that the City kick in something there is no chance. If the City Councilperson representing the Town want this done and offers support for it, it could happen. However, we have no claim to say that the City must share all costs that we undertake. Councilman Boles pointed out that the MOU says the City is the sole owner; we pay more but have no ownership. Mayor Woolsey said the MOU allows us to manage the park. It is a joint park and we paid the bulk of it but have the authority on how it is run.

Mr. Wilson said we have five years to complete construction once a permit is granted. Councilman Boles encouraged everyone to vote 'no on this item because he does not see putting money into the park now as a wise use. Councilwoman Mignano said she most heartedly would like to keep the park passive until Folly Road is developed. She doesn't think it makes sense for Council to invest money to permit or build the dock until there is adequate access. Councilman Milliken said it would be in the best interest of everyone to do something about the present dock if it is structurally unsound. He does not know if we should take it out, but we need to do something to keep people from getting injured on it. He also thinks that given what we have found out about the HVAC system and future expenses we may need to allocate funds towards that and delay this request to later. Councilman Mullinax agreed in light of hearing about the unexpected costs at the Cultural Center.

Vote

Councilman Boles no
Councilwoman Mignano no
Councilman Milliken no
Councilman Mullinax no

Mayor Woolsey yes

Motion Failed

Repair Care- Roof Replacement Cost Share: Mayor Woolsey moved to add this item to the agenda, seconded by Councilman Milliken seconded.

Vote

Councilman Boles yes
Councilwoman Mignano yes
Councilman Milliken yes
Councilman Mullinax yes
Mayor Woolsey yes

Passed unanimously

Mrs. Kellahan requested approval of \$10,500 to repair the roof of a veteran's home on Greenhill Road. This expense would be cost shared with the Repair Care Program. Motion in favor by Councilman Milliken, seconded by Councilwoman Mignano. Councilman Milliken asked the process for people to apply and Mrs. Kellahan responded there is an application process and we have people on a waiting list.

Vote

Councilman Boles yes
Councilwoman Mignano yes
Councilman Milliken yes
Councilman Mullinax yes
Mayor Woolsey yes

Passed unanimously

Committee Reports

Land Use Committee: Councilwoman Mignano reported that she and Councilman Mullinax met with Mark Johnson last week regarding stormwater drainage. She, Councilman Mullinax, and Mr. Johnson will be teaching residents about low impact development practices that they can do (i.e., rain barrels).

Environment and Beautification Committee: Councilman Milliken reported that the James Island Pride held a litter pickup held on September 12 on Harbor View Rd. 9 volunteers collected 24 bags of trash. The next adopt-a-highway litter pickup will be Sat. October 24, 9-11 a.m. Supplies picked up at Town Hall. Social distancing.

Children's Committee: No Report.

<u>Public Safety Committee</u>: Councilman Mullinax announced having a hybrid meeting on Thursday, September 24 @ 7p.m. He hopes to talk about issues he discussed with Mr. Johnson.

History Committee: Mayor Woolsey reported that the History Council met on September 1 and discussed plans for upcoming events: Civil War, Revolutionary War, and activities for Black History Month. Committee Member Inez Brown-Crouch has been selected to serve on the committee for a history display at the James Island Cultural Arts Center.

Rethink Folly Road Committee: No Report.

Drainage Committee: Next meeting scheduled for the fall. Date and time to be determined.

Business Development Committee: Councilman Boles announced that he has been keeping in touch with members by emailing them information. He shared his email address for those needing to reach him.

<u>Trees Advisory Committee</u>: Councilman Milliken said the committee met on September 8 and discussed resources for planting trees. A list of those trees will be placed on the Town's website. A tree of the month sign will be developed and awarded to citizens that plants exemplary trees.

James Island Intergovernmental Council: Next meeting is scheduled October 21.

Proclamations and Resolutions:

Breast Cancer Awareness Month, October 2020: Motion in favor by Councilman Milliken, Councilman Mullinax seconded. Councilman Milliken spoke in favor of this proclamation to increase public knowledge and the importance of early detection of breast cancer.

Vote

Councilman Boles	yes
Councilwoman Mignano	yes
Councilman Milliken	yes
Councilman Mullinax	yes
Mayor Woolsey	yes

Passed unanimously

Resolution #2020-12: Climate Emergency Mobilization: Motion in favor by Councilman Milliham Millinam seconded. Councilmon Mignano said she supports protecting the environment and the climate, but after reading the Resolution has questions about how it would be implemented before she could vote responsibly. She asked about things such as a regenerative agriculture system and greenhouse gas emissions. She said as a Town we are addressing issues about drainage, flooding, and indigenous trees being planted on people's properties but need more information.

Councilman Milliken said the Resolution is not designed to specifically come up with specific solutions to the issues. It is recognizing that there is a problem and finding solutions. He said it is important that we begin to recognize that we have a climate issue and the issues that we face is not one the Town can do alone. He said if enough people begin to do what we need to do, we could reverse the carbon emission issue. However, this would take a massive mobilization effort by all citizens to change the way our environment is being abused. He said the Resolution asks us to come up with a Plan on how we can lower our carbon footprint. He said if a Resolution is passed by other communities (and many have) it would be wonderful because the more people onboard practicing lowering the carbon footprint the more likely we will be able to turnaround a horrible trend towards global warming. He further commented that if we do nothing other species on the planet will die; that we have to come up with innovative ways to do things by having a Plan. He said the Resolution is not about raising taxes or hiring someone that hasn't been budgeted. The position could be done with volunteers. He pointed that we should not wring our hands and worry about things that are out of control because we can control the kinds of things that would go into a Plan.

Councilman Boles responded to some of the comments made during public comments. He said climate control can be a polarizing topic by people who do not believe it. He commented that the Resolution is far from being the new green deal and see it as a call to gather information. He said the preambles are longer than the call to action but whereas clauses are statements of intent. Councilman Boles said he is a proponent of small government because it touches the lives of the people more so than the federal government. He asked everyone to re-read the Resolution because it says nothing about adding taxes or a cost to anyone. He commented that a Resolution is a statement, it is not an ordinance and asked members of Council to vote in favor. Councilman Boles added that after other comments are made, he would like to offer a point of order for an amendment. He would like to share it and asked to take a step down to figure out how to do it.

Mayor Woolsey stated that Councilman Milliken sent a substitutive version of the Resolution and asked him if that is the version he moved for or was it for the original in the meeting packet. He said the substitutive version was not made available to the public and that is what they spoke on during Public Comments. Councilman Milliken said the motion was for the amended version he supplied. Mayor Woolsey said the version that the public saw was there would be no fossil fuel in 10 years, meaning no backyard grills, gasoline cars, or motorboats would be allowed. He said in the substitutive version there is no 10-year date but one day in theory it would run out if used at the same rate, though it is unlikely that would happen. He said that was removed and it greatly improved the Resolution.

Mayor Woolsey spoke to Councilman Boles' comment that he said the Resolution is nothing like the new green deal, but in the original version there is a 10-year phase out fossil fuel and zero net greenhouse gases, a key element in the new green deal. He expressed concern about the language "a call for emergency" and is concerned about declaring this as an emergency. Mayor Woolsey explained what a state of emergency is and when an emergency is declared checks and balances and individual rights goes away. He is also concerned because the Town cannot declare an emergency by a Resolution. Another concern is when he sees climate mobilization, he sees this as the new green deal. Mayor Woolsey said he appreciates that some things were removed from the Resolution, but Council is being asked to sign onto this movement that is not a unique document. This is a call of a movement to demand a rapid change in our economy and that is the new green deal. He said we need to look at the Resolution more carefully and rather than modifying a boilerplate document we should start from the beginning and come up with a plan that we all can agree on that shares our concerns with the environment. Mayor Woolsey said there is a lot of work to do on the Resolution and moved to defer consideration to the December 17 Council meeting for more public input rather than having of a small number of people that supports it that do not live in the Town. Councilwoman Mignano seconded.

Councilman Milliken called for point of order because a motion was already on the floor. Mayor Woolsey said a motion to defer is always in order and over-ruled the point of order. Councilman Boles asked the purpose of the deferral and Mayor Woolsey said to review the language and gather more public input. Councilman Milliken said the Resolution is not onerous and it is important to move forward because this is an emergency climate situation that needs addressing. Mayor Woolsey said it is not an emergency that has to be passed right away. Councilman Boles voiced concern that he had an amendment to share but was unable to bring it forth. Councilwoman Mignano expressed concerns about having concrete solutions in order to put people's concerns at ease. Councilman Milliken said the word "emergency" could be removed and he thanked those who helped put it together. As discussion continued Councilman Boles questioned being able to put forth his amendment and challenged the ruling of the Chair. Mayor Woolsey said a majority 'no vote would consider Councilman Boles' request.

Challenge Ruling of Chair

Councilman Boles no
Councilwoman Mignano yes
Councilman Milliken no
Councilman Mullinax yes
Mayor Woolsey yes

Failed

Vote on Motion to Defer

Councilman Boles no
Councilwoman Mignano yes
Councilman Milliken no
Councilman Mullinax yes
Mayor Woolsey yes

Passed: Deferred to December 17

Resolution #2020-13: Resolution for Former PC&BZA Members: Motion in favor by Councilman Milliken, seconded by Councilwoman Mignano. Mayor Woolsey thanked long time members of the Planning Commission David Bevon and Lyndy Palmer, and BZA Jason Gregorie for their years of service to the Town. An event will be planned to show our appreciation in the near future.

Vote

Councilman Boles yes
Councilwoman Mignano yes
Councilman Milliken yes
Councilman Mullinax yes
Mayor Woolsey yes

Passed unanimously

Resolution #2020-14: Resolution Regarding Drainage Conditions in Belle Terre: Motion in favor by Councilman Mullinax, seconded by Councilwoman Mignano. Councilman Mullinax spoke that the Resolution supports improving the drainage conditions in the Belle Terre community that has an adverse effect on properties along Schooner Road in Lighthouse Point. The Resolution speaks of significant flooding of water originating in the Belle Terre wetlands. Councilman Milliken asked why can't the Belle Terre HOA be sued for causing water onto our residents. Councilman Mullinax said he thought about that, but he wanted to give the HOA 30 days. Councilwoman Mignano said she was heartened by the Resolution and spoke of being good neighbors.

Vote

Councilman Boles yes
Councilwoman Mignano yes
Councilman Milliken yes
Councilman Mullinax yes
Mayor Woolsey yes

Passed unanimously

Resolution #2020-15: Resolution for MASC Hometown Economic Development Grant; Motion to add the item to the agenda was made by Councilman Milliken, seconded by Councilman Mullinax. Mrs. Kellahan requested approval for a match of \$3,750 (15%) to support the Town's application for a \$25,000 Hometown Economic Development Grant. This grant and local matching funds will be used for the James Island Arts and Cultural Center. Motion in favor by Councilman Milliken, seconded by Councilman Boles.

Vote

Councilman Boles

yes

Councilwoman Mignano

yes

Councilman Milliken

yes

Councilman Mullinax

yes

Mayor Woolsey

yes

Passed unanimously

Emergency Ordinances:

E-03-2020 Emergency Ordinance Pertaining to Electronic Meetings: Amended to Expire September 19: Superseded by Ordinance #2020-10 for Electronic Meetings.

Ordinances up for Second/Final Reading: None

Ordinances up for First Reading: None

New Business: Hazard Mitigation Plan (HMP) Council Notification: Provided as information. This information will be placed on the Town's website.

Executive Session: Mayor Woolsey asked for a motion to enter into an executive session at 10:13 p.m. for discussion of contractual matters. Motion was made by Mayor Woolsey, seconded by Councilman Milliken.

Vote

Councilman Boles

yes

Councilwoman Mignano

yes

Councilman Milliken

yes

Councilman Mullinax

yes

Mayor Woolsey

yes

Passed unanimously

Return to Regular Session:

Announcements/Closing Comments: Councilman Milliken confirmed that Resolution #2020-12: Climate Emergency Mobilization would return to the agenda for the December 17 meeting. A process for public input will be established. Councilman Boles asked everyone to read Roberts Rules of Order and the oath they took when they were sworn to office.

Adjournment: There being no further business to come before the body, the meeting adjourned at 10:24 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

LUNCO W. AMMON?
Frances Simmons

Town Clerk

^{*}Due to technical difficulties with Zoom the Executive Session was not held.