

TOWN OF BRANCHVILLE
COUNCIL MINUTES

SEPTEMBER 12, 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 asked that all stand for the Pledge of Allegiance followed by Prayer

Mayor Cooner gave Roll Call for Council with Councilman Charles Dukes absent

Mayor Cooner then welcomed everyone to the meeting

Mayor Cooner then asked the pleasure of Council for the Approval of the Minutes for August

Councilwoman Amy Bryant made the Motion to Approve the August Minutes

Councilman Tom Jennings seconded the Motion

Motion Carried

There were NO Public Comments on Agenda Items

There were NO Public Comments on Other Matters

Mayor Cooner then asked the pleasure of Council for the Approval of the Financial Report

Mayor Pro Tem Miller made the Motion to Approve the Financial Report

Councilwoman Benita Gibbs seconded the Motion

Motion Carried

In the Police Department Mayor Cooner stated that we have two full time officers and 2 part time officers and we have requested help from the Highway Patrol for Raylerode Daze, also Mrs. Kathy Rivers will be serving food to our Law Enforcement again this year at the Community Center

Mayor Cooner said that we have requested clean-up help from the County and they are currently addressing our drain issues and edging sidewalks

Administrative Office

Mayor Pro Tem Miller discussed the tree issues at Horton Field with the rest of Council, he said he went to Horton Field and took pictures of the 12-15 trees that Branchville Youth Sports wants to have removed, there is only one tree that needs to be removed because it is dead and the other trees need to stay to provide shade for the playground

Mayor Cooner asked Mayor Pro Tem Miller if he was requesting that he take some kind of action because they are waiting on an answer from us

Mayor Cooner said that the trees hold no opposition to playing ball and that it will cost a whole lot of money to have them removed

Mayor Pro Tem Miller stated that whatever Council votes on is ok with him
Councilwoman Benita Gibbs made the Motion to remove two dead trees at Horton Field

Councilwoman Amy Bryant seconded the Motion

Motion Carried {all in favor except Councilman Chris Ott}

Mayor Cooner Thanked Council for allowing him to hire extra help in the Maintenance Dept.

Mayor Cooner stated that he has covered a lot of ground in the last two weeks For Rayle Rode Daze we always hire around 12-15 people to help clean -up, maybe this year we will hire 20 for Friday and Saturday night

Mayor Cooner Thanked Council for the purchase of the new Town Sign

Mayor Cooner stated that only one sealed bid was received for the painting of the interior at the Community Center which the deadline for this project was not met. Mayor Cooner asked Council if they would like to do a re-bid on this project and proceed on to October and all of Council agreed

Mayor Cooner said we need to post it back on the Towns sign deadline will be October 3rd, 2011 at 4pm

Mayor Cooner then said he would like to go into Executive Session at the end of the meeting to discuss a contractual matter

Mayor Cooner stated that today at 2pm himself and Grady Woods accepted the bids for our new Town Hall, no bids arrived by Federal Express, UPS, or thru the Postal Service

He told Council to remember that these bids are just for a shell of the building and that the inside will be a separate bid

Mayor Cooner then read the bids to Council and the Public

Kerns Construction Company from Guyton, Ga.	484,305.00
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Construction Dynamics, Inc. from Columbia, SC	508,250.00
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Mar Construction Company, Inc from Lexington, SC 540,037.00

Smith Construction & Engineers, Inc. from Chapin, SC 549,000.00

Mayor Cooner stated that whomever Council chooses tonight we will send out a letter tomorrow and we will want to see buildings that they have constructed

Mayor Cooner stated that the Town has @ 900,000.00 for this project, 500,000.00 of which is penny monies and that all the furniture is being paid for by a grant on State contract

He said he sees an October 3rd Notice to Proceed and that the contractor will have 130 days to complete the shell

There was NO New Business

Mayor Cooner then said that he had nothing else for Council and he would like a two minute recess and then proceed into Executive Session

Mayor Pro Tem Miller made the Motion

Councilman Tom Jennings seconded the Motion

Motion Carried

After Executive Session

Councilman Tom Jennings stated that he would like to make the Motion to accept Kerns Constructions bid

Councilwoman Benita Gibbs seconded the Motion

Motion Carried {all Council was in favor}

Mayor Cooner said with nothing further can I have a Motion to Adjourn?

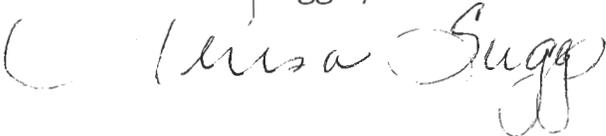
Mayor Pro Tem Miller made the Motion to adjourn

Councilwoman Benita Gibbs seconded the Motion

Meeting Adjourned

Respectfully Submitted,

Teresa Suggs / Town Clerk

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Teresa Suggs". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned to the left of the typed name "Teresa Suggs / Town Clerk".