

***Town of Meggett***  
***Public Hearing***  
***(Urban Enhancement – Betty McZorn)***  
***And***  
***Council Meeting***  
Meggett SCPA Building  
4776 Highway 165  
Sept 25, 2010 – 7:00PM

**1) Roll Call and Meditation**

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Coffin. Present was Mayor Coffin, Buster Herrington, Tommy Butler, Tom Hutto, Keith McCarty, Attorney Andy Gowder, and Planning/Zoning Administrator Gail Seabrook. Buster Herrington lead the council in prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Public Hearing**  
**(Urban Enhancement – Betty McZorn)**

Every year Ms Betty McZorn attends a council meeting to provide information of funds available for Urban Enhancement sponsored by BCDCOG (Berkeley, Charleston, and Dorchester Council of Government). The program is to offer assistance to residents in the community that may need help with projects or those needing financial assistance for repairs. It was explained that the town itself could apply for funding assistance for projects such as a library as well as apply with other towns as a partnership for funding for projects that would be beneficial to the community. For additional information you can contact Mrs. McZorn.

**Council Meeting**

**(Item 2) Approval of Minutes From August Meeting**

The minutes were e-mailed to all Council members prior to the schedule meeting for review and comments. A motion was made by Keith McCarty to accept the August minutes as written. Tom Hutto seconded the motion and all council voted to approve as written.

**(Item 3) Verizon Update (Matt Zender)**

Frontier Telephone is in the process of completing their 180 day plan for the Meggett area. The estimated cost for Fiber Optic Cable is \$114,000 for 3 miles of cable. The next phase will be to obtain the necessary permits from the required agencies such as DHEC, Coastal Council, and Department of Transportation. He will try to get a representative to attend the October meeting and will provide more specific information as to where cable will be run first and perhaps an estimated time frame of completion.

**(Item 4) Sewer Update (Gail Seabrook)**

No information or problems to report during the month of September.

**(Item 7) Old Business**

- a. (windows in the SCPA Building) – Buster Herrington had received the proposal from Mike Scheub for repairs to the SCPA building and Town Hall. It was indicated that some of the water damage was the result of windows leaking and repairs needed on the roof of both buildings. In the proposal Mr. Scheub indicated that 14 of the windows were in need of repair. Keith McCarty made the motion to accept the proposal and hire Mike to move forward with the repairs. Tommy Butler seconded the motion and all voted in favor. Mr. Bobby Shealy inquired if this contract had gone out for bids. He was advised that it had not due to the urgency of the repairs and that council was familiar and pleased with his work performed in the past. Gail Seabrook asked Mr. Herrington to please include the installation of guttering for the back of Town Hall so that the water can be diverted from the building. She indicated Council had approved the installation last year but it had never been done.
- b. (paving parking lot) – Tom Hutto said first we will work on the drainage and then move to the paving issue. He has talked with Mr. Larkin and he is working with Ledford's Termite to check under the buildings and submit a report of their findings and suggestions. They have indicated upon their inspection that under the SCPA Building

it is in pretty good shape but there is a moisture problem under Town Hall. Tom said we would have a survey of the back area to see where we have standing water before paving. Mayor Coffin said he and Mr. Larkin had walked the ditch line in the back and there is no standing water issue in the ditch itself. Tom asked Gail to check to see if we had drawings in our office that showed the landscape of the back parking area.

- c. (no wake zone Toogoodoo River) – Buster Herrington he is still waiting to hear from DNR. Keith inquired if the Town had any control over that? Certain criteria have to be met to place a no wake zone and the Department of National Resources will make the determination.
- d. (docks on Westervelt Island) – Mayor Coffin said the hearing was scheduled for the 28<sup>th</sup> of September and mentioned if any of the council members would like to speak at the hearing as an elected official they would be welcome.
- e. (web page) – John Williams will try to get a finished product for approval shortly. Council would like a date.
- f. Tommy Butler said he would like to correct a statement that he said at the last meeting. He would like for it to go on record that what he meant to state was “that a lot could not be subdivided less than an acre without consent and approval from the BZA”. Gail Seabrook explained that the plat in question incorporated a small parcel which was less than an acre into their existing acreage which is legal. The problem on the plat was the date which showed a date after the two acres went into effect. The residual of the parcel from which the section was cut out of was less than a two acre tract and was sold to Mr. Colby as a buildable lot. This has been one of the many issues with this particular plat.

**(Item 9) New Business**

Tom Hutto inquired when the Christmas festival would be this year. Response: It is scheduled for the 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday in December.

**(Item 10) Miscellaneous Reports (Ellie Brabham)**

Ellie Brabham was unable to attend the meeting but provide a copy of the miscellaneous report in each councilman’s folder. Below is a copy of her report. Also a copy of the news letter was given to Council for review as well and for approval of council.

**Report**

Webpage – John Williams will try to get a finished product for approval shortly.

Audit – We will have a hard copy for each council member of the June 2009 audit by the end of this week.

Proposal for work on SCPA Bldg by Mike Scheub with Wizard Construction in folders

Fluent Logistics will pick up contract this week for room in SCPA Bldg and pay first month’s rent.

CTC Funding – sidewalk to Town sign – I have emailed Eric Adams, Transportation Engineering Manager in reference to the status of our request. He is out of the office until tomorrow, will let you know what I hear from him.

Town Hall will be used in the November 2, 2010 Election as a polling place.

**Upcoming Meetings Scheduled:**

Oct 25	7:00PM	Council Meeting
Sept. 28	6.00PM	Westervelt Dock Public Hearing
Sept. 30	6:30PM	Alliance Meeting (Hosted by Hollywood)

**(Item 9) Public Comments**

Matt Zender brought up the information that was printed in the Post and Courier in which the citizens of Charleston County will be asked to vote for or against a committee that will look into a charter which will govern all towns. This would possibly mean that if passed, the towns would be forced to abide by Charleston County rulings rather than having the opportunity to decide on what would be best for their area. Towns that presently exist could have bank accounts confiscated and well as land that they own. Below is a copy of the information.

With no further comments, Mayor Coffin thanked the residents for attending. A motion was made by Buster Herrington to adjourn and was second by Tommy Butler.

*Submitted by Zoning and Planning Administrator: Gail Seabrook*