



**TOWN OF CENTRAL
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2005 - 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;
Administrator Herbert Thompson; Police Chief Joe Gibbs; Public Works Director Dean Martin; Fire Chief Ed Reynolds; Finance Director Jerri Martin;
Clerk of Court Tina Fincannon; Police Secretary Karen Dixon; Auditor Mark Payne; Members of the Press Greg Oliver and Nathan DiBayne;
Members of the Public Elizabeth Owens and Jacquelyn Headen; Administrative Assistant Sandy L. Brown; Clerk to Council Grace S. Towe.

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

Mayor Holladay read a resolution honoring retiring Grace S. Towe and declaring November 18, 2005 as Grace Towe Day in the Town of Central. Ms. Towe was presented with a plaque and she expressed her gratitude to the Town.

Mayor Holladay proclaimed November 13th – 19th as American Education Week in Central.

Minutes of the October 10, 2005 Regular Council Meeting were presented. Motion was made by Stan Thompson to accept; seconded by David Boyles. The vote on this motion was unanimous.

Public Session: Ms. Elizabeth Owens, Chairperson for the Central Heritage Festival, thanked the following people for their assistance with the Festival: Town of Central's Police, Public Works, Administration, and Fire Department. Also, Pickens County Emergency Medical Service, Central Florist, Clemson/Central Area Chamber of Commerce, Central Area Business Council, Stowaway Court, Clemson University,

Blue Ridge Electric Company, Beverly Cureton, Volunteers from Wal-Mart, and members of the Festival Committee.

Receipt and disposition of petitions: there were none.

CPA Mark Payne was recognized to give a report of the Town's fiscal year end audit.

Ordinances in possession of Council:

First reading of Ordinance #12-12-05 SIB to amend the budget and add line item #30-3410-0105 Sewer Improvement Fund to the revenue portion of the budget. The amended amount will be \$18,000.00 (at present we have the line item Sewer Improvement for expenditures). Motion was made by Mac Martin to accept; seconded by David Donald. The vote on this motion was unanimous.

First reading of Ordinance #12-12-05 SIF to transfer funds to the Sewer Improvement Fund. Finance Director to take 5 cents per 1000 gallons of sewer sold and apply these funds to the Sewer Improvement Fund Account #30-3410-0105. Motion was made by Mac Martin to accept with the change of five (5) cents and change sewer "sold" to sewer "charged"; seconded by David Donald. The vote on this motion was unanimous.

First reading of Ordinance #12-12-05 DPM to transfer 10% of the monies collected from Duke Power Municipal Electric Service Agreement each quarter and apply these monies to the Sewer Improvement Fund Account #30-3410-0105. Motion made by Mac Martin to accept; seconded by Lynne Chapman. David Donald brought up the fact that in June 2004 the Council had decided to set aside 1% of the 4% of the money for the sewer improvement fund, which has not been done. Also, the 10% is a good start since we are halfway into this budget, but a reminder is needed to increase this to 25% for next year's budget. The vote on this motion was unanimous.

Second reading of Ordinance #11-14-05 WS/TA Water Sale of Transmission Agreement Between the Town of Central and City of Clemson. Motion by Stan Thompson to accept; seconded by Gary White. The vote on this motion was unanimous.

Second reading of Ordinance #10-10-05 GT to adopt a Grease Trap Ordinance. Motion was made by Mac Martin; seconded by David Donald. Stan Thompson moved that the motion be amended to whereby churches are eliminated from this ordinance; seconded by David Boyles. After discussion Stan Thompson rescinded his original motion and proposed that it read - churches are excluded from this requirement. The vote for the amendment was five for (Lynne Chapman, Harrison Holladay, Stan Thompson, David Boyles, and Gary White), and two opposed (David Donald and Mac Martin). The vote for the ordinance as amended was five for (Lynne Chapman, Harrison Holladay, Stan Thompson, David Boyles, and Gary White), and two opposed (David Donald and Mac Martin). The motion carried.

Second reading of Ordinance #11-14-05 WSR to adopt the revised sewer rates.
Motion by Mac Martin; seconded by Lynne Chapman. The vote on this motion was unanimous.

Second reading of Ordinance #11-14-05 WST to amend the Impact Fee Schedule for Residential, Commercial, and Apartments. Motion by Mac Martin; seconded by David Donald. After discussion motion was made by Mac Martin to accept the ordinance – changing the Commercial Fire Impact fee to \$200; Inside 4" Sewer Tap fee to \$1,100; and the Outside 4" Sewer Tap fee to \$1,300. David Donald seconded this. The vote was six for (David Donald, Mac Martin, Harry Holladay, Stan Thompson, David Boyles, and Gary White), and one opposed (Lynne Chapman).

Second reading of Ordinance #11-14-05 CR to amend Section 2-51 Quorum and Council Rules of Order. Motion by David Donald; seconded by Gary White. The vote on this motion was unanimous.

Adoption of Policy #11-01 ADA to adopt the Grievance Policy to meet the requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act. Motion by Stan Thompson to adopt ; seconded by Lynne Chapman. The vote on this motion was unanimous.

Reports from Council Committees:

Streets and Sanitation: David Donald made a motion to name the Wal-Mart Shopping Center "Carson Crossing" after Christy Carson; this was seconded by David Boyles. After discussion, the vote was five for (David Donald, Mac Martin, Harry Holladay, Stan Thompson, and David Boyles), and two opposed (Lynne Chapman and Gary White).

Financial: Mac Martin stated there is a newly developed financial spreadsheet that will be emailed to Council Members monthly.

Recreation: Lynne Chapman reported Central's Ten and Under Football team beat Abbeville for the State Championship. The team's banquet will be Tuesday, November 15, 2005 and all Council Members are invited. The Rec. Department will be installing a protective polyethylene cap on top of the fence at the little league field, at the Community Park, which was purchased with monies from a grant. Also, quotes are being taken for a dugout at the little league field. The Fire Prevention Day in October was a huge success with over 600 kids participating.

Public Safety: Stan Thompson reminded everyone the Police and Fire reports were in their packets. Thompson commended the Fire Department for the Fire Prevention Day. Thompson made the motion for the Town to purchase a 2006 Ford Crown Victoria Police car, with money already budgeted, for the Police Department. David Boyles seconded this motion. After brief discussion the vote on this motion was unanimous.

Fire Chief Ed Reynolds reported the Fire Department was recognized by the State paper once again as having one of the top five fire safety programs in the State. Also, the Christmas parade will be Saturday, December 3, 2005 at 1:30 pm and the dinner will follow at 6:30 pm. The Fire Department will be taking up money at the door that night for a surprise donation to Helping Hands. The money collected will be matched with money from the Fire Department's private fund raising fund.

Water & Sewer: David Boyles expressed his appreciation to the Council for their assistance with the Grease Trap Ordinance.

Planning: Gary White reported the Planning Commission would meet November 27, 2005 at 7:00 pm. They will discuss Lighting Standards, Sub-division Regulations, and Street and Roadway Acceptance Ordinance.

Mac Martin made a motion to add an item to the agenda to go into Executive Session; seconded by David Donald. The vote on this motion was unanimous.

Reports from Administrator and Mayor:

Administrator Thompson recommended changing the starting time to 6:30 pm, and to implement an on-call schedule for Public Works employees as presented to Council in Work Session on 11/08/05. David Donald made the motion; seconded by Lynne Chapman. The vote on this motion was unanimous.

The bid opening for the Street Scape Project has been extended for two weeks. No bids were received. The final set of plans for the South Trunk Line have been sent to DHEC. David Donald requested that Mr. Thompson send letters to the property owners on the North Trunk Line that will have to do their own sewer repairs and give a report at the next Council Work Session.

The Town's Christmas dinner will be Thursday, December 8, 2005 at 7:00 pm at the First Baptist Church Social Hall. Also, the Municipal Association's dinner will be Monday, November 28, 2005 at 7:00 pm at the Ramada in Clemson. A head count was taken and all planned to attend.

Mayor Holladay reminded everyone the school is preparing lunch again this year for the Town, Thursday, November 17, 2005 at 11:30 am. Four Council members plan to attend.

Mayor Holladay requested a motion to amend the date Council appointed Sandra L. Brown to the position of Town Clerk / Business License Officer from January 1, 2006 to November 15, 2005. Lynne Chapman made the motion; seconded by David Boyles. The vote on this motion was unanimous.

Mac Martin made the motion to go into Executive Session to discuss an annexation issue; seconded by David Donald. The vote on this motion was unanimous.

Council and Mayor returned from Executive Session, no votes were taken, and no decisions were made.

Mayor Holladay requested a motion to adjourn. Motion made by Stan Thompson; seconded by David Boyles. The vote on this motion was unanimous.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sandra L. Brown, Town Clerk