REGULAR TON COUNCIL MEETING
Monday, August 10, 1998
Central Town Hall - 7:00 P. M.
105 Werner Street
Central, S. C.

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Public Session: (30 minutes) No input.

Receipt and disposition of petitions: None

Report from Council Committees:

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Harry Holladay - Planning - Mr. Holladay inquired if there was anything new on the old school house. Mr. Holladay made a motion for Mr. Herbert Thompson to contact a realtor and initiate some action concerning the school, possibly to sell the property. This motion was seconded by Joe Head and after discussion the vote was unanimous.
Mayor Thompson discussed the condition of the old roller mill, noting tha it was becoming more of an eyesore than ever and possibly dangerous. Mr. Herbert Thompson stated that he would contact building codes to see i there is some action that can be taken in this matter.

Consideration of ordinances in possession of Council:

A. First reading of Ordinance 13-98 to provide for filing dates for the nonpartisan general election for the office of three (3) council seats. Motion by Harry Holladay to dispense of the full reading of the ordinance and adopt on first reading. The motion was seconded by Edward Reynolds and the vote was unanimous.

B. First reading of ordinance 14-98 to increase the annual fees for the Mayor and Council Members, effective January 1, 1999. Motion by Joe Head, seconded by Edward Reynolds to adopt on first reading. After discussion the vote was unanimous.

Administrator's Report:

A. Caboose to be used as a Visitors Center. Herbert Thompson reported that the caboose could be used as a visitors center but it would have to be made handicap accessible which would be costly. Discussion only.

Vickery Drive and Wesleyan Drive Sewer Projects and Hamilton Place Lift Station. Mr. Herbert Thompson reported that all sewer projects were underway. Hamilton Place lift station should be ready to turn the power on it sometime in the next week.

Mayor's Report:

Mayor Thompson expressed his appreciaton to those who had submitted material for the next news letter. He announced that the Pickens County Municipal Association would resume next month and would meet at Norris. October will be Central's time to host the meeting.

Mayor Thompson requested to go into executive session for discussion of a legal matter within the zoning department. Motion by Frank Chaka, seconded by Harry Holladay to enter into executive session. The vote was unanimous.

After executive session Mayor Thompson recalled regular session to announce that no action was taken and not votes taken in executive session .

No further business Mayor Thompson adjourned the regular session

Respectfully submitted;
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08/10/98