

Regular Council Meeting
August 14, 1989 7:00 P. M.

Present: Mayor Alton Cumbie; Councilmen Harry Holladay, Stan Thompson; Troy Porter; "Doc" Evatt; Clarence Phillips; Frank Chaka; Charles Myers and James Spearman, Mr. & Ms. Chuck Munt; Herbert Thompson; Grace Towe.

Mayor Cumbie called the meeting to order.

Invocation by Harry Holladay.

Minutes of the July 10, 1989 meeting were read. Motion by Frank Chaka, second by Stan Thompson to accept as read. Vote unanimous.

Mayor Cumbie recognized Mr. Chuck Munt. Mr. Munt addressed the letters sent out ^{at the house of the} including Import Car Services. He indicated that he had given some cars away and had enclosed 2 cars and will continue to do what he can to bring his place in compliance with the town ordinance, however, he is not happy that some of the other places in town have not been sent letters and that ~~is~~ the ordinance is not fully enforced, he feels that it is harrassment. Need to take the issue serious so that the town can be cleaned up. Mayor Cumbie noted that the council and garage owners need to work together in working on the problem. Mr. Holladay assured Mr. Munt that he had not been singled out. Mr. Evatt related to Mr. Munt that up until approximately six months ago his place had been kept well, but now he has more cars parked around than he is working on.

Spearman and Myers agreement between Church Street Apartments and the Town of Central (copy attached). Motion by Frank Chaka to accept, second by Harry Holladay. After discussion it was concensus of council (Mr. Stan Thompson abstained) to put an addendum to the original agreement. Motion by Mayor Cumbie to include addendum, second by Troy Porter. Vote was 6 for and 1 abstention (Mr. Stan Thompson abstained). Back to the original, ^{motion} six for agreement including the addendum (Stan Thompson abstained).

OLD BUSINESS:

Stan Thompson: Public Safety--Noted that the Justice Department had cleared the fire referendum for the September 12 ballot and a campaign needed to be launched to inform the people of the issue. Dr. Rickman and his committee need to get involved. Noted that Matt Hughes was still at the Police Academy. Steve Miller on call for third shift with back up from county.

Frank Chaka: Financial report. Budget in good shape and staying within budget items.

Troy Porter: Recreation--None.

Clarence Phillips: Water and Sewer. Herbert Thompson noted that a meeting had been with Central Textiles concerning DHEC permits. A flow meter at the plant is a must, but the plant is not in favor of this. Mr. Thompson noted that the flow monitor would not be too costly for a plant this size.

Harry Holladay: Planning--Reminded council that the Railroad Festival Parade planned for September 2 needed participation from the town as well as the community.

"Doc" Evatt: Streets and Sanitation--Discussion of white lines proposed to be ~~be~~ painted on Main Street. Mr. Thompson noted that he had talked to the S. C. Highway Department Safety Engineers concerning this matter. The engineer was in favor of white lines in the near future but another flashing yellow light is not feasible. Mr. Stan Thompson noted that the signs at the corner of Pine Loop Cr (Brock St) need to be stated one way or the other. Mr. Herb Thompson advised that soon all of the old street signs would be replaced with the new 911 designated signs.

NEW BUSINESS:

Stan Thompson--None

Frank Chaka---None

Troy Porter---Ball field use for Railroad Festival carnival. Mayor Cumbie noted that the Festival Committee has withdrawn the request for use of the field. Mayor Cumbie advised that Mr. Earl Miller had offered the hot air balloon again this year and possibility of the field being used for this and the kids rides. It was noted that there was a possibility of Mr. Busha having a tournament at the same time as the festival, this to be confirmed later.

Harry Holladay: Presented council with forms for their input into what the needs of the town were and their support of a 20, 10, 5 and 1 year plan for the town and community. Noted that the town's employees needed to get involved in this also.

"Doc" Evatt: Noted that it is time for road paving again. Mr. Porter stated that the county plans were to be in town in about 2 weeks to do ditching, cleaning shoulders and resealing.

Administrator's Report: Mr. Herb Thompson discussed the possibility of county doing maintenance on all of the town's vehicles. He recommended that this be done in lieu of using different garages. Motion by Harry Holladay, second by Frank Chaka to enter into an agreement with the county to do the maintenance. Vote was 6 for (Mr. Porter abstained). Discussion of property cleanup. Gave a list of houses in violation and will send letter to ask for compliance to town ordinance and give 30 days to comply with cleanup. Noted that junk cars were still on Watkins, Zion, Taylor Streets, also at Sammy Davis and a Mr. Gossett on James Cr. It was noted that after a notice with 30 days to comply had expired a prosecution be executed for noncompliance.

Mr. Thompson noted that the Southern Bell Franchise agreement has been approved.

Mayor's Report:

Mayor Cumbie stated that a small carnival would be on the field behind the Methodist Church and crafters would be inside the church for the Railroad Festival activities, since there was a possibility of a ball tournament on the ball field.

The report from the Planning Commission was presented. A public hearing notice needs to be put in the paper for September 5, 1989.

First Reading on Ordinance setting tax millage. Motion by Frank Chaka, second by "Doc" Evatt to adopt. Vote was unanimous. The millage stays at 88.

First Reading on budget for 1989-90 year. Motion by Frank Chaka, second by Stan Thompson to accept the General Fund and Utility Budget as presented. Vote unanimous.

Motion by Harry Holladay, second by Frank Chaka to go back into the leaf bag business. After discussion Mr. Holladay withdrew his motion and tabled until next work session.

First Reading of Recreation Budget for the 1989-90 year. Motion by Frank Chaka, second by Troy Porter to adopt. Vote was unanimous.

No further business, Mayor Cumbie adjourned the meeting.

Dianna D. Jones, Clerk
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