



**TOWN OF CENTRAL
REGULAR TOWN COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY AUGUST 8, 2005
1067 WEST MAIN STREET
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CENTRAL, S. C. 29630**

Present: Mayor Harrison R. Holladay, Jr.; Council members: David Donald; Mac Martin; Stan Thompson; David Boyles; Lynne Chapman and Gary White. Administrator Herbert Thompson; Administrative Assistant Sandy Brown; Recreation Director Tom Cloer; Steve Campbell, CCRC (Central/Clemson Recreation Center); Fire Chief Edward Reynolds; Members of the public: Will Young; Bobby Ballentine; Karen Martin; Ed Martin; Al Cumbie; Clerk to Council Grace S. Towe.

Mayor Harrison R. Holladay, Jr. called the regular Town Council meeting to order at 7:00 P. M. and rendered the invocation

Minutes of the Public Hearing meeting of July 11, 2005 (Public Hearing SC Highways 93 and 18 Development Standards) were presented as corrected in work session. Motion by Gary White and seconded by Lynne Chapman to adopt and the vote was unanimous by show of hands.

Minutes of the regular Town Council meeting of July 18, 2005 were presented as corrected in work session. Motion by Lynne Chapman and seconded by Stan Thompson to adopt. The vote was unanimous by show of hands.

Minutes of the Town Council Public Hearing of August 1, 2005 (Wastewater Treatment Sale and Purchase Agreement) were presented. Motion by Gary White and seconded by Lynne Chapman to adopt. The vote was unanimous by show of hands.

Public Session (30 minutes).

Mr. Bobby Ballentine of 104 Madden Bridge Road was recognized. He stated that he and his wife had restored the old drug store building across the street and that they, along with many, others were proud of what had been done. He shared his interest in the Road 18 Corridor leading into town since 90% of his customers travel Hwy 18 to come into our town. Mr. Ballentine is much interested in the image that people form when entering our town. Mr. Ballentine urged Council to adopt the Road 18 Standards thereby having consistent standards on both sides of the road since the county already has standards in place equal to the ordinance that Council has adopted on first reading and he urged Council to adopt this ordinance. Mr. Ballentine stated that he felt this is a win-win situation for all concerned, the Town, property owners, residences and businesses. Thank you.

Ms. Susan Farrish, 207 Eaton Street was recognized. Ms. Farrish presented several pictures of her neighbors yard where it is grown over. Also, a speed bump on Eaton Street that has deteriorated, stop signs at Eaton and Georgia Street that are constantly ignored and stated that she had talked with Karen Dixon in the Town Hall 3 to 4 months ago reference these issues. She stated that some parts of the property had been cleaned but what she sees from the back side did not get cleaned.

Steve Campbell was recognized and introduced Mr. Will Young an intern and part time employee at the indoor recreation facility.

Receipt and disposition of petitions (15 minutes). None.

Ordinances in Possession of Council:

Councilman Gary White made a motion to add an item to the agenda that had been left off. Second reading of Ordinance #07-11-05 DCS Hwy 93 and 18 Development Corridor Standards. Councilman David Boyles seconded this motion. The vote was unanimous. Mr. White also made a motion to add another item to the agenda, this to add a new member to the Planning Commission. Councilperson Lynne Chapman seconded this motion to add this item to the agenda. The vote was unanimous.

Second reading of Ordinance #08-08-05 C-SANT to increase sanitation fees for commercial accounts. Councilman Stan Thompson stated that he had a problem with raising commercial fees if we do not raise residential fees. After discussion the vote was five for and two opposed. Lynne Chapman and Stan Thompson opposed

Second reading of Ordinance #07-18-05 SA, Wastewater Treatment Sale and Purchase Agreement among the Town of Central, Pickens County, and the City of Liberty and others related thereto. Motion by Stan Thompson and seconded by David Boyles to adopt on second reading. It was consensus of Council to discuss this ordinance more at the next work session. After discussion the vote was unanimous.

First reading of Ordinance #09-12-05 RO to repeal Sections 11-2, 11-21, and 11-23 from the Town of Central Code of Laws. Councilman Thompson advised that Ordinance # 09-12-05 NA should be passed before the #09-12-05 RO ordinance is passed. It was consensus of Council to reverse the passage of these ordinances. Motion by Mac Martin and seconded by David Boyles to adopt ordinance #09-12-05 NA. In discussion Councilman Thompson stated that building official and building administrator used in different places in this ordinance should become consistent and he suggested to refer to the person as "building official" so as to not switch back and forth in titles. The "u" in unless in Section 11-31 should be a small "u". After these corrections Councilman Thompson moved to accept the amendments. This was seconded by Gary White and the vote was unanimous.

Mayor Holladay called for a motion on ordinance #09-12-05 NA, Providing for the Enforcement of Nuisance Abatement, with the amendments. Motion by Stan Thompson and seconded by Gary White to adopt on first reading. The vote was six for a one opposed. David Boyles opposed.

First reading of Ordinance #09-12-05 RO to repeal Sections 11-2, 11-221, and 11-23 from the Town of Central Code of Laws. Motion by Mac Martin and seconded by David

Donald to adopt on first reading. The vote was unanimous.

First reading of Ordinance #09-12-05 PD/DC Public Drunk/Disorderly Conduct. Motion by Councilman Stan Thompson and seconded by Councilman David Boyles to adopt. The vote was unanimous.

First reading of Ordinance #09-12-05 AD , Excessive Acceleration/Deacceleration of a Motor Vehicle. Motion by Gary White and seconded by Stan Thompson to adopt on first reading. The vote was unanimous.

First reading of Ordinance #09-12-05 PDIN, Public Drunkenness/Influence of Narcotics. Motion by Stan Thompson and seconded by David Boyles to adopt on first reading. The vote was unanimous.

First reading of Ordinance #09-12-05 DTP, Disturbing the Peace. Motion by Lynne Chapman and seconded by Gary White to adopt on first reading with the corrections. The vote was unanimous.

First reading of Ordinance #09-12-5 F, Fighting. Motion by Stan Thompson and seconded by David Boyles to adopt on first reading. The vote was unanimous.

First reading of Ordinance #09-12-05 DP, Possession and Sale of Drug Paraphernalia. Motion by Lynne Chapman and seconded by Gary White to adopt on first reading with the corrections. After discussion the vote was unanimous.

Second reading of Ordinance #07-11-05 DCS Hwy 93 and 18 Development Corridor Standards. Motion by Gary White and seconded by Lynne Chapman to adopt on second reading. After discussion the vote was six for and one opposed. David Donald opposed. It was consensus of Council to discuss the lighting portion of this ordinance in work session.

Report from Council Committees:

Gary White – Planning - Mr. White reminded Council that another member was needed for the Planning Commission. Councilman Boyles suggested that the Planning Commission make a recommendation for the replacement. Mayor Holladay called for nominations and Mac Martin nominated Susan Farrish. This motion was seconded by David Boyles. Stan Thompson nominated Ms. Stephanie Spalino and this was seconded by Gary White. David Donald nominated George Jones. Mr. Jones received one vote, Ms. Spalino received two votes, Susan Farrish received four votes. Mayor Holladay advised Mr. White that three other names could be presented to the Planning Commission to see if they recommend either of those.

David Donald - Streets and Sanitation- Mr. Donald presented a map of Mt. Zion Cemetery and the proposal from Beverly Cureton for naming streets in the cemetery. After discussion Mayor Holladay suggested that this issue be moved to the next work session for review. Mr. Donald reported that the PTO on the new trash truck is broken again and with two more years left on this truck it most likely will not make it for two more years. Mr. Donald suggested that the street and sanitation crew repair the speed bump on Eaton Street since half of it is missing and people are driving through a yard to miss the bump. Mr. Donald reported that the Central Heritage Festival meeting will be August 9, 2005 at 6:30 at the Town Hall and reminded Council of the need to get policies and procedures in place to protect the Town, and not only for the festival but other events such as renting the community park building. The festival is only two months away.

Mac Martin – Finance – Mr. Martin reported that we have completed the first month of the budget year and everything looks like it is on target. Mr. Martin read some letters from citizens reference the CAT bus routes.

Lynne Chapman – Recreation – Ms. Chapman reported that Super Saturday would be held August 27, 2005 with football games at 10:30 am 12:00 noon and 2:00 pm.

The Golden Games will be September 12 through 15 and Council is invited to a banquet to be held Thursday September 15 at 6:00 p.m. at Cannon Baptist Church fellowship hall.

Senior Health Fair will be October 9, 2005 from 8am until 11:30 am and the Fire Prevention Day will be October 12, 2005 from 8 am until 5:30 pm. Ms. Chapman reminded Council of the Young at Heart August calendar in their packet and if there is some place one can volunteer to help it would be appreciated.

Stan Thompson – Public Safety - Mr. Thompson reported that the report from the fire department was in the packet for the last work session and the police department report is here for tonight and nothing looks out of the ordinary.

David Boyles – Water and Sewer - Mr. Boyles reported that he and Mr. Richard Davidson were working on a grease trap ordinance for the next work session.

Gary White – Planning – Mr. White reported that the next Planning Commission meeting would be August 23, 2005 at 7:00 P. M. at Town Hall and a Home Occupation request will be considered.

David Donald requested that Mr. White get on the agenda for the Planning Commission meeting for discussion of certain types of businesses in Core Commercial area, what is and is not allowed. Also to check with Chief Gibbs reference debris on lot where Ms. Farrish presented pictures.

Report from Administrator and Mayor:

Administrator's Report:

Administrator Herbert Thompson discussed the sewer line improvements on the south trunk line. We have a full set of blue prints for your review and one thing disturbing is they are not going all the way to College Street where there is a lot of problems. The blue prints show that it ends at Berry Street.

Mr. Thompson reported that the Central Area Business Council has Business Expo scheduled for August 20, 2005 at the Wal-Mart parking lot and it is being done in conjunction with the first anniversary of the opening of the Wal-Mart facility. Some of the members of the Central Area Business Council suggest that the Wal-Mart area be named Maverick's Crossing and Council will discuss this at their next work session.

Mr. Thompson reported that Easley/Central Water District has stopped feeding Fluoride to our water while they are upgrading their plants and will resume when they are complete. Administrator Thompson reminded Council of the Legislative Alert reform on property tax at Greenville Tech August 24, 2005 at 6pm and advised that is important that Council attend. Mr. Thompson reported that the Street Scape drawings are now at the Highway Department. We lost Bank Street cross walk due to safety reasons.

Mayor's Report:

Mayor Holladay presented Tom Cloer with some information on Senator Jim DeMint's Economic Developments Grant Workshop for his review. Mayor Holladay reminded the audience that the filing dates for the upcoming election are August 19 through September 1, 2005.

Mayor Holladay called for a motion to go into executive session for discussion of a personnel matter. David Donald made a motion to go into executive session for discussion of personnel matters. The motion was seconded by Lynne Chapman and the vote was unanimous by show of hands.

After executive session Mayor Holladay recalled regular session and announced that no decisions were made and no votes taken and there being no further business a motion to adjourn was made by Stan Thompson and seconded by David Boyles and the vote was unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

Grace S. Towe
Clerk to Council