#### **MINUTES**

# City of Dillon American Rescue Plan Workshop February 21, 2022

The February 21, 2022 American Rescue Plan Workshop of the City Council was held in the Multi-Purpose Room of the City of Dillon Wellness Center located at 1647 Commerce Drive in Dillon, SC. Notices of this Budget Workshop of City Council was provided to the media and individuals requesting a copy of the agenda informing them of the date, location, and time of the meeting.

### Councilmembers in attendance:

Mayor Pro-Tem Dr. Phil Wallace Councilmember Timothy Cousar Councilmember James Washington Councilmember Douglas Jackson Councilmember Jay David Councilmember Johnny Eller

Janet Paschal, City Attorney was in attendance.

I. <u>Call to Order</u> - Mayor Pro Tem, Dr. Wallace called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. Everyone stood for the Pledge of Allegiance. Dr. Wallace did the invocation.

### II. Approval of Agenda

Councilmember Jackson made a motion to approve the agenda. Councilmember Cousar seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

## III. Discussion of American Rescue Plan Funds

Glen Wagner gave his recommendations for the \$3,141,893 American Rescue Plan Funds. He said we received \$1,570,946 in September 2021. We are expected to receive the remaining \$1,570,946 in September 2022. We have already spent \$229,491 of these funds on Premium Pay for employees in November 2021. Glens' recommendations are as follows; Old First Bank Renovations \$300,000, Visitor Center Building renovations \$125,000, Water Meter upgrades \$450,000, Downtown Stabilization Grants \$200,000, Roll off truck \$205,000, a used residential garbage truck \$150,000, Recreation projects \$600,000, demolition of condemned buildings \$230,000, Storm water match \$300,000, and EDA Sewer match \$350,000.

Johnny Daniels, The Dillon Herald, said he has seen the city trying to restore Main Street plenty of times. He said the Dillon Herald wants to give back to the city and we will do this in the form of advertising and marketing. These funds will go towards businesses that have been affected by the pandemic. The Dillon Herald will match the funds that the City puts in. We will run advertisements and business owners will have 15 days to apply for advertising and marketing needs. The businesses will have to be in good standing with the city. Glen said this money is a grant to the Dillon Herald and not the individual businesses doing the advertising. Glen said he didn't have this money in his recommendations but will add it. Lastly, Glen said we have to have this money spent by December 2026. The quickest project that we can do will probably be the two trucks. The Municipal Association of South Carolina is working on a format of how we can do this legally through an ordinance or resolution and it will stipulate how we can use this money. Dr. Wallace said we will probably need an update at every meeting. Glen said he will hopefully have more information from the MASC next month.

# IV. Adjourn

With no further business to discuss, Councilmember Cousar made a motion to adjourn. The motion passed 6-0. The meeting adjourned at 8:06pm.

Dr. Phil Wallace, Mayor Pro-Tem

Tina Scott, Council Clerk

Date Approved: March 14, 2022