

MINUTES: TOWN COUNCIL

The regular meeting of the Central Town Council was held on March 10, 1975. Those in attendance were Mayor H. R. Holladay, Council Members Herbert Thompson, Furman Hopkins, Troy Porter, George Fowler, Jack Kennemore, & Billy Busha; also Chief of Police, Harold Duncan; Street Superintendant, John Head, and David Stewart, representing IRA insurance plan.

The mayor called the meeting to order. He then presented to the Council Mr. Stewart, who presented an Income Tax Shelter Program, a supplementary income with Social Security. It was left up to the Council Members and Town employees individually as to whether to join this plan.

The Council agreed to finance a supper for the Police Force and the Auxillary Officers. It is to be held at the Central Wesleyan College Cafeteria on March 13, 1975, at 7:00 p.m. Solicitor Wilkinson is to be the guest speaker.

The question of whether or not to charge a business license to Jim Swinfford to operate a private location to instruct karate students. This building will have its doors locked and not be open to the general public. Porter made a motion that a Business License fee of \$15 be charged to Mr. Swinfford; Fowler seconded the motion and the Council approved.

Kennemore made a motion that all the businesses in Central which engage in the sale of beer; namely, Ray's Recreation, Graham's Liquor Store, and the Dee-Mart, be charged a fee of \$100 for beer license. The motion was seconded by Porter & the council approved.

Thompson suggested that the business license ordinance be revised each year.

The Police Dept. presented the offer of a grant through the Council of Governments which would supply 95% of the expense for amunition, first-aid, and office supplies, etc. for the Police Dept. A motion was made by Fowler & seconded by Hopkins that the Town pay the remaining 5% for these supplies; council approved.

A motion was made by Fowler & seconded by Hopkins that doors be built on the cabinets in the Town office; council agreed.

After a study of the Revenue Sharing Account, with monies based on population of Central, the Council agreed to leave the account as is.

Fowler brought before the meeting a suggestion that the park be closed on Sundays at 5:30 p.m. for the benefit of the church services; no action was taken. It was decided that Porter is to be in charge of placing a set of rules for the park on some permanent structure so as to make all visitors aware of them.

Under accounts payable to the Town, invoices are to be sent to
1) Easley Plumbing for a sewer tap at Carolina National Bank, and to
2) Mr. Larry Sifford for sewer taps for 12 units of the LaVista Apts.
with a fee of \$100 each being charged. Also the LaVista Apts. are to
be reminded of their 1973 taxes which are still unpaid.

Fowler moved that the Town pay for plants to be placed inside the
Town office; Hopkins seconded the motion and it passed.

A Board of Appeals for the Zoning Ordinance is to be established,
comprised of citizens of Central appointed by the Council. Thompson
moved that the following men serve: Glen O'Dell for 3 years, Jack
Wilson for 2 years, H. E. Arnold for 2 years, Glenn Carson for 1 year,
and Doyle Elrod for 1 year; after each man's term has expired, he
will be up for re-appointment by the Council. This motion was
seconded by Hopkins, and passed by the Council. Any time that a
citizen does not agree with the decisions of the Council and building
inspector, they may take their plea to this Board of Appeals; if
the decision of the Town is upheld, they may appeal further to
the County Court.

It was noted that a trailer on Gaines Street belonging to Ada &
Coy Hendricks is in violation of the Zoning Ordinance. A motion was
made by Thompson & seconded by Kennemore that a letter of violation
be sent to them along with a refund on their water & sewer deposits
until the specifications be met; eg. underpinning the trailer, putting
trailer on separate lot, etc. This motion passed unanimously.

Further it was noted that a trailer on Woodson Street owned by
Junior Mann is in violation of Zoning laws due to not being on a
separate lot; however, no action was taken.

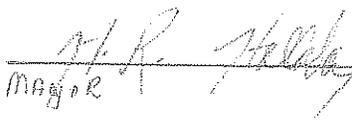
A motion was made by Hopkins and seconded by Fowler for the
Town to purchase 500 each of several forms John Head needs in testing
at the sewer plants. The motion passed.

Fowler moved, with a second by Hopkins, that the Finance Committee
and the Police Committee be responsible for working out overtime days
for the Police Dept. The council approved the motion.

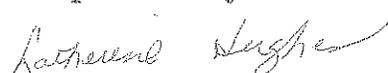
Porter brought before the council that a citizen had mentioned
the Town flying a U. S. flag. No action was taken.

A motion was made by Kennemore to purchase two push mowers for
use by the Street Dept. The motion was seconded by Hopkins and passed
by the Council.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.


M. R. Hallock

Respectfully submitted,


Catherine Hughes, Clerk