CITY OF SUMPTER CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP OCTOBER 22, 2025

CALL TO ORDER: 1:01 PM **MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE**

Mayor Linda Wise, Councilors Marsha Demaris, Darold Smith, Charlie Briscoe, Sherry Brandt **VISITORS**

Matt Armstrong, Jon Patterson, Richard Summerfield

- I. Wastewater Grant/DEQ: Mayor Wise updated the council about the septic grant and the lagoon hook-up contract with the Vanderwiele back in 1986. Inspections into this line found a break, which has since been repaired by the city. The exact location of where the line into our lagoon still needs to be determined before the project starts. DEQ did a walk around the irrigation and lagoon with our engineers and city maintenance crew. DEO has submitted a report with a list of concerns. Heco Engineering will be responding to the DEQ report. Council had further discussions about the project.
- II. Meters/Transmission Line Grant: This grant has been held for 2 years due to the need for the heritage study requested by the ODF. After discussions with Ducote the city can possibly split the money in the grant and move forward with the meters part of the program. Then follow up with the study and the transmission line at a later date. The council discussed.
- III.T-MOBILE Grant/ Volunteer Park: Matt Armstrong presented information about the existing grant and plans for the park in the spring. The T-Mobile grant can be used toward the match percentage needed and possible other uses around the city that need attention. Matt will do further research on whether repairs at the Event Grounds could be included. Council discussed ordering the playground equipment now, before prices increase and the timeline for installation. Matt also presented an update on the cemetery project.
- IV. Letter for Renaming Cracker Creek: Council discussed what needs to be addressed in the letter opposing the changing of Cracker Creek. Mayor Wise will have it drafted for review at the council meeting.

ADJOURNMENT: 2:18PM

MSP: To adjourn. Councilor Demaris/Councilor Briscoe. Mayor Wise, Councilors Marsha Demaris, Darold Smith, Charlie Briscoe and Sherry Brandt voted to approve.

Approved by the City Council this 12th day of November, 2025. Approved: Lagra & agra