TOWN OF JACKSON

Regular Council Meeting Minutes 09 December 2025

1. Call to Order:

The Regular Council Meeting of the Town of Jackson was called to order at 5:00 p.m. on December 09, 2025, in the Council Chambers of the Jackson Municipal Complex located at 106 Main Street in Jackson, SC by Mayor Wiggins.

Notification for Meeting:

Notification for meeting was emailed to <u>The Aiken Standard</u>, posted in the Jackson Municipal Complex and to the Town of Jackson website on **December 08**, 2025.

Members of Council Present:

Mayor Wiggins Councilmember Greene-via phone Councilmember Holley Councilmember Willingham

Members of Council Absent:

Councilmember Bates Councilmember Etheredge-sick Councilmember Teuton-sick

Visitors present were:

1. Ryan Sparling, Chief of Police

Staff present:

EmmaLee Salvo, Clerk/Treasurer

2. Invocation

Invocation was given by Mayor Wiggins.

3. Pledge of Allegiance

Pledge was led by Councilmember Mayor Wiggins.

4. Approval of Agenda

Councilmember Willingham made motion to approve the agenda as written and distributed-seconded by Councilmember Holley. The agenda was unanimously approved.

5. Approval of Minutes

Councilmember Willingham made motion to approve the minutes from the Work Session on November 06, 2025, the Regular Council Meeting on November 11, 2025, and the Special Called Meeting on November 18, 2025 as presented and distributed-seconded by Councilmember Holley. The minutes were unanimously approved as presented and distributed.

6. Standing Committee Reports

Water- Written report attached to the minutes.

Streets- No report.

Fire- No report.

Police- Written report attached to the minutes.

Sanitation- No report.

Parks and Recreation- Councilmember Willingham reported that his contact at Equipment Share is no longer with the company. As a result, the previous agreement to use the lift free of charge is no longer available. He is currently working on establishing a new contact.

Buildings- No report.

Councilmember Holley made motion to accept reports as given-seconded by Councilmember Willingham. The standing committee reports were unanimously approved as given and submitted.

7. Mayors Report

1. Mayor Wiggins reported that the Christmas Parade went well and expressed thanks to Councilmember Willingham, Chief Sparling, and all volunteers for their efforts in making it a success.

8. Ordinance 25-20: Amend FY25/26 Budget-Tree Trimming Thornton Park/PARD Grant/SCIIP Project Construction Payment

Mayor Wiggins reviewed Ordinance 25-20 with Council. The ordinance amends the budget to account for:

- Transfer of funds from savings for tree trimming at Thornton Park
- Receipt and expenditure of PARD grant funds for fence repairs at Thornton Park
- Payment of construction costs for the SCIIP water project

Councilmember Willingham made motion to approve the 2nd reading of Ordinance 25-20-seconded by Councilmember Holley. The vote to approve Ordinance 25-20 was unanimous.

9. Ordinance 25-21: Amend FY25/26 Budget-Purchase of Christmas Lights/SCIIP Water Project Expenses

Mayor Wiggins reviewed Ordinance 25-21 with Council. The ordinance amends the budget to account for:

- The purchase of Christmas decorations along Hwy 125.
- Payment of construction costs and engineering fees related to the SCIIP water project.

Councilmember Willingham made motion to approve the 1st reading of Ordinance 25-21-seconded by Councilmember Holley. The vote to approve Ordinance 25-21 was unanimous.

10. Approval-Public Fireworks Display

Council reviewed First Baptist Church of Jackson's request for a permit to hold a public fireworks display on January 1, 2026.

Councilmember Willingham made motion to issue the public fireworks display permit as presented-seconded by Councilmember Holley. The vote to approve the permit was unanimous.

11. Approval-2026 Council Meeting Schedule

Council reviewed the 2026 Council Meeting Schedule.

Councilmember Holley made motion to approve the 2026 Council Meeting Schedule as presented-seconded by Councilmember Willingham. The vote to approve the meeting schedule was unanimous.

12. Approval-2026 Holiday Schedule

Council reviewed the 2026 Holiday Schedule.

Councilmember Willingham made motion to approve the 2026 Holiday Schedule as presented-seconded by Councilmember Holley. The vote to approve the 2026 Holiday Schedule was unanimous.

13. Approval-Participation in Hometown Hero Program

Council discussed participating in the Hometown Hero Banner Program. The program would allow veterans or their families/friends to purchase a banner honoring their veteran. The town would be responsible for hanging the banners twice a year and storing them when not in use.

Councilmember Willingham made motion to approve participation in the programseconded by Councilmember Holley. The vote to approve participation was unanimous.

14. Approval-Additional Funding for Old Concession Stand Repairs

Council discussed additional funding required to complete repairs and upgrades to the Old Concession Stand at the ballpark. Once restored, the building will serve as a secure and functional storage space for the town's Christmas decorations, Hook & Cook Festival equipment, and other essential materials. These improvements will protect valuable town property, increase organizational efficiency, and ensure equipment is readily accessible. Funding recommendation attached to the minutes.

Councilmember Willingham made a motion to approve additional funding in the total amount of \$12,000.00 (\$8,000.00 from CPST4 Buildings and \$4,000.00 from Hurricane Helene Insurance Claim received in FY25)-seconded by Councilmember Holley. The vote to approve the additional funding was unanimous.

15. Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at **5:16 p.m.** by Councilmember Willigham-seconded by Councilmember Holley. The next general meeting will be at **5:00 p.m.** on **January 13, 2026**, in the Council Chambers of the Jackson Municipal Complex located at 106 Main Street in Jackson, S.C.

Minutes submitted by:	EmmaLee Salvo, Clerk/Treasurer
Approved by:	Gurney C. Wiggins, Jr., Mayor
	Michael Bates, Councilmember
	Rosalyn Greene, Councilmember
	G. Clayton Holley, Councilmember
	K. Todd Etheredge, Councilmember
	Kenneth Teuton, Councilmember
	K. Jordan Willingham, Councilmember