

**TOWN OF CENTRAL
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
1067 WEST MAIN STREET, CENTRAL, SC 29630
MONDAY, OCTOBER 9, 2023 – 7:00PM**

Present: Mayor Andrew Beckner; Council Members, Paige Bowers, Joe Moss, Lynne Chapman, and Harry Holladay; Administrator Phillip Mishoe; Sergeant Sam Freeman; Fire Chief Ed Reynolds; Assistant Administrator Tom Cloer, Dr. Gabriel Rodriguez, Curtis Peek, Suzi Benkowitz, Justin Huff, Amy Gray, Ian Bartley, Amy Gray, and Town Clerk Susan Brewer.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Andrew Beckner

Joe Moss rendered the invocation.

Reading of Minutes 09-11-2023

Paige Bowers made the motion to adopt Regular Council Meeting Minutes 09-11-2023; seconded by Joe Moss. The vote was unanimous.

Public Session (30 Minutes Total)

Curtis Peek approached Council with concerns about dilapidated buildings within the Town of Central. He said he saw one located at 123 Amanda Court that was in bad shape. Phillip Mishoe said he would check in to it. Mayor Beckner thanked Curtis Peek for the information he shared with them.

Gabriel Rodriguez, Justin Huff, Amy Gray, and Ian Huff approached Council at separate times discussing their concerns with the FOWL Ordinance. Mayor Beckner thanked each of them for sharing their concerns.

Receipt and Disposition of Petitions (15 Minutes Total)

Reports from Council Committees:

All committee reports are on file in the Town Clerk's office and available for review upon request.

A. Planning – Paige Bowers

Paige Bowers reported that Planning would be meeting on October 17th at 5:30 pm with continuing education for Planning Members to follow.

B. Streets and Public Safety – Joe Moss

Joe Moss reminded everyone the K-9 Fundraiser would be October 14th, 5:00 - 11:00 at Rails. He reported the Fire Department had 40 calls for the month of September bringing the total up to 389 calls for the year.

C. Finance and Marketing – Lynne Chapman

Lynne Chapman everything was looking better. The Sanitation and Sewer Funds were in the black. The General Fund and Water Fund was in the red but it was not bad.

- D. Recreation – Ken Dill
Nothing to report. Absent

- E. Enterprise – Harry Holladay
Harry Holladay reported the Sanitation Department operated on a normal schedule. They had 134 total work orders completed for the month of September. They had 40 disconnects with 38 reconnects.

- F. Tourism and Economic Development- Vacant
Mayor Beckner reminder everyone about Trunk or Train on October 21st 1:00pm – 4:00pm and Live Music 5:00pm – 7:00pm.

New Business

None

Old Business

None

Introduction and consideration of new Ordinances, Policies, Proclamation and Resolutions
Consideration of Ordinances and Policies already in possession of Council

Ordinance #11-13-2023 AMENDMENT TO BUSINESS LICENSE (2) AMENDING THE BUSINESS LICENSE ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF CENTRAL TO UPDATE THE CLASS SCHEDULE AS REQUIRED BY ACT 176 OF 2020

PAIGE Bowers made the motion to adopt of first reading of Ordinance #11-13-2023 AMENDMENT TO BUSINESS LICENSE (2) AMENDING THE BUSINESS LICENSE ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF CENTRAL TO UPDATE THE CLASS SCHEDULE AS REQUIRED BY ACT 176 OF 2020; seconded by Joe Moss. The vote was unanimous.

Ordinance #11-13-2023 AMENDMENT TO ORDINANCE SECTION 3-3 FOWL (B) (Permitting Only)

Mayor made the motion to table Ordinance #11-13-2023 Ordinance #11-13-2023 AMENDMENT TO ORDINANCE SECTION 3-3 FOWL (B) (Permitting Only); seconded by Joe Moss. The vote was unanimous.

Consideration of Ordinances and Policies already in possession of Council

None

Reports from the Administrator and Mayor:

A. Administrator

Phillip Mishoe asked for a head count from Council for the PCMA which would be held October 24th at Norris, 6:45pm. Mayor, Harry Holladay, and Phillip Mishoe said they would attend.

Phillip Mishoe distributed his tax bill for this year. He thanked Council for keeping his taxes low. He said that Council had raised taxes around 5 mills and his city tax was still zero owed. He said how much local option sales tax is being left on the table. He said he can not find anyone to tell him where it goes.

Phillip Mishoe discussed the Political Signs in the Zoning Ordinance. He went through each section and told Council what we could and could not enforce. Sergeant Sam Freeman answered questions about enforcement issues with our ordinance. Phillip Mishoe wanted to let Council know what we could enforce as of now. Paige Bowers and the Planning Commission would be reviewing changes to the entire Sign Ordinance to present to Council.

B. Mayor

Mayor reminded everyone the Council Forum hosted by the League of Women Voters would be October 19th, 6:30- 8:00pm in the Council Chambers at Town Hall.

Executive Session

None

With no objections, Mayor Andrew Beckner adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan A. Brewer, CMC
Town Clerk

Approved: 11/13/2023