

**Regular City Council Meeting
City Council Chambers
231 East Hayne Street
Tuesday, March 31, 2015
5:30 p.m.**

(These minutes are subject to approval at the April 28, 2015 City Council Meeting)

City Council met this date with all members present except for Councilperson Norman and Councilperson Arnold. City Clerk Cameron Fant and City Attorney Terry Clark were also in attendance. Notice of the meeting was faxed to the media the week prior to the meeting and posted on the bulletin board at City Hall in advance according to the Freedom of Information Act.

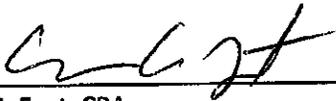
- I. **Call to Order** –The meeting was called to order by Mayor Kenneth E. Gist at approximately 5:30 p.m.
- II. **Approval of Minutes**– Mayor Gist asked for a Motion to approve the Agenda for the March 31, 2015 regular scheduled City Council Meeting. A Motion was made by Councilperson Durham and a Second was made by Councilperson Smith. The vote to approve the Agenda for the March 31, 2015 regular scheduled City Council Meeting was unanimous. Next Mayor Gist asked for a Motion to approve the Minutes of the February 24, 2015 regular scheduled City Council Meeting. Councilperson Sloan made the Motion to approve the Minutes of the February 24, 2015 regular scheduled City Council Meeting and her Motion was followed by a Second from Councilperson Kennedy. The vote to approve the Minutes of the February 24, 2015 regular scheduled City Council Meeting was unanimous.
- III. **Mayor's Report**

Mayor Gist informed Council that the car show was a success. Mayor Gist said they had 54 entries and had to turn some people away. Mayor Gist said this was the second year for the car show and the event had grown and he hoped that the third year would be even better. After that Mayor Gist reminded Council about the upcoming Easter egg hunt.
- IV. **Public Comment** – Mayor Gist called Martha Woodruff of 280 Washington Street to the Floor. Mrs. Woodruff took the floor and informed Council about a Men's conference coming up on April 25th from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm at Element Church in Woodruff. Mrs. Woodruff said this was for ages 13 years and up and it was sponsored by VINES. Mrs. Woodruff said there would be several guest speakers that would be stressing the importance of education. Mrs. Woodruff wanted to encourage the young men of Woodruff to attend.
- V. **Resolution** – Approving a Land Purchase Agreement for property identified on Spartanburg County Tax Map as 4-32-03-192.01 . Mayor Gist turned the Chair over to Mayor Pro Tem Allen Durham. Mayor Pro Tem Durham called City Attorney Terry Clark to the Floor. Clark informed Council that this property was owned by Mayor Gist. Clark said that Willard Appraisal services

appraised this property at a value of \$2,000. Clark said the purchase price would be \$2,000. After that Clark asked for a Resolution to allow the City Manager to enter into a contract with Kenneth Gist to purchase this property. Then Councilperson Smith asked why the City needed the property. Clark responded by saying he didn't know why the City wanted the property. Councilperson Sloan said it was for McKinney Park. After Clark answered a couple other various questions Councilperson Sloan made a Motion for a Resolution to allow the City Manager to enter into a contract with Kenneth Gist to purchase property identified as Spartanburg County Tax Map #4-32-03-192.01. Councilperson Kennedy made a Second. After that the Vote to allow the City Manager to enter into a contract with Kenneth Gist to purchase property identified as Spartanburg County Tax Map #4-32-03-192.01 passed with 3 voting for and 1 voting against. Councilperson Sloan, Councilperson Kennedy and Councilperson Durham voted for and Councilperson Smith voted against. After that Mayor Pro Tem Durham turned the Chair back over to Mayor Gist.

VI. Other Business - Mayor Gist reminded Council to look in drop box for the department reports. After that Mayor Gist called Police Chief Allen Bledsoe to the Floor. Chief Bledsoe went over the report he posted in drop box for Council. After that Mayor Gist called City Clerk Cam Fant to the Floor. Fant took the Floor and gave Council an update on the latest sewer billing and hospitality tax cycle. Next Fant gave an update on the cash and cash investments as of 3/31/15. Next Fant went thru the budget report for the eight months ending February 28, 2015. Fant informed Council about the upcoming Budget Retreat Workshop meeting dates. After that Fant informed Council about the upcoming Hope Reach Foundation Dinner Gala and told Council he would be contacting them to see if they wanted to attend. After that Fant answered various questions from Council.

VII. Adjourn- At approximately 6:08 p.m. Mayor Gist asked for a Motion to adjourn the Council Meeting. Councilperson Smith made the Motion and it was followed by a Second from Councilperson Durham. The Vote to Adjourn was unanimous.



Cameron G. Fant, CPA
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