

**MINUTES OF THE LYMAN TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
LYMAN MUNICIPAL COMPLEX
June 4, 2012**

1. CALL TO ORDER:

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Lyman Town Council was called to order by Mayor Rodney Turner at 6:30 PM. The Mayor made a motion to amend the agenda for the Community Champion presentation at item 7c. Carter seconded and there was no other discussion.

2. FOIA:

Dennis P. Drozdak, Clerk/Treasurer responded to Mayor Turner's question if written notice of this meeting with an agenda was publicly posted, published and forwarded to the local newspapers no less than 24 hours prior to adjournment and responded yes.

3. ROLL CALL:

Conducted by Dennis P. Drozdak.
Present: Rodney D. Turner, Mayor
Daisy Carter, Mayor Protem
Larry Chappell
C. Phil McIntyre
Rita M. Owens
Donnie Wetzal
Tony Wyatt

4. READING AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Approval of May 7, 2012 minutes, motion by Wyatt, second by Chappell, with no additions, corrections or deletions with all in favor the minutes were accepted. Approval of May 17, 2012 minutes, motion by Wyatt, second by Carter, with no additions, corrections or deletions with all in favor the minutes were accepted.

5. TREASURER'S REPORT

Mr. Drozdak's treasurers' report is attached in the permanent file. Motion by Wyatt, second by Wetzal, with all in favor the report was accepted.

6. DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

Police Department –

Chief Terry Richards stated that the complete report is attached in the permanent file. Chappell asked for the date of the Community Watch and Richards said it was fourth (4th) Thursday of the month. Wyatt asked if the packet or on the desk was the correct report and the 80 hour course. Richards said the desk and there were four (4) drug paraphernalia cases with the course on case management when leads are exhausted. McIntyre asked if they caught the four (4) counterfeit cases and Richards said no, and they were referred to the Secret Service.

Fire Department –

Chief Redd was heading to a conference and his monthly report with the complete report attached in the permanent file.

Public Works –

Alan Johnson presented his monthly report and the complete report summary is attached in the permanent file. Wyatt was intrigued by the event for industries. Johnson responded it was well

worth the face time, informative and that we are on their side. Mayor said that Laura Shealy had a good presentation at the meeting. Wyatt said that it was a good idea to meet face to face. Johnson said that bigger municipalities do this and we have several large industries.

1. Storm water= Mayor said up to Brook Street, with some trees in question in the right of way. Closest to Lawrence Street there was rock beneath the root ball and other two (2) trees should be okay. Johnson said also contended with a 3" gas line and was three (3) to eight (8) hour repair. Wyatt asked if it was an active line and no problem crossing. Johnson responded that it was very close and go under, then water line;
3. Trails=Drozdak said nothing more to report.
4. City of Wellford=Wyatt asked where we are on litigation, Mayor said are waiting, and needed an update meeting;
5. Park/Amphitheatre/ Farmers Market= Mary Hart phoned WORD radio station to say she enjoyed the market;

7. REQUEST TO ADDRESS COUNCIL:

- a. Mayor read statement to the family and in attendance, attached in permanent file, about Mavis E. "Coach" Cagle, this month's Community Champion. The wife asked the Mayor if the plaque could be placed at the door to Town Hall since there was nothing here to remember him.
6. LymanFest= Wetzel spoke how everything went well and all the vendors had excellent feedback. Committee will meet to review and for the community input.
- b. Dale Culbreath, Council member for Spartanburg County, spoke how impressed he was with what doing in the area and came to speak a moment on the good things on the horizon. Constantly looking to the future and Mayor brought to him visions since not good if you keep them to yourself. He commended the Mayor for the visions, unveiled in the amphitheater and the park are beautiful designs. The County needs partnerships and is proud to be a part with the Town. He had his administrative staff look, got the parks people and Rodney said he needed \$ 100,000 for the vision. The County is changing the direction of Parks and will tell you tonight that after two (2) readings with \$100,000 a part of the budget I am safe to say you will have the amphitheater. The Mayor responded that he appreciates it.
- c. Dexter Sullivan of SafeBuilt spoke about his company being the largest provider of building inspections in South Carolina. He approached the Town since we get building inspection from the County, but now would be in control. There is a significant reduce the cost, risk and increase revenue. No cost to Town, SafeBuilt provides service to builders and homeowners. They were founded in 1992 and hire, train and retain personnel. Currently would receive \$22,000, the Town would get \$4,800 and if business picks up there would be added revenue. Wyatt asked how the fee is collected, and Dexter replied that is no retainer, only performance of the activity. McIntyre asked what builders pay now and compared to the County. Dexter said was a standard list of fees, but would be consistent with other communities. Wyatt had the impression only the County, and why would your service be valid. Dexter responded that they follow the International Code of certification, all the same. Wyatt said that County now providing a service administratively and this would take the place of County and the Town gets revenue. McIntyre asked if there were any special building codes from County. The Mayor said we've adopted the same codes, now Mayor as zoning administrator he approves it, then builder goes to the County. Wyatt added that we could choose additional codes and the estimate of manpower for Town. Mayor said it would just clerk, so not an increase of work. Wyatt said that the overhead would be a wash. The Mayor said that just gathering information, and to think about and to communicate to him if want on agenda, there is plenty of time. Wyatt ended that it was an intriguing idea and had no other comments or questions.

8. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

- a. None

9. OLD BUSINESS

- a. None.

10. NEW BUSINESS:

- a. Re-classification of property at 942 Gap Creek Road, from GBD1 to G1. (minutes)= Mayor said that already been briefed and of recommendation of no change.
- b. Re-classification of property at 12319 Greenville Highway from R-15 to GBD1.= Mayor said that recommendation from board was to make change, and asked for a motion to adopt, Chappell made and Wyatt seconded and Mayor said it will be done in ordinance and have 1st reading.
- c. 1st reading of fiscal year July 1, 2012 to June 30, 2013= Mayor asked for a motion, Chappell made motion, Owens seconded. Wyatt pondering that we have had more in 18 months with legal fees, and would like to see it as a separate line item so know. Mayor said additional time not necessary but to have another workshop. McIntyre said had conflict and Mayor said would call for dates, have 5:50 -6:00 workshop, 6:00 – 6:15 public hearing, 6:15 2nd reading and 6:30 finished.
- d. Resolution appropriating hospitality tax for construction of an electronic message sign= Mayor asked for a motion, Motion by Chappell, seconded by McIntyre. Discussion followed, Chappell thought that with the Farmers Market we can advertise and anything that came up. He did want to bring design before Council; McIntyre said it was out of Hospitality Tax; Owens wanted to do it right, do it nice, is what other municipalities have and communication is the greatest tool if tastefully; Wyatt not keen on idea, it does not fit the facade, not sold on necessity and do not like word contracting but think about the scape; Wetzel asked for the location making sure to think out and fit the facade of the area; Drozdak clarified that this was to obtain bids not contract; Mayor said it was time a make a change; Chappell said that Greer had one and to advertise when have LymanFest, Farmers Market and those type of things., There was no further discussion, Mayor asked for a vote, five (5) yeas with Carter and Wyatt opposed and the motion for the resolution carried five for and two against.

11. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- a. Mayor said tentatively back in week from today at 6:00 for some decision making. Wyatt requested that if could communicate electronically. Mayor then said there was a meeting with a representative for Upstate Forever who represented that she did the Mary Black grant. The Mayor asked Drozdak who wrote the grant, he responded that he wrote it and that she volunteered to review and made some cosmetic change of words, but nothing substantive. Wyatt asked if there was a snag on demolition of the mill, Mayor said he asked Culbreath who said County intervened and likely a suit against construction crew and going against bond company to complete job. Last info was that smoke stacks staying and will be sealed. Wyatt asked if structurally sound, especially at base and sealed off for safety. Mayor said that the parcels have been sold.
- b. Election of Mayor and Council Tuesday, June 12th.
- c. Next regularly scheduled meeting, Monday, July 2, 2012.

12. ADJOURNMENT:

At 7:40pm Carter made a motion to adjourn, with all in favor.

Submitted by,


Dennis P. Drozdak, Clerk / Treasurer

Approved by,


Rodney D. Furner, Mayor

Date: 07/09/2012