



CITY OF WALHALLA

Main Street to the Mountains

AGENDA

WALHALLA CITY COUNCIL MEETING

December 19, 2023

5:30 PM

City Hall | 206 N Church St, Walhalla, SC

Danny Edwards
Mayor

Danny Woodward
Mayor Pro Tem

Grant Keehn
Councilman

Sarai Melendez
Councilwoman

Keith Pace
Councilman

David Underwood
Councilman

Kenny Johns
Councilman

Michael Kozlarek
City Attorney

Celia Boyd Myers
City Administrator

I. **Call to Order and Welcome**

Mayor Edwards

II. **Moment of Silence**

III. **Pledge of Allegiance**

IV. **Approval of Agenda**

V. **Approval of Minutes**

November 21, 2023

VI. **Public Comment** (*Public Comment is limited to 5 minutes and must be directed to Council, per City Ordinance 2022-8*)

VII. **Presentations**

A. City of Walhalla

B. Nola Network, Jocelyn Bybee

VIII. **Mayoral Proclamations:** None

IX. **Administrator's Report**

A. Monthly Reports

X. **First and Final Reading of Resolutions:**

A. *Resolution 2023-18: A resolution to honor Dennis Pearson upon his retirement*

XI. **Second, Final Reading and Public Review of Ordinances:** None

XII. **First Reading of Ordinances:**

A. An ordinance to amend Chapter 13, Article 2: Standing Committees of the Walhalla Municipal Code



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XIII. Discussion and/or Action Items *(to include Vote and/or Action on matters brought up for discussion, if required)*

- A. Fire Committee Report by Ms. Melendez
- B. Utilities Committee Report by Mr. Keehn
- C. SCIP Engineer RFQ Award
- D. Grant Funding Opportunities

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XIV. Executive Session *(to include Vote and/or Action on matters discussed, if required)*

- A. Real Estate Matter: City Owned Property Access Easement Agreement
- B. Contractual Matter: Oconee County Fire Agreement
- C. Funding Request Opportunity
- D. Real Estate Matter: Community Center Land

XV. Mayor Comments

Mayor Edwards

XVI. Adjournment

Michael Kozlarek
City Attorney

Celia Boyd Myers
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**City of Walhalla
City Council
Tuesday, November 21, 2023 • 5:30 PM
Council Chambers • City Hall
Walhalla, South Carolina
Minutes**

In accordance with the South Carolina Freedom of Information Act, Section 30-4-10 et seq., South Carolina Code, 1976, the media was duly notified of the date, time, and place of the meeting.

Councilmembers Present: Mayor Danny Edwards, Mayor Pro Tem Danny Woodward, Grant Keehn, Sarai Melendez, Keith Pace and Kenny Johns

Councilmembers Absent: David Underwood

Staff Present: Celia Myers and Kaylee Osbon

Call to Order: Mayor Edwards called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM, with a quorum present to conduct the meeting and welcomed all present to the meeting.

Moment of Silence: Mayor Edwards called for a moment of silence.

Pledge of Allegiance: Mayor Edwards asked Councilmember Woodward to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Agenda: Mr. Johns called for a motion to amend the agenda to add an item regarding City Council pay. Mr. Pace seconded. The amended agenda was unanimously approved.

Approval of Minutes: Mayor Edwards called for any changes to the October 17, 2023 minutes. Hearing none, Mr. Johns moved to approve the minutes and reports provided; Mr. Woodward seconded. The minutes were unanimously approved.

Public Comments: Mayor Edwards called for any public comments. Mrs. Amy Welch approached and presented Council with information about DECA (Distributive Education Clubs of America). Mrs. Welch explained this is the second year for this chapter at Walhalla High and that it has 42 members.

Mayoral Proclamations

Mrs. Celia Myers read the Distributive Education Clubs of America Month proclamation, proclaiming November 2023 as Distributive Education Clubs of America (DECA) Month.

Mrs. Myers read the World Pancreatic Cancer Day proclamation, proclaiming November 16th as World Pancreatic Month.

Administrator's Comments:

Mrs. Myers gave an informative report on the previous month departments.

First and Final Reading of Resolution 2023-15

Mayor Edwards read and presentation Resolution 2023-15 to appoint David Dial to seat 9 of OJRSA. Mr. Pace moved to approve Resolution 2023-15; Mr. Johns seconded. The motion to approve was unanimous.

First and Final Reading of Resolution 2023-16

Mayor Edwards read and presentation Resolution 2023-16 to appoint Celia Myers to seat 5 of OJRSA. Mr. Johns moved to approve Resolution 2023-16; Ms. Melendez seconded. The motion to approve was unanimous.

First and Final Reading of Resolution 2023-17

Mayor Edwards read and presentation Resolution 2023-17 to appoint Jeffery Parris to seat 6 of OJRSA. Ms. Melendez moved to approve Resolution 2023-17; Mr. Woodward seconded. The motion to approve was unanimous.

Amended Agenda Item: City Council Pay

Mr. Johns moved to amend the FY23-24 budget to reinstate City Council pay for a minimum of \$100 a month. Mr. Woodward seconded to introduce discussion. Mr. Woodward then noted that the current council voted to remove Council pay from the budget in May. Ms. Melendez stated she was not present at the meeting when the vote took place. Mr. Pace recommended that the discussion be tabled until new City Council was in office, as this Council voted to remove. Ms. Melendez requested a comparison with other jurisdictions; and staff agreed to research. Mr. Keehn moved to table this item; Mr. Pace seconded. After discussion on having data available, Mr. Keehn withdrew his motion to table and moved to defer this item to January when new Council was in place; Mr. Pace seconded. The motion to defer the item of reinstating City Council pay until the January 16th meeting was unanimous.

Recreation Committee Report

Mr. Woodward gave report from the Recreation Committee discussing the matter of using the old Walhalla Middle School temporarily for the Recreation Department. Mr. Keehn asked if the gym would be used and if the staff was pleased with the temporary relocation. Mr. Woodward stated yes to both questions. Ms. Melendez asked if the venue was still being used and Mr. Woodward stated the downstairs was not because it did not have heat. Mr. Woodward moved authorize the city administrator enter into a MOU between the City and Oconee County School District; Mr. Johns seconded. The motion to approve this request was unanimous.

Utilities Committee Report

Mr. Keehn gave a brief update and the remaining discussion was held in Executive Session due to the content being related to a commercial water customer's contract.

Rear Loader Chassis Change Request

Mrs. Myers presented the Council with an option to upgrade the chassis to 4WD at a reduced price, on the previously purchased rear loader truck, as there has been a significant delay in the dealer receiving the quoted 2WD chassis. Mayor Edwards noted that he called Mr. Childers and was told the chassis for the rear loader should be ready by the end of January. Council discussed just waiting for it to arrive.

Executive Session

Mr. Woodward moved to enter executive session in order to discuss a real estate matter discussing an access easement agreement for city owned property, potential community center property, city property appraisals, and a contractual matter for a water usage contract. Mr. Johns seconded. The motion to enter executive session was unanimous. Council entered executive session at 6:23 PM.

Mr. Pace moved to exit executive session; Mr. Johns seconded. The motion to exit executive session was unanimous. Council exited executive session at 7:05 PM.

Mr. Keehn moved to authorize the City to enter negotiations with a commercial water customer regarding a meter; Mr. Pace seconded. The motion to approve this request was unanimous.

Mr. Pace moved to authorize the City Administrator to negotiate a real estate purchase; Mr. Woodward seconded. The motion to approve this request was unanimous.

Mayor Comments

None were provided.

Hearing no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:10 PM, with a motion by Mr. Pace and a second by Mr. Johns.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kaylee Osbon, MBA

About Us

The Nola Network is a 501c(3) charity founded in 2020 by Councilwoman Lekesha Benson and Jacory Benson. They began their work to improve the health & educational outcomes for students & families of South Carolina, by focusing on 3 pillars...HEALTH, HOUSING, & EDUCATION. Our goal is to decrease disparities in health and education so that no other life is affected by lack of equitable access to services or information.

Our major project for which we have become know is our

KEEP THE BEAT: VARI BENSON SCA PREVENTION PROJECT

This project was created to address Sudden Cardiac Arrest in youth. Our founders know firsthand the the impact of SCA, because in 2017, Javaris Benson, (their son and brother respectively), lost his life to a Sudden Cardiac Arrest while playing a game of basketball with a group of friends on his college campus. Through this comprehensive program, we provide preventative heart screenings for students middle school through college, provide CPR & AED training, create awareness campaigns, and assist with response drills and plans for youth serving organizations.

KEEP THE BEAT

Vari Benson Sudden Cardiac Arrest Prevention Project

An initiative of The
NOLA Network



On the Road to Prevention! NO OTHER LIFE AFFECTED

HEART SAFE SCHOOLS

By using Project Adam's trusted Heart Safe Schools Certification method, we provide safety plans & emergency training to create heart safe schools.

CARDIAC EMERGENCY TRAINING

We have created informational training sessions to create awareness of SCA & empower students, school officials, and the community to respond in case of a cardiac emergency.

PREVENTATIVE CARDIAC SCREENINGS

We work with youth serving organizations, school districts, & communities to provide low cost, preventative, cardiac screenings to students.

OUR COMPREHENSIVE APPROACH

Though our founders already understood the devastation that Sudden Cardiac Arrest presented, research showed that Covid 19 increased the chances of SCA. Though colleges and universities have expanded their guidelines and recommendations for NCAA athletes, we recognized that there was no such push to ensure the safe play for students involved in recreation, middle, and high school sports and virtually no protocols in place for students that do not participate in athletic activities. That is where we come in. Through collaboration and connection, we've formed a network that allows us to take a comprehensive approach to addressing the epidemic of sudden cardiac arrest in youth. We've formed relationships with several universities, medical professionals, nonprofit agencies, and community stakeholders, to support our efforts to eradicate preventative sudden cardiac arrest in youth and young adults.





CONTINUED...

We begin by working with school districts and youth serving agencies to ensure that they become certified as heart safe and properly prepared to respond to a cardiac emergency. Along with that certification, we aim to empower youth by educating them to ensure that they themselves are CPR trained. Along with CPR and AED trainings, we encourage and assist schools in preparing students and staff, by creating practice drills that will decrease response time and save lives in case of a cardiac emergency. Students will be empowered to serve their school and communities as heart ambassadors, so that they become leaders of heart health & safety within their communities.

Through our collaborative efforts, we created a network that allows us to provide students ages 11 through 22 with low cost, preventative ECG screens. We also work with physicians and school districts to offer middle and high student athletes with athletic physicals that include ECG's.

Though a preventative screening can be lifesaving, we recognize that a diagnosis can be life changing. Having experienced this firsthand, we want to assist those students, families, schools, and communities that may be affected by an abnormal screening, diagnosis, or SCA. That is why we offer peer support groups of other youth who have been affected and mental health support services for youth and their community, if needed.

We understand that many families face financial barriers which limit their access to follow up care. That is why the final component of our program is to provide assistance for students and families, that increases their access to services. Though the cost of further medical attention may seem unaffordable for many, the loss of a young life is too great a cost for any family to pay. Our program was created to ensure that no other family pays that price. With your help, together, we can ensure that no other life is affected by sudden cardiac.

FINISH THE RACE

by Lekesha Benson

NOLA-no other life affected, is our war cry and the pledge we made after our lives were devastated by sudden cardiac arrest, (SCA). We know this won't be an easy journey, but we pledge to finish the race!

Our race began in 2017 when NOLA's founder, Lekesha Benson, lost her son Javaris to a Sudden Cardiac Death death on the campus of Chowan University. He was playing a game of pick up basketball with his roommate, best friend, and several students and community members. Javaris, known to his friends & family as Vari, had been a lifelong athlete and had no health conditions; however, he had experienced one other episode of chest pain that had been written off as anxiety by medical professionals.

Though Vari's story could have been just another tragic news story, for me it wasn't. Vari was my son. Losing him impacted our family in a way that I could not explain; however, we promised to be loyal to his memory and honor his legacy of compassion and community service, by educating others and providing support so that no other life was affected by Sudden Cardiac Arrest.

While attending South Carolina State University as a student athlete, Vari's brother Jacory and I began working on this initiative. In 2020, after a local 8th grade student by the name of Kirsten Volzka also suffered a sudden cardiac arrest, we determined that this could not wait. Through grassroots efforts, collaborations, and community support, our goal is to bring this program to every community within South Carolina and beyond. For Vari, Kirsten. For us all students in South Carolina...until the race is won.

S P O N S O R S H I P *levels*

THE HEARTBEAT \$6,000

Title Sponsorship

VIP Table (10 tickets)

Admission for 10 to exclusive, invite only VIP reception

Prominent listing in all event advertising & press releases

Company logo on website for one year, social media posts & mention in quarterly newsletter

Full page ad in event program and podium time during event

Recognition during event and logo on step and repeat banner

Exhibit table at the event

(and more)

HEART OF GOLD \$3000

Seating at VIP table (10 tickets)

8 tickets to VIP reception

Prominent Listing in all Event Advertising

Logo on website for one year and dedicated social media post

Special recognition for podium

Half page program tribute

FULL HEART \$1500

VIP table (8 tickets)

Admission for 8 to exclusive VIP reception

Half page program tribute

Prominent listing in all event advertising & press releases

Exposure on NOLA website and social media

Exhibit table at the event

HEART TO HEART \$750

Seating at VIP table (6 tickets)

6 tickets to VIP reception

Quarter page program tribute

Website and social media highlights

SPONSORSHIP

levels

OPEN HEART \$500

Seating at VIP table (4 Tickets)

Admission for 4 VIP reception

Name & logo listed on website

Name Listing in Program

PULSE \$250

Seating at VIP table 2 Tickets

Admission for 2 to VIP reception

Name listing in Program

Website and social media highlight

OTHER WAYS TO GIVE

Auction Donor: *As an alternative to sponsorship, consider donating a product or service to our silent auction. Not only does this help us raise much needed funds, it also is a great way to promote your business.*

FOR MORE INFORMATION

keepthebeat@thenolanetwork.org or 864.359.6200

we look forward to seeing you there!



RSVP *form*

____ YES, I WILL ATTEND AND SPONSOR AS:

- | | |
|--|---------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> The Heartbeat/Title Sponsor | \$6,000 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Heart to Heart Sponsor | \$3,000 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Heart of Gold Sponsor | \$1500 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Open Heart Sponsor | \$750 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Full Heart Sponsor | \$500 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> The Pulse | \$250 |

Name _____

Guest Name/s _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Phone _____ Email _____

☐ Check(s) enclosed for a total of: \$ _____

☐ Charge my credit card for a total of: \$ _____

☐ Visa ☐ MasterCard ☐ American Express

Name on Card _____

Credit Card _____

Exp. Date _____ CVV Code _____

Cardholder's Signature _____

____ SORRY, I WILL BE UNABLE TO ATTEND

Please accept my donation of \$ _____

Please make checks payable to Nola Network
Kindly complete and return this form by January 5, 2024
All donations are tax deductible TAX ID #:84-4278406

NAMES OF GUESTS ATTENDING

GUEST NAME _____

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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT
keepthebeatgala@thenolanetworkorg or 864-359-6200







CITY OF WALHALLA

Main Street to the Mountains

TO: Mayor Edwards and City Council

RE: October Monthly Report

DATE: December 1, 2023

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Please find enclosed an update on the City's recent activities for the month of November 2023, along with departmental monthly reports.

Administration

Transportation: Working with SCDOT on pedestrian signal coordination. The Wanderweg greenway construction is nearly complete; landscaping and wayfinding will be installed early 2024.

Economic Development: Waffle House will begin construction January 2024, details finalized. Pre-construction meeting with prospect on potential developments. Continue to assist OJRSA consultants in data gathering for their upcoming feasibility and strategic plans.

Funding Opportunities: Preparations continue for upcoming grant opportunities, especially those without match. Departments continue to actively seeking additional grant opportunities. Received final approval for the SC PRT appropriation for the community center.

Finance/Budget: Capital Improvement Plan forms will be submitted by departments December 15. These requests will be reviewed and presented in January/February 2024. FY 23 Audit process is continuing. Continue to work with Springbrook and XpressPay representatives on converting to their system. Offer was made for location for the community center, per authorization of Council at the November meeting

General Government: Updated and renewed SAM registration, preparations for upcoming Council, research for wage/salary comparisons.



City of Walhalla

Development Services Department

206 N Church St. • P.O. Box 1099 • Walhalla, SC 29691 • (864)-723-4141 • Fax (864) 638-4357 • www.CityofWalhalla.com

December 5, 2023

October 2023 Monthly Report

1. Worked with four (4) potential new businesses (conducted 3 walk-throughs)
2. Permit administration (see totals below)
3. Fielded additional calls/emails/walk-ins regarding façade and sign grants, building permits, signs, new business process, special events, land use allowances, food trucks, code violations, business licenses, Downtown Design Guidelines and variances.
4. Applications/Violations Processed, October 2023 Request Monthly Totals
 - Zoning Permits 4
 - Building Permits 5
 - Violations (IPMC, Sign, Zoning, etc.) 1
 - Variances 2
 - Subdivision Permits (Preliminary/Final) 1
 - Special Exceptions 0
 - Sign Permits 2
 - Rezoning Requests
 - Land Disturbance Permits
 - Food Truck Permits 1
 - Fence Permits 1
 - Demolition Permits 0
 - Appeals 0

Submitted by Planning and Zoning Administrator Mark Bloomer



Main Street Walhalla Report

12.19.23

Director, Catie Fisher

- **Window Display Contest Winners**
1st Place Mountain Mocha
2nd Place Walhalla Boutique on Main



Each year the 1st place winner is given a large ornamental pickle trophy (See image attached) with their business name engraved on the front with the year they won. They will display the trophy in their display window all year until it's time to pass it on to the next winner.

After 40 hours, this trophy was carved with a chainsaw from a single piece of red oak by Chris Owen. Chris and his Wife, Tragena Owen, own Storybook Photography at 312 W. Main St.

Main Street Walhalla looks forward to continuing supporting and highlighting local artists.

- **Merchant Meetings** are hosted by Main Street Walhalla once a month at the Earle House Office on W. South Broad St. Each meeting is tailored to concerns, questions or requests the Main Street business owners have. These meetings provide an opportunity for business owners to get to know other merchants on Main Street and focused group discussions.
- The Ladies Attic will be closing on Main Street at the end of December.
- Please see attached pdf

MAIN STREET WALHALLA'S JAN.-NOV. 2023 IMPACT



Eat.



Drink.

LOCAL



Shop.



40

Net
New Jobs



10

Net New
Businesses



20

Number of
Events



3,000

Volunteer
Hours



Walhalla's Main Street program is an Aspiring
Level Member of Main Street SC

City of Walhalla Fire Department

Home of the Mountaineer Engine Co. Est. 1871

Fire Chiefs Monthly Report

November 2023

FIRE-EMS

Incident Response-

We responded to 138 calls for service. 61 were fire calls and 77 were medical/rescue calls. During the month we were on multiple calls 8% of the time. We provided 19 instances of mutual aid. 41 calls were inside the City and 97 calls were either in the unincorporated area or another district. The average on scene time was 23 minutes. Both career and volunteer staff spent 175 hours on incidents.

<u>Incident Type</u>	<u># Incidents</u>	<u>% of Total</u>
Fires	9	6.52%
Overpressure rupture, explosion- no fire	0	0.00%
Rescue & EMS	77	55.80%
Hazardous Conditions	11	7.97%
Service Call	20	14.49%
Good Intent Call	14	10.14%
False Alarm and False Call	5	3.62%
Severe Weather & Natural Disaster	0	0.00%
Special Incident	2	1.45%
Total	138	100.00%

Operations/Training-

Staff, both career and volunteer, trained for a total of 211 hours during the month.

The department has 2 full time firefighter openings. These positions are posted on the City webpage and the department's Facebook page.

COMMUNITY RISK REDUCTION

Fire Marshal-

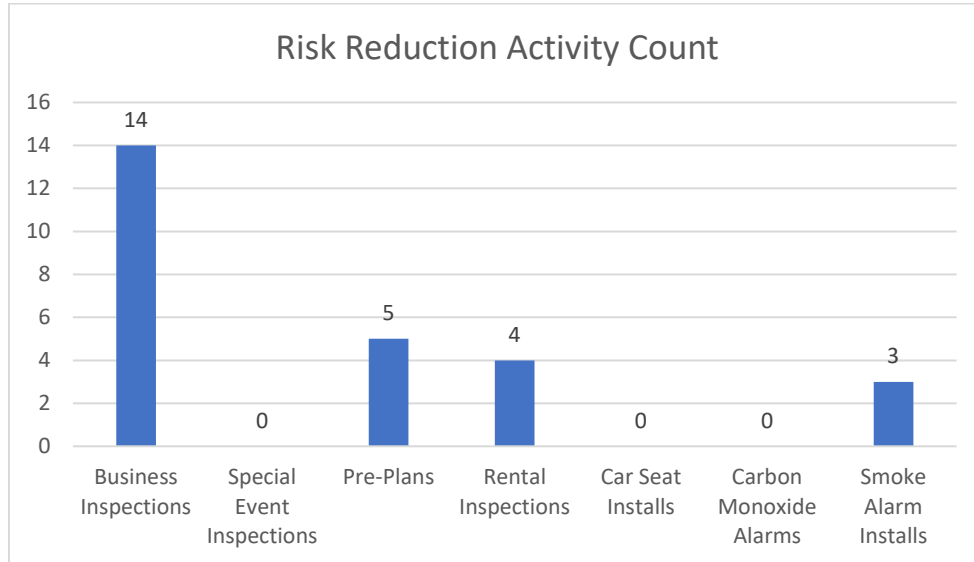
Continuing to complete pre-fire plans and business inspections. Completing re-inspections as needed.

City of Walhalla Fire Department

Home of the Mountaineer Engine Co. Est. 1871

Fire Prevention/Life Safety-

Staff are currently preparing for this upcoming spring and next years CRR events.



EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Staff have responded to 9 reported fires this month. There have been significant dry conditions with no sight of rainfall expected to change our severe fire danger conditions. The department is encouraging all citizens to not burn unless absolutely necessary for means of food preparation or warmth.

With the upcoming cold weather conditions, please use caution when heating houses and staying warm. If the power goes out use extreme caution when connecting generators to your house as they can back feed the electrical lines and cause fires in your or your neighbors house.

Please contact me should you have any questions.

Respectfully Submitted,

/s/ Will Bates

Will Bates, Fire Chief



Walhalla Police Department
101 E. Main St.
Walhalla, SC 29691

Chief of Police Timothy J. Rice

Monthly Police Report- November 2023

November Events and Completed Training:

- Captain Watson attended SBIBRS training at Clemson University.
- Chief Rice attended the SC Police Chief's Annual Conference.
- Sgt. McCall and Sgt. Mealy attended ALERRT.
- Cpl. Heaton completed K9 handler training and certification.
- 2 of 5 Chargers still out of service – blown engine / front suspension.

TOTAL CALLS FOR SERVICE	1114
TRAINING HOURS	219 HOURS
Total Arrests	19 (Adult) 0 (Juvenile)
Extra Patrol / Business Checks	581

BREAKDOWN OF OVERTIME BY TYPE:

Shift Coverage	58.4 Hours
Court	20 Hours
Special Event Coverage	8 Hours
TOTAL OVERTIME	86.4 HOURS (previous month – 69.10 hours)



Walhalla Police Department
101 E. Main St.
Walhalla, SC 29691

Chief of Police Timothy J. Rice

Monthly Reference Material
November 2023 – Month End Stats

Total Calls for Service: 1114

Total Traffic Stops: 222

Total Traffic Collisions: 12

Reports Filed:

Collision Reports: 8

Pursuit After-Action: 0

Incident Reports: 43

Response to Resistance: 0

TOTAL: 51

Citations/Warnings Issued:

Warnings: 148

Traffic Related: 53

Non-Traffic Related: 19

TOTAL: 186

Arrests:

Adults: 19

Juvenile Referrals: 0

TOTAL: 19

Extra Patrols: **TOTAL: 581**

WALHALLA PUBLIC WORKS 12-5-2023

The Public Works Department

November 1 thru 30, 2023 the City of Walhalla picked up:

242 -ton of residential garbage

114 -ton of commercial garbage

33 -ton of recyclable brush

8 -ton C&D Waste

1 -ton mattresses

Roll Carts for November

Delivered 37

Picked up 8

Repair/Replace 8

During the month of November our department continued picking up brush, leaves, trash, cleaning storm drains, trimming trees, cutting grass and other routine maintenance tasks. Put up Flags on Main for Veterans day. The new rear load truck has the body but no chassis from Ford yet. Our crews were also busy putting up the City Christmas tree, wreaths and lights in town.

Thanks,

Russ Price

From: [Breanna Richardson, Walhalla SC](#)
To: [Celia Myers, Walhalla SC](#)
Subject: Monthly Report
Date: Wednesday, November 15, 2023 1:40:30 PM
Attachments: [Outlook-amdnjmo](#)

Rec Monthly Report

- Soccer All Star District Tournaments are ending this week (Thursday) We have 10u Boys and 15u Co-Ed still in the tournament.
- 12u Football plays Thursday November 16th for their final game in the District Tournament.
- Basketball practices will start after Thanksgiving into December
- Games will start January 2nd
- Basketball Ref clinic will be in December
 - Memorial Signs were taken down. (Need to make new ones for that field)
 - Sent out bids for basketball uniforms and only got one back (We sent it to Underwoods, BSN, Score, and Local Wear) If there are any other recommendations to sports jerseys, we are willing to take them. Cannot compete with only one bid at the moment.

Breanna Richardson

Recreation Director



207 North College Street

Walhalla, SC 29691

(864) 638-4346

<https://www.cityofwalhalla.com/recreation-department>



UTILITIES COMMITTEE REPORT OCTOBER 2023

- The Greenway project is progressing, and several hundred feet of concrete has been placed. The block from Laurel St. to Coffee Rd. will be completed after the new water main is in place. The water main is a part of our SCIIP project upgrade for the Rocky Knoll booster pump station, and has to be installed prior to the Greenway work.
- The highway 11 water project is awaiting permitting. The remaining pipe has been delivered, and the plan is to start as soon as the permits are approved.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF OCONEE
CITY OF WALHALLA

Resolution 2023-16

A RESOLUTION TO HONOR MR. DENNIS ALLAN PEARSON

WHEREAS, Mr. Dennis Allan Pearson began his career with the City of Walhalla on December 30, 1983; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Pearson began within the Police Department and then worked with the Water, Streets, and Recreation Department, finishing within the Facilities Department; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Pearson designed and built the disc golf course that is used and loved by members in and around the community; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Pearson was known by all as one the hardest workers that the City of Walhalla has ever seen; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Pearson was a master of all trades and was always willing to step in and help any department that requested his services; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Pearson exemplifies the words dedication and loyalty. He was dedicated to his role and always maintained a positive attitude regardless of the situation or circumstances; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Pearson's work ethic and determination has been tremendous asset to the City of Walhalla.

NOW, THEREFORE, Walhalla City Council resolves to commend Mr. Dennis Allan Pearson on a job well done and expresses their gratitude of his service for 40 years.

BE IT FURHTER RESOLVED, Walhalla City Council wishes Mr. Dennis Pearson a happy and healthy retirement.

AND IT IS SO RESOLVED this 19th day of December 2023.

Mayor Danny Edwards

Attest:

Celia Myers, City Administrator

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)

COUNTY OF OCONEE)

ORDINANCE 2023-18

CITY OF WALHALLA)

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CITY OF WALHALLA CODE OF ORDINANCES, CHAPTER 13,
ARTICLE II: STANDING COMMITTEES**

Whereas, the Walhalla City Council deems it beneficial to establish committees to focus on specific services provided by the City; and

Whereas, standing committees shall function as oversight and advisory committees; partnering with City departments to study and formulate solutions to specific issues; and

Whereas, standing committees should reflect the current and future organizational structure of the City and consider the current and future needs of City residents;

Whereas, standing committees shall offer recommendations to full City Council, as appropriate;

Now Therefore: it is ordained and enacted that: by the Mayor and Council members of the City of Walhalla, in Council assembled, that Chapter 13, Article II, shall be amended as follows:

**Article II
Standing Committees**

§ 13-18 List of standing committees.

The City shall maintain the following standing committees:

A. Utilities Committee, functioning as a review, oversight and advisory body on water and sewer programs, utility rates and matters related thereto;

~~B. Fire Committee;~~

~~C. Police Committee;~~

B. Public Safety Committee, functioning as a review, oversight and advisory body on matters relating to police, fire, emergency services, public safety and matters related hereto.;

~~DC.~~ Parks, and Recreation and Tourism Committee, functioning as a review, oversight and advisory body on matters relating to recreation, community center, parks and playgrounds, historic sites, cultural affairs and matters related hereto;

- ~~ED. Street and Sanitation~~ Public Works Committee, functioning as a review, oversight and advisory body on transportation, rights-of-way, building and grounds, recycling and sanitation programs and matters related thereto.;
- ~~FE. General Government and~~ Finance Committee, functioning as a ways and means committee to which should be referred only matters dealing with the budget, capital improvements, bond issues, taxation, bids and purchasing; and
- ~~GF. Planning and~~ Community Development Committee, functioning as a review, oversight and advisory body on subdivision regulations, building and other regulatory codes, the zoning ordinance, licenses and business regulations, community development and matters related thereto; and-
- G. General Government Committee, functioning as a review, oversight and advisory body on the rules of city council, appointments by city council, legislative and governmental liaison, city personnel policies, compensation and other administrative matters.

§ 13-19 Committee membership.

- A. The Mayor shall appoint members to standing ~~and temporary~~ committees annually. Prior to the appointment, the Mayor shall request input from Council members regarding committee assignments.
- B. Each committee, except the General Government Committee, shall have three members. One of the members shall be appointed to serve as Chairman, and preside over each committee meeting. The Mayor shall serve as an ex officio member on all committees.
- ~~C. The membership of the committee shall rotate off every two years.~~
- D. The General Government ~~and Finance~~ Committee shall consist of City Council, ~~as a whole.~~ The Mayor shall serve as Chair.

§ 13-20 Committee meetings.

- ~~A. All matters, excluding emergency matters, shall first be referred to a standing committee, if deemed necessary by the Chair, for recommendation, before Council may take any action or vote thereon. Any member, or the city administrator, shall have the right to place a matter on the agenda of a standing committee for a vote on a recommendation with notification to the Committee Chair.~~
- ~~B. Committee meetings may be held, as needed, or called by the Committee Chair.~~
- ~~C. No meeting of any committee shall be called by the Committee Chair or by a majority of the members without 24 hours' notice to all members and the news media and required compliance with the South Carolina Freedom of Information Act.~~
- ~~Each committee shall meet as needed at the call of a majority of the committee or the Chairman, who shall preside over each meeting.~~
- ~~B. Each committee shall be responsible for setting the conduct of its meetings, provided that it does not conflict with state law.~~

~~§ 13-21 Duties of committees.~~

~~The standing committees shall formulate policies, investigate departments and make recommendations to Council concerning the operation of each department. Temporary committees shall make recommendations to Council.~~

13-21 Ad-hoc committees.

The Mayor may appoint an ad hoc committee at any time. Members of an ad hoc committee shall serve for the duration of the subject matter for which they were appointed.

AND IS DONE AND RATIFIED in Council Duly assembled this _____ Day of _____ 2023.

Danny Edwards, Mayor

(seal)

ATTEST:

Celia Boyd Myers, City Administrator

Introduced By: _____

First Reading: _____

Public Hearing,
Second Reading
And Adoption: _____



CITY OF WALHALLA

Main Street to the Mountains

AGENDA

WALHALLA FIRE COMMITTEE MEETING

December 5, 2023

5:00 PM

City Hall | 206 N Church St, Walhalla, SC

Danny Edwards
Mayor

Danny Woodward
Mayor Pro Tem

Kenny Johns
Councilman

Grant Keehn
Councilman

Sarai Melendez
Councilwoman

Keith Pace
Councilman

David Underwood
Councilman

Michael Kozlarek
City Attorney

Celia Boyd Myers
City Administrator

I. Call to Order and Welcome

Chairperson Sarai Melendez

II. Presentation

III. Executive Session: Fire Contract

IV. Adjournment

Fire Committee

Sarai Melendez, Chair

Kenny Johns

David Underwood

Danny Edwards, Mayor, Ex-Officio



CITY OF WALHALLA

Main Street to the Mountains

UTILITIES COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA

Monday, December 18, 2023

9:00 AM

City Hall | 206 N Church St, Walhalla, SC

Danny Edwards
Mayor

Danny Woodward
Mayor Pro Tem

Grant Keehn
Councilman

Sarai Melendez
Councilwoman

Keith Pace
Councilman

David Underwood
Councilman

Kenny Johns
Councilman

Michael Kozlarek
City Attorney

Celia Boyd Myers
City Administrator

I. Call to Order and Welcome

Chairman Grant Keehn

II. Discussion: Sewer Accessibility at Existing Residence

III. Adjournment

Utilities Committee

Grant Keehn, Chair

Keith Pace

Kenny Johns

Danny Edwards, Mayor, Ex-Officio

From: [Scott Parris, Walhalla SC](#)
To: [Celia Myers, Walhalla SC](#)
Subject: SCIIP Engineer selection
Date: Friday, December 15, 2023 4:15:59 PM

Celia,

Based on the RFP submittals, I recommend awarding the engineering contract to Summit. I feel that they will be the best fit for the project and the timeline.

Scott Parris

Utilities Director



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CITY OF WALHALLA

Main Street to the Mountains

TO: Mayor Edwards and City Council

RE: Funding Opportunities

DATE: December 11, 2023

Danny Edwards
Mayor

Staff requests authorization to pursue the following grant funding opportunities.

Danny Woodward
Mayor Pro Tem

SC Forestry Commission: Technical Assistance Grant (80/20 Match) and/or TreesforSC (0 Match)

Kenny Johns
Councilman

This grant, if awarded, would provide for: canopy mapping of the City, tree planting/maintenance plan and/or forestry management plan at Stumphouse Mountain Park. While the technical assistance grant is an 80/20 match, the grant allows for staff time/in-kind donations, which would be requested, meaning that no additional City funds would be used that were not already appropriated and approved in the current budget.

Grant Keehn
Councilman

Sarai Melendez
Councilwoman

Main Street America (0 Match)

Keith Pace
Councilman

This grant, if awarded, would provide for: upgrades to the power availability and lighting at Kauffman Square (more commonly referred to as the Depot Park), installation of speakers around the downtown area (for events and public safety) and/or other amenities at the park, such as play panels.

David Underwood
Councilman

Michael Kozlarek
City Attorney

Celia Boyd Myers
City Administrator