

The Town of Winnsboro Council met in regular session on February 7, 2017, at 6:15 p.m. in the Council Chambers of Town Hall. Following normal procedures, copies of the agenda were provided to Council and The Voice. Those in attendance were:

Mayor Roger Gaddy
Mayor Pro tem Jackie Wilkes, District #4
Councilman Danny Miller, District #1
Councilman Clyde Sanders, District #3
Town Manager, Don Wood
Absent
Councilman Stan Klaus, District #2
Others
Creighton Coleman, Town Attorney
John Fantry, Utility Attorney
William Hancock, Town Auditor
Major John Siebles, Public Safety
Judge Vanessa Hollins
William Castles, Building & Zoning, Streets & Sanitation Director
William Medlin, Electric Utility Director
Lorraine Abell, ATM
Guests
James Denton, the Voice
John McMeekin
Edith Boulware

Call to Order

Mayor Gaddy called the meeting to order at 6:15 p.m.

Invocation

Councilman Danny Miller offered the Invocation.

Approval of Minutes

Councilman Sanders made a motion with a second by Councilman Wilkes that the minutes of the January 17, 2017, Finance Meeting and Town Council Meeting be approved as written. All voted aye.

Public Comments

Ms. Edith Boulware spoke to Council in regard to small business development in the downtown area and financial assistance for small businesses.

Presentations

Mr. Bill Hancock with the Brittingham Group, LLP, presented the 2016 Audit Report for the Town of Winnsboro. Mr. Hancock stated the general fund revenues and expenses for the year and reported the town was \$33,000.00 in the black. Mr. Hancock reported on the town's unfunded pension liability amount this year was 6.5 million. Mr. Hancock updated Council on new regulations regarding the Victim's Accident Funds. Mr. Hancock stated he did not find any weakness in the town's accounting functions.

New Business

- a. Fairfield Behavioral Road Race Sponsorship Request - Councilman Sanders made a motion to donate \$200.00 from his crime prevention account. The motion was seconded by Councilman Miller. All voted aye.
- b. Verizon-Right of Entry Request – Verizon Wireless is requesting permission to enter the property of the Cook Road Tank to determine the viability and feasibility of the site. Councilman Sanders made a motion granting permission to enter the site. The motion was seconded by Councilman Wilkes. All voted aye.

Old Business - None

Other Business

Councilman Wilkes noted that First Baptist Church had requested a street light at the driveway. Mr. William Medlin informed Council that the location was out of town limits and was in Fairfield County. Mr. Medlin stated the church needed to talk with the county.

Councilman Miller stated he had received numerous complaints about utility bills. Councilman Miller suggested a meeting at the Armory to explain the new billing system. After a discuss, council agreed a statement should be placed on the bills and if it would not fit on the bill, a letter should be sent.

Executive Session

Councilman Clyde Sanders made a motion to enter into executive session, pursuant To SC Code Section 30-4-70 (a) (2): for the discussion of two items.

- a. Contractual: Upstate Pool Management Rehab. And
- b. Legal/Contractual: Broad River Project-Property Purchase.

Councilman Wilkes seconded the motion. All voted aye.

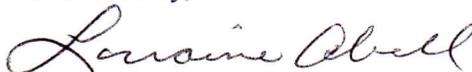
After discussing the items at hand, Councilman Sanders made a motion to resume the General meeting; seconded by Councilman Wilkes. All voted aye.

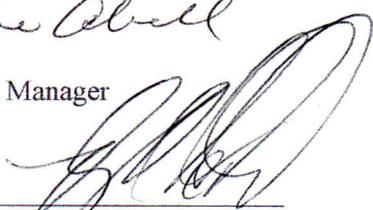
Councilman Wilkes made a motion to move forward with purchasing the land for the Broad River Pump Station for \$47,000.00. Councilman Sanders seconded the motion and all voted aye. No other motions were made.

Questions from Media – None

Adjournment – With no further business to discuss, Councilman Miller made a motion with a second by Councilman Sanders. All voted aye. The meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Submitted by,


Lorraine Abell
Assistant to Town Manager

Approved: 
Roger Gaddy, Mayor