



**TOWN OF CENTRAL  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
MONDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2007 – 7:00 PM  
CENTRAL TOWN HALL  
1067 WEST MAIN STREET  
CENTRAL, SC 29630**

Present: Mayor Mac Martin; Council Members David Donald, Tony Craig, Lynne Chapman, Tracey Reynolds, David Boyles, and Gary White; Police Chief Kerry Avery; Town Administrator Phillip Mishoe; Fire Chief Ed Reynolds; Fire Department's Executive Officer Ben Smith; Recreation Director Tom Cloer; Citizens Harry Holladay and Ted Osborne; Members of the Press Michael Campbell, and Greg Oliver; Town Clerk Sandy Brown.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Mac Martin.

Gary White rendered the invocation.

Reading of Work Session / Council Meeting Minutes 10/01/07

Mayor Martin stated these minutes will be reviewed at the Work Session Meeting January 7, 2008.

Reading of Regular Council Meeting Minutes 11/12/07

David Donald made a motion to adopt the minutes as presented; seconded by Tracey Reynolds. The vote was unanimous.

Public Session

None

Receipt and disposition of petitions

None

Reports from Council Committees:

A. Gary White – Planning

I. Impact Fees Refunds

The impact fees refunds will be discussed at the Work Session Meeting January 7, 2008.

II. Appointment of Planning Commission Members

Mayor Martin opened the nominations for Planning Commission Members. Gary White nominated Ted Osborne; there were no other nominations. Mayor Martin closed the nominations and called for a vote. The vote was unanimous.

B. David Boyles – Water & Sewer

For the month of November the Water and Sewer Department completed 72 work orders. In addition to work orders the Water and Sewer Department made several taps and performed numerous reconnects. The Water and Sewer Department flushed the sewer lines and flowed fire hydrants.

Mayor Martin made a request to have department reports emailed to him so that he can post them on the news letter.

C. Tracey Reynolds – Finance

The report was discussed during the Work Session.

D. Lynne Chapman – Recreation

The Town will be hosting the Christmas Basketball Jamboree at the Indoor Recreation Center Saturday, December 16, 2007 from 9:00 am until 4:00 pm. The jamboree will feature the 10 and under and 12 and under boys, playing teams from across the region.

The Biggest Loser Contest will begin Monday, January 7, 2008 at the Indoor Recreation Center and will be open to anyone. The cost is \$15 for members and \$40 for non-members. Participants will be provided a workout plan to help lose the holiday pounds.

The parking lot at the Community Park has been patched, sealed, and re-stripped; all of which was funded by a grant. The construction of the batting cage at the park is rescheduled the week of December 10<sup>th</sup>. The concrete foundation will be installed and the fill dirt added.

The Central and Clemson Recreation Departments have been arranging the preliminary work to be done for the Dixie Youth All-Star State Tournament which will be held July 19<sup>th</sup> through the 25<sup>th</sup>, 2008. Weekly meetings will begin in January to work out the details for the tournament. The expected cost to host the tournament is \$15,000.

E. Tony Craig – Streets and Sanitation

For the month of November the Street Department completed 31 work orders. In addition to work orders the Street Department picked up 42 loads of brush, 32 loads of metal, 23 loads of wood, and 22 loads of leaves. The Street Department also kept the streets clean and assisted the Water Department with reading meters.

F. David Donald – Public Safety

The reports for the Police and Fire Departments were in the packets.

David Donald complimented the Fire Department on a successful Christmas Parade. He stated it was the best ride he had ever had in

a parade.

Mr. Donald asked Chief Avery if he wanted to add anything to his written report. Chief Avery stated no cars were wrecked and no body was hurt.

Mr. Donald reported the State had lifted the Red Flag Alert for outdoor burning; however, he did urge caution to all.

Introduction and consideration of new ordinances  
None

Consideration of ordinances already in possession of Council

A. Ordinance #11-12-07 ADM

To correct administrative errors in Town Code Book

Chair moved to accept this ordinance on second reading; seconded by Lynne Chapman. The vote was unanimous.

Reports from the Administrator and Mayor:

A. Administrator

I. Streetscape Update

Phillip Mishoe stated the stamped asphalt across Highway 93 would be completed the week of December 10<sup>th</sup>. The striping of the parking lot behind the Central Station Café and Durham's Auto will be done after the students get out of school for the holidays.

The Town and contractors are waiting on Duke Power Company to complete the lights. David Boyles asked if the stamped asphalt was paint or stain, because paint would shrink. Mr. Mishoe stated it was paint mixed with cement and they would put 4 coats on it.

II. Town Christmas Party Thursday, December 13<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 pm, Cannon Memorial Baptist Church

III. Police Cars

David Donald made the motion to allow Administrator Phillip Mishoe to purchase 2 used police cars; seconded by David Boyles.

Mr. Donald asked the Administrator if the funds were in the Police Department budget to purchase these cars. Mr. Mishoe stated it was in the budget. The 1<sup>st</sup> car was because the new car was wrecked in the prior budget year and the Police Department was replacing this car; it was already in the system. These 2 cars are in this budget year, to cycle out the ones that had over 200,000 miles on them. The Police Department is proposing buying 2 used cars with 40 – 60,000 miles on them for the price of 1 new car. Larger cities cycle out their vehicles more often. Gary White asked if this item needed a vote since it was in the budget. Mr.

Mishoe stated that during a previous Work Session they discussed 2 used instead of 1 new car and Council Person David Donald was comfortable with buying the first 2 and then going back to Council and report how they worked out. Mr. Mishoe also stated that once everyone gets comfortable with the system he would not need to bring it before Council again, only to report on it. The vote was unanimous.

IV. Hospitality Tax Fund Request

Lynne Chapman made the motion grant the Hospitality Tax Fund Request; seconded by Tracey Reynolds. David Donald suggested putting the dollar amount on the request. Lynne Chapman made the motion to grant the \$5,000 Hospitality Tax Fund request; seconded by Tracey Reynolds. Mayor Martin stated he discussed the uses of the Hospitality Funds with Tom (Cloer, Recreation Director) and this request is within the parameters of the use of the Hospitality Funds.

B. Mayor

Happy Holidays!

Miscellaneous business not included in any of the proceeding items:

David Boyles stated this past year there was a situation with a pay increase and he had asked for a report of who (employees) was assigned to what (departments) and what they were making (salary). He stated all of Council should take a look at this and they would be surprised at how much some people are making and how little some others are making. Mayor Martin asked if this was an item that needed a vote or needed to be added to the agenda. Mr. Boyles stated no, that it was a miscellaneous item; that it was his last meeting and they (Council) would not have to put up with him much longer. Mr. Boyles recommended that they (Council) think about doing like Clemson (University). They get pay increases every year and one of those is addressed at the lower 1/3 or the lower 1/4 of the employee's pay; some of the lower ones needed to be addressed. He stated that rather than have a general and constant pay increase, they (Council) needed to look at the fact that about 18% of every dollar is a payroll burden.

Executive Session

Chair made the motion to enter into Executive Session to discuss a contract detail and also administrative review of an employee; seconded by Lynne Chapman. The vote was unanimous.

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

Mayor Martin adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandra L Brown, Town Clerk

Approved by Council: January 14, 2008