

## MINUTES

## LAURENS CITY COUNCIL

REGULAR MEETING

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APRIL 14, 1981

7:30P.M.

PRESENT: Mayor Dominick, Councilman Garrett, Franks, Henderson, Gilmore, Councilwoman Cox and Administrator Brown.

GUESTS: W. Power, P. Betette, J. Kluttz, R. Egleston, D. Perry.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Dominick, and Mr. Garrett led in prayer.

A motion was made by Mr. Franks, seconded by Mr. Garrett, to approve the minutes as written.

MOTION CARRIED: Unanimously.

An ordinance was read by Councilman Franks, Chairman of the Council's Ordinance Committee, conveying certain right-of-ways to the South Carolina Baptist Ministries for the Aging. A motion to approve the second reading was submitted by the Ordinance Committee.

MOTION CARRIED: Unanimously.

Councilman Franks read an ordinance authorizing annexation of the Charles E. Campbell property located on East Main Street. Mr. Franks noted that a prior ordinance was adopted in June 1980, but the property plat submitted and attached to the ordinance was incomplete. He added that the ordinance being considered only pertained to the property not included on the plat attached to the original annexation ordinance. Mr. Franks submitted a recommendation from the Ordinance Committee to approve first reading of the ordinance.

MOTION CARRIED: Unanimously.

Councilman Franks read an ordinance determining the zoning of the Charles E. Campbell property as B-4, General Commercial and

*Distribution District.* Mr. Franks submitted a recommendation from the committee to approve first reading of the ordinance.

MOTION CARRIED: Unanimously.

Councilwoman Cox, Chairwoman of the Council's Recreation Committee, presented a recommendation from the committee to approve the YMCA's proposal for coordination of City recreational activities. She noted that the YMCA's Board of Directors are proposing to coordinate all activities for \$18,000 annually and to complete all maintenance on the recreation fields for \$6,000 annually. It was noted that this should eliminate citizens having to contact several persons to request information or to voice a complaint about the city's recreation programs. The recommendation for approval coming from the committee, Mrs. Cox moved for approval.

MOTION CARRIED: In Favor - Cox, Dominick, Gilmore, Garrett.  
Opposed - Henderson, Franks.

Councilwoman Cox, Chairwoman of the Street Committee, presented a recommendation from the committee to accept the low bid of \$15,770.17 from H & H Grading, Inc. to pave Leopard Street and to resurface Short Street.

MOTION CARRIED: Unanimously.

Mr. Gilmore, Chairman of the Council's Building and Zoning Committee, presented a committee recommendation to approve the decision of the City of Laurens Planning and Zoning Commission to rezone the T. D. Pigg property located on the corner of West Farley and South Harper from R-2, Suburban Residential, to P-1, Professional Office District. Mr. Gilmore moved for approval of the first reading of the zoning revision.

MOTION CARRIED: Unanimously.

City Administrator Steven Brown explained that he had discussed the possibility of changing pension plan administrators with officials of the Palmetto Bank. He noted that it was his opinion

that present plan administration (Mutual Insurance Company of New York) could be improved tremendously. He also added that the City was not receiving a fair return on the fund assets from MONY, and the inordinate amount of time to process retirement requests, etc. was inappropriate. Mr. Brown introduced Mr. Phil Betette from the Palmetto Bank.

Mr. Betette presented a thorough explanation of the Palmetto Bank's proposal to administer the pension plan fund. He noted that basically the plan itself would not be changed but the manner in which it has been administered would be somewhat different. After much discussion, Mr. Franks, seconded by Mr. Garrett, made a motion to authorize the City Administrator and the Mayor to negotiate a change.

MOTION CARRIED: Unanimously.

City Administrator Steven Brown expressed his appreciation for the cooperation given to him and the kindnesses afforded to him by the Mayor and City Council during his 20 months as City Administrator.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:00 P.M.

APPROVED: Bob Dominick  
Bob Dominick, MAYOR

ATTEST: Steven J. Brown  
Steven J. Brown

DATE: May 19, 1981