

Town of Central

CENTRAL, S. C.

TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES

December 19, 1972

Those Present: F. Hopkins, H. Thompson, G. O'Dell, J. Kennemore, H. R. Holladay, G. Fowler, C. Williams.

Two gentlemen from Palmetto State Life Insurance Co. in Columbia attended our meeting. They were Mr. Ted Calcina and Mr. Boone Crisp (local rep.). They presented information to the Council regarding their group insurance program available to our employees. The main points of their policy are: Deducted from weekly payroll - \$1.00 or \$2.00; Several combinations available; No physical required - or if it should be, it will be paid at their expense; No matter what the status of the individual within the town structure, all pay the same rates; If individual should leave, the policy is guaranteed, and he can continue the policy at the same rate as when employed by the Town; Volunteer firemen can be placed under this program.

Mr. Calcina asked permission of the Town in writing to solicit the policy to each person we employ. Mayor Holladay signed the authorization form so authorizing, after the motion was made by Dr. O'dell and seconded by Mr. Fowler.

Dr. O'Dell made the motion that this be made available to the entire staff of the Town. It was seconded and agreed upon by the Council.

Mr. Herbert Thompson then introduced Mr. Hubert E. (Barnie) Barnette who is now initiating the Community Computer Service

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in Easley. He is a certified CPA and a Systems Analyst. Mr. Barnette took the floor and explained to the Council how he could put an entire Town's operation under the computer system very economically and simply. They can set up a whole new bookkeeping system for us and put the office into a better organized working office, which could be run efficiently by one full-time employee. Mr. Barnette stated that he would be willing to come to our office for 2 or 3 days and study our situation and then give us a cost on how much it would cost us to maintain our office on the computer. Dr. O'Dell made the motion that we ask Mr. Barnette to analyze our office situation at a small fee, to determine if we want to put our operation on the computer. The motion was seconded and the Council agreed.

Dr. O'Dell then took the floor and presented some financial information that he and Mr. Thompson had gathered. The fact was brought up that we may lose the money expected from the 88 Water District Funding, the Reconnaissance Survey and the Sewage Operator's Manual. It was suggested by Dr. O'Dell that we hold back \$26,212.00 of the Revenue Sharing Money until we see how we stand on this situation. He felt that \$14,570 could be spent and still protect ourselves on all fronts.

Dr. O'Dell then made the following in the form of a motion:

1. A new typewriter be purchased for the Town Hall.
2. A 3/4 ton truck be purchased.
3. A new garbage truck be purchased.

- 4. Back-Hoe be paid for from Revenue Sharing Money
- 5. Purchase Pak-More Unit with Revenue Sharing Money
- 6. Go ahead and contract for Trailer to haul back-hoe.
- 7. Go ahead on the equipment shed.

(It was stated that we should spend approximately \$20,000 over the next 3 months on the above.)

Mr. Hopkins seconded the motion on all the above and the Council was in agreement.

Mayor Holladay brought up the police opening situation. It was stated that we should probably hold off on filling the 4th position since Michael Corn's funding expires in July. The town would be responsible for the salary after that time. The Council agreed that since we do not have any real prospects, that we should hold off on the 4th position.

A motion was made by Mr. Fowler that Mrs. Hughes work whatever time after Christmas the Town Clerk feels necessary. A second was made by Mr. Hopkins and the Council was in agreement.

Dr. O'Dell made a motion that all the office employees be paid an 8 hour Christmas Bonus. It was seconded by Mr. Fowler and approved by the Council.

- Mrs. C. Williams - \$22.00
- Mrs. C. Hughes \$20.00
- Miss Smallwood \$16.00

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Mr. Fowler made the motion that department heads meet weekly with the Council and that they should start making

weekly reports on their department's activities.

The motion was seconded and approved by the Council.

A motion was made by Mr. Kennemore that Department Heads should also make an oral report and oral requests at the meetings. It was seconded and approved.

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Mayor

Respectfully Submitted,

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Carolyn E. Williams
Town Clerk & Treasurer

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