

**Town Council
Regular Session
April 5, 2004
7:30 PM
Council Chambers of Town Hall**

After due notice to the press Town Council met in the Council Chambers of Town Hall. Mayor and all Council members were present.

Mayor Burdette expressed what a great weekend the Town had with good weather and great Spring Jubilee. Hats off to Jo McConnell for a job well done and to the Public Works Department in getting the Village Green ready for the Jubilee.

1) Minutes of Prior Meetings:

March 1, 2004 Work Session

March 1, 2004 Regular Session

Minutes were read from the March 1, 2004 Work Session and Regular Session of Town Council meeting. Leroy Galloway made motion to accept the minutes as read. Sandra Gantt seconded. Vote unanimous.

Comments from Mayor Burdette before moving to Public Comment:

The trip to the State Museum in Columbia was excellent. The Jim Crowe Exhibit was well worth the trip.

The Heritage Corridor Discovery Center location is still looking favorable for Pendleton.

Town wide clean up April 24th from 9 AM-12PM followed by lunch on the Village Green.

Mayor Burdette explained to citizens why the Public Comments are done at the beginning of the meetings.

2) Public Comments:

Several Citizens thanked the Police Department for doing a good job patrolling their neighborhoods. Mayor Burdette also read a letter from the Manager at Edgewood Square Apts. that was written to Chief Sloan thanking the Police Department for a job well done and the

professionalism that was used in handling a situation that occurred at the Apts.

3) Police Department Update:

Chief Sloan gave an update on Police Department for March. Chief Sloan commented on the Problem with dogs at the Spring Jubilee He asked Council if they might consider some sort of Ordinance prohibiting animals on the Village Green during Town events. Buck-A-Cup update was given and Approximately \$2,000.00 has been collected.

Mayor Burdette expressed appreciation to the Officers for their effort during the Buck-A-Cup campaign.

Also April 23rd is the Jail and Bail Fund-raiser for Relay for Life on The Town Square at the Guardhouse.

4) Recognition to Sue Watts for serving on the Human Relation Council of Anderson County

Mrs. Watts has served on the Human Relations Council of Anderson County representing Pendleton for the past two years. Mayor Burdette expressed appreciation to Mrs. Watts for her service during that time.

5) Proclamations:

Read for the Environment

After reading the Proclamation on **Read for the Environment**, James Allen made a motion to give Mayor Burdette authority to sign the Proclamation. Seconded by Frank Crenshaw. Vote Unanimous.

Mayor Burdette read the **Public Works Proclamation**. Frank Crenshaw made motion to give Mayor Burdette the authority to sign the proclamation. Seconded by Leroy Galloway. Vote was unanimous.

6) Appointment to the Grievance Committee to fill two vacancies:

Those chosen by a draw of names were:

Joe Pitts-----Water Works

Jerry Ramos—Police Department

Sandra made a motion that these persons be accepted and appointed to serve on the Grievance Committee for the Town. James Allen seconded. Vote was unanimous.

7) **Motion/Vote to purchase Vehicles for the Police Department:**

Chief Sloan explained to Council the need for 4 new vehicles for the Police Department. The Vehicles being used now have extremely high mileage and high maintenance. The cost of the 4 new vehicles would be \$82,270.00. This amount also includes a 48 month 40,000 mile extended warranty.

Frank Crenshaw made a motion that the Town purchases the vehicles with the extended warranties James Allen seconded. Vote was 4 to 1 with Sandra Gantt opposing.

8) **Request of Funds:**

Clemson Community Care

Clemson Child Development Center

Mr. John Peters with the **Clemson Community Care** presented to Council the purpose of the Community Care facility and promoting the advantage it will be to the Pendleton citizens. Mr. Peters requested that the Town of Pendleton consider a contribution in the amount \$2,500.00 to help fund this facility. Mayor Burdette asked Council to consider this request. The Town Administrator will check to see if this can be worked into the Budget.

Mayor Burdette read letter-expressing Funds needed for the Clemson Child Development Center and what their center does for the Community. Sandra Gantt made a motion that \$1800.00 be donated to the Clemson Child Development Center with the money coming from General Fund Balance. Frank Crenshaw seconded. Vote was unanimous.

9) **Mayor Burdette requested additions to the Agenda.**

Sandra Gantt made a motion to add the following items to the Agenda. Frank Crenshaw Seconded. Vote was unanimous

A request from Businessman Fred Hamilton that a Bank Account for the upcoming Freedom Fest be set up through the Town. Frank Crenshaw made a motion that this be done. Leroy Galloway seconded. Vote unanimous.

A request to closed Exchange St. at 11:00 AM for the Easter parade from the Merchants Guild. Motion was made by Sandra Gantt to do so. Seconded by James Allen. Vote unanimous.

Request from King's Chapel A.M.E. Church for the use of the Doghouse April 17th for a Gospel Singing Fund-raiser for the Relay for Life. Motion was made by Frank Crenshaw to approve this request.

James Allen seconded. Vote unanimous.

Request for the Veterans Park concession part of the Restroom facility be repaired at a quoted price of \$1800.00.

Council asked if the wall that needed repairing could be stabilized and made safe for the amount of \$500.00. The Administrator will check to see if this can be done.

James Allen made a motion that up to \$500.00 be used for the stabilization of wall. Frank Crenshaw Seconded. Vote unanimous.

Mayor Burdette thanked everyone in attendance.

10) Request to go into Executive Session to discuss a Contractual Matter

Sandra Gantt made a motion to go into Executive Session. Leroy Galloway seconded. Vote unanimous.

Sandra Gantt made a motion to go out of Executive Session. Frank Crenshaw seconded vote unanimous. No decision was made in Executive Session, therefore the meeting Adjourned.

Respectfully submitted: _____

Mayor: _____

Council:

Ward 1: _____

Ward 2: _____

Ward 3: _____

Ward 4: _____