REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
SEPTEMBER 9, 1996
105 WERNER ST.
CENTRAL, S. C.

Present: Mayor Stan Thompson; Councilmen: Edward Reynolds; Frank Chaka; James Teal; Joe Head; Harry Holladay; Bobby Busha. Bobby Hopkins and Scout group; Ms. Falco and children; Auditor Mark Payne; Grace Towe, Clerk.

Mayor Stan Thompson called the meeting to order and announced that the invocation had been rendered in work session just prior to the regular meeting.

Mayor Thompson welcomed the Boy Scouts of Troop 278.

PUBLIC SESSION: Ms. Carol Falco was recognized. Ms. Falco asked Council to consider extending the sidewalk down Gaines Street to the Community Park because of the danger on the hill with traffic. Mayor Thompson took the concern and noted that the road is a state controlled road and a sidewalk would have to be constructed by the S. C. Highway Department but the town can look into the need and see what can be done in this matter.

Minutes of the August 5, 1996 meeting were presented as corrected in work session. Motion by Frank Chaka, second by Edward Reynolds to accept as corrected. The vote was unanimous.

RECEIPT AND DISPOSITION OF PETITIONS: None

REPORT FROM COUNCIL COMMITTIES:

Edward Reynolds - Public Safety - Mr. Reynolds reported that Chief Gibbs had been in classes in Columbia this week and routine work is going well in Police and Fire Departments.

Frank Chaka - Finance - Mr. Chaka presented the financial report and gave positive results.

James Teal - Recreation - Mr. Teal reported that there had been some interesting meetings in Pickens and Clemson in regards to the recreation facility. The Recreation Committee is now functioning again after some delay. They are meeting regularly and are working on some bylaws and operating procedures. Mr. Teal reported that the funding would be coming forth on a fiscal year basis, July 1,1997 to June 30, 1998. Recreation is looking good and Mr. Teal reported that Mr. Herbert Thompson was at a hearing on the land for the building tonight. The timetable looks as if the Recreation facility should be operating by November 1997.

Joe Head - Water & Sewer - No report on water & sewer, but did report that he had some concern directed to him in reference to the road that had been closed on Zion Circle. Mayor Thompson advised that Mr. Herbert Thompson would give status of this soon.

Harry Holladay - Planning - Mr. Holladay stated that the Merchants Guild

is planning a Christmas parade for the first or second Saturday in December. The town's cooperation for this event is expected. Parking on the sidewalk across from Villa Luigi restaurant is becoming a problem Mr. Holladay stated and the police department will need to look into this situation.

Bobby Busha - Streets & Sanitation - Mr. Busha reported that he had reports of mail boxes being tampered with on Woodson Street.

CONSIDERATION OF ORDINANCES IN POSSESSION OF COUNCIL:

A. Second reading of Ordinance to Adopt an Ordinance to Amend the Impact Fee Ordinance #96-12-08 IF. Motion by Edward Reynolds, second by James Teal to adopt as is. Mayor Stan Thompson turned the gavel over to Mayor Pro-tem Harry Holladay with a request that he recognize Mayor Thompson for the purpose of recommending an amendment to the proposal. Mayor Thompson offered an amendment on page 3 paragraph e to do with the actual collection of the impact fees. The motion was to amend that statement whereby to read "that in regard to multi-family housing, the town administrator is authorized to establish a payment plan" for the payment of impact fees. A second to the motion to amend was given by Frank Chaka. The vote was unanimous. At this time Mayor Pro-tem Holladay gave the gavel to Mayor Stan Thompson and Mayor Thompson resumed discussion on the original motion stating that if it is approved the whole package is approved with that amendment. Mayor Thompson called for the vote on the original motion. This was five ayes and two nays. Mayor Thompson and Joe Head voted nay with the majority voting aye and the ordinance passed on second reading with the amendment to paragraph e.

B. First reading of ordinance #96-10 14 LD to deed property to Mr. H. R. Holladay. This is the same property that Mr. H. R. Holladay had deeded to the town for the recreation facility, but is not being used for same. Motion by Frank Chaka, second by Joe Head to accept. The vote was six for and Mr. Harry Holladay abstained because of it being a family matter.

REPORT FROM MAYOR AND ADMINISTRATOR:

A. Administrator's report:

Mr. Mark Payne, Town Auditor, was receognized to present the audit for F.Y.E. ended June 30, 1996. The year ended with favorable results and the audit showed good accounting practices.

Mayor Thompson again discussed selling cemetary lots on installment. It was concensus of council for lots to be paid in full at time of purchase and the money to go into the general fund.

VARIOUS WATER PROJECT REPORTS:

Mr. Herbert Thompson reported that Sanders Road water line bacteriological test is being readied for DHEC approval.

Fire hydrant being installed on Pike Road.

Meredith Street water line to be installed in the near future.

B. Mayor's Report:

1. Appointment of three people to Recreation Facility Planning Committee:
James Teal had already been officially appointed to this committee and Mayor Thompson recommended appointing Mike Spearman and Deborah Cumbie to serve with Mr. Teal. Motion by Harry Holladay, second by Joe Head to accept. The vote was unanimous.

2. Railroad Festival update. Mayor Thompson reported a good festival. Committee to meet on Thursday to go over pros and cons of festival.

3. Pickens County Municipal Association Meeting will be at 7:00 P. M. on September 23, 1996 at Six Mile Town Hall.

4. Proposed zoning ordinance discussed. Motion by Frank Chaka, second by Joe Head to send this to the Planning Commission for consideration as quickly as possible so that the Town can get an ordinance on the books. The vote was unanimous.

No further business, motion by Edward Reynolds, second by James Teal to adjourn. The vote was unanimous.

Respectfully submitted;

Grace S. Towe

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Clerk
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