# TOWN OF CENTRAL WORK SESSION MINUTES 1067 WEST MAIN STREET - CENTRAL, SC 29630 MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2025 – 6:00pm

<u>Present:</u> Mayor Andrew Beckner; Council Members S. Paige Bowers, Joe Moss, Lynne Chapman, Ken Dill, Curtis Peek and Robert Griffin; Administrator Phillip Mishoe; Assistant Administrator Tom Cloer; Fire Chief Ed Reynolds; Police Chief Steve Thompson; Jack Queener, Doug Barry, Thomas Golden, Edward Martin, and Town Clerk Susan A. Brewer. All those requesting the agenda and member of press were notified Friday September 5<sup>th</sup> at 4:28pm.

#### The meeting was called to order by Mayor Andrew Beckner.

#### **Ken Dill rendered the invocation.**

#### <u>Update on UDO – Curtis Peek & Michael Foreman</u>

Curtis Peek said Mr. Forman would be at the regular meeting at 7:00pm.

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Mayor asked Council to give the Town Clerk the corrections and they were all on the regular meeting for approval.

#### Resolution #09-08-2025 Sesquicentennial Park - Tom Cloer

Tom Cloer gave council a brief description of a Sesquicentennial Park on Main Street beside the old Helping Hands building. He said the land owner was going to donate this space to create a Sesquicentennial Park but he wanted first right of refusal if it didn't work out. Tom Cloer said Katherine Brooks was going to apply for grants to pay for the park but needed the resolution that was in the regular meeting for her to start the process.

#### Rollback Millage- Phillip Mishoe

Phillip Mishoe said the county does a reassessment every so often for the millage. He said this would rollback the millage rate to 79.6. He said the Ordinance for the amendment was on the regular meeting for first reading and the second reading would be October 13<sup>th</sup>.

### <u>Leasing of the town owned lot on the corner of Highway 93 and Spring Forest Drive by the Bus</u> <u>company – Phillip Mishoe</u>

Phillip Mishoe said that CAT Bus approached him asking if they could lease the property located at the corner of Spring Forest and Highway 93. Several Council members expressed that the plans for the basketball court are what they thought was the better option and wished to decline their offer. Council all agreed.

#### <u>Town Lights Contract – Curtis Peek</u>

Curtis Peek suggested that the town should consider opening the downtown lighting contract to competitive bidding when the current agreement ends, to ensure the town is receiving the best possible service for the cost.

#### Sign Permitting – Phillip Mishoe & Chief Thompson

Chief Thompson, Phillip Mishoe, and members of the Council held a discussion regarding the language of the current sign ordinance. Chief Thompson stated that the police department does not have the authority to enforce regulations on signs placed on private property. Phillip Mishoe recommended extending the current 30-day limit to 45 days. He explained that, as written, the ordinance requires political signs to be displayed for only 30 days, then removed for 30 days before they can be posted again. Ultimately, it was agreed that the police department cannot enforce the ordinance in relation to political signs on private property.

With no objections, Mayor Andrew Beckner adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan A. Brewer, CMC Town Clerk

Approved: 10/13/2025