

## **Minutes of Council Meeting Tuesday, October 12, 2010**

**Present:** Barbara Butler, Council Member  
Chasity D. Canaday, Town Clerk

### **I. Call to Order**

Councilman Barbara Butler called the meeting to order at 5:30pm.

### **II. Opening Prayer**

Councilman Barbara Butler provided the invocation.

### **III. Approval of Minutes**

No action was taken.

### **IV. Special Guest OR Public Request or Comment**

Councilman Butler recognized Andrew Friedman, President of the Ellore Business Association who addressed Council regarding the current initiatives that the organization is working on, including the placement of billboards on I-95, the restarting of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday Sidewalk Sales, and the creation of an Association website at [www.elloreesc.org](http://www.elloreesc.org).

Friedman stressed the need for continued business development, particularly in the downtown. He suggested using the Main Street 101 program offered through the SC Municipal Association which is currently used by towns throughout the state. He asked that a representative from the Town Council attend the Business Association's monthly meeting. He also asked that the Town begin holding regular meetings between town representatives, the business community, civic groups, and residents to work on business development.

Resident Chris Williams expressed support for the Business Association and its suggested initiatives, particularly the Main Street 101 program.

## **V. Water Commission Report**

Elloree Water System Commission General Manager Larry McDowell delivered the council report for the Water System, providing the Mayor and Council with monthly reports from the month of September.

The Water System completed 28 work orders and billed 649 water customers during the month of September. They also billed 326 garbage customers on behalf of the Town. Estimated water loss was 22%, up from 14% in August.

All water and wastewaters facilities are in compliance with SC Department of Health and Environmental Control.

Elloree Water Commission will hold their regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, October 12, 2010 at 6:00pm at the Elloree Water System building.

## **VI. Police Report**

A report for September was presented at the meeting by Clerk Chasity Canaday, with the following information for action taken:

- **21 Requests for Service**
- **16 Arrests**
- **5 Arrests for Driving under Suspension**
- **1 Arrest for Grand Larceny**
- **2 Arrests for Simple Possession of Marijuana**
- **1 Arrest for Driving under the Influence**
- **2 Open Container Tickets**
- **2 Loitering Tickets**
- **2 Charges of Selling Tobacco to a Minor**
- **1 Charge of Selling Alcohol to a Minor**

Other reportable and non-reportable incidents:

- **4 calls to assist SC Bank and Trust**
- **2 Requests for assistance from the SC Highway Patrol**
- **24 Requests for assistance from the Santee Police Department**
- **1 Check Forgery at the IGA, case closed with restitution to the victim**
- **28 Uniform Traffic Tickets Issued**

Canaday also reported that the Police Department will be holding their annual Service Day at Joe Miller Park on Saturday, October 23, 2010 to prepare for Trunk or Treat. The service day will start at 10:00am, and lunch will be provided.

Trunk or Treat is scheduled for Sunday, October 31, 2010 from 6:00pm-8:00pm.

The Clerk reported that the Police Department worked with the Tri-County Commission of Alcohol and Drug Abuse to conduct a tobacco and alcohol enforcement operation. The Police Department also worked with the Commission to sponsor a class for merchants to educate them and their employees on the proper handling of tobacco and alcohol sales.

Clerk Canaday presented the Police Fines Report for the month of September, showing the following totals:

- **Total Fines Collected:** \$2709.64
- **Remitted to State Treasurer:** \$1422.53
- **Retained in Victims Assistance Fund:** \$115.00
- **Revenue Retained by Town:** \$1172.11

Clerk Canaday noted that the amount retained by the Town was placed in the Savings account.

## **VII. Clerk/ Treasurer Report**

The Clerk presented the September 2010 financial reports for the Town, with copies of the Revenue and Expense reports from that month. She also noted that the 2009-2010 audit is underway.

The Clerk noted that orientation training for members of the Planning Commission was held on Tuesday, September 14, 2010. The 6 hour training is required by state statute. Planning and zoning officials from Ellore, Santee, St. Matthews, and Orangeburg were in attendance.

The Clerk said that the Town's 2011 event schedule has been finalized and posted on the town's website. The 2011 schedules for court and town council meetings will be finalized before the November council meeting.

Canaday reported that there were numerous successful events in Ellore during the month of October. The Ellore Lions Club Candy Day on October 1 raised over \$1000, and the Lions club also took 1<sup>st</sup> place in the Cooking on Cleveland Cook-Off on October 8. Second place went to the Pythian Sisters and the Old Mil House Gift Shoppe while The Antique Box took 3<sup>rd</sup> prize. The cook-off was held on downtown

Cleveland Street and raised over \$300 for the Ellore Business Association's advertising and promotion efforts for the Town.

Fall Fest was held on Saturday, October 9, and the Clerk reported that the event was a success. Downtown Cleveland Street was full of vendors, food, entertainment, and visitors to the town. The day kicked off with the Vocal Reunion Band, sponsored by the Old Mil House Gift Shoppe, and ended with the Mayor's annual pumpkin carving contest, sponsored by the Food Lion Distribution Center.

Canaday reported that the next event will be Trunk or Treat at Joe Miller Park on Sunday, October 31 from 6:00pm-8:00pm.

**VIII. Old Business**

No old business was discussed.

**IX. New Business**

There was no new business.

The next Town Council meeting will be held on Monday, November 1, 2010.

**X. Executive Session\*\*\***

There was no executive session.

**XI. Adjournment**

Councilman Barbara Butler adjourned the meeting at 5:46pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Chasity D. Canaday, Town Clerk