

**MINUTES OF THE LYMAN TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
LYMAN MUNICIPAL COMPLEX
March 9, 2015**

1. CALL TO ORDER:

Presiding Officer, Mayor Pro Tem Wyatt announced it is 6:00 PM on Monday, March 9, 2015 and call this regularly scheduled meeting of the Lyman Town Council to order. Wyatt announced that Wetzel has offered to lead invocation and the pledge.

2. FOIA:

Wyatt asked Mister 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 and read FOIA statement.

ROLL CALL:

Conducted by Dennis P. Drozdak, and a quorum was present by:

Present: Rodney D. Turner, Mayor
Tony Wyatt, Presiding Officer, Mayor Pro tem
Daisy Carter
Larry Chappell
Rita M. Owens
Teresa Shuler
Donnie Wetzel

Not present: None

3. READING AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Wyatt announced in your packet had minutes of February 9, 2015 meeting, asked if everyone had a chance to review those minutes, asked for a motion to accept those minutes as submitted, Wetzel made motion, seconded by Shuler. Wyatt asked if any corrections, additions, changes or modifications of any kind. Shuler asked about Omni Source and Wyatt replied that in February 9th meeting there was a discussion of tabling that was never voted on, never voted to table it. Asked for any other questions or discussion, hearing none asked all in favor say aye, any opposed, hearing none those minutes are accepted. Wyatt said you also have in front of you the minutes of specially called meeting on February 13th also in your packet and said hopefully had a chance to review those and asked if anybody can make a motion to accept these, Carter made motion, seconded by Shuler. Asked for any questions, discussion corrections or changes, hearing none, asked for all in favor said aye, any opposed, hearing none those minutes are approved. Wyatt added finally from March 3rd, special meeting those also in your packet and asked if anybody can make a motion to accept these minutes, Chappell made motion, seconded by Carter. Asked for any correction, addition or changes, hearing none, asked for all in favor said aye, any opposed, hearing none those minutes are accepted.

4. APPEARING BEFORE COUNCIL:

a. Andrea Moore, Director of Middle Tyger Community Center, thanked Council for allowing her with Lynn Turner to speak and appreciated chance. She said last year was brand new on the job and happy to be back and have some great info. Brought a packet with end of the year newsletter in terms of the number served and kind of activities doing for the citizens of Lyman. Food assisted 132 houses in hygiene and utility assistance, but biggest exciting news is free medical clinic in September. It is one evening a week and medical home partner with Spartanburg Regional for uninsured children to be their primary medical home. Also, last year opened a community chest of

upscale goods. Asking for a case manager with a grant provides counseling service and restricted to County not municipality. Wyatt said center speaks for itself and tremendous work over there.

5. TREASURERS REPORT:

- a. Drozdak's treasurers' report is attached in the permanent file. Motion by Chappell, seconded by Wetzel, with all present in favor said aye and asked if any opposed, none against, the report was accepted.

6. DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

Police Department –

Officer Collins substituted for Chief Hayes because in training and gave the Police report. Collins started with the events before you and said that MyPD app was officially launched and had 219 downloads and a great success so far. Drug cases down for the month and the official taskforce agreement have been signed by eight different municipalities and will be hosting our portion in April. Training had Cantrell and Teal attended SLED Policing class and Thompson attended stalking and harassment class. Planning neighborhood and policing event at tentative end of this month beginning of April. Also, on the Wounded Warrior planning the run walk route and mentioned also have February 2015 Police report. Wetzel asked who all are the eight municipalities in taskforce, Collins replied at this point it is every agency except for Chesnee and Cowpens.

Fire –

Assistant Chief Harter presented for the Fire Department said you have my monthly report before you, had 73 calls for service for district and 36% in the Town limits. Continued that beginning of February was busy before the ice storms, then got dry and had a lot of nuisance brush fires but had 5 calls in one afternoon at multiple times and events at same time. Had 3 structure fires and a business on Friday, February 13th was major event for the District. Wyatt asked how significant was fire at Tabs and all attention got, Harter replied medium sized storage on the east Greer side and full of appliances storage portion and what made the news was when shutdown 29 for supply line but scope of fire was not that big of a fire.

Streets –

Maurice Hawkins mentioned that you have my report before you for and glad to answer any questions or concerns. Chappell if got someone driving a red Ford pickup picking up old TV's, wire and timber in a truck. Hawkins said no and mostly happens with metal than TV's and appreciate that, Wetzel added needed someone to pickup tires. Wyatt said did not have a question but personal thanks help out the Police with a couple of things was very helpful and appreciate your effort on that. Wetzel asked to elaborate on some of equipment so know what is going on, Hawkins answered if look around Town have significant brush piles and last week the grapple was down and it is the workhorse of the Town. He added that 3rd trip to International since September and best case scenario will have back next Friday and to date have invested roughly \$10,500 in repair of the grapple truck and their estimate is \$12,700 to repair the engine, then was asked if engine not the grapple arm, engine is the situation. The bucket truck the brakes went out last week. Wyatt asked if this was premature, Hawkins said it is 1999 with 57,000 miles but does not have a hour meter so no telling the hours worked just like the grapple truck no hour meter. He talked with several manufacturers and the grapple truck at its life expectancy and Brushhog said their unit's life expectancy is 15 years. Wetzel asked if looked into a rental, Hawkins said a one month lease would be \$5,000 and if there was a unit available and is a demo unit but would be a challenge to find one. Turner said remembered that we had a new grapple truck, or new to us in last budget and was pulled out and said then that was a terrible mistake and continue to throw good money after bad is another

mistake and need to buy a grapple truck and take out of the reserve account, what we need to do. Wyatt asked what we had on getting an appropriate replacement. Hawkins said looked briefly at used 2008 online for \$78,000, talking with Brushhog a brand new unit that comes with 3 year chassis warranty is \$128,000 and the grapple truck is the workhorse for the Town. Wetzel said Turner made a great point of throwing good money after bad and is a waste of money and in opinion need to look at newer side. Turner said that new one he had his eye on was \$169,000 had 5 year warranty on cab and chassis and think that \$128,000 is a buy. Turner asked if this was a demo at 128, Hawkins said would have add on for strobe lights because as unit comes do not offer safety or warning lights and like a 2 or 3 thousand add on. Wetzel if this would be comparable to unit have now and Hawkins replied that it would be exactly as have now. Wetzel then added if what we have now sufficient, Hawkins said that as close as we are to landfill what we have is sufficient because if can get 2 ½ tons is a great full load and like a third of the Town picked up. Turner asked what kind of cab and chassis, Hawkins answered a Freightliner, Turner said that was a good deal. Wyatt agreed that they are a solid manufacturer and said as much pains him to ever talk about spending triple digit but something that has a life span of 15 years that is a lot of time to get a return on investment. Wetzel asked Hawkins if he could get a couple bids and suggestion to get a couple of bids, Wyatt agreed that 3 should be sufficient, Chappell said he agree with Wyatt that the difference in price between new and used get the new one, Wyatt said get the warranty too, Wetzell adding that you get what you pay for. Owens asked if they would give us anything of our truck, Turner added the other thing the unit the box it will outlast another used cab and chassis so if decide to go that way so if take that box and grapple and put it on another and get another 8 years the return on investment would be tremendous. Wyatt asked if we could re-service, Hawkins said no not the one we have because it is hydraulically challenged right now and think it is at its life expectancy because of how it has been used and have to be careful picking up a heavy load because it drops the load. Turner replied that is how they are designed if a hydraulic hose breaks goes to the safety, Hawkins said not talking about hydraulic break but the clamp that picks the load up. Turner answered to tighten and re-pack the cylinders that will fix your problem, Hawkins said still asking us to put a used bed on a brand new cab, Turner replied that he did not say that, said want to go what is on my mind to make a motion to amend the agenda for a resolution to purchase a grapple truck out of the reserve fund not to exceed \$140,000, Wyatt answered that we have a motion to amend the agenda, asked if have a second, Shuler seconded, Wyatt said have a motion and a second, so sort of been having the discussion, with his only concern that we had the research and entertain something at the next meeting. Turner said that is why he said to cut off at \$140,000, if he gets 3 estimates, ever which is the best, we are wasting time. Wyatt said he understands what he is saying, Wetzel said flick thing is here. Wyatt asked if Hawkins contacted Drozdak about any surplus, Hawkins said left him alone until we decided what wanted to look at. Drozdak suggested that maybe in next year's budget knock down by about \$50,000 capital budget and paying over a 2 year period not really affecting your surplus. Wyatt said liked that idea think follow that, Turner said that at the end talking about replacing the surplus but time is of the essence right now and sitting on the edge with fixing to throw some good money after the bad. Wyatt said he agreed not to spend any more money on something to repair. Hawkins added that they may have some colorful ways to pay it off, Brushhog has vendor in Alabama that gets it before has to make a payment and his year is coming up and wants to get rid of it. Wyatt said the spirit is find the best way that Council will give you a ceiling to get the best deal can and recognize the urgency of this issue and over a 2 year period based upon what Drozdak said can do without a tremendous adverse affect on the surplus. Wyatt said the key phrase not to exceed \$140,000, authorized, to be offset partly by reduction in next year's capital, Turner said that we just need to vote on a resolution that I made to propose changing the agenda and in the long haul to do that is a good idea. Wyatt concluded that if everybody is comfortable with the nature of that to take a vote. Turner said that the

resolution is give authority to proceed forward, Wyatt the authorization to make the purchase, Turner added that have estimates at the next meeting, Wyatt said absolutely should see. Wyatt all in favor say aye, asked if any opposed, hearing none that resolution passes. Turner said that wanted to clarify what was saying and not misunderstood about the grapple truck have now, thinking that if went out and purchased used cab and chassis to put that grapple system on and made minimal repairs you could have a backup in case new truck was in for service cause exactly right you will get nothing for trade in value. Wetzel asked if there was chance if that 650 could be partially converted, Hawkins replied that will have to look.

Waste Water & Pre-treatment

Brian Smith announced that you have my report and go over the high points. See from the graph the waste treatment plant was 100% compliant and actually toxicity flat lined since December and below the 25% average for the quarterly. The key performance index was in very good shape from graph. Had 2 emergency collection calls, nothing of significance there due to the quick response of our operator the on call system we have in place is working very well because the pump station that had the power out was Hillside and have very limited time before have overflow, got the generator fired up and running to keep that from happening. Received 117 locates from SC 811 since joined, working on about 3 hours a day putting paint on the ground and flags so quite a bit of extra time spending there not previously planned. Turner said wanted to ask a question about that if call comes in and no sewer there do you just not respond, just curious. Smith replied that if look at map and no sewer there we will put a response on the 811 website computer as a no conflict, Turner said okay. Smith added that all guys have a map or computer that can reference and very quickly see where the sewer is. Wetzel said that the beauty of that is used to not have it before you now have to respond to every ticket even if it a no conflict that way they know that you have seen it. Turner asked so if don't have a no conflict don't have to respond, Smith answered that is the response. Wyatt wanted to mention the response time was impressive and appreciate the effort that went into that. Smith answered that our guys take a lot of pride getting there quickly and trying to keep any sewer in the pipe. Wetzel added that glad keeping a good tally time wise because there may come a time may have to look at part time. Chappell complimented on the report appreciate more detail and a lot more information previously had doing a really good job, Smith said appreciate that, Wyatt added its thorough. Wyatt asked if the bids came in as hoping that would, Smith said absolutely, the original low bid was \$979,000, decided to look at a different way and change scope from majority pipe lining to dig and replace and actually deleted one section at \$179,000 which was the 12" line behind Shuler a little outfall line with no houses on Shuler, deleted that and changed the scope came in at \$712,000 with net savings of \$197,000 and probably a better quality job when complete. Wyatt added that really no big impact with no service attached to that not really losing anything in this short term and concluded with are there any more questions.

Economic Development

Shuler mentioned that she and Wetzel met with Bryant Center because for them to access into their development will need a road on Town property. So originally was proposed that they build the road and give them an intergovernmental right to use that road. They came back and said was hard to get funding to build a road on someone else's property because they already have a set amount in their budget and want to use that for their building if they have to go back for more money it could jeopardize this building project they have right now. So what they propose is that we build the road the road and they would reimburse us to pay us back for the road so they sent a letter today saying they will reimburse us for the road. Wyatt asked what was the time frame for the reimbursement, Shuler said that Wetzel came up with a good idea to just go ahead and gravel in a road construction entrance and when they finish cause will have

all this heavy equipment trucks then we would go in with curbs and gutters like we need to do so the road would not be put in until they finished their project. Turner asked so what happened with the grant from Piedmont Gas to make the entrance, Hank McCoullough assured me that but do not remember the exact figure but \$40,000 plus or minus to make the entrance to the industrial park. Shuler said that talked about that last week but switched gears from they were going to do all the work to we need to get in contact with our engineers. Turner responded that Blackwood & Associates sat in all the time we were talking about that, Piedmont Gas offered that grant probably 4 or 5 years ago and talked to Hank not long ago and still was standing in force. Wyatt said so the offer is still good, Turner asked if talked to Hank McCoullough and said would send his email and you might as well get it. Wyatt said just got the letter and obviously need Danny to look at and give us his view on that and action at a later meeting to formalize that and not a 20 year reimburse so seems reasonable. Wetzel added that the timber will be going on as soon as the weather breaks. Wetzel said that had an issue in Spring Lakes today and got a couple of subdivisions coming up and talked about last month on not doing the whole road instead of doing the whole road at once leaving 1 inch of asphalt for a top coat after construction we got an incident over the weekend over at Spring Lake where a tractor trailer full of sod section went through the ground road, Turner asked that the trailer was sitting there all day without board, Wetzel said yes and that Greenville County has this policy where they leave it an inch down and inspected by Greenville County. Turner said discussed at last meeting and pretty simple that if our engineer is willing to take on that task and of course need to bond him all need to do is enter into an ordinance to read exactly as Greenville County has and proceed forward into inspection and asked if Smith was a civil engineer. Smith responded was an associate, then Wyatt said that did talk about that last time and sounded something Council expressed an interest in that the letter gives us the ability to proceed forward. Shuler said that need to get our engineers out there to see exactly where that gas line is, Wetzel that it is high pressure and have minimum level over it. Wetzel asked where their property pin, Turner said thinks he can show him that but all need to do is drop some heavy stone cause not wasting money since will need that. Wyatt said can probably get going pretty quickly. Shuler asked after getting all permits when start date and July 1st so have time to get it done. Wetzel said that comfortably get in before that, Wyatt asked get parameters to bring back to whole group and make that happen. Shuler ended that wanted to thank Turner for working with me on projects he was working on and thanking for bringing up to speed and teach me.

Citizen Outreach

Wyatt said something in stack on your survey. Carter replied that surveys are being mailed to the local churches with James West of Community Center assisting with distribution to senior citizens, Wyatt asked what is the time frame to get out and back, Carter responded not sure, Wyatt said interested in what learn from that and need to incorporate in future planning. Owens said that BiLo does bingo on Wednesday and may be can coordinated with them, but Wyatt said the first key is understanding the needs better because can all speculate.

Event Planning

Owens said LymanFest has celebrating Armed Forces Day and have a great piece of information prepared to go out to hopeful sponsors. Spoke to Eurodrive and they committed to \$5,000 this year, to Wells Fargo very interested in may be a major sponsor of the event. Papa Johns don't necessarily give money but have their gazebo to feed all helpers, with BiLo some sort of a sponsor and walk a mile for wounded warrior, \$20 for adult, \$10 child and include tee shirt and send to our senior citizens there are a lot that walk at least a mile a day. Working with Imagine Group on entertainment, Marshall Tucker band wanted \$25,000, working on getting sponsors so is Imagine Group but better more we get. Sort of thinking get walk start at 9:30am and kickoff at 10 to get started for day's activities, but all work done by this committee. Also

thinking about opening up the Farmer's Market for booths for a community yard sale, just an idea opened up to ideas and suggestions. Wetzel asked if 30 minutes to walk a mile. Owens said started talking about the Christmas Parade and on 12th December, 2nd Saturday, will be hosting it this year with Wellford and Duncan and already talked to band director at Byrnes already has it on his calendar.

Administration

Chappell reported that Business Licenses been mailed out and 3 new home applications for business license, so far for March 10 new houses, staff working to update website and newsletter for each department to be shared.

7. PROJECTS:

- a. Streetscape & Trails enhancement=Drozdak said SCOT working on drawings.
- b. Lyman Event Center=

8. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

- a. None.

9. OLD BUSINESS:

- a. None

10. NEW BUSINESS:

- a. Wyatt said first item a resolution to approve using Hospitality Funds to construct a kitchen at 59 Groce Road, Pacific Place. Wyatt asked do I have a motion to adopt this resolution, Owens made the motion, asked for a second by Chappell and there is a second. Turner asked Clerk to read resolution, Wyatt instructed Clerk to read the final version. Wyatt said Owens made motion walk us through, Owens replied met with TN Construction a couple times, been talking a long time that this would be such a drawing card to get people in there with a side area to connect to kitchen and be a great entertainment area and you have the drawing here and have made some changes and some as we go but will be such a drawing card for Lyman for our Pacific Place. Wyatt said talked about before not just a supplement but a draw, Owens agreed that to do some community stuff and possibilities are endless there for entertainment. Turner added that about 4 or 5 years ago when came up with this idea to do kitchen I had contacted Mobile Meals and were very interested at the time having another place to prepare meals in this area and make them a whole lot fresh and big thing we wanted to do for the Town for those people that need that service hope still headed in that direction if they are still interested in doing that. Wyatt added he heard that same thing before and is open question. Owens responded that it would limit our use of facility and rental of it hoping for business meetings so definitely will have to look into. Carter said that the meals are out by 10am. Wyatt said that key point is that will have the facility and do a number of different things. Wyatt asked Drozdak why the increase in Hospitality and he responded less expenditures and new business activity. Turner said while on building originally talked about putting a standalone generator in there for emergency shelter and hope do not lose focus on that cause think we need to do also. Wyatt agreed that way constructed is built like a fort, so would be a good place and look at as a public safety side to investigate. Shuler said that during the last ice storm Duncan opened up a church for an emergency shelter, Turner added hats off to Duncan Methodist Church made their facility available 2 times and would like to see us there too. Wyatt said that he has directed Chief Hayes and Redd on comprehensive emergency plan since Spartanburg County has one. Shuler asked if we are putting in a new ceiling, Drozdak reply no, Shuler replied not doing at all, Wyatt said recommendation not to do now and work with what we got. Asked for anymore comments or questions and called the

question to order and asked all in favor of the resolution say aye, all ayes, asked any oppose, hearing none the resolution passes. Owens added that on update of Pacific Place Bob Pitts doing drawings and he's going have soon and will call a special meeting, Wyatt asking if this is a master plan, Owens replied to prioritize.

- b. Wyatt said resolution to approve contract with IPR Southeast using CDBG grant and Waste Water Funds for a Mill Village sewer line. Wyatt said as explanation is continuation of the CDBG grant we got for Mill Village sewer lines and not new but just formalizes the contract asked do I have a motion to adopt this resolution, Wetzel made the motion, asked for a second by Owens and asked Wetzel to elaborate on this. Wetzel said nothing to elaborate on, Wyatt asked if anyone had any question or comments, then asked all in favor of the resolution say aye, all ayes, asked any oppose, hearing none the resolution passes.
- c. Wyatt said resolution authorizing the Town to submit a loan application of up to \$3,500,000 to State Water Fund asked do I have a motion to adopt this resolution, Carter made the motion, asked for a second by Wetzel and said have a motion and second. Wyatt asked Wetzel or Drozdak to elaborate but already as a Council authorized doing this so think more as a technicality since had a resolution before, Wyatt asked if anyone had any question or comments, then asked all in favor of the resolution say aye, all ayes, asked any oppose, hearing none the resolution passes.
- d. Wyatt said resolution authorizing the Town to sell Police department items to Chesnee Police and asked do I have a motion to adopt this resolution, Turner made the motion, asked for a second by Wetzel and said have a motion and second. Wyatt said one of these already been authorized and no longer need and in use and normally would go on gov.deals but local agencies needed. Turner agreed need to help other departments, Wyatt asked if anyone had any question or comments, then asked all in favor of the resolution say aye, all ayes, asked any oppose, hearing none the resolution passes.
- e. Wyatt said resolution not in front some miscommunication, Turner said not on his agenda, Shuler on there so can contact the engineers from Blackwood as first step, Turner said make a motion to amend agenda to talk about it at regular meeting, Chappell with the second, Wyatt replied have no problem but do not have all documents. Shuler said to get plans we need for the road, preliminary drawings for about 550 feet, get us permission to contact engineers on what we need to do. Wyatt said that wording on the agenda probably fine to authorize using General Funds surplus on economic development with commissioner to contract Blackwood for the purpose to complete drawing of road at Bryant Center seems to say it, is essentially the first step. Drozdak asked if had the amount of money, Wyatt asked if any idea on cost, Shuler said how about giving us permission to contact. Wyatt suggested that amend the resolution to commission you to go get this all estimated and detail and next meeting present the complete proposal. Wyatt said asked motion to authorize infrastructure commissioner to study the needs and come back with a proposal, asked for second with asked if anyone had any question or comments, then asked all in favor of the resolution say aye, all ayes, asked any oppose, hearing none the resolution passes and look forward to a more complete presentation.

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11. ANNOUNCEMENTS: Wyatt said

- a. S.C. State Ethics annual filing due March 30, 2015.
- b. Next regularly scheduled meeting, Monday, April 13, 2015 at 6:00PM.
- c. In other announcements Shuler said gave Allison our resolution on business license and our taxes would have to increase 19% if passes.
- d. Turner asked do know if add anyone to the monument, Redd replied 2 new names.

12. **ADJOURNMENT:** Presiding Officer Wyatt asked for a motion to adjourn:
a. At 7:32 PM Carter made a motion to adjourn, Turner seconded with all in favor.

Submitted by, Dennis P. Drozdak
Dennis P. Drozdak, Clerk / Treasurer

Approved by, Tony Wyatt
Tony Wyatt, Presiding Officer, Mayor Pro-tem

Date: 4/13/2015
