



**TOWN OF CENTRAL
REGULAR TOWN COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY, JANUARY 09, 2006 - 7:00 PM
CENTRAL TOWN HALL
1067 WEST MAIN STREET
CENTRAL, SC 29630**

Present: Mayor Harrison R. Holladay, Jr.; Council Members David Donald, Mac Martin, Lynne Chapman, Stan Thompson, David Boyles, and Gary White; Incoming Council Member Tracey Reynolds; Administrators Herbert Thompson and Phillip D. Mishoe; Public Works Director Dean Martin; Fire Chief Ed Reynolds; Chief of Police Joe Gibbs; Recreation Director Tom Cloer; Member of the Press Greg Oliver; Members of the Public Karon Donald, Brooke Donald, Deanna Donald, Jerry Martin, Ronnie Martin, Sharon Martin, Angela Martin, J. Wallace Palmer, and Elizabeth S. Owens.

Mayor Holladay called the meeting to order and rendered the invocation.

Mayor Holladay asked Council to look at the various limbs hanging over into the streets and on utility lines. He suggested contacting Duke Power, Bell South, and Northland Cable to assist in securing a grant to remove them.

Council Member Mac Martin's letter of resignation, effective immediately, was read by Mayor Holladay. Motion was made by Lynne Chapman to accept; seconded by David Donald. The vote on this motion was unanimous.

The Town Clerk Sandra L. Brown administered the Oath of Office to the newly elected Mayor Clyde J. "Mac" Martin, Jr.

The Town Clerk administered the Oath of Office to the newly elected Council Members Tracey A. Reynolds, Gary R. White, and David Donald. At this time Harrison R. Holladay, Jr. passed the gavel to the new Mayor Mac Martin.

Mayor Martin presented a plaque to Harrison R. Holladay in recognition and appreciation for 21 years of loyal service as the Mayor and Town Councilman for the Town of Central, South Carolina from April 1, 1984 to January 9, 2006.

Mayor Martin also presented a plaque to Stanley H. Thompson in recognition and appreciation for 17 years of loyal service as the Mayor and as a Town Councilman for the Town of Central, South Carolina from October 1, 1988 to January 9, 2006.

Mayor Martin asked for nominations to elect a Council Member to serve as Mayor Pro-Tempore (as per Section 5-7-190 and Town Code Section 2-28). Council Member David Boyles nominated Council Member Gary White; this was seconded by Lynne Chapman. There were no other nominations; Mayor Martin called for the nominations to be closed and with no objections Gary White was elected as Mayor Pro Tem.

Reading of the Regular Town Council Meeting Minutes for December 12, 2005. At this time Mayor Martin told the Council Members to correct any grammatical changes with a red pen at home to reduce the time spent in Council Meetings. Motion was made by David Donald to accept; seconded by Gary White. No discussion; all were in favor.

Reading of the Public Hearing Minutes January 2, 2006. Lynne Chapman made the motion to accept with corrections; seconded by David Boyles. All were in favor.

Mayor to appoint special committees: Public Safety – David Donald, Finance is open and Mayor Martin agreed to continue until it can be filled. He appointed Tracey Reynolds for Streets and Sanitation. All other Council Members were satisfied with their committees.

Public Session (30 minutes). None

Receipt and disposition of petitions (15 minutes): Administrator Herbert Thompson congratulated the Mayor and Council Members sworn in. Mr. Thompson had a petition to annex 437 Gassaway Street, Central, SC parcel # 4065-05-28-2792, into Town limits. Chairman Mac Martin moved to accept the petition; seconded by David Boyles. All were in favor.

Ordinances in possession of Council:

Second reading of Ordinance #12-12-05 PR; to charge people who live outside the Town limits of Central \$125.00 to rent the Community Park Building. Motion was made by David Donald; seconded by Chairman Mac Martin. No discussion. Council Members Gary White, David Donald, and Mayor Mac Martin voted in favor. Council Members Lynne Chapman, David Boyles, and Tracey Reynolds were opposed. The motion was defeated by a tie vote.

First reading of Ordinance #01-09-06 ZON-A; to amend Section 508 CC Core Commercials District, Subsection 508.2. Motion was made by Gary White to accept; seconded by David Boyles. All were in favor with the exception of Council Member Lynne Chapman who was opposed.

First reading of Ordinance #01-09-06 ZON; to add Section 727 Lighting Standard to the Town of Central's Zoning Ordinance. Motion to accept was made by Gary White; seconded by David Donald. All were in favor.

First reading of Ordinance #02-13-06 ANNEX; to annex Glen Abbots property located at 437 Gassaway Street, Parcel #4065-05-28-2792 into the Town of Central. Motion to accept was made by Lynne Chapman; seconded by David Boyles. All were in favor.

Report from Council Committees:

Street and Sanitation - David Donald:

1. The Street Department is still busy picking up debris from the ice storm
2. CATS Bus Service was tabled earlier and Mr. Donald did not table it therefore, he did not feel comfortable bring it back up

3. The Hold Harmless policy was included in the Council packets with corrections of who would sign the policy, requested by former Council Member Stanley Thompson. Mr. Donald made the motion to accept the Hold Harmless Policy; seconded by Lynne Chapman. After discussion all were in favor.

Mayor Martin moved to remove the discussion of the CATS Bus Service from the table; seconded by Lynne Chapman. All were in favor. Mr. Donald stated that he, along with Herbert Thompson and Phillip Mishoe met the previous Friday with City of Clemson's Assistant Administrator Chip Boyles, City of Administrator Rick Cotton, and Executive Director of CATS Al Babinicz. Mr. Donald has a packet of information to present to the Council at the next work session. Gary White stated the Business Council was working on the situation with the CATS bus route to Wal-Mart also. Mayor Martin suggested the Council invite Mr. Babinicz to the next Work Session.

Finance – Mac Martin: Everything is up-to-date.

Recreation – Lynne Chapman: Jimmie Meece resigned to take a job elsewhere. Tom Cloer has hired Jason Crawford to start work January 30th. He will be in place for the start of baseball season.

Water and Sewer – David Boyles: Nothing to report.

Planning – Gary White: There were 3 Home Occupation Permit requests approved by the Planning Commission; these were left off of the agenda. Mr. White made a motion to add these to the agenda; seconded by Lynne Chapman. All were in favor. Gary White made the motion to approve the Home Occupation Permit for Bertha Phillips to sell silk flowers on the internet; seconded by David Boyles. All were in favor. Mr. White made the motion to approve the Home Occupation Permit for Claire Levin as a Licensed Massage Therapist; seconded by David Boyles. All were in favor. Mr. White made a motion to approve the Home Occupation Permit for Matthew Gevaert as a consulting business; seconded by Lynne Chapman. All were in favor.

Public Safety – Chief Joe Gibbs & Fire Chief Ed Reynolds: Mr. Gibbs asked Council to review the information provided to them in their packets. It was an extremely busy month; there were 543 incidents in December v 400 in November. Mr. Reynolds stated there were 26 calls due to the Christmas Season. January and February there will be a lot of classes on weekends for the Fire Department.

Council to appoint Administrator Phillip Mishoe to Executive Committee of Cats. With no objections Mayor Martin considered it approved.

Council to appoint Administrator Phillip Mishoe and Mayor Mac Martin to the Anderson Regional Water Board. With no objections Mayor Martin considered it approved.

Report from Administrator – Phillip Mishoe:

1. The street department is continuing to haul brush from the ice storm and trying to do it without incurring overtime.
2. The Public Works Director has delivered the Grease Trap letter and ordinance to the restaurants in the Town limits.
3. Re the Streetscape project; the bid was over \$400,000 which was over \$200,000 than anticipated. Another contractor is reviewing it and it is closer to \$300,000.
4. Letters for the sewer violations have been mailed to the citizens.
5. Representatives from the Municipal Association will be here January 18th and 19th to offer new insurance.
6. The Appalachian Council of Government will be here on January 17th from 5:30 – 8:00 pm to conduct a Council orientation on local government. We will meet with the City of Liberty and we will serve dinner.

Report from the Mayor - Mac Martin:

1. To appoint a citizen of Central to the Central-Clemson Recreation Center Board. This will be added to the Work Session agenda. This position needs to be advertised also.
2. There is a letter from the Palmetto Health Center in the packets. We will send a letter of support for the project.
3. Municipal Association Winter Meeting is February 22nd and 23rd. Mr., Martin suggested that Council Members that haven't attended in the past, should go this time. Also included in the packets was the calendar for the Young at Heart.

With no objections Mayor Martin adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandra L. Brown, Town Clerk