

# Town of Central

Central, S. C. 29630

H. Reese Holladay  
Mayor

## Councilmen

Mr. Billy Joe Busha  
Mr. George Fowler  
Mr. Harman Hopkins  
Mr. Jack Keenehamer  
Mr. Craig Porter  
Mr. Herbert Thompson, Jr.

Catherine H. Hughes  
Town Clerk  
Treasurer

## MINUTES, TOWN COUNCIL

The regular meeting of the Town Council was held on April 14, 1975 at the Town Hall. Those present were Councilmen Thompson, Busha, Hopkins, Fowler, Porter, Mayor Holladay, Police Chief Duncan, Street Superintendent John Head, & Town Clerk Catherine Hughes. The meeting was called to order by the Mayor.

The matter of Jeni Smallwood, who has been employed by the Town for four years, leaving work after this semester (as of April 30, 1975) was brought to the council. A motion was made by Fowler and seconded by Hopkins to give Jeni a graduation and appreciation gift of \$100; the motion passed unanimously.

The fact that there are steps protruding into the street at the property of Wade Campbell, due to revisions of the State Highway Dept., was mentioned. These steps, located on Brock Street, are to be taken care of by Porter, as designated by the Mayor.

The Mayor informed the Council that the final inspection of the park had been made recently by Colonel Mayes of the Park and Recreation and Tourism Department. He estimated that our funding would be approximately \$7000.

The issue of clearing the debris from the back of Tony Craig's lot was brought before the council; the town is to be responsible for the cleaning.

Porter brought up the problem of water running into Carson's pasture since the highway has come through. No action was taken.

Fowler suggested that the old pipe that was picked up from Brock Street be placed in the equipment lot of the Town; agreed upon by general consent.

The Mayor voiced complaints from several persons of sore spots within the Town. Fowler made a motion that May be designated as "Clean-Up Month," Hopkins seconded the motion and the council approved it. In regard to the responsibility of the businesses of the Town, letters are to be sent informing them of this clean-up effort, asking them to co-operate by cleaning around their places of business. Also, Central Hardware and Central Concrete will give discounts on paint to aid in this campaign. To inform citizens, an announcement will be run in the newspaper and posters placed

about in the Town. The Town itself will assist by making the Street Supervisor and his staff available to remove excess brush or garbage. It is hoped that we will all co-operate in making this campaign a success and thereby improving the looks of our town.

The Mayor asked the council about the possibility of having prisoners from the county stockade to work for the Street Dept. The only cost would be to provide lunch. After discussion, it was mutually decided that it probably would not be worth the effort.

Next, the mayor asked if there were any objections to having summer employees on the Compensatory Manpower Program--for the Street Dept., Park, and office. No objections were voiced.

John Head stated that caves and gullies in the town were being filled with garbage, especially in the mill village and Head Town. *Orville L. A. Fowler* suggested that ~~it would help to~~ rake leaves into the gullies, *Problems*. The council suggested that the police officers notice such action as they make their rounds and warn the people not to do this again.

Fowler made a motion that restrooms and a recreation stand be constructed on the playgrounds owned by Cannon Mills as soon as Cannon gave the O.K. The building will be 116 x 14 and Davis is to lay the block; the approximate cost is from \$2,500 to \$3,000. Porter stated that the town will be reimbursed in one year by the recreation department. The motion was seconded by Hopkins and passed by the council.

The Mayor informed the council members that the Pickens County Municipal Meeting is the fourth Monday in the Pickens Town Hall.

The Mayor stated to the council that the Park & Recreation group members need to be *Commended by the council, also in private*. A Motion was made by Porter and seconded by Fowler that a supper be given for them.

John Head stated, to clear up any questions, that on the Rural Fire Protection program, the buildings belonging to Central Wesleyan College are covered; however, any individual homes built on property belonging to the college are not covered.

The enforcement of the ordinance of no dancing in public places was brought up. It was decided, after discussion, that this matter be left until it could be checked into by the town attorney.

A motion was made by Por-ter and seconded by Fowler to stop all credit fines to habitual drunks; if a trial is given, and they are found guilty, they are to pay immediately. Traffic violations are to be given a courtesy ticket of 4 to 5 days. The motion passed.

Discussion was given on the subject of returning the business license fee as issued to Wallace Palmer for his juke box. It was decided to table the discussion until further notice.

Permission was given by the council for L. O. Evatt to monitor the ~~Town~~ Radio.

Notice of the Blue Cross-BlueShield Insurance increase in rates was mentioned to the Council; the effective date is July 1, 1975. No action was taken.

The meeting was adjourned as there was no further business.

Respectfully submitted,

*Catherine Hughes*  
Catherine Hughes, Town Clerk

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MAYOR