Corrected

Regular Council Meeting
January 8, 1996
Central Town Hall
105 Werner Street
Central, S. C.

Present: Mayor Stan Thompson; Councilmembers: Edward Reynolds; Frank Chaka; James Teal; Joe Head; Harry Holladay; Bobby Busha. Administrator Herbert Thompson; Greg Oliver, The Messenger; Joe Gibbs (with interest in Chief of Police Position); Grace Towe, Clerk.

Mayor Thompson called the meeting to order.

Invocation had been rendered at 6:30 P. M. work session.

Minutes of the December 11, 1995 meeting were presented as corrected. Motion by Frank Chaka, second by Bobby Busha to accept. The vote was unanimous.

PUBLIC SESSION: Mr. Joe Gibbs expressed his interest in the Chief of Police position and stated that he was here to observe how council meetings were carried out.

RECEIPT AND DISPOSITION OF PETITIONS: None

REPORT FROM COUNCIL COMMITTEES:

Edward Reynolds - Public Safety - Mr. Reynolds reported on the fire at Mr. Earl Miller's barn on Miller Farm Road. He stated that it was a very dangerous situation but was handled in a professional manner.

Frank Chaka - Finance - Mr. Chaka presented the financial report. He stated that the budget is still in good shape for this time of the year.

James Teal - Recreation - Mr. Teal reported that he had a meeting with the County Recreation Committee on Tuesday. He would like to see the lighting of the ball field get under way and the scoreboard repaired or replaced.

Joe Head - Water & Sewer - Mr. Head reported that the annual DHEC inspection results were back and were satisfactory.

Harry Holladay - Planning - Mr. Holladay discussed the new gym multi-purpose building. He stated that he would like to see the ground breaking in April and have it ready by November. Discussion only.

Bobby Busha - Streets and Sanitation - Mr. Busha stated that he had been approched by residents concerning the use of the rest rooms on the grounds of the Community Park. It was concensus of Council to leave the facility locked since there is no heat and the water would freeze and pipes would burst.

CONSIDERATION OF ORDINANCES IN POSSESSION OF COUNCIL:

Second reading of Ordinance #96-8-01 BLI for business license. After discussion motion by Frank Chaka, second by Bobby Busha to adopt on

second reading. The vote was unanimous.

REPORT FROM MAYOR AND ADMINISTRATOR:

A. Administrator's Report:

1. Mr. Herbert Thompson discussed the road paving by the County for fiscal year 1996-97. He gave a list of these roads: Christy Circle starting at Brock St., ending Brock Street.
Rickman starting at Wesleyan Dr. ending on Wesleyan Drive.
McDaniel starting at Horton ending Dunwoody Ave.
Childs Rd. starting at Simms School Rd ending Perimeter Rd.
Stewart St. starting at Main, ending Werner St.
Duncan St. starting at Church ending Foot St.

2. Mr. Herbert Thompson reminded Council of the Municipal Association Hometown Connection meeting in Columbia for January 16, 1996 at 10:30 A. M.

3. Video Poker business license was discussed. Since the state removed the machines from the business and the entire year's fee had been paid, motion by Bobby Busha, second by Joe Head to refund the portion of the license that pertained to the balance of the year that the machines were not in use. After discussion the vote was unanimous.

Herbert also reminded Council of the Winter Meeting of the S. C. Municipal Association for February 22, 1996 in Columbia.

Herbert discussed a letter from County Administrator Tom Hendricks reference garbage disposal.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Thompson reminded Council that the January 15, 1996 deadline for applying for the position of Chief of Police was near. He stated that he would get a copy of each of the applicant's resumes to each Screening Committee member. He suggested that the committee meet on January 23, 1996 at 7:00 P. M. to begin its work. The full Council will interview applicants selected by the committee.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS NOT INCLUDED PRIOR:

Volunteer of the year was again discussed. Robert Herron had been chosen and Bobby Busha agreed to word a resolution to honor Robert at the February meeting.

At this time motion by Joe Head, second by Frank Chaka to go into executive session for discussion of a personnel matter. The vote was unanimous.

After executive session Mayor Thompson recalled regular session and announced that no action had been taken in executive session.

Mayor Thompson adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted:

Grace S. Towe

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