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Regular Council Meeting
7:00 P. M. August 14, 1995
Central Town Hall
105 Werner St., Central, S. C.

Present: Mayor Stan Thompson; Councilmen: Frank Chaka; Joe Head; Harry Holladay; Bobby Busha; Edward Reynolds; Administrator: Herbert Thompson; Greg Oliver, The Messenger; Clerk: Grace Towe. Boy Scout Russell Buchanan and his father Bill; Jahren Brockman. (James Teal, Councilman was out of town).

Invocation by Harry Holladay.

Minutes of the July 10, 1995 meeting were presented. Motion by Frank Chaka to adopt as corrected. Second by Bobby Busha. The vote was unanimous.

PUBLIC SESSION: Mayor Thompson welcomed the Scouts and parent and commended them for their good work in scouts. Edward Reynolds invited the scouts to participate in the Railroad Festival Parade September 2, 1995 at 9:00 A. M.

RECEIPT AND DISPOSITION OF PETITIONS: None

REPORT FROM COUNCIL COMMITTEES:

Edward Reynolds - Public Safety. Mr. Reynolds reported that the new Police car is in operation. Replacement car disposition was discussed. It was consensus of Council to bid out the Ford that the Administrator is now driving and Herbert Thompson could use the newer car for town purposes. Mr. Reynolds reported that things in the Fire Department are quiet and going well.
Mayor Thompson explained to the scouts in the audience the procedures of the meeting and how that each Councilperson, the Administrator and Mayor each reported on their particular department.

Frank Chaka - Finance - Mr. Chaka expressed his appreciation for the town getting Elin's Elf cleaned up and reported that he had been receiving calls concerning mosquitoes which are getting to be a tremendous problem. This problem needs to be addressed. It was reported that spraying would help in taking care of this problem. Mr. Chaka reported that the budget is in line and this is only the first month in the new budget year.

Joe Head - Water and Sewer - Mr. Head reported that some issues in his area would be reported by Herbert Thompson later on the agenda.

Harry Holladay - Planning - Mr. Holladay inquired into the possibility of going ahead and getting the drainage ditch installed off Werner Street. Mr. Herbert Thompson reported that we are waiting for engineer approval and that we have until next June to get the job done and the installers are not in a big hurry at this point to get started. Mr. Herbert Thompson reported that September and October would be a good time to get the work done so that the grass would come up and survive. Mr. Holladay brought up the parking on Main Street. He stated that at most times there are 10 to 15 cars parked on the street almost all day posing a crowding and he suggested that 2 hour parking signs be placed on the sidewalk side of Main

Street. Enforcement of the 2 hour parking was discussed since we have only one officer on duty at a time. No action was taken on this matter. Mr. Holladay again discussed the problem of dogs running loose. Mr. Herbert Thompson stated that to have a regular police officer enforce the dog ordinance would require the same salary per hour as the officer made on his regular job. Mr. Holladay stated that groudhogs, beavers and deer were becoming a nuisance and plans for some kind of control would be needed in the future. These issues need to be discussed at the next work session. Mr. Holladay made a motion, seconded by Bobby Busha to employee Ard-Wood Architects Inc to do a conceptual master plan study involving the Old School building. After discussion the vote was unanimous.

Letter from Dr. Bob Nash relating to Blue Laws for Pickens County. Mayor Thompson gave an overview of the letter. Motion by Harry Holladay to send a letter to Dr. Nash keeping Blue Laws as they are. This motion died for lack of a second. Several opinions were put forth and Joe Head made a motion, seconded by Frank Chaka to act on part three of the letter and ask the county to grant a permanent variance. Mayor Thompson stated that he would have to be in opposition to the motion since he still believed that Sunday should be a day of rest and worship. Council was polled: Joe Head, yes; Edward Reynolds, yes; Frank Chaka, yes. In opposition: Harry Holladay; Bobby Busha; Mayor Thompson. The motion failed for lack of a majority vote.
Mayor Thompson advised Mr. Herbert Thompson to advise Dr. Bob Nash that the Town Council was divided on the issue and there is no recommendation for them one way or the other.

Bobby Busha - Streets and Sanitation. Mr. Busha brought up the nuisance that still exists on Watkins Street of cars still parking in the road and people hanging out in road, especially in the curve. Mayor Thompson stated that some of the slackness in this problem was due to Chief Cantrell being out with his sick mother but this issue needs to be addressed again.

CONSIDERATION OF ORDINANCES IN POSSESSION OF COUNCIL:

I. Second reading of Ordinance #95-07-10 Z-A

A. Amend Article VIII, Section 800; The Zoning Enforcement Officer shall be given authority to enforce this Ordinance. Motion by Frank Chaka, second by Edward Reynolds to accept. The vote was unanimous.

B. Amend Article VIII, Section 808; to establish appeals from either the Zoning Administrator or Zoning Enforcement Officer may be taken to the Board of Adjustments. Motion by Joe Head, second by Bobby Busha to accept. The vote was unanimous.

C. Amend Article IX Section 902; to grant the Board of Adjustment the authority to overturn the decision of the Zoning Administrator, Zoning Enforcement Officer or Building Official in accordance with the procedures and stipulations of this Section. Motion by Frank Chaka, second by Joe Head to adopt. The vote was unanimous.

D. Amend Article IX Section 904.1 - To grant the Board of Adjustment authority to hear and decide appeals where it is alleged there is an error in any order, requirement, decision or determination made by the Zoning Administrator, Zoning Enforcement Officer or

Building Official in the enforcement of the Zoning Ordinance. Motion by Frank Chaka, second by Bobby Busha to adopt. The vote was unanimous.

II. Second reading of Ordinance #95-07-10 Z-HO (Home Occupation)

A. Amend Article VII Section 709 Paragraph 8-B The clerk shall submit the application to the Planning Commission Chairman who shall place it on the earliest feasible regular scheduled Planning Commission agenda and shall inform the Town Clerk when to schedule a public hearing as required in Section X of the Zoning Ordinance.

B. Section 709 Paragraph 9-B Amend to read Town Clerk remove Zoning Administrator from this paragraph.

C. Section 709 add Paragraph #11 Persons exempt from the requirements of Section 709.

D. Persons who operate a business within their homes and who had a valid business license for that business and license has been renewed annually.

E. Persons who provide care to minor children, providing the nature of such care is not subject to regulations by the S. C. Department of Social Services (DSS) or other state agencies which may be given the authority to regulate child care.

F. Persons who provide instruction in the playing of musical instruments on a one-to-one basis (e.g. piano teachers, violin teachers, etc.)

G. Persons who provide instruction in vocal performance on a one-to-one basis.

Items A through G were voted on collectively. Motion by Harry Holladay, second by Edward Reynolds to accept these items. The vote was unanimous.

III. Section 726.10 containers and dumpsters: Amend to delete this entire section from the Zoning Ordinance. Motion by Edward Reynolds, second by Bobby Busha to accept. The vote was unanimous.

IV. First reading of Ordinance #95-08-14 Z-RR Section 403 Railroad right of way requirements. Motion by Edward Reynolds, second by Frank Chaka to adopt. The vote was unanimous.

REPORT FROM MAYOR AND ADMINISTRATOR:

A. Administrator's Report:

1. Herbert Thompson reported that he had met with the engineers on the Old Sherrif Road water line and the field work had begun for the looped line which should eliminate any problem with low water pressure, muddywater, etc.

Herbert Thompson reported that he would be meeting with Mr. Tom Ponder with Pickens County on Wednesday reference hiring a person to enforce our zoning ordinance. Six Mile has not responded, but there will be a meeting with the City of Liberty and the County to discuss the issue.

Herbert Thompson reported that the apartment complex for Dudley Farm Road on Hwy 93, approximately 122 units will hopefully start construction some time in October. This nice complex will have tennis courts, swimming pool and will be two and three bedroom units. Herbert presented a comparison of the towns our size in South Carolina. Our finances are seemingly being handled wisely.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Thompson reminded Council of the Railroad Festival beginning with a parade at 9:00 A. M. September 2, 1995. He urged all to be at the cemetery around 8:30 to line up and either walk or ride through the parade.

Mayor Thompson discussed the next work session and it was consensus of Council to meet September 11, 1995 at 6:30 P. M. prior to the regular meeting. Mayor Thompson stated that he had received a letter from Ms. Linda Martin urging the town to get involved with the deliberations relating to the proposed Resource Recovery Park/Landfill in the vicinity of the intersection of Road 18 and Hwy 88. Mayor Thompson read his letter of response to Ms. Martin for their approval before he mailed it to her. It was consensus of Council to go ahead with the letter.

Mayor Thompson presented the draft of welcoming back material for Southern Wesleyan University students and stated that it would be going to the printers soon.

Mayor Thompson called for a motion to go into executive session as requested by Administrator Herbert Thompson to discuss a contractural agreement. Motion by Bobby Busha, second by Frank Chaka to go into executive session. The vote was unanimous.

After executive session, Mayor Thompson recalled regular session to announce that a contractural agreement was discussed and no decision made so that no vote was taken.

No further business, motion by Frank Chaka second by Edward Reynolds to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,

Grace S. Towe

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Clerk
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