

TOWN OF BRANCHVILLE  
COUNCIL MINUTES

FEBRUARY 7, 2011

PRESIDING: Mayor Timothy Cooner

COUNCIL PRESENT:

Mayor Pro Tem Glenn Miller  
Councilman Tom Jennings  
Councilman Chris Ott  
Councilwoman Benita Gibbs  
Councilwoman Amy Bryant

COUNCIL ABSENT:

Councilman Charles Dukes

Mayor Cooner called the meeting to order and ask that all stand for the Pledge of Allegiance and Prayer

Councilwoman Amy Bryant stated that before this Meeting starts Branchville Youth Sports would like to be put on the Agenda

Mayor Timothy Cooner gave the Roll Call Councilman Charles Dukes is absent

Mayor Cooner then welcomed everyone to the Meeting

Mayor Cooner then turned the meeting over to Michael Blankenship from Branchville Youth Sports

Mr. Blankenship then told Council of all the progress Branchville Youth Sports is responsible for and stated that the current restrooms cannot handle all the people that are coming to the field now and that the porta johns are nasty

He asked that the Town address the need for new bathrooms at Horton Field

Mayor Cooner then stated that from now on anyone wishing to be on the Agenda to please let us know first so that it can go out in the packets and Council will have a chance to think about it

Mayor Cooner then asked Mr. Blankenship if the porta johns need to be removed because we are paying 150.00 a month for them  
Mr. Blankenship said, well if you pull them we have nothing

Mayor Pro Tem Miller stated that someone from the Town should be present at the Branchville Youth Sports meetings so that when the elected officials are asked what is going on at the field we will know

Mayor Cooner stated that we will have to put the construction for the bathrooms out for bid again

There was much discussion about the need at Horton Field

Councilman Tom Jennings stated that we don't have the money for this project

Mayor Cooner asked what happened to someone from the Town being appointed to that committee

Councilwoman Bryant stated that she would be glad to get with them once a month and report back to Council

Mayor Cooner stated that we need by-laws from this committee just like the Raylrode Daze committee and that we were promised money from the County for this project

Mayor Cooner also stated that we have set aside 250,000.00 out of our penny money for a sports complex

Mayor Cooner also said that all I oppose to is citizens from the Town running this thing without the Town being involved

Mayor Cooner then asked if there were any more comments on this issue, if not I would like to call a five minutes recess

Mayor called the meeting back to order after a five minute recess

Mayor Cooner asked the pleasure of Council on the approval of the Minutes

Councilman Tom Jennings made the Motion to approve the Minutes

Councilwoman Benita Gibbs seconded the Motion

Motion Carried

There were No Public Comments on Agenda Items or Other

Mayor Cooner asked the pleasure of Council on the Financial Report

Mayor Pro Tem Glenn Miller made the Motion to approve the Financial Report

Councilwoman Benita Gibbs seconded the Motion

Motion Carried

Mayor Cooner stated that the Police Dept. is considering purchasing a Drug Dog

Mayor Pro Tem Glenn Miller made the Motion to find out all the details

Councilwoman Benita Gibbs seconded the Motion

Motion Carried

Mayor Pro Tem Glenn Miller stated he had nothing on the Administrative Dept.

Mayor Cooner stated that someone hit a fire hydrant at the Easy Shop and that we still have a small leak there that will be fixed as soon as the weather clears up, we have all the information on the driver for insurance to take care of this matter

There was No Mayors Report

Mayor Cooner asked for a Motion to have the third and Final Reading on the 2011 Budget

Mayor Pro Tem Miller made the Motion for the third and Final Reading

Councilwoman Benita Gibbs seconded the Motion

Motion Carried

Mayor Cooner asked for a Motion for the second Reading on Ordinance # 1-B-2011 for Water and Sewer Rates

Councilman Tom Jennings made the Motion for the second Reading

Councilwoman Benita Gibbs seconded the Motion

Motion Carried

Mayor Cooner asked for a Motion for the second Reading on Ordinance # 2-C-2011 for Curbside Solid Waste Rate increase

Councilman Tom Jennings made the Motion for the second Reading

Mayor Pro Tem Miller seconded the Motion

Motion Carried

New Business

Mayor Cooner said that Johnnie Norris had asked if the Town would join the Tri County Chamber of Commerce we used to be a member years back and we dropped it It is 150.00 to become a member

Mayor Cooner said that the Town office received information from Orangeburg County concerning an Animal Control Ordinance and Code Enforcement, he said that we will need to pass the Ordinance and Resolution, he then passed it around to all Council for them to read

Mayor Cooner then asked for the pleasure of Council for the First Reading tonight for the Ordinance

Mayor Pro Tem Miller made the Motion for the First Reading

Councilman Tom Jennings seconded the Motion

Motion Carried

Mayor Cooner then asked for the pleasure of Council for the First Reading on the Resolution {for Authorization}  
Councilman Tom Jennings made the Motion  
Mayor Pro Tem Miller seconded the Motion  
Motion Carried

Mayor Cooner then asked the pleasure of Council for the Governmental Agreement Enforcing Code  
Councilman Tom Jennings made the Motion  
Mayor Pro Tem Miller seconded the Motion  
Motion Carried

Mayor Cooner asked Council what to do about the Chamber of Commerce  
Mayor Pro Tem Miller said to toss it

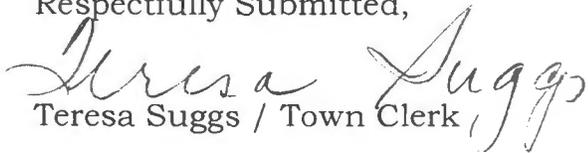
Mayor Cooner said that Health Plex wants to renew their Lease  
Mayor Pro Tem Miller made the Motion to renew the lease  
Councilwoman Benita Gibbs seconded the Motion  
Motion Carried

Mayor Cooner asked that Council now go into Executive Session

After Executive Session  
Mayor Pro Tem Miller made the Motion to Adjourn and seconded the Motion

Meeting Adjourned

Respectfully Submitted,

  
Teresa Suggs / Town Clerk