TOWN OF CENTRAL
Regular Town Council Meeting
Monday November 9, 1998
Central Town Hall - 7:00 P. M.
105 Werner Street
Central, S. C. 29630

Present: Mayor Stan Thompson; Coucilmembers: Edward Reynolds; Frank Chaka; Keith Martin; Harry Holladay; Bobby Busha. Administrator Herbert Thompson; Police Chief Joe Gibbs; Clerk Grace Towe.

Mayor Stan Thompson called the meeting to order at 7:00 P. M.

Invocation by Administrator Herbert Thompson.

Mayor Thompson congratulated Frank Chaka and Keith Martin on their re-election to Council to serve the next four years. Also, congratulations went to Mr. Joe Head who was not present.

Minutes of the October 12, 1998 regular Town Council meeting were presented. After discussion and corrections, motion by Frank Chaka, seconded by Bobby Busha to accept as corrected. The vote was unanimous.

PUBLIC SESSION: (30 minutes) None

RECEIPT AND DISPOSITION OF PETITIONS:

Petition of annexation signed by Mr. Bobby Price and his wife Gracie E. Price for 22.6 acres as shown on Pickens County Tax Map D-19-08 Parcel #27 Zoning of this parcel was discussed and Mr. Herbert Thompson reported that the owners had requested that it come into town as RM16 and if it is annexed as RM16 the front part could be rezonned to General Commercial or Core Commercial. After discussion motion by Harry Holladay, seconded by Frank Chaka to accept. The vote was unanimous.

REPORT FROM COUNCIL COMMITTEES:

Edward Reynolds - Public Safety - Mr. Reynolds reported that the fire department had been relatively quiet and Chief Joe Gibbs reported that he had a busy month in the police department. Chief Gibbs disussed the building partially torn down by 93 Fish Camp and is now operating as Clemson Distributors, owned by Mr. William Fountain who lives in Central, who is now operating as Savannah's Seafood and Barbeque. Prior to leaving the 93 Fish Camp building, Mr. Fountain sold his interest in the Clemson Distributors. This had been approved to sell mini bottles and was to be wholesale. Mr. Fountain sold his interest to one of his employees, Mr. Eddie Rawley who had worked for Mr. Fountain for two years. When Mr. Rawley obtained the business he applied for an application like the one Mr. Fountain had obtained so he could continue the businees in his name. Chief Gibbs reported that the intention of Mr. Rawley was to take his ABC license and move to the new Bi-Lo Shopping Center. ABC in Columbia has not granted Mr. Rawley a license to operate at the Bi-Lo Center where he would sell his goods to be taken out with no consumption on premises. Mr. Rawley has since moved his business back to the old 93 Fish Camp premises. Chief Gibbs noted that an ABC sign had been posted on the premises and it would need to come into compliance with the town code. He has stored a

big supply of liquor at the old 93 Fish Camp building and stated to Chief Gibbs that his full intention, contingent on ABC issuing his license, is t move his business to Clemson. Administrator Herbert Thompson reported tha Mr. Rawley had come into Town Hall to apply for a business license and was refused because he had not obtained a Certificate of Occupancy from Pickens.

Frank Chaka - Finance - Mr. Chaka reported that the budget should be at 33 1/3% Income is 40% and expenditures are at 48%. Mr. Herbert Thompson reported the the Recreation Construction Fund is responsible for the overlap and will level off at a future date by amending the budget to take care of that department.

Keith Martin - Recreation - Mr. Martin reported that according to Tom Cloer, twice as many children have signed up for basketball as did last year and this is due to the fact that many are leaving the YMCA at Clemson and coming into the recreation program at Central. As of now there are 18 proposed teams in the program and the schedule is being worked out. Mr. Herbert Thompson reported that interviews had been conducted for the Recreation Facility Director and the choice would be made soon. On Tuesady November 10, 1998 Recreation Director Tom Cloer, Steve Figuora and Susan Coleman will be interviewing for the position of Assistant Director.

Harry Holladay - Planning - Mr. Holladay inquired as to available property for the new post office and if all properties would be considered equally. The post office would have to negotiate with the owners of any properties.

Bobby Busha - Streets and Sanitation - Mr. Busha reported that citizens were concerned with the amount of traffic generated from Cross Creek and the possibility of a traffic light being placed coming into Hwy 93. Discussion only as the highway department would need to do a traffic study. Chief Gibbs is in the process of installing speed limit signs and the display sign is in operation which should curb the speeding.

CONSIDERATION OF ORDINANCES IN POSSESSION OF COUNCIL:

First reading of Ordinance #12-98 AN to annex 22.6 acres as shown on Pickens County Tax Map D19-08 Parcel #27, property of Mr. & Ms. Bobby Price. Motion by Edward Reynolds, seconded by Harry Holladay to adopt. The vote was unanimous.

REPORT FROM MAYOR AND ADMINISTRATOR:

Administrator's Report:

1. Should Central enter into an agreement with Design South to rewrite the Intermunicipal Agreement. The decision will be contingent on what Liberty plans to do. Discussion only.

2. Watkins Stret Park update. Tom Cloer has an engineer lined up to survey the property and once the plot is surveyed the papers can be turned over to our attorney to draw up the deed and send to Washington to get the lady to sign it.

3. Request to hire a part time safety compliance person. The person

considered would be the same as Clemson, Seneca, Westainster and Walhalla. This person would come in and have safety seminars which greatly affects workers compensation and OSHA training.
It was consensus of Council to hire this compliance person to work on a part time basis.

Recreation Building update -- Ribbon cutting and grand opening to be held December 13, 1998 at 2:30 P. M.

Mr. Thompson reported that the town's Christmas Dinner would be December 10, 1998 at 6:30 P. M. Place to be announced.
Ed Reynolds reminded Council of the Firemen's Supper the first Saturday in December (5) at the First Baptist Church fellowship hall at 6:00 P. M.

Mayor's Report:

1. Discuss Sunday football practice - No discussion.

2. Legal Petition with Bell Atlantic Mobile - The Municipal Association of South Carolina will represent the Town of Central in this matter.

3. Memo from Tom Hendricks ref: Pickens County Stockade. No firm decisions have been made in this situation.

Mayor Thompson annouced that the next work session would be December 7, 1998 and the next regular session would be December 14, 1998.

Mayor Thompson also announced that Mayor O'Dell Williams of Norris would serve as vice-president of the Pickens County Municipal Association for next year as Mayor Thompson serves as president.

No further business, motion by Bobby Busha, seconded by Harry Holladay to adjourn. The vote was unanimous.

Respectfully submitted:

Grace S. Towe

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Clerk
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