### **AGENDA**

# **TOWN OF BOWMAN/COUNCIL MEETING**

## **CHARACTER TRAIT FOR DECEMBER 3, 2024**

**CHARACTER TRAIT: JOYFULNESS** 

Mission Statement: The Town of Bowman government delivers essential services that contribute to the well-being, safety and quality of its citizens. In doing so, we seek to meet the collective needs of our citizens in a cost-effective manner. We strive to provide "Quality Service and Solutions: Mutual Respect and Unity with the Community to reach a positive and productive goal for a common cause."

The Bowman Town Council will meet in regular session on the first Tuesday of each month (with the exceptions of July, Special Call meetings and Emergency.

CALL TO ORDER AND GREETINGS MAYOR PATSY RHETT

PRAYER COUNCILPERSON ROGERS

CIVILITY PLEDGE

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE COUNCILMAN GLENN

MOTION FOR APPROVAL OF NOVEMBER MEETING MINUTES

FINANCE REPORT Y. LEWIS

COMMUNITY: CLEAN AIR PRESENTATION

BERNICE JOHNSON MINDFUL MILES WALK

REQUEST FROM SAVE THE CHILDREN

ADMINISTRATIVE UPDATES MAYOR RHETT

CHRISTMAS PARADE AND THEME (SANTAS WORKSHOP) 12-12-24 6:30 PM

BREAKFAST WITH MAYOR AND COUNCIL (SENIORS)

## **DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS**

STREETS – COUNCILMAN CARTER

POLICE – COUNCILPERSON ROGERS

PARKS & REC. – COUNCILPERSON SMITH

WATER & SEWER – COUNCILMAN GLENN

**CLOSING REMARKS** 

**MAYOR RHETT** 

**CLOSING SONG** 



## Fw: Save the Children Program

2 messages

**Darrow Riley** <arrow.riley@ocsdsc.org>
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Sat, Nov 9, 2024 at 2:39 PM

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From: Darrow Riley <arrow.riley@ocsdsc.org>
Sent: Friday, November 8, 2024 5:00:45 PM
To: shear702@gmail.com <shear702@gmail.com>

Subject: Save the Children Program

Bethune Bowman Elementary School Save the Children Program

I am the Program Coordinator for the Save the Children Program at Bethune Bowman Elementary School. We have been exiting for more than 20 years and have a proven track record for literacy success. Our goal is that our children become lifetime readers and achievers.

We currently have (56) students in our in-school program and 35 in our after-school program. Our enrollment is increasing daily.

Here are some facts about Save the Children in South Carolina:

**Programs** 

Save the Children offers several programs in South Carolina, including:

Early Steps to School Success: Helps children with social, emotional, and language development, and provides parents with tools to support their child's growth

Literacy: Helps children in kindergarten through sixth grade improve their reading skills

Healthy Choices: Helps children in kindergarten through sixth grade increase their access to healthy snacks and physical activity, and learn about healthy living

Foster Grandparent Program: Pairs low-income senior citizens with elementary school children who are struggling readers

Head Start and Early Head Start: Serves more than 300 children, families, and expectant mothers in six centers

#### Advocacy

Save the Children Action Network (SCAN) advocates for children in South Carolina by: Posting information and actions on social media

Staffing booths at community events

Meeting with elected officials

Asking presidential candidates questions about how they would help children

#### **Donations**

86% of every dollar donated to Save the Children goes directly to their mission

Save the Children is a charity organization that works to ensure children everywhere survive, learn, and are protected.

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Forever Grateful,

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 Sat, Nov 9, 2024 at 2:43 PM

Thank you for the information! Will contact you soon.

[Quoted text hidden]

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October 16, 2024

Town of Bowman 131 Poplar Street Bowman, SC 29018

Dear Mayor Rhett and the Town Council Committee of Bowman,

I hope this message finds you well. My name is Bernice Johnson, and I am reaching out to propose a community event aimed at raising awareness for mental health issues, titled the "Mindful Miles Walk." This event is designed to foster community support, reduce stigma surrounding mental health, and provide resources to those in need.

#### **Event Details:**

- Event Name: Mindful Miles Walk - Date: Saturday, May 31, 2025

- Time: 1pm to 4pm

- Location: Bowman Inner City Park to Bowman Nature Park

#### **Objectives:**

- 1. Raise Awareness: To highlight the importance of mental frealth and the resources available within our community.
- 2. Foster Community Support: To bring together individuals, families, and mental health advocates to support one another and share experiences.
- 3. Provide Resources: To connect participants with local mental health organizations, support groups, and educational materials.

#### **Proposed Activities:**

- A guided walk along the Main Street of Bowman, allowing participants to reflect and connect.
- Information booths featuring local mental health organizations and resources.
- Guest speakers sharing personal stories and insights on mental health.
- A community gathering post-walk, including refreshments and opportunities for connection.

## Community Impact:

Mental health issues affect many individuals and families in our community, and events like the *Mindful Miles Walk* can help break down barriers and promote understanding. By creating a space for open dialogue and support, we can foster a healthier community.

## Support from the City:

To ensure the success of this event, we kindly request the following support from the Town Council:

- Approval of the proposed route for the walk.
- Assistance with permits, if necessary.
- Promotion of the event through city channels, such as newsletters or social media.

## **Next Steps:**

I would love the opportunity to discuss this proposal further and answer any questions you may have. Please let me know a convenient time for a meeting, or I would be happy to provide additional information via email or phone.

Thank you for considering this proposal to promote mental health awareness in our community.

I look forward to your positive response.

Bernice Johnson

Warm regards,

Coordinator

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