REGULAR TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY MAY 11, 1998
CENTRAL TOWN HALL - 7:00 P. M.
105 WERNER STREET
CENTRAL, S.C. 29630

Present: Mayor Stan Thompson; Councilpersons: Keith Martin; Joe Head; Harry Holladay; Frank Chaka; Bobby Busha; Edward Reynolds. Administrator Herbert Thompson. Police Chief Joe Gibbs. Clerk Grace Towe.

Mayor Thompson called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 P. M.

Invocation by Harry Holladay.

Reading of the April 13, 1998 Town Council meeting minutes. Mayor Thompson entertained a motion that we dispense of the full reading of the minutes and approve as corrected in work session. Motion to this effect was made by Frank Chaka, seconded by Joe Head. The vote was unanimous.

Reading of the May 4. 1998 Special Called Town Council meeting. Mayor Thompson entertained a motion to adopt as presented. Motion by Bobby Busha, seconded by Joe Head to adopt. The vote was unanimous.

PUBLIC SESSION: (30 minutes)

PUBLIC HEARING for proposed Budget for F.Y.E. 6-30-99. No input. No citizens present.

RECEIPT AND DISPOSITION OF PETITIONS: None.

REPORT FROM COUNCIL COMMITTEES:

A. Harry Holladay - Planning. Discussion of Draft Ordinance to allow for banners, ribbons & flags. After discussion of the Planning Commission's recommendations Harry Holladay made a motion that the document be remanded back to the Planning Commission with Council's observation that the proposed ordinance was overly lenient and request that they continue to work on revising the current ordinance more in line with that which exists in the City of Clemson. The motion was seconded by Frank Chaka and the vote was unanimous.

Frank Chaka - Finance - Mr. Chaka went over the financial report and reported that some expenses such as insurance and workers compensation were paid ahead and this accounted for some of the excess expenses but overall report is in good shape.

Keith Martin - Recreation - No report at this time.
Mayor Thompson reported that since the last meeting Mr. Jimmy Dixon was appointment to the County Recreation Committee was approved by County Council.

Joe Head - Water & Sewer - No report.

Harry Holladay - Planning - Mr. Holladay suggested that Mr. Herbert

Thompson look into the possibility of COG or some other source providing some help with customer service training which would assist our Town staff. Videos would help.

Bobby Busha - Discussed warning sirens for weather conditions that have been occurring. Discussion only.

Edward Reynolds - No report. Chief Gibbs reported that vacation watches stay in effect year round, not just summer time.

CONSIDERATION OF ORDINANCES IN POSSESSION OF COUNCIL:

A. First reading of Ordinance #10-98 to adopt a General Fund, Recreation Construction Fund and Utility Fund Budget F.Y.E. 6-30-99.
Motion by Frank Chaka, second by Edward Reynolds to dispense of the full reading of the ordinance and adopt. The vote was unanimous.

B. First reading of Ordinance #11-98 to adopt a Recreation Fund Budget for F.Y.E. 6-30-99. Motion by Joe Head to dispense with the full reading of the ordinance and adopt. The motion by seconded by Bobby Busha and the vote was unanimous.

C. Second reading of Ordinance #9-98 to amend Business License Ordinance to allow for levying of a business license tax on Telecommunications. Motion by Edward Reynolds to dispense of the full reading of the ordinance and adopt on second reading. The motion was seconded by Joe Head and the vote was unanimous.

D. Second reading of Ordinance #~~10~~08-98 to amend the Enterprise Fund (30) for F.Y.E. 6-30-98. Motion by Joe Head, seconded by Bobby Busha to dispense of the full reading of the ordinance and adopt on second reading. The vote was unanimous.

REPORT FROM MAYOR AND ADMINISTRATOR:

A. Administrator's Report:

Mr. Herbert Thompson reminded Council of the picnic on Memorial Day, May 25, 1998 at Dr. Webb's lake house and asked for a head count. Discussion of Municipal Service Agreement with Duke Power Company. Mr. Thompson passed out an article that was in the Greenville News on Sunday. Mr. Thompson noted that it is time to renegotiate our agreement with Duke Power Company and the issue needs careful scrutiny. Discussion only.

Solid Waste Collection: RFPs were received from 3 Solid Waste Companies.

Mr. Herbert Thompson reported that he and Councilman Bobby Busha had gone to Westminster and talked with the Mayor to get input as to how the system was working for them. They were pleased with USA Waste, but other companies would be pursued. Discussion only.

Request from J. Leland Martin. When the new sewer line is put in at Willow Court the existing lift station will be abandoned and Mr. Thompson discussed deeding the right of way back to Mr. Martin. It was consensus of Council to deed the property back to Mr. Martin at the

proper time.

Mayor's Report:

1. Application for Home Occupation permit for Ms. Karen Farmer, 134 Evergreen Court. Motion by Joe Head, seconded by Harry Holladay to grant this application since the items that were missing had been corrected. The vote was unanimous.

2. Sewer right-of-way easement agreement with Pickens County. Mr. Herbert Thompson explained this issue to Council that references the town fence at the South Treatment Plant and the right of way needed by the county. Consensus of Council for the town attorney to advise on the issue.

Mayor Thompson called for a motion to go into executive session for discussion of a personnel matter within the Administration Department and contractural matter within the Streets and Sanitation Department. The motion was made by Frank Chaka, seconded by Edward Reynolds to go into executive session. The vote was unanimous.

After executive session, Mayor Thompson recalled regular session and stated that the annual review of the Town Administrator, Herbert Thompson had been completed and entertained a motion that a 4% annual raise be awarded effective May 1, 1998. Motion by Edward Reynolds, seconded by Harry Holladay to grant. The vote was unanimous.

There being no further business Mayor Thompson called for a motion to adjourn. Motion by Edward Reynolds, seconded by Bobby Busha to adjourn. The vote was unanimous.

Respectfully submitted;

Grace S. Towe

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