

Regular Council Meeting
July 10, 1989

Present: Mayor Alton B. Cumbie, III; "Doc" Evatt; Clarence Phillips; Harry Holladay; Stan Thompson; Frank Chaka; Lisa Krawieck, The Messenger; Jenny Munroe, The Greenville News; Herbert Thompson, Administrator; Grace Towe, Clerk.
(Troy Porter on vacation)

Mayor Cumbie called the meeting to order.

Invocation by Harry Holladay.

Minutes of the June 12, 1989 meeting were read. After reading and some corrections, motion by Mr. Chaka, second by Mr. Phillips to accept. Vote was unanimous.

OLD BUSINESS:

Stan Thompson - Public Safety--Discussion of siren for fire department. Still being pursued.

Frank Chaka - Financial report. Mr. Chaka presented the report and noted that we are close to budget on most items.

Troy Porter - Recreation Mr. Porter on vacation.

Clarence Phillips - Water and Sewer - No report

Harry Holladay - Planning - No report

"Doc" Evatt - Streets and Sanitation - ~~No Report~~

NEW BUSINESS:

Stan Thompson - Noted that the entrance to Brock and Gaines Street was dangerous because of shrubery blocking the view. Chief Cantrell to check with homeowners of such hazards and get permission to clear these spots. Also, need a list of these places to be reviewed by council. Junk car situation discussed. Gulf Station needs to be added to the list.

Frank Chaka - First reading on 1989-90 budget to be next meeting.

Clarence Phillips - None

Harry Holladay - None

"Doc" Evatt - None

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:

Herbert Thompson noted that letters have been written to homeowners concerning property clean-up. Also that no response had been received from Jackie Shirley concerning junk cars.

Mr. Holladay asked that another letter be written and give 30 days from that date for compliance. After this action to be taken to enforce ordinance.

Mr. Evatt asked that Chief Cantrell make a list of abandoned vehicles and that letters be sent certified. After this a fine to be imposed for non-compliance. If ordinance is not clear on issue Mr. Thompson to propose a proper ordinance for council consideration. Jesse Reid's house on Gaines Street, George Reid's car lot with mobile homes, Jackie Shirley and Valley Services need to be included. A report to be given Mayor Cumbie by July 18, 1989 and Mayor will inform council of action to be taken.

Request for donation to send James Johnson, Jr. age 11 to Spokane, Washington for Junior Olympics. Concensus of council that there is not enough information on this event. Need to know specifics and if others are going from Central, family members, and who will be represented.

Report from S. C. Highway Department concerning cross walks on Main Street. Mr. Thompson reported that according to Mr. Renny Land to put cross walks would cause the loss of 3 parking spaces. It was noted that crossing signs could be put up.

Discussion of possibility of a red light at Watkins and Main Street. It was noted that this would slow the traffic before it entered the curve near the flashing yellow light.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Cumbie discussed the proposed agreement with Mr. Myers and Mr. Spearman involving Church Street Apartments. Motion by Mr. Chaka, second by Mr. Holladay to accept agreement. Mayor Cumbie opened the floor for discussion. Many issues were discussed. How high the wall will be, how shrubery will be relocated. Water and sewer tap fees to how many apartments, safety precautions to be taken, straightening of property line, labor and paving of parking area in mini park, attorney to draw up legal documents and fees to be paid by Myers and Spearman, installation of new fence along relocated property line with entrance gate provided near existing gate, block wall in park height. After discussion motion by Frank Chaka, second by Clarence Phillips to withdraw the original motion, then motion by Frank Chaka, second by Clarence Phillips to accept the new proposal in theory. Vote was unanimous.

Streets in Hamilton Place--after discussion, concensus of council to table until next work session.

Watkins Street update --Copy of action attached to police report and attached herewith.

Edgerton property on Eaton Street discussed. Mr. Thompson to write letter to Mr. Edgerton advising that council considers it inappropriate to re-zone this property, so a plea to Planning Commission would be futile. Also, if Mr. Edgerton feels that he has been misled in purchasing the property his recourse would be to the realtor who sold him the property. Motion by Mr. Chaka, second by Mr. Holladay for this action to be taken. Vote was unanimous.

Railroad Festival's request for use of ball field for carnival was discussed and tabled until next work session.

The new thrift shop on Main Street was discussed. Ms. Tulli has valid concern that it could be mistaken for the Helping Hands of Clemson, Inc. shop. Need to see if owner could change "thrift" to some other wording.

No further business, Mayor Cumbie adjourned the meeting.

Dwaine A. Jones, Clerk
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