TOWN OF COWPENS REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING April 17, 2017

The Town of Cowpens held its regular council meeting on Monday, April 17, 2017, at 7:00 p.m. Present were Mayor Michael D. Hamrick, Council Members Roy Logan, Jarred S. Spencer, and Thomas E. Voelker. Absent: Mayor Pro-Tem Brenda J. Adair.

Mayor Hamrick called the meeting to order and Jarred S. Spencer held prayer and included a moment of silence for the families of area residents who had lost loved ones and those who have sickness in their families.

Approval of Agenda

Jarred S. Spencer made a motion to approve the agenda for April 17, 2017 and amend the agenda by moving fire department and police department recognitions to the first items on the agenda, second by Roy Logan and carried.

Approval of Minutes & Financial Statements

Jarred S. Spencer made a motion to approve the minutes of March 20, 2017 and March 27, 2017, second by Roy Logan and carried.

Jarred S. Spencer made a motion to approve the purchase journals, account registers, and monthly bank statements, second by Thomas Voelker and carried.

Department Reports

The Police Department issued 37 citations (11 speeding tickets were included). There were 6,508 miles accumulated on the police vehicles. Revenue collected was \$3,857.00 and the town's portion was \$1,055.09.

Steve Bolin reported the following for the Cowpens Fire Department: Fire Calls in Cowpens-three; Cowpens Fire District- one; Spartanburg County Mutual Aid -one; Cherokee County - none. Mr. Bolin also reported that 5,100 miles were accumulated on the fire department vehicles.

The Street Department had 658 miles on two vehicles. Spring clean-up was held during the week of March 27-31, 2017. A total of 19 dumpsters were filled with debris and hauled away.

Old Business

Moonlighting Policy (Outside Employment)

Council discussed a moonlighting policy (outside employment) and wanted to add an effective date of June 1, 2017. Thomas Voelker made a motion to accept the outside employment policy with an effective date of June 1, 2017, second by Jarred S. Spencer and carried.

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Jarred S. Spencer made a motion to add Main Street issues and chief of police information to the agenda, second by Roy Logan and carried.

Steve Bolin spoke with owners of the closed properties on Main Street. Some of the owners have people who have interest in the property but no firm commitments.

Steve Bolin spoke with Jackie Swindler, Director of the South Carolina Criminal Justice Academy, and received advice to have a panel of law enforcement professionals interview the candidates for the police chief position. The time frame for the first round of interviews will be conducted within the next week. Finalists will interview with council within three weeks. Jarred S. Spencer would like to see all of the applications for the Chief of Police position.

Jarred S. Spencer thanked Thomas Voelker for organizing the Easter Egg Hunt.

Jarred S. Spencer made a motion to adjourn, second by Thomas Voelker and carried.

Mayor Michael D. Hamrick

Mayor Pro-Tem Brenda J. Adair

Council Member Roy Logan

Attest:

Council Member Jarred S. Spencer

Teresa Chadwick, Town Clerk

Council Member Thomas E. Voelker