

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
CITY HALL CONFERENCE ROOM  
229 MAIN STREET  
CONWAY, SOUTH CAROLINA  
MONDAY – SEPTEMBER 22, 2014 – 5:00 PM**

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**PRESENT:** Mayor Alys C. Lawson, Mayor Pro Tem William M. Goldfinch, IV, and Council Members Randle L. Alford, Thomas J. Anderson II, Barbara Blain-Olds, Larry A. White.  
**ABSENT:** Council Member Jean Timbes

**STAFF:** Bill Graham, City Administrator; Vicky Lefler, Deputy City Administrator; Michael Hardee, Finance Director; and Debbie Smith, City Clerk

**OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:** Kathy Ropp and Caroline Anderson

**CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Lawson called the meeting to order.

**INVOCATION:** Council Member White gave the invocation.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** Motion: Anderson made a motion, seconded by Goldfinch, to approve the agenda contents. Vote: Unanimous. Motion carried.

**ORDINANCE FOR FINAL READING: Ordinance #2014-09-22 (A) An ordinance to adjust the tax millage rate in the FY 2014-15 budget.** First reading of this ordinance was approved at the September 15<sup>th</sup> Council meeting. This special meeting to conduct second reading was necessary to meet a deadline established by the County Auditor's Office. Motion: Goldfinch made a motion, seconded by Blain-Olds, to approve the final reading of Ordinance #2014-09-22 (A). Vote: Unanimous. Motion carried. Graham gave a synopsis of how the tax "roll back millage" rate was calculated, the City's past experience in the 2010 tax reassessment, and how staff calculated the increase in tax millage believed necessary to keep the City whole as a result of the 2014 tax reassessment; that increase will be added to the "roll back millage" to make up the total new millage being recommended for FY 2014-15. Graham also commented on the basis for the City's recent decision to commit to a financial contribution toward construction of CCU's baseball stadium in view of this increase in the tax millage rate, and he reiterated just a few of the benefits, including major financial support, the City and the entire Conway community gains from its relationship with Coastal Carolina University.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION: Motion:** Anderson made a motion, seconded by Goldfinch, to enter into executive session. Vote: Unanimous. Motion carried.

Motion: White made a motion, seconded by Anderson, to come out of executive session. Vote: Unanimous. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT: White made a motion, seconded by Anderson, to adjourn the meeting. Vote: Unanimous. Motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Minutes approved by City Council this 6<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2014.

Debbie F. Smith  
Debbie F. Smith, City Clerk