

Budget/Regular Council Meeting

Thursday, April 9, 2026

The second budget meeting for FY27 followed by the Regular Town Council meeting was held by the Six Mile Town Council at Town Hall (106 South Main Street, Six Mile, S.C.) on April 9, 2026, at 6:30 PM. Members in attendance were Mayor James Atkinson: Presiding; Council: Mark Beckman, Beau Proffitt, and Judy Shaw, and Attorney, Mary McCormac. The agenda was emailed to the Pickens County Courier and the Journal on April 8, 2026.

Call to Order & Invocation & Pledge

Mayor Atkinson called the meeting to order, the invocation was given by Beau Proffitt and Mark Beckman led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Budget Meeting: Beau Proffitt presented the proposed Recreation Non-Reverting Budget at a total of \$114,450.00. He requested that the utilities accounts on the non-reverting side (BREC) be set at a total of \$22,000 along with the General Fund Supplies account (7032) be set at \$18,000. After some discussion, the budget session concluded and the regular meeting commenced.

Public Session

Jenni Brink addressed Council regarding the current lease for Red, White, and Brew. She requested a meeting with Council, in their capacity as her landlord, to discuss several questions she has about the future of the lease and made several points about the potential lease contract.

Consent Agenda The minutes for the March 12, 2026, meeting were approved.

Audit Report: Matt Phillips was unable to attend the meeting and has rescheduled for the May 14th meeting.

Beau Proffitt made a motion to move the committee reporting before Executive Session. Judy Shaw seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Committee Reports

- Administration / Finance / Greenspace (Mayor Atkinson):
 - Noted that the financials look good year-to-date.
- Public Health & Infrastructure (Chris King):
 - Chair absent
- Recreation (Beau Proffitt):
 - Coy Adkins, Recreation Director, reported that twenty-three teams are currently active at Ponderosa. The department decided to conclude the T-ball season prior to spring break. Strategic planning is underway to determine which sports will be offered in the upcoming fall season. Cheer registration for fall season is open now.
- IT / Safety (Mark Beckman):
 - Mark Beckman presented the statistics report from the Sheriff's Office.
- HR / Volunteers (Judy Shaw):
 - Judy Shaw reported that the HR manual is undergoing final reviews.

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Executive Session: At 7:06 PM Beau Proffitt made a motion to go into Executive Session which may include Legal, Contractual, and/or Personnel Matters per SC State Code Section 30-4-70(a). Executive Session pursuant to S.C. Code Section 30-4-70(a)(2) which may include discussions of appointments for town events. Proposed contractual arrangements for leasing of town property and proposed contractual arrangements for vendors submitting bids relative to the Downtown Community Park or the Bryson's Children's Nature Walk site plans. Council may or may not act upon the matters discussed in Executive Session upon returning to regular session. Judy Shaw made the second and the vote to go into Executive Session was unanimous.

Regular Session: At 9:29 PM Beau Proffitt made a motion to go back into Regular Session: Judy Shaw made the second and Mayor Atkinson asked if there were any post Executive Session motions.

Executive Session Motions

Beau Proffitt made a motion for Council to authorize Mayor to execute Employment Contract for Special Town Counsel dated April 9, 2026 with Daniel R. Hughes of Duggan, Hughes, & Bramhall, LLC. Judy Shaw seconded the motion. Mayor Atkinson filed a written recusal and abstained from voting on this motion. He then called for the vote, and it passed unanimously. Beau Proffitt made a motion for Council to execute the following contracts reviewed by Town Legal Counsel:

- Intergovernmental Agreement with Pickens County regarding leasing Ponderosa Park for recreation purposes and also authorizes lease payment in intervals as referenced in that contract by the Town Clerk. Other contract stipulations will be provided by the Town Clerk and Pickens County.
- Contract with Zorn Company dated April 9, 2026 for construction of the SCDOT permitted apron entrance at Bryson Children's Nature Walk (BCNW) using already approved grant funds on an 80%/20% split with 80% grant funded and 20% principal/interest/donation funded.
- Contract with Orange Property Management for Management of property currently leased from the town at 102 South Main Street.

All three of the items were approved with a second and a unanimous vote.

Beau Proffitt made a motion to give Mayor authorization to proceed with construction of the Boardwalk, Pond Overlook, Learning Center and Entrance Drive at BCNW using donated funds, grant funds, state apportioned funds or a combination thereof as applicable. Judy Shaw made the second and this motion passed unanimously.

Beau Proffitt made a motion for Council to authorize a salary of \$49,500 for the Town Clerk/Treasurer for the new fiscal year beginning July 1, 2026. He also made a motion to approve a title change for the part-time 25 hour per week position to Assistant Clerk/Business License Official, along with an hourly rate increase to \$18.00 per hour for the new fiscal year.

Both motions received a second and were approved unanimously.

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Beau Proffitt made a motion for Council to formally designate Attorney Mary C. McCormac to formalize the lease as representative for the lessor in compliance with standard business practices for the 102 South Main Street site currently leased. Upon execution of the lease, if accepted by the lessor, Orange Property Management will carry out its contract specified duties. Judy Shaw made the second and the vote passed unanimously.

Agenda Items

Mark Beckman made a motion to update the Miscellaneous Fee Structure for onsite initiated services and site usages with several adjustments incorporated since the March meeting. Beau Proffitt made the second and the vote passed unanimously.

Mayor Atkinson asked if there was a motion to approve the second reading of Special Events Ordinance as an alternative to simplify and improve the Business License Ordinance requirements to be more user-friendly to local businesses. No motion was offered. Therefore, the ordinance failed for lack of motion.

Adjournment

Mark Beckman made a motion to adjourn: Beau Proffitt made the second and the meeting adjourned at 9:37PM.

Respectfully Submitted:



Rita Martin/Clerk

Approved:


By: _____

Date: 5/14/26