

City of Stapleton
Council Meeting
February 20, 2025
6:00 P.M.

Carla Hancock, City Clerk
Jason Jones, Police Chief
Chris Dube, City Attorney
Gail Berry
Lewis Berry
Smith Dickson
Larry Holley
Tom Wells
Jack Lindley

Lisa Cranford, Mayor
Jason Irby, Mayor Pro tem
Phillip Beckworth, Council
Christopher Whipple, Council
Janis Holley, Council
John Legander, Council

Mayor Cranford called the meeting to order and gave the invocation.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Mayor Cranford called for a motion to approve the minutes of January 16, 2025, council meeting. The motion was made by Christopher Whipple, seconded by Janis Holley, to approve the minutes of the meeting.

HOUSE BILL 581:

Jerry Coalson discussed the details and answered some questions on the House Bill 581. Following the discussion, Jason Irby made a motion to Not Opt Out of House Bill 581. The motion was seconded by Christopher Whipple. All were in favor.

RATIFY CORE & MAIN INVOICE:

The council voted to ratify the invoice for Core & Main in the amount of \$1,207.76. This was for replacement of valves for the Main Street Well. Phillip Beckworth, made a motion to ratify the invoice, seconded by Jason Irby. All were in favor.

GAIL BERRY – PROJECTED BUDGET:

Mrs. Berry updated the council on the city's current financial status and the end of the fiscal year projection.

WAST MANAGEMENT PRICE INCREASE:

We have been notified by Waste Management of South Carolina Inc. of an increase in rate of 5.2% effective March 1, 2025. Due to this rate increase, Christopher Whipple made a motion to increase rates by \$1.00 for each service. The motion was seconded by Phillip Beckworth. The sanitation rate will increase From \$17.89 to \$18.89 monthly. The extra can will from \$9.60 to \$10.60 monthly. All were in favor.

FILTER BACKWASH BIDS:

The city nor Turnipseed Engineers received any bids from the local contractors that were invited to bid. Mr. John McClellan suggested if Council agrees, to reach out to a contractor for a proposal. The motion was made by Jason Irby, seconded by Christopher Whipple for Turnipseed to reach out to contractors for this bid. All were in favor.

ELECTION CONTRACT FOR 2025:

Christopher Whipple made a motion for the city to contract with Jefferson County for the election year of 2025. The motion was seconded by Jason Irby. All were in favor.

ADJOURNMENT:

Jason Irby made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Janis Holley. All were in favor. The meeting was adjourned and closed in order at 6:32 P.M.