**TOWN OF COWPENS**
**SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING**
**April 25, 2017**

The Town of Cowpens held a special council meeting on Tuesday, April 25, 2017, at 6:00 p.m. Present were Mayor Michael D. Hamrick, Mayor Pro-Tem Brenda J. Adair, Council Members Roy Logan, Jarred S. Spencer, and Thomas E. Voelker. Mayor Hamrick called the meeting to order.

**SIGN REPAIRS**

Council discussed repairs needed for the marquee. Steve Bolin will research with other sign companies to get an additional quote for the repairs. He was instructed by council to have the sign repaired using the best quote and pay for the 100% of the repairs using the hospitality tax monies. Mr. Bolin informed council that we would be scheduling messages to be turned off at 10:00 p.m. each night to help reduce the usage of the sign.

**SIGN ON BONUS – POLICE DEPARTMENT**

Discussion was held regarding the possibility of adopting a Sign on Bonus Program for certified police officers. Council will put this on hold until a new chief of police is appointed in order to gain their input.

Mr. Bolin updated council on the hiring timeline for the chief of police position. There are seven candidates at this time. A law enforcement panel is in place to gain assistance from the law enforcement community to prepare the department for new leadership.

Jarred S. Spencer made a motion to have the South Carolina Law Enforcement Division perform an audit and assessment in preparing for new leadership, second by Brenda J. Adair and carried.

**BUDGET WORKSHOP**

Steve Bolin updated council on delinquent taxes. He made contact with the delinquent tax office and they are going to provide him with more information by email this week. There are several items needed for the preparation of the budget. A budget workshop is needed with no other items on the agenda. Town council scheduled a budget workshop for Tuesday, May 2, 2017, at 6:00 p.m.

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