

**Minutes of Council Meeting
Monday, January 11, 2016**

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

Robin Martin, Town Clerk

I. Call to Order

Mayor Stan Busch called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm.

II. Opening Prayer

Council Member Mike Fanning provided the invocation.

III. Approval of Minutes

Mayor Stan Busch made a motion to look over the minutes from December 14, 2015, Council Meeting, as written. Council Member Mike Fanning made a motion to approve the minutes of December 14, 2015, Council Meeting as written. The motion was seconded by Council Member Milt Felder, and all were in favor.

IV. Special Guest or Public Request or Comment

There was no special guest for this meeting.

V. Water Commission Report

Ms. Cole Dantzler presented the monthly report for the Elloree Water System. There were 40 work orders in December and 661 water customers billed. Water loss was at 32% for the month. The water and wastewater facilities and bacti were in compliance with DHEC for the month.

The Elloree Water Commission will hold its next meeting on January 12, 2016, at 6:00 pm.

VI. Police Report

Chief Avinger presented the Police Report for December 2015. During the month, the police department responded to (19) calls for a request for service and arrested (15) individuals.

1. Reportable and Non-Reportable incidents.

A. Incidents that were solved or closed by arrest are as follows;

- (1) Arrest for Poss. of Marijuana, Littering,
- (1) arrest for Poss. of Cocaine,
- (5) arrest for Driving with Open Container,
- (2) arrest for Driving Under Suspension,
- (1) arrest for Disorderly Conduct,

- (1) arrest for Poss. of Liquor Under Age,
- (2) arrests for Shoplifting, and
- (2) arrests for subjects who were listed as "WANTED" from other jurisdictions.

B. Other Incidents or Events included the following

- (1) Simple Assault,
- (1) assist for an elderly person who had fallen,
- (1) report of Financial Transaction Card Fraud committed by a household member,
- (2) False alarm calls....both commercial, and
- (3) assisting other agencies upon request.

2. Uniform Traffic Tickets Issued

The Police Department conducted (3) Safety Check Points and issued (26) Uniform Traffic Tickets. *Note....Some Traffic Tickets may be for other criminal offenses not related to traffic.

3. Officer Resignation

Assistant Chief, Lin Shirer has tendered his resignation to the Ellore Police Department after 10 years of outstanding service to the town. He has accepted the Police Chief's position with the Town of North.

4. Other News

The Ellore Police Department has received the Outstanding South Carolina Traffic Safe Community award for 2015.

VII. Clerk/ Treasurer Report

Ms. Robin Martin presented the monthly clerk/treasurer report. The Police Fines Report for the month of December, showed the following totals:

- Total Fines Collected: \$5645.50
- Remitted to State Treasurer: \$3057.69
- Retained in Victims Assistance Fund: \$584.13
- Revenue Retained by Town: \$2003.68 (Placed in Savings)

Council Members reviewed the financial report for December 2015 along with the copies of the Revenue and Expenditures report in their binders. Council Member Mike Fanning moved to accept the financial reports. Council Member Milt Felder seconded the motion and all voted to accept.

Ms. Robin informed the Mayor and Council that it's time to file the 2016 Statement of Economic Interests report. Everyone can find all the information need to do this in their binder and if anyone needed any help please contact her.

VIII. Old Business

Mayor Stan Busch gave an update on the Bids Solicitation for repairs in town. We now have two contractors that will be putting in bids however, we still hope to get at least one more. If anyone knows of a contractor in need of work please send them our way.

Mayor Stan Busch recognized Mr. Chris Carver the new Zoning Administrator for Elloree. Mr. Chris gave an update on the Planning Commission and Board of Zoning Appeals. The committees will meet Saturday, January 16, 2016, at 9:00 am at the Elloree Town Hall. They will begin the process of getting everyone ready for the upcoming meeting that will be taken place to update the Zoning Ordinance. As well as elect officers and adopt rules of procedure.

IX. New Business

There was no new business for this meeting.

The next Town Council Meeting will be February 8, 2016, at 5:30 pm in Town Hall.

X. Executive Session

Mayor Busch requested that Council go into Executive Session to discuss Contractual Matters. SC State Code Authorizing Executive Session (Freedom of Information Act Section 30-4-70-(a) (3)) Discussion Regarding the Development of Security Personal or Devices. Council Member Milt Felder made a motion, Council Member Kim Gidron seconded the motion, all voted to accept and went into Executive Session at 5:50 p.m.

Council Member Mike Fanning made a motion to come out of Executive Session at 6:00 p.m. and Council Member Kim Gidron seconded the motion, all voted to accept.

Council Member Mike Fanning made a motion for the Town of Elloree to accept the contract with DUP as information only for a period of 7 to 10 days to review and prepare any question that the town may have for DPU and/or the Town's Attorney. Council Member Milt Felder seconded the motion, all were in favor.

Council Member Mike Fanning made a motion to allow the Town Clerk to temporary service as the Clerk of Court until the Clerk of Court can be secured. Council Member Kim Gidron seconded the motion, all were in favor.

XI. Adjournment

Mayor Busch made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Council Member Kim Gidron seconded the motion. All were in favor, and the meeting adjourned at approximately 6:10 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Robin Martin,
Town Clerk