

January 8, 2013

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

Town Council Work Session

6:30 P.M. - 6:45 P.M. Public Hearing: Ordinance 2013-01
6:45 P.M. - 6:46 P.M. Review of Administrative Report
6:46 P.M. - 6:47 P.M. Review of Police Department Report
6:47 P.M. - 7:00 P.M. Informational Council Discussion

7:00 P.M. - Town Council Meeting

Call to Order

Invocation

Approval of Minutes

1. December 11, 2012 Regular Scheduled Meeting
2. December 17, 2012 Special Called Meeting

Old Business

1. Fire Hydrant Expansion Project
2. Property & Recreation Committee -
Camp Moore/Styx Historical Park & Walking Trail
3. Infrastructure & Maintenance Improvement projects:
 - a) Sidewalk repairs
 - b) Landscape maintenance for 2013
 - c) Sanitation Services for October 2013
 - d) Town Hall/Police Department
4. Ordinance 2012-15 - Provisions for Municipal Water & Sewer
Services Infrastructure Improvements(
(first reading reconsidered)

New Business

1. Ordinance 2013-01 Rezoning request from Sandhills Development
for TMS# 006898-02-050, from R1(Single family) to R3
(Multi-family)
2. Resolution 2013-02 Certification of Jury Roll

Citizen's Comment Time

ADJOURN

**TOWN OF PINE RIDGE
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Work Session
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Council present: Mayor Busby, Mayor Pro-tem Davis,
Councilman Dinkins, Councilman
Wells and
Councilman Price
Staff present: Chief Anderson &
Town Clerk, Viki Moak

6:30 P.M. 6:31 P.M. Public Hearing - Ordinance 2013-01

Applicant has requested this item be put on hold until February.
All public notifications will be resent for the February meeting.

6:31 P.M. 6:36 P.M. Review of Administrative Report

Written Administrative reports were included in the Council packets. Council spoke about Soup Day, LCMA dinner and current budget.

6:36 P.M. 6:37 P.M. Review of Police Department Report

Written Administrative reports were included in the Council packets. Council spoke about the marked car being back on the road and pending repairs to the fleet.

6:37 P.M. 7:17 P.M. Ordinance 2012-15

Mayor Busby stated that a notice was mailed to all Cayce Water & Sewer residents for a hearing tonight, in addition a public hearing was held on December 11, 2012. The following residents spoke against Ordinance 2012-15: Lewis Welch, Gary Siver, Ray Holsonback, Jeanette Hall, Carl Kitchens, Pat Myers, Virginia Treminier, Sandra Miller, Delores Hamilton, Carol Beard and husband, Time Newton, Dale Bosworth, George Cleever, Mike McMillan and Sherry Brooks. The main talking point was that 16% of town residents would be footing the bill for the remaining 84%, and the possibility of putting this on a referendum for the entire town in November. No one in attendance spoke in favor.

Mayor Busby closed this portion of the work session.

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TOWN COUNCIL MEETING - 7:17 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Busby called the Town Council meeting to order at 7:17 P.M. with Mayor Pro-tem Davis, Councilman Dinkins, and Councilman Price and Councilman Wells present.

Staff present: Chief Anderson & Town Clerk, Viki Moak

INVOCATION

Councilman Price led those assembled in prayer.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. December 11, 2012 Regular scheduled Council Meeting

Mayor Pro-tem Davis made the motion to accept the minutes of December 11, 2012 be approved as submitted. Councilman Dinkins seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.

2. December 17, 2012 Special Called Meeting

Councilman Dinkins made the motion to accept the minutes of December 17, 2012 be approved as submitted. Councilman Wells seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Fire Hydrant Expansion Project

Mayor Busby met with American Engineering and they are currently working on a topography study that will show pressure issues and suggested projects that will accomplish the most.

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2. Property & Recreation Committee -
Camp Moore/Styx Historical Park & Walking Trail

Mayor Busby has no update on this project.

3. Infrastructure & Maintenance Improvement projects:

- a) Sidewalk repairs

Councilman Wells stated that the project was advertised and plans to hold a prebid meeting on January 22, 2013 at 10am.

- b) Landscape maintenance for 2013

Councilman Dinkins stated he would like to discuss this item at the next scheduled work session, due to the volume of responses on the resident e-blast and bid submissions. Council discussed scheduling the next work session on January 14th at 7pm.

- c) Sanitation Services for October 2013

Councilman Dinkins stated he would like to discuss this item at the next scheduled work session, due to the volume of responses on the resident e-blast.

- d) Town Hall/Police Department

Councilman Wells stated he has not had the time to work on this, but will continue as soon as possible.

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4. Ordinance 2012-15 - Provisions for Municipal Water & Sewer Services Infrastructure Improvements (first reading reconsidered)

Mayor Busby read aloud a letter from Mr. Jack Moyer, whom asked that it be read into the record:

Dated January 5, 2013, addressed to Hon. David L. Busby, Mayor, Town of Pine Ridge. Dear Sir: As a resident of Pine Ridge and a sewer service customer of the city of Cayce, I object to the proposed fee to be collected from existing sewer customers to expand water and sewer service in Pine Ridge. This would be a tax on my property, not a fee for the service, which I already pay. The developer of my subdivision paid in full for providing the infrastructure for sewer and water service to my home. I paid my share of that cost when I purchased the lot, as did every other owner in the subdivision. If your proposed ordinance passed, it would be unconstitutional as a violation of the equal protection clause. You would be taxing those who have already paid for the service to provide the service to those who do not have it. If I refused to pay that tax, my sewer service would be shut off, although, if I did not pay any other property tax, I would only incur a lien against the property until I could prevail in the courts. Furthermore, the proposed tax would be collected by the city of Cayce and we are not in its jurisdiction. Yours truly, Jack Moyer, 244 Long Iron Ct

Mayor Busby read aloud his response to Mr. Jack Moyer into the record:

Dated January 7, 2013, addressed to Mr. Jack Moyer. Mr. Moyer: The primary purpose of the proposed Infrastructure Improvement ordinance is to expand the water lines within the town of Pine Ridge to provide additional fire hydrants to allow an increased availability of water sources for the Lexington County Fire Service when responding to residential fire service calls. This is not to provide additional drinking water service, but that is a possible option which is an option that may only be requested by the residential home owner. I don't recall any fire hydrants in the Long Iron Court area and the focus of this proposal is to provide fire hydrants so that every residence is within 500 feet of a fire hydrant. I understand Long Iron Court has the necessary size water lines installed by the developer and when sufficient fire flow water pressure/volume is available, only the fire hydrants need to be installed on the existing water lines. I have been informed the hardware cost of a fire hydrant is approximately \$3,500 plus installation cost. I also understand the

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average water/sewer bill is approximately \$100 per month, so based on the number of homes in the Long Iron Court area you can calculate how many months a 5% user fee would be needed to pay for about two fire hydrants for your area. While I agree the developer, and subsequently you at purchase time, did pay for the water/sewer connections to your residence, the additional cost for fire hydrants is what this proposed legislation will address. I very much appreciate your email and encourage you to continue to communicate your views to the town council members. David Busby, Mayor, Town of Pine Ridge

Mayor Busby read aloud Ordinance 2012-15. Mayor Busby called for a motion to remove the item off the table.

Mayor Pro-tem Davis made a motion to remove Ordinance 2012-15 off the table. Councilman Dinkins seconded the motion. Council voted with four in favor and one against.

Mayor Pro-tem Davis made a motion to approve Ordinance 2012-15 as submitted. Councilman Price seconded the motion, which opened the item up for discussion.

Council discussed the following:

- 16% of residents paying for the balance of residents to have fire hydrant service
- Some of the 16% don't have fire hydrant service
- 2005 Water/Sewer Referendum
- 2009 Planning Survey results
- Appreciate input of residents
- Referendum on ballot for entire town to vote
- Referendum will decide whether the town wants this service or not
- Town has no tax base, referendum will be with restrictions & expiration date
- Phase I is funded, will take town at least 9 years to raise funds for Phase II
- Stonebridge Drive example tax district to pave road, residents agreed to split cost and repay County over twenty year period

Mayor Busby called for a vote. Council voted with four against and one in favor. Ordinance 2012-15 has not been approved.

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NEW BUSINESS

1. Ordinance 2013-01 Rezoning request from Sandhills Development for TMS# 006898-02-050, from R1(Single family) to R3
(Multi-family)

Mayor Busby stated that the property owner has requested this item be tabled until the February 12, 2013 meeting.

Mayor Pro-tem Davis made a motion to table Ordinance 2013-01 until the February 12, 2013 meeting. Councilman Wells seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.

2. Resolution 2013-02 Certification of Jury Roll

Councilman Wells made a motion to approve Resolution 2013-02 as submitted. Councilman Dinkins seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.

Citizen's Comment Time

Mayor Busby invited all those in attendance to the January 14th, Council work session at 7pm.

The following Citizens spoke in relation to Ordinance 2012-15:

Mr. Vincent Echerer, Mr. Joe Welch, Mr. Mike McMillan, Ms. Sherri Brooks, Mrs. Anne Norris, Mr. Pat Myers and Ms. Doris Fletcher

Mr. Carl Kitchens asked Council to check the dip in the road at the entrance of Brookfield, it is getting deeper. Mayor Busby stated last time we contacted Lexington County, they stated that it was there for stormwater purposes, but we will be happy to notify them again.

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ADJOURN

With no further business to discuss, Councilman Wells moved to adjourn. With the Council's unanimous approval, Mayor Busby adjourned the meeting at 8:01 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Viki M. Moak, Town Clerk

APPROVED:

David L. Busby, Mayor
Date: _____