

Regular Council Meeting  
June 12, 1989  
7:00 P. M.

Present: Mayor Alton B. Cumbie, III; Councilmen: Clarence Phillips; Harry Holladay; "Doc" Evatt; Troy Porter; Frank Chaka; Stan Thompson; Bill Stephens; Herbert Thompson, Administrator; Residents: Mr. & Ms. Edwin Lane; Ms. Hugh Fincannon; Reba Thompson; Beverly Fellin; Robert Lewis; Louise Green; Mr. & Ms. Leroy Owen; Willie Gaines; C. B. Whitt; Olivia Burt.

Mayor Cumbie called the meeting to order.

Invocation by Harry Holladay.

Minutes of the May 8, 1989 meeting were read. Motion by Frank Chaka, second by Stan Thompson to approve as read. Vote unanimous.

Mayor Cumbie recognized a group from Watkins Street and opened the floor for discussion of the nuisance near Poplar Springs Baptist Church. Willie Gaines spoke on the speed and racket near the church, noting that services were much interrupted. Also, the drainage problem was still there and all the mud washes down the hill into the church yard.

Olivia Burt was recognized. She related that Watkins Street was a race track. The cars stop in the road and line up on both sides of the road. People gang up and make disturbing noises. There is indecency and no respect for the church services. Robert Lewis spoke of the offensive actions on Watkins Street, Mayor Cumbie appointed a group consisting of Willie Gaines, Olivia Burt, C. B. Whitt, Robert Lewis and LeRoy Owen to meet with Stan Thompson, Chief Frank Cantrell and officer Bill Stephens, to meeting when chief gets back from vacation and see what can be done to correct the problem on Watkins St.

"Doc" and Troy were appointed to see what can be done with the drainage problem.

Pineloop Circle naming was brought to the floor. Mayor Cumbie read a letter from E911 Coordinator Tom Hendricks stating that Brock Street to Johnson Road needed to be the same name. Stan Thompson read 8 reasons why Pine Loop should not be changed, relating that other towns systems included many streets with the same street names being similar.

Stan Thompson made a motion to reject E911 coordinator's suggestion to rename Pine Loop. Second was by Harry Holladay. After discussion Harry mad a motion to table the original till some study can be made to clear the issues. This was seconded by Frank Chaka. Mayor Cumbie called for a vote. There were 3 for and 4 against tabling. This brought the original motion back to the floor, not to accept the E911 coordinator's suggestion to change Pine Loop to Brock Street. This was voted 2 for and 4 against, thus Brock carried. (Mr. Evatt abstained on grounds of liability to the town)

*then the motion was defeated*  
OLD BUSINESS:

Stan Thompson--Discussion of siren for fire department. Need price estimates and report back for decision.

Frank Chaka- Gave the financial report, noting that some items over budget, others unrealistic.

Discussion of Major Guard Maintenance coverage plan for the new police vehicle. Cost to be approximately \$700.00. Motion by Stan Thompson, second by Frank Chaka to go ahead with the plan. Vote was unanimous.

Mr. Porter--Recreation--No old business.

Mr. Phillips--None

Mr. Holladay--None

Mr. Evatt--Noted that the Foot St. drainage problem had been improved--The old pipes have been removed and this will enhance the drainage greatly. Mr. Evatt voiced concern about the speeding in the downtown area. ~~The blind area near the caution light needs more patrolling.~~ Mr. Stan Thompson suggested that the state highway be contacted for possible cross walks on Main St. so that pedestrains will have right of way. Mr. Herbert Thompson to contact highway department.

NEW BUSINESS:

Stan Thompson--Noted that on July 12, 1989 Officer Matthew Hughes would be going to the Police Academy for 8 weeks.

There was discussion of garbage being left on the sidewalk over the weekend at the Ark. Mike Green to be contacted that he needs to make provisions to put his trash in back of the building. He needs a green box.

Frank Chaka--Need to start work on the budget promptly.

Troy Porter-- Noted that the softball tournament for the Railroad Festival fund raiser was a success, netting over \$800.00.

Clarence Phillips--Discussion of Frank Horner being allowed to install a temporary septic tank on Old Central Road on the property he purchased from Leland Martin. Motion by Mr. Phillips, second by Mr. Holladay to allow the septic tank only after an agreement is signed by ~~Mr. Horner~~ <sup>Leland Martin</sup> and the Town of Central stating that no other septic tanks will be allowed on that property and that at such a time as sewer should become available Mr. Horner would have to tap on to it. Any sewer made available to this property would be at the owners expense. After this discussion, the vote was unanimous.

Mr. Harry Holladay--None

"Doc" Evatt--Noted several street lights out, one near The Hair Affair on Main St., one near the rock station and one near R. T. Martin's Garage.. The junk car situation was discussed. When Chief Cantrell returns to duty, he is to give 2 weeks for the junk cars at Jackie Shirley, George Reid to be cleaned up.

Motion by Mr. Porter, second by Mr. Chaka to give a 30 day notice to Jackie Shirley, George Reid, and Death Valley Exxon to get these junk cars cleared out, then after the 30 days give a citation.

Administrator's Report:

Soliciting discussed. Noting that we have no policy on soliciting.

The property line between Bolick Field and old school. Troy to look at drainage problem. Safety of children using gym discussed. Danger due to the closeness of cars to the building. Need some sort of protection with possible bumpers in road.

Mr. Thompson noted that he had talked with Mr. Tom Freeman and the new plant engineer at Central Textiles concerning permit for dumping. Need permit to be within our handling capacity.

Employee's medical insurance to increase by 11%.

Street light at Foot Street and Copperfield Drive has been taken care of.

Discussion of trading the Tandy Computer for an IBM. <sup>Everett</sup> Motion by Mayor Cumbie, second by Frank Chaka to trade. The vote was unanimous. <sup>Cost of this</sup> to be approximately \$900.00.

Mr. Thompson discussed the changing of the name of Woodland Circle to Mountain View Dr. Motion by Mr. Porter, second by Mr. Chaka to change to comply with the E911 system and Southern Bell system. Vote was 6 for and 1 against. Mr. Stan Thompson was against.

C. E. Lawrence as Assistant Municipal Judge discussed. Motion by "Doc" Evatt, second by Troy Porter to appoint Mr. Lawrence to serve in this capacity. Vote unanimous.

Garbage bags discussed--Motion by Troy Porter, second by Frank Chaka to <sup>provide</sup> ~~provide~~ <sup>discuss</sup> this service ~~no more~~, this to include leaf bags, however, Mr. Stan Thompson asked to amend the motion to leave leaf bags for now and discuss this at next work session. After this discussion and amendment the vote was 6 for and 1 against. Mr. Harry Holladay was against.

SECOND READING ON ORDINANCE FOR ESTABLISHING UNIFORM STREET AND ROAD NAMING.

Motion by Frank Chaka, second by Troy Porter to accept. Vote was 6 for and 1 against, Mr. Stan Thompson was against.

No work session for July 3.

No further business, Mayor Cumbie adjourned the meeting.

Grace D. Jones, Clerk  
Clerk