

**MINUTES OF THE LYMAN TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
LYMAN MUNICIPAL COMPLEX
April 12, 2013**

1. CALL TO ORDER:

A special unscheduled meeting of the Lyman Town Council was called to order by Mayor Rodney Turner at 12:00 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
Larry Chappell
Phil McIntyre
Rita M. Owens
Donnie Wetzel

Not Present: Tony Wyatt, Mayor Pro-tem
Daisy Carter

4. NEW BUSINESS:

a. Resolution on decision for a donation of \$1,000 to the Middle Tyger Community Center Annual Rolling on the River Fund Raiser. Mayor made a motion on the resolution, seconded by Chappell, there was no further discussion, no opposed and the motion for the resolution unanimously carried.

b. Resolution on the decision for the grant CDBG Mill Village application. Mayor asked for a motion on a resolution, motion by Chappell. Wetzel asked if this is what the man came to talk about. Mayor said yes and the application has to be in today. Alan Johnson, Director of Public Works, said that there is still a selection process, but looks really good. Mayor added that he is glad past this hurdle, first step. McIntyre said that anytime you get 10 dollars for 1 dollars is good. Seconded by Owens, there was no further discussion, no opposed and the motion for the resolution unanimously carried.

5. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

At 12:05 PM the Mayor asked for a motion to go into executive session for the specific purpose of negotiations about a contractual matter, Wetzel seconded and the meeting was recessed. At 12:47 PM, the Mayor asked for a motion to come out of executive session, Owens seconded and the meeting was reconvened.

6. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

a. NONE

7. ADJOURNMENT:

At 12:48pm Chappell made a motion to adjourn, with all in favor.

Submitted by,


Dennis P. Drozdak, Clerk / Treasurer

05/06/2013 Date

Approved by,


Rodney D. Turner, Mayor

**MINUTES OF THE LYMAN TOWN COUNCIL PUBLIC HEARING MEETING
LYMAN MUNICIPAL COMPLEX
March 4, 2013**

1. CALL TO ORDER:

A public hearing meeting by the Lyman Town Council was called to order by Mayor Rodney D. Turner at 5:30 PM.

2. FOIA:

Mayor asked Dennis P. Drozdak, Clerk/Treasurer, 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 he responded yes.

3. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PUBLIC HEARING:

Mayor opened the public hearing and handed it over to Chip Bentley of Appalachian Council of Government (ACOG). Bentley explained that application from CDBG by S.C. Department of Commerce for like sewer rehab and housing. Each year has application process like sewer rehab and must have a needs assessment from the community. There is a request for application by March 15th, then submit by end of April, if funded by June, July if awarded there are bureaucratic steps. Dirt move next year, and can approve up to half million dollars. Tonight is a need assessment, think also of other needs of community. Alan Johnson, Town of Lyman Director of Public Works presented a power point of sewer lines, some live 80 or 80 years. He mentioned the Crest Street, 300 feet, in April 2012 because concrete had reached its age, and replace with PVC that not replace in our lifetime. Did Meadow Street manhole, January 2013, also corner of Lawrence Street. May have thought it took too long, but the nature of the soil. He then showed a video of holes in sewer lines, hidden manhole paved over, and bricks fallen down in manholes. He said that the estimated cost of 2 million dollars to do entire Mill Village. Would have to do in phases, start at Station, with \$550,000 to do it with 18 manholes. There would be no service to houses, as a rule just the main lines.

Bentley added that in order to qualify, either have 51% of area low to moderate income. Would go out and do an income survey, and have to have 51% of respondents, with importance to get back the surveys, because if no response it counts against you. The real challenge since it asks for income and other data. Bentley added that it was 51% of residents, not the landlords. If a building to dilapidated, it does not count at all. Johnson mentioned that it was a 2 year process from start of grant, and several years down the road if by grants. Bentley agreed that it was okay to do in phases; a lot of communities have this common problem to overcome. He said that the next part is your input, that commerce wants to see if a community is moving forward, a list of challenges, so positive things doing is first. The amphitheater, old armory, old library, biking walking trails. Bentley asked audience why they live here, persons responded that work here, farmers market, a citizens group for tree replacement, school system. Have diverse demographics with those in 80's who worked in mill to start up families and a lot of second generation. Asked for the challenges, answers were sewers, sidewalks, horrible uneven that can't navigate business to downtown, restaurants to draw people in, curb appeal, storm water. The infrastructure started at the Mill 90 years ago, do not want to grow losing small town appeal, identity. Bentley asked about the police, fire and audience responded they were fantastic police and fire. Fire Chief Redd said would like 1 million dollar ladder truck. Bentley answered that Town of Central got some funding, so it is possible. Audience said that have nice Town Council. Bentley said that have all that he needs, next is needs assessments, and can contact Council of Governments.

Mayor said that it was important due to demographics, and were there any other questions on the block grant. Davis & Floyd engineer on sewer, asked Bentley about sequestration budget cuts would affect CDBG, Bentley answered that not know, not truly know, but been cuts over the years

of 5 to 10 %. The State allocated out from Feds, so more competitive this cycle, but still many unknowns. Bentley added that Spartanburg County is not a distressed community, unless have industry coming in, can't get funds.

Mayor said that costly chore sewer systems, sidewalks in terrible shape, streets, so need help.

Mayor said he added these items so if want to say something on next items, just give your name and address.

- b. proposed annexation of one parcel located at Hampton Road, no audience comments.
- c. closing a portion of Pacific Street for constructing an amphitheater, open at Mayor's discretion, no audience comments.
- d. closing a portion of Pacific Street for constructing an amphitheater, open at Mayor's discretion. Mayor said as explained in second reading, worried about liability issue, put up barriers when need to close for special events. It was mentioned the 3 reasons not to close are (1) voters; (2) limits options fire department and (3) close would make intersection at Spartanburg Road more on congestive. Mayor said that school groups at amphitheater would have barriers up. A fence would eliminate problem, maybe in black vinyl.
- e. re-classify zoning of property at 102 Locust Street from R-15 to GBD1, no audience comments.
- f. re-classify zoning of property at 204 Alma Street from R-15 to GBD1, no audience comments.

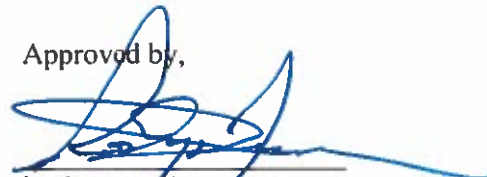
4. **ADJOURNMENT:**

- a. At 6:20pm Mayor made a motion to adjourn.

Submitted by,


Dennis P. Drozdak, Clerk/Treasurer

Approved by,


Rodney D. Turner, Mayor

Date: _____

04/01/2013