

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

November 10, 1997

Central Town Hall

105 Werner Street

Central, S. C.

Present: Mayor Stan Thompson; Councilmen Edward Reynolds; Frank Chaka; James Teal; Joe Head; Harry Holladay; Bobby Busha. Police Chief Joe Gibbs; Administrator Herbert Thompson; Clerk Grace Towe; Easley-Central Water District Board Members; Roy Collins; Elaine Poore; Joe Bracken; Dan Evatt. Rick Hane, Cathy Hane Stuart Fowler; Al Dumbie.

Mayor Thompson called the meeting to order.

Invocation by James Teal.

Minutes of the October 13, 1997 meeting were presented as corrected in work session. Motion by Frank Chaka, seconded by James Teal to adopt. The vote was unanimous.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

To consider an amendment to the Redevelopment Plan, Ordinance #97-10-11RP which if adopted would change the boundaires of the Tax Increment District. No input from citizens on this matter.

Second reading of Ordinance #97-10-11RP approving the first amendment to Central's Redevelopment Plan, dispensing with reading of the entire document and adopting on second reading. Motion by Frank Chaka, second by Bobby Busha to adopt. The vote was unanimous.

Second reading of Ordinance 97-10-01 T.I.B. to authorize the issuance and sale of an \$500,000.00 Tax Increment Bond to First Citizens Bank of Columbia, SC, for the Recreation Facility. Mayor Thompson called for a motion to adopt on second reading and dispense with the full reading of the ordinance. Motion by Edward Reynolds, second by Joe Head to adopt. The vote was unanimous.

PUBLIC SESSION:

Rick Hane, Chelsea Court, Six Mile, S. C. was recognized. He discussed the need for some decision on whether the Railroad Festival was to continue or not, noting that the Ride for Raptors did not belong to the Railroad Festival but is an independent event held in conjunction with the Railroad Festival.

RECEIPT AND DISPOSITION OF PETITIONS: None.

REPORT FROM COUNCIL COMMITTEES:

Joe Head - Water and Sewer Chairman - Mr. Head presented Easley-Central Water District's representatives led by Mr. Roy Collins. Mr. Collins spoke on the issue of needing to obtain a new contract for water from Easley-Central Water District on a long term basis so that the district could provide for the future needs of the Town and surrounding areas.

No action taken. Discussion only.

Harry Holladay - Planning - Mr. Holladay recognized Mr. Stuart Fowler to discuss pros and cons of the future of the Central Railroad Festival. After discussion Mr. Al Cumbie was recognized. He described how the Railroad Festival came into being initially. Mr. Cumbie stated that the citizens of Central can make a difference in the festival by becoming involved and with Council's participation a good festival could continue. Stuart Fowler again stated that the next year could be better when he and the committee are better prepared to handle small problems as they come up. Joe Head commended Mr. Fowler for the fine job that he did with the festival this year. Mayor Thompson discussed his concerns for the town's liability and the issue was tabled till the next work session on December 1, 1997.

Councilman James Teal - Recreation - Authorize the Administrator to sign AGA Document 410, the Standard Form of Design-Build Agreement and General conditions between Owner and Contractor. Motion was made by James Teal, second by Frank Chaka to give Mr. Herbert Thompson the authority to act on behalf of council in matters involved with the building of the indoor recreational facility. The vote was unanimous.

Edward Reynolds - Public Safety - Mr. Reynolds reported that the fire and police activity had been relatively quiet.

Frank Chaka - Finance - Mr. Chaka gave the financial report with favorable results.

Joe Head - Water and Sewer - No further report.

Harry Holladay - Planning - No further report.

Bobby Busha - Street and Sanitation - Mr. Busha reported that citizens were inquiring about the landfill situation, especially household garbage and limbs.

#### REPORT FROM MAYOR AND ADMINISTRATOR:

##### Administrators Report:

Mr. Herbert Thompson announced that the Fireman's dinner would be December 6, 1997 at 6:00 P. M. at Cannon Memorial Baptist Fellowship building.

Mr. Thompson reported that Christmas Holidays would be observed December 24th and 25th, 1997.

Christmas Parade will be December 6, 1997 at 1:30 P. M.

The Town's Christmas dinner will be decided.

##### Mayor's Report:

Mayor Thompson recommended that Buddy Evatt be appointed to fill the vacancy on the Planning Commission. Motion by Bobby Busha, seconded by Harry Holladay to make this appointment. The vote was unanimous.

Mayor Thompson inquired as to the procedures involved with Fire Department Honorariums. After discussion this issue was better understood.

Loitering Ordinance was referred to Joe Head for his assessment.

There being no further business, motion by Edward Reynolds, second by Joe Head to adjourn. The vote was unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Grace S. Towe".

Grace S. Towe  
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