

**MINUTES OF THE LYMAN TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
LYMAN MUNICIPAL COMPLEX
February 6, 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.

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

Larry Chappell

C. Phil McIntyre

Rita M. Owens

Donnie Wetzel

Tony Wyatt

4. Reading and Approval of Minutes:

January 9, 2012 minutes, motion by Chappell, second by Carter, with no additions, corrections or deletions with all in favor the minutes were accepted.

5. Treasurer's Reports:

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

6. DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

Police Department –

Officer Jonathan Hill substituted for Chief Richards and his report is attached in the permanent file. Wyatt asked who was the guest speaker and Hill responded that he was. Mayor stated that an officer development course to start. No other questions or comments.

Fire Department –

Chief Redd presented his monthly report and the complete report is attached in the permanent file. They had 78 emergency calls. He noted the inclusion of the yearend report with the prior two years and how call volume has risen. Also in report is the value of property losses prior and after the fire. Inside the Town was \$223,800 and after was \$49,800. Chappell said always getting the breakdown before but likes this and the calls to other areas. Wyatt asked about oddity of City of Greer and Redd answered that their area covers across Gap Creek up to Bradshaw. Wyatt wanted to know as Town grows how well situated are the staff and building. Redd said that he is in negotiations now to reduce outside response time. No other questions or comments.

Public Works –

Alan Johnson presented his monthly report and the complete report is attached in the permanent file. Wyatt asked to define incursion and Johnson said it was a word for violation. Johnson

pointed out that last month yard waste over 100 tons went to local garden centers. Wyatt had a concern about debris items and Mayor responded that have an attorney looking into the landfill charges. Johnson stated that Marianne Smith, laboratory, retired and he hired Nancy Layton who has a biology degree from USC Upstate. Lastly, he mentioned that Janet Noon, laboratory, was an award winner in district, largest in state, and now entered in the state competition. Johnson then read aloud the citation. The Mayor said that it hasn't been mentioned, but trees taken down by Town are now placed in the Springs' parking lot. He believes that there is more than enough wood and asked the media to notify the public. Wyatt asked if there any takers and Johnson responded yes and in fact the Mayor and Wetzel were out and noticed that people were taking the easy stuff. Wetzel asked if someone could bring a skid loader and Mayor said only if for personal use. No other questions.

1. Public Works building=Johnson said that the building is rapidly moving to paint with flooring down soon. Wyatt asked about the completion date and Johnson said end of February but still some concrete work on pad. Windows and doors going in. Wetzel asked for clarification on doors and windows and Johnson said that there is one glass door store front. Mayor said that at point where have costs not known before.
2. District 5 parking lot= Added more grass seed and fertilizer and near completion.
3. Storm water= Drozdak stated that condemnation proceedings have started.
4. Trails=Drozdak said nothing more to report.
5. City of Wellford=Drozdak said that John Duggan, Town Attorney, has been notified to pursue legal action.
6. Old Library= Wetzel asked what is the state and Mayor responded that he proposes to spin it around at some point in time. McIntyre said that people down at library do not want it. Mayor responded that he hears from people that said not to tear down. Carter is in Friends of the Library and there is no money.
7. Park/Amphitheatre/Market=Nothing to report.
8. LymanFest=Wetzel said that committee is very busy with vendors, sponsors and getting a new website to get advertisers. There is a lot of work and will meet tomorrow night at 6:30PM. Will use the Springs' parking lot. Mayor noted that just in case four or more Council members show up that this the notice to the media.

7. REQUEST TO ADDRESS COUNCIL:

- a. Wanda Fowler, Director of the Middle Tyger Community Center, spoke to Council that this is not the request of the month and that last month thanked the Council for the use of the Cornerstone Theater for Christmas. Now asking Council to consider sponsorship for the 3rd annual Rolling on the River. She explained that it was not just a party, that BMW donates the building, the Greer Sertoma gives the equipment for the event. She added that this brings in money to the center for services and programs for Lyman and School District 5. She asked if Council would consider a diamond sponsor, and that many people come to this from as far as Columbia. This money would show other foundations that Towns are supporting this center. Wyatt asked how much was a diamond sponsorship, and Fowler responded \$5,000, with a heart at \$1,000 and tickets at \$50 each. The Mayor noted that already have line item for \$5,000. Wyatt asked if this would be hospitality and would be comfortable with a heart sponsorship. Mayor said that he was sure we can sustain diamond since there are other things. McIntyre said that certainly an activity of charity as Town needs to support good work for all the residents and would be prudent to find the funds. Mayor stated that it would be on next month's agenda.

8. OLD BUSINESS:

- a. None

9. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

- a. At 7:15PM, Mayor made a motion to go into executive session for the purpose of contract negotiations. Wyatt seconded. At 8:17PM, Mayor made a motion to come out of executive session and that no votes were made during the meeting, it was seconded by Wetzel and with no further discussion, no opposed and the motion carried with all in favor.

10. NEW BUSINESS:

- a. Mayor asked for a motion on the resolution to purchase a generator for the Startex pump station. Motion by Chappell, seconded by Wyatt, there was no further discussion, no opposed and the motion for the resolution unanimously carried.
- b. Mayor asked for a motion on the resolution to authorize negotiations on Project 29. Motion by Chappell, seconded by McIntyre, there was no further discussion, no opposed and the motion for the resolution unanimously carried.

11. ANNOUNCEMENTS: Mayor

- a. Mayor spoke about trash cans and that the Town has not increased taxes in last few years, and proposes not to raise now. He asked Council just for their consideration as way to give back to the tax payers. Wyatt said as of now not favorable, not sold. Mayor also said that has no word yet on new sign. McIntyre said that has a lot of expenditures, but Mayor said he thought about the hospitality tax and that we have been diligent saving money. Wetzel asked about considering curbside recycling, and McIntyre added that it would be more efficient and help defray the costs with less expense for the garbage collectors. Mayor said that Marvin told him that it would save him from further increases to us and would be a nice drive down and see same receptacles as an advertisement that might lure a person here.

- b. Next regularly scheduled meeting, Monday, March 5, 2012.


11. ADJOURNMENT:

At 8:28pm Carter made a motion to adjourn with all in favor.

Submitted by,


Dennis P. Drozdak, Clerk / Treasurer

Approved by,


Rodney D. Turner, Mayor

03/05/2012
Date