

Minutes of Council Meeting Monday, October 10, 2011

Present: Van Stickles, Mayor
Barbara Butler, Council Member
Michael G. Fanning, Council Member
Harold Void, Council Member
Chasity Sanders Avinger, Town Clerk

I. Call to Order

Mayor Van Stickles called the meeting to order at 5:32pm.

II. Opening Prayer

Councilman Harold Void provided the invocation. Mayor Stickles asked for a special prayer for Craddock Morris of The Calhoun Times.

III. Approval of Minutes

Councilman Barbara Butler made a motion to approve the minutes of the September 12, 2011 council meeting as written. The motion was seconded by Councilman Void. All were in favor.

IV. Water Commission Report

Systems Manager Cole Dantzler delivered the council report for the Water System and provided the Mayor and Council with monthly reports from the month of September.

The Water System completed 54 work orders and billed 645 water customers during the month of September. They also billed 324 garbage customers on behalf of the Town. Estimated water loss was 18 %, down from 23 % in August. This was largely due to a leak caused when a farm tractor hit a fire hydrant and when a 6-inch line was hit by a utility company working on Midway Road.

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

Elloree Water Commission will hold their regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, October 11, 2011 at 6:00pm at the Elloree Water System building.

V. **Special Guest OR Public Request or Comment**

There were no special guests or public comments.

VI. **Police Report**

A report for September was presented at the meeting by Chief Preston Avinger, with the following information for action taken:

- **1 Arrest for Malicious Injury to Animals/Personal Property**
- **1 Arrest for Disorderly Conduct**
- **2 Arrests for Driving under Suspension**
- **2 Arrests for Simple Possession of Marijuana**
- **2 Arrests for Fraudulent Checks**
- **1 Arrest of a Wanted Sex Offender**

Other reportable and non-reportable incidents:

- **4 calls to assist SCB&T**
- **5 requests for assistance by other agencies**
- **30 Uniform Traffic Tickets**

Chief Avinger announced that trick or treating hours for Halloween will be 6:00pm-8:00pm and that Trunk or Treat will be held at Joe Miller Park during that time. Clerk Chasity Avinger added that the Police Department will hold its fourth annual Service Day at Joe Miller Park on Saturday, October 29, 2011 at 9:30am to get the park ready for Trunk or Treat. Lunch will be provided for all volunteers.

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

- **Total Fines Collected: \$3210.38**
- **Remitted to State Treasurer: \$1984.95**
- **Retained in Victims Assistance Fund: \$172.27**
- **Revenue Retained by Town: *\$1053.16**

*Retained amount to be placed in Savings.

VII. Clerk/ Treasurer Report

The Clerk presented the September 2011 financial reports for the Town, with copies of the Revenue and Expense reports from that month.

Cooking on Cleveland was held on Friday, October 7 and had nine teams participating. The Elloreë Lions Club won first place, followed by the Pythian Sisters in second place, and Flavor Masters BBQ, LLC in third place.

Fall Fest was held on October 8. Clerk Avinger thanked all of the vendors and businesses who participated along with Cornerstone Community Church of Orangeburg for bringing a rock climbing wall to the event. The mayor held his annual pumpkin carving contest and announced that all entries were winners. Clay Canaday won Most Creative for his rendition of a ghost. Winners of the first Fall Fest coloring contest were as follows: **Ages 6 and Under:** Alesha Carter 1st Place, Nitorian Moorer 2nd Place, and Timothy James 3rd Place **FIRST AND SECOND GRADE:** Pricilla Jones 1st Place, Tytyanna James 2nd Place, and Amiri Brigman 3rd Place **THIRD AND FOURTH GRADE:** Samantha Cope 1st Place, Zakiya Jenkins 2nd Place, and Cierra Emerson 3rd Place. The mayor will present awards and participation certificates will be awarded to the students at Elloreë Elementary School on Tuesday, October 18, 2011.

A Fall Fest follow-up meeting will be held at 5:00pm on Tuesday, October 18, 2011 at the Town Hall.

Clerk Avinger noted that the town has an election scheduled for November 8. Town Council District 2, currently held by Councilman Harold Void, is up for reelection, and Councilman Void is the sole filer for that position. Town Council District 3, formerly held by Jimmy Fogle, is open, and Milt Felder is the sole filer for that seat. Water Commissioner Jerry Fogle's seat is open for reelection, and he is the sole filer for that position, as well. New officials will be sworn in during the December 12, 2011 council meeting.

Clerk Avinger informed the Mayor and Council that a meeting of the Board of Zoning Appeals will be held at 5:00pm on Wednesday, November 9, 2011 to address a variance request, a request for a special exception to zoning, and the election of a new Board chairman.

VIII. Old Business

There was no old business.

IX. **New Business**

There was no new business.

The next Town Council meeting will be held on Monday, November 14, 2011.

X. **Executive Session*****

There was no executive session.

XI. **Adjournment**

Councilman Butler made a motion to adjourn the meeting. A second was made by Councilman Fanning and the meeting was adjourned at 6:12pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Chasity Sanders Avinger, Town Clerk/Treasurer