

TOWN OF BRANCHVILLE
COUNCIL MINUTES

JANUARY 9, 2012

PRESIDING: MAYOR TIMOTHY COONER

Mayor Cooner called the meeting to order and said at this time he would like for Mr. Glenn Miller, Mr. Chris Ott, and Mr. Robert Berry to step forward please he stated that this is a very serious obligation we are about to take on and it is not to be taken lightly. Mayor Cooner said he is very proud of the Town Council and if you all will please place your right hand on the bible and Councilman Tom Jennings will read you the Oath.

Oath was read by Councilman Jennings and repeated by them

Mayor Cooner said that tonight we will handle the Mayor Pro Tem Election, if Council members will please fill out their ballots and then fold them up

Mayor Cooner then opened the ballots and stated that Mr. Glenn Miller will remain our Mayor Pro Tem for another term of two years

Mayor Cooner said that at this time he would like to begin our normal Council business

Mayor Cooner then gave Roll Call for Council with all Council present

Mayor Cooner then welcomed everyone to the meeting and asked the pleasure of Council for the approval of the December 2011 Minutes

Mayor Pro Tem Miller made the Motion to approve the Minutes and Councilman Tom Jennings seconded the Motion
Motion Carried

Mayor Cooner asked if there were any Public Comments on Agenda Items

Mr. Joe Walters spoke about a cable line that had been ruptured at his house by Ron Steadman and is asking the Town of Branchville to pay 35.00 for the line

Mayor Cooner then stated that we will not hold the meeting up any longer and asked the pleasure of Council for the approval of the Financial Report

Councilman Chris Ott made the Motion to approve
Councilwoman Amy Bryant seconded the Motion
Motion Carried

Mayor Cooner said that the Police Dept. is doing an outstanding job

Mayor Pro Tem Miller said that he would like to go into Executive Session concerning a personnel matter

Mayor Cooner asked Mayor Pro Tem Miller if he had anything to discuss from the Administrative Office and Mayor Pro Tem Miller read the names for the Property Maintenance Appeals Board to be considered

Mayor Pro Tem Miller also stated that he read on the Financial Statement that the Town had purchased tires from Tyson Tire in Orangeburg, he said that last year Council had discussed that we would purchase from local vendors

Mayor Cooner said there was nothing to discuss in the Public Works Dept.

Councilman Chris Ott said that there are a few lights out at the Depot AND Mayor Cooner said that the breaker must be tripped again

Mayor Cooner said as you can see we are making progress on our new building there was a 4x3' deep old foundation found that had to be removed and a load of rock had to be brought in. A compaction test was done and now everything is fine it cost us around 12000.00 Hopefully by next week the concrete will be poured

Mayor Cooner then asked Councilman Chris Ott to discuss the removal of trees at Horton Field

Councilman Ott said they want to remove 3 trees and 2 dead ones
Mayor Cooner said that he wants to put this to sleep tonight and that he rode by there today and doesn't see what benefit they are going to do for the Town

Mayor Cooner made the Motion to allow them to cut down whatever they want

Councilwoman Amy Bryant seconded the Motion
Motion Carried

Mayor Pro Tem said that he opposed this Motion and let the record show that he opposed

Mayor Cooner asked all in favor? All Council was in favor except for Mayor Pro Tem Miller and Councilwoman Benita Gibbs
Mayor Cooner said 4 yea's and 2 nay's Motion Passed

Mayor Cooner said at this time he would like a 2 minutes recess before going into Executive Session

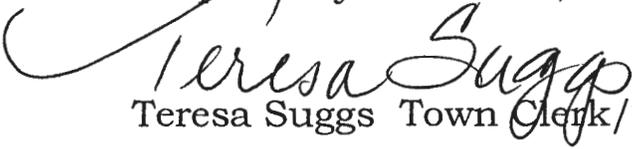
After Executive Session Mayor Cooner called the meeting back to order and thanked Council once again for allowing him to have the two buildings torn down on the back of the property, he then said he would like to keep the old fire house building and fix it back up, nothing elaborate it would be just to keep some of our equipment in
Mayor Cooner said that Mark Creel came and gave us a price on repairing this building and it will cost @ 6005.21 that would be 4005.21 for materials and @ 2000.00 labor
Mayor Cooner said he would love to proceed on with this and also that this price does not included the roll up door so it would be less than 7000.00 to bring the building back up

Councilman Chris Ott made the Motion to proceed with Mark Creel
Mayor Pro Tem Miller seconded the Motion
Motion Carried

Mayor Pro Tem Miller made the Motion to Adjourn

Councilwoman Benita Gibbs seconded the Motion
Motion carried and meeting Adjourned

Respectfully submitted,


Teresa Suggs Town Clerk/Treasure