

Minutes of Council Meeting Monday, October 13, 2014

Present: Stan Busch, Mayor
Kim Gidron, Council Member
Harold Void, Council Member
Milt Felder, Council Member
Mike Fanning, Council Member

Robin Newton, Town Clerk

I. Call to Order

Mayor Busch called the meeting to order at 5:35 pm.

II. Opening Prayer

Mayor Busch provided the invocation.

III. Approval of Minutes

Mayor Busch made a motion to look over the minutes from the September 8, 2014 Council Meeting, as written. Councilman Mike Fanning made a motion to approve the minutes of the September 8, 2014 Council Meeting, as written. The motion was seconded by Councilman Milt Felder, and all were in favor.

IV. Special Guest or Public Request or Comment

Mayor Busch recognized Ms. Eva Mae Felder, resident of 306 Hampton Street, Ellore, SC 29047. Ms. Felder concerns are with Carson's Trucking located near her residence at 319 Hampton Street, Ellore, SC 29047. Ms. Felder states that this is an ongoing issue and wanted the Mayor to give an update on the situation. Mayor Busch stated that he has been to the sight and they have completed the entrance to the new location and starting erecting the steel. The Mayor spoke with Mr. Carson about when they were going to be finished with the construction of their new location so they could move. He was told by the end of October, 2014 depending on the weather. However, this situation would be resolved as fast as they can complete the construction of their new location. Ms. Felder ask if they could remove the gas tanks from the location at 319 Hampton Street to the new location immediately. The Mayor stated he would go and speak with them again and see if this could be done as soon as possible. The Mayor then recognized Mr. Cletus Wyland, resident of 464 Woodland Ter, Ellore, SC 29047. Mr. Wyland's concerns are also with the Carson's. He states that the first report he received on this issue was that there was no one in zoning to control the situation. Then he was told in June they were moving. Now he is being told again they are moving.

Mr. Wyland states that DHEC has been contacted concerning the gas tanks on the premises and they must be moved immediately. There cannot be diesel fuel tanks on the premises in a residential area. He understands that it is a issue that has been ongoing for a few years now and states he hates to put all this on Mayor Busch but the situation has to be taken care of. The Mayor stated if the issue with Carson's is not taken care of, there will be legal action taken. Mr. Wyland also had a concern with the trash pickup for the town. It use to be every Monday and Thursday, however, this has not been the case recently. The Mayor explain that there has been some issues with the maintenance department staff. However, we now have two new employees and are working to get this straighten out. As soon as the issues are resolved the trash pickup schedule would return to normal. The Mayor then recognized Ms. Ann Felder, another resident of Elloree, who lives across the street from the Carson's. Her concerns are why the issues with Carson's has taken so long to resolve and Ms. Felder would like to know who is going to fix the roads and sidewalks that have been damaged by the Carson's trucks. She also has a house that she rents out that has been vacant for the past four months because of the noise that the dump trucks make. The Mayor stated that the issues with Carson's have been going on for a few years now and that he is working to resolve these issues. The Carson's know they cannot remain at the current location and they will be leaving.

V. Water Commission Report

Cole Dantzler presented the monthly report for the Elloree Water System.

There were 93 work orders in September and 647 water customers billed. Water loss was at 10% for the month. The water and wastewater facilities and bacti were in compliance with DHEC for the month.

The next Elloree Water Commission will hold its next meeting on October 14, 2014 at 6:00 pm.

VI. Police Report

Officer Shawn Murphree presented the Police Report for the month of September 2014. During the month the police department responded to (22) calls for service, and arrested (7) individuals.

Reportable and Non-Reportable incidents.

A. Incidents that included arrest are follows:

- (6) arrest on Individuals who were wanted on outstanding Bench Warrants,
- (1) arrests for Driving Under Suspension,

B. Other reportable and non-reportable incidents included the following:

- Responded to (3) false alarm calls,
- (2) Domestic disputes...(No reports filed...Not involving Criminal Domestic Violence.),

- (4) routine request for assistance by South State Bank,
- (1) special escort for South State Bank,
- (3) request for assistances from Santee Police Department,
- (1) request for assistances by SCHP, and
- (1) vehicular accident.

The Police Department issued (21) Uniform Traffic Tickets.

*(Note- Some UTT's may be issued for non-traffic related offenses.)

NOTE* Officer Shawn Murphree attended a special function at Shiloh AME Church as a representative of the Ellore Police Department.

The Police Fines Report for the month of August, showed the following totals:

- Total Fines Collected: \$2448.38
- Remitted to State Treasurer: \$822.16
- Retained in Victims Assistance Fund: \$184.62
- Revenue Retained by Town: \$1408.60 (Places in Savings)

VII. Clerk/ Treasurer Report

Council reviewed the September 2014 financial reports for the Town in their binders, along with copies of the Revenue & Expenditures reports for the month. Councilman Harold Void moved to accept the financial reports. Council Member Mike Fanning seconded the motion and all voted to accept. The Mayor stated that the budget is ready to be processed through Murdaugh & Associates, CPA, LLC.

VIII. Old Business

There was no old business.

IX. New Business

The next regular Town Council meeting is Monday, November 10, 2014 at 5:30 p.m.

X. Executive Session

Mayor Busch requested that the Council go into Executive Session. Councilman Void made a motion, Councilman Kim Gidron seconded the motion and all voted to accept and went into Executive Session at 5:50 p.m.

Councilman Harold Void made a motion to come out of Executive Session at 6:20 p.m. and Councilman Kim Gidron seconded the motion, all voted to accept.

Councilman Mike Fanning made a motion to excepted Robin Newton as Town Clerk/Treasurer and give her a full time position with the Town of Ellore. Councilman Harold Void second the motion, all voted in favor.

Councilman Mike Fanning made a motion to excepted Linda Shipley as the new Clerk of Court for the Town of Ellore. Councilman Kim Gidron second the motion, all voted in favor.

Councilman Mike Fanning made a motion to have the Town of Ellore payroll files audited by Brodie, Summers, and Wilkes, LLP. Councilman Mitt Felder second the motion, all voted in favor.

XI. Adjournment

Councilman Harold Void made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Council Mitt Felder seconded the motion. All were in favor, and the meeting adjourned at approximately 6:22 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Robin Newton,
Town Clerk