



**TOWN OF CENTRAL
REGULAR TOWN COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY MAY 9, 2005 – 7:00 P. M.
CENTRAL TOWN HALL
1067 WEST MAIN ST
CENTRAL, S. C. 29630**

Present: Mayor Harrison R. Holladay, Jr.; Council members David Donald; Mac Martin; Lynne O. Chapman; Stan Thompson; Gary White. Administrator Herbert Thompson; Pearce Adams, The Messenger; Police Chief Joe Gibbs; David Jensen and Richard Parker, Scout leaders and the troop. Fire Chief Edward Reynolds; Grace Towe, Clerk.

Mayor Holladay called the regular Town Council meeting to order at 7:00 p. m. and noted that the invocation was rendered in the public hearing.

Minutes of the April 11, 2005 regular Town Council meeting were presented as corrected. Motion by Lynne Chapman and seconded by Mac Martin to adopt as presented. The vote was unanimous.

Public Session: Ms. Phyllis Wells, Manager of the Senior Center addressed Council with a request that she get some help in maintaining the garden at the senior center. The garden is an asset to the area and needs to be maintained. She reported that she alone had been trying to do the best she could but does not feel that she can continue to do the job alone. David Jensen, Boy Scout leader, stated that the scouts would take the garden for a project. Mayor Holladay welcomed the troop and their leaders to the meeting.

Receipt and Disposition of Petitions (15 minutes). None

Ordinances in possession of Council:

Second reading of Ordinance #5-09-05 BL whereas Business License Ordinance #03-02-03 BLA and the Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) code for Business Classification Index is hereby repealed and replaced with the latest North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) for business license.

Motion by Stan Thompson and seconded by Gary White to adopt on second reading. Mayor Holladay called for any discussion. Mac Martin presented a comparison of the businesses that would increase and those that would have a small decrease. Mayor Holladay called for the vote and it was five for and one opposed. David Donald opposed.

First reading of Ordinance #06-13-05 ZA to amend the Official Zoning Ordinance, requiring the posting of property that is subject to a proposed zoning change. David Donald made a motion to adopt the ordinance on first reading and the motion was seconded by Lynne Chapman. Stan Thompson made a motion to amend the motion from the original whereby city council is changed to town council and the bracketed statement is eliminated. The motion was seconded by Gary White and the vote was unanimous.

Mayor Holladay called for a motion to approve the ordinance with the amendment. Stan Thompson made the motion and it was seconded by Lynne Chapman and the vote was unanimous.

First reading of Ordinance #06-13-05 RF to amend the reconnect fee from \$20.00 for non-payment for water service and sewer service to \$30.00 reconnection fee. Motion by David Donald and seconded by Mac Martin to adopt on first reading. The vote was unanimous.

First reading of Ordinance #06-13-05 BU to adopt the annual budget for the General Fund (10 Fund), Victims Advocate (20 Fund), Utility Fund (30 Fund), Indoor Recreation (TIF 40 Fund), Recycling (60 Fund), Central/Clemson Indoor Recreation (71 Fund) and Hospitality Tax (80 Fund). Motion by Lynne Chapman and seconded by Mac Martin to adopt on first reading. The vote was unanimous.

First reading of Ordinance #06-13-05 RB to adopt the annual budget for the Recreation Department (50 Fund). Motion by Stan Thompson and seconded by Gary White to adopt on first reading. The vote was unanimous.

Report from Council Committees:

David Donald - Mr. Donald stated that he had a couple of other reports besides the Streets and Sanitation. He stated that the Central Beautification Advisory Committee along with the Palmetto Pride Sponsorship of the Great American Cleanup sponsored the cemetery cleanup on April 16, 2005. There were 30 volunteers that showed up to help clean, cut and haul the debris from the cemetery perimeter. He stated that this is only a start and he recognized the following for their help: Wes Cromer-Seneca, Jeff and Renee Place – Norris, Sandi Griffith- Central, Shawn Phelps – Central, Will and Wanda Hendricks – Central, Don and Anne Sheriff – Central, Beverly Cureton – Central, Drew Yates -Six Mile, Sandy Brown – Pendleton, Jimmy Head – Central, Ed Reynolds – Central, Bobby Burdettee – Central, Stephen, Barley, Anne, Meghan Turner – Central, David, Karon, Deanna, Brooke Donald – Central, Towanda Peppers, Lynne Davis, Tonya Speed – Wal-Mart, Mayor Harry Holladay. CBAC Committee members: Ralph Hayes, Bill Martin, Elizabeth Owens – all from Central. There is still much work to be done and Mr. Donald suggested that the Mayor would form a Cemetery Committee and establish rules and by laws and the Mayor would chair the committee. No action on this matter at this time.

Mac Martin – Finance – Mr. Martin presented the financial report with favorable results.

Mr. Martin reported that that town had closed on the property on Werner St and need to get some ideas as to what to do and get started removing some trees, etc.

Lynne Chapman – Recreation – No report at this time.

Stan Thompson – Public Safety – Mr. Thompson reported that it was a relatively calm month for the fire department with only nine calls. The police

report is in the packets for tonight. There is much going on and the police department is to be commended for their efforts in combating crime. Mr. Thompson stated that Council was wise to budget for an additional officer in the coming budget year.

Chief Gibbs reported that Mr. Gene Jacobs was looking into the sign for the building at Wal-Mart.

Chief Gibbs reported that today at 12:30 Clemson Police Department along with Clemson University Police Department met to work out an agreement to deal with the alcohol problem mainly in the apartment complexes. When one needs help the other will be there.

David Boyles – Absent

Gary White – Planning – Mr. White reported that the next Planning Commission meeting would be held May 24, 2005 at 7:00 P. M. and they will be discussing the Comprehensive Plan and some zoning ordinances discussed prior. It was consensus of Council to bring the issue back to work session for some clarifications.

Report from Mayor and Administrator:

Administrator's Report:

Administrator Thompson reported that he had discussed the CAT bus service with Chip Boyles, the Assistant City Administrator for Clemson and they are still trying to work something out and right now they are talking about an express route which would be in the afternoons from about 4:30 till 8:30 P. M. and also talking about additional money.

A special called meeting was set for Wednesday, May 11, 2005 at 5:30 and Mr. Boyles will be notified.

Water line improvements with the City of Clemson. The bids had come in close to one million dollars higher than anticipated. A meeting will be held to consider the possibilities of this project.

Sewer repair at Heatherwood Place Complex. The sewer manhole that runs to Hardees will have to be replaced along with several feet of line. The existing manhole will be by-passed.

Mayor's Report:

Mayor Holladay read a resolution declaring May as Mental Health Month. He signed the document and a copy will be sent to Columbia.

Executive Session. Motion by David Donald and seconded by Mac Martin to go into executive session to discuss the upcoming job openings in the administration department.

The vote was unanimous.

After executive session, Mayor Holladay recalled regular session and announced that no votes were taken in executive session. Discussion was held on administrative personnel

Mac Martin made a motion to proceed with the process of job descriptions for the town clerk and town administrator and the posting of an ad for town clerk. The motion was seconded by Gary White and the vote was unanimous.

Motion to adjourn was made by Mac Martin and seconded by Gary White and the vote was unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

Grace S. Towe
Clerk to Council