

REGULAR TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
Monday April 13, 1998
Central Town Hall - 7:00 P. M.
105 Werner Street
Central, S. C. 29630

PRESENT: Mayor Stan Thompson; Councilmember Frank Chaka; Joe Head;
Harry Holladay; Bobby Busha; Edward Reynolds. Administrator
Herbert Thompson; Clerk Grace Towe; Tamara and Pat Sterling.

Mayor Thompson called the meeting to order.

Invocation by Harry Holladay.

A. Mayor Thompson presented an Award of Appreciation plaque to our outgoing Municipal Judge, Tamara Sterling and thanked her for her outstanding service as Municipal Judge for the Town of Central. He wished her the very best as she moves to another state and presented her with a symbolic key to the Town of Central.

1. Minutes of the March 9, 1998 Town Council meeting were presented as corrected in work session. Mayor Thompson called for a motion to dispense of the full reading of the minutes and adopt as presented. Motion by Frank Chaka, seconded by Bobby Busha to adopt as presented. The vote was unanimous.
2. PUBLIC SESSION: (30 MINUTES) No input.
3. RECEIPT AND DISPOSITION OF PETITIONS: None.
4. REPORT FROM COUNCIL COMMITTEES:

Frank Chaka - Finance - Mr. Chaka presented the financial report with favorable results.

Joe Head - Water and Sewer - Mr. Head stated that a water issue would come up later in the meeting and relinquished his time for that discussion.

Harry Holladay - No report.

Bobby Busha - Streets and sanitation - Mr. Busha discussed the issue of street lights as they burn out. He was informed that the police officers would bring this issue to Mr. Herbert Thompson and he could in turn notify Duke Power Company.

5. CONSIDERATION OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS IN POSSESSION OF COUNCIL:

A. First reading of Ordinance #9-98 to amend our Business License Ordinance to allow for the levying of a business license tax on telecommunications. Motion by Joe Head, seconded by Bobby Busha to adopt. The vote was unanimous.

B. First reading of Ordinance #8-98 UF to amend the Enterprise Fund (30 Fund Budget for F.Y.E. 6-30-98.) Mayor Thompson called for dispensing of the full reading of the ordinance and called for a motion to adopt. The motion was made by Frank Chaka, seconded by Joe Head to adopt on first reading. Mr. Herbert Thompson addressed the reason for the amendment and after discussion the vote was unanimous.

C. Second reading of Ordinance #7-98 GF to amend the General Fund budget for F.Y.E. 6-30-98. Motion by Frank Chaka to dispense with the full reading of the ordinance and adopt on second reading. The motion by seconded by Bobby Busha. The vote was unanimous.

D. Intergovernmental agreement with Pickens County to continue to collect millage heretofore levied for servicing the debt of the sewer collection and treatment (Agreement is enclosed) Motion by Joe Head to dispense of the full reading of the document and adopt as presented. The motion was seconded by Frank Chaka and after discussion the vote was unanimous.

6. REPORT FROM MAYOR AND ADMINISTRATOR:

A. Administrator's Report:

1. Mr. Herbert Thompson briefed Council on the water tap to be done at Johnson Road and Lawton Road going by the Central Elementary School. Also, an update of the project proposed for the Vickery property on Vickery Drive was given.

2. Public Hearing Monday May 11, 1998, Ref. Proposed Budget for F. Y. E. 6-30-99. This to be a work session document.

3. Agreement with Central Area Rural Fire District Mr. Herbert Thompson went over the operation of the Rural Fire District and noted that the fees charged for the Rural Fire District seems to be out of proportion to properties in the district by having a flat rate.

Mayor's Report:

1. Consideration of request from D. W. Daniel High School for funding to support academic excellence (\$250.00). Motion by Edward Reynolds, seconded by Joe Head to give this amount. The vote was unanimous.

2. 1997 Volunteer of the Year Award. Motion by Edward Reynolds, seconded by Bobby Busha to select Fire Chief John Head for this honor. The vote was five for and one abstention (Joe Head abstained since it is a family member). Mr. Head will be recognized at the regular council meeting in May.

Discussion of inflow and infiltration in the sewer collection system. The future will entail the county charging a fee for excessive flow. Discussion only.

It was consensus of Council to have a special called meeting on May 4, 1998 for the swearing in of a new councilperson. This meeting will be at 6:30 just prior to the regular work session.

Mayor Thompson asked a committee of Council members to conduct the annual performance review of the administrator and bring back to Council for their recommendation.

Frank Chaka reported that the Mayor and Councilpersons had not had a salary increase in ten years and made a motion that the Mayor's salary be increased by \$50.00 per month and Councilpersons to increase by \$25.00 per month to be effective January 1, 1999. Mayor Thompson requested that Council give consent to discuss this action since it was not an agenda item. It was consensus of Council to allow.

The motion was seconded by Joe Head and after discussion the vote was 5 in favor and one abstention. (Mayor Thompson abstained.)

There being no further business, motion by Edward Reynolds, seconded by Bobby Busha to adjourn. The vote was unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,



Grace S. Towe
Clerk
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