

**TOWN OF CENTRAL
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
1067 WEST MAIN STREET, CENTRAL, SC 29630
MONDAY, MARCH 8, 2010 – 7:00 PM**

Present: Mayor Mac Martin; Council Members S. Paige Bowers, Tony H. Craig, Kenneth D. Dill, Harrison R. Holladay, Jr., and A. Benjamin Cumbie, IV; Administrator Phillip D. Mishoe; Fire Chief Edward Reynolds; Finance Director Jerri B. Martin; Recreation Director C. Tom Cloer, II; Athletic Director Jason Crawford; and Town Clerk Sandy Brown.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Mac Martin.

Ken Dill rendered the invocation.

Reading of Regular Council Meeting Minutes 02/08/10

Ken Dill made the motion to accept the minutes as presented; seconded by Benji Cumbie. The vote was unanimous.

Public Session

No one spoke.

Receipt and Disposition of Petitions

Mr. Mishoe reported there were none.

Reports from Council Committees:

All committee reports are on file in the Town Clerk's office and available for review upon request.

A. Planning – Paige Bowers

Ms. Bowers had nothing to report this month.

B. Streets and Public Safety – Tony Craig

Mr. Craig gave a report of the various calls and incidents the Police Department and Fire Department responded to in the month of February.

C. Finance and Marketing – Lynne Chapman

Ms. Chapman was absent; therefore Mr. Mishoe reported the general fund is in the black for the first time this physical year. Property taxes came in and that was a big help. Nothing unusual happening in the water, sewer, and sanitation departments.

D. Recreation – Ken Dill

Mr. Dill gave a brief report on the activities of the recreation department and the recreation center (attached).

E. Enterprise – Harry Holladay

Mr. Holladay reported on the various work orders and projects performed by the sewer, sanitation, and water department for the month of February (attached).

F. Tourism and Economic Development – Benji Cumbie

Mr. Cumbie reported the Central Area Business Council would approach Council at their next Work Session to recommend a new town web page.

Mr. Cumbie also announced the Central Railroad Festival would be Saturday, April 24th.

Recognition of 2010 State Champions

Mayor Martin and Ken Dill recognized the 2010 Palmetto State Champions. Those recognized were: Solomon Brown, Aaron Fields, J. D. Thompson, Landon Hagan, Kellan Goodine, Andrew Walwema, Sam Smith, Charles Withington, Samuel Haile; and Coaches Gregg Norman and Tavarie Taylor.

Executive Session

Chair, Mayor Martin made a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss a proposed contractual agreement; seconded by Paige Bowers. The vote was unanimous.

Council returned from Executive Session where no decisions were made; only information shared.

Introduction and consideration of new ordinances

First Reading of Ordinance #03-08-10 BAN

Harry Holladay made the motion to accept the ordinance as presented; seconded by Tony Craig; the vote was unanimous.

Consideration of ordinances already in possession of Council

There were none.

Reports from the Administrator and Mayor:

A. Administrator

Mr. Mishoe reported the Pickens County Municipal Association Meeting would be held Monday, March 22nd and Central would be the host.

Also, Saturday, April 10th, is the March to the Mailbox day. The Census Bureau has requested volunteers for this project. Mr. Mishoe has asked Council to assist him in contacting the apartment complexes to assure Central is adequately counted.

March 18th at 5:30 pm, is the date for the public hearing for the CDBG for the sewer upgrade.

The house at 503 Main Street has been demolished.

The enterprise fund will be ready for review at the April Work Session.

A Council Member made a request to Mr. Mishoe to mail out a recycling letter to citizens. Another option was to give the letter to new customers when they apply for water service. Mayor Martin stated part of the Solid Waste Management Act of 1991 states the county (Pickens) is responsible for educating the public; therefore they would pay the postage.

B. Mayor

Mayor Martin stated he met with Sharon Ekwere with Catch the Vision Program for after school kids. They are looking for places to meet, especially in the summer.

The US Department of Justice did an assessment of jails in Pickens County and a report is available.

Mayor Martin presented a copy of his tax returns and asked the Town Clerk to calculate his business license.

Miscellaneous business not included in any of the proceeding items

None at this time.

With no objections, Mayor Martin adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan A. Brewer
Deputy Town Clerk

Approved: _____