

**MINUTES**  
Town of North  
November 14, 2011  
North Town Hall

Mayor Jeffcoat called the regular meeting of Council to order at 6:00 p.m. Present were Council members Jones, Carson, Lane and Washington. Also in attendance were Chief Mark Fallaw and Town Clerk Carrie Garrett.

Mayor Jeffcoat led council and visitors in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Town Clerk Garrett swore in Mayor Jeffcoat and Council Members Lane and Carson.

Mayor Jeffcoat declared a quorum and welcomed visitors.

Councilman Jones made a motion to approve the minutes from the October 10, 2011 meeting, seconded by Councilman Washington, and upon vote minutes were approved.

Public Comments:

Councilman Washington provided notice of a presentation by Golden State Foods to Dover Elementary for tennis shoes for 13 children in need.

Water/Sewer Report:

Mr. Jeffcoat presented the water / sewer report for October, 2011 (copy attached).

Police Report:

Chief Fallaw reviewed the North Police report for October, 2011 (copy attached). Chief Fallaw also noted that an anonymous donor has donated two laptop computers for use in the patrol cars of the North Police Department.

Old Business:

- Jeffcoat reviewed the financial statement for October, 2011. Councilwoman Carson asked Mayor Jeffcoat what the income line item "Aid to Subdivision" was, Town Clerk Garrett attempted to answer the question but Carson said she was asking Jeffcoat and not Garrett. Jeffcoat explained to Carson that the financial statements are Garrett's job and she knows the material and is well qualified to answer questions regarding the financial issues of the town. He further requested that Carson provide him notice ahead of the meeting if there are specific questions regarding the financial statement that she wants him to answer so he can look the specific information up ahead of time. Garrett requested that Carson speak in a manner of respect when addressing Garrett in public.

New Business:

- Jeffcoat discussed that the Community of Character Trait for November is Virtue. Jeffcoat also announced that Rev. Wright was the Citizen of the Month for that Community of Character trait for last month – Loyalty.
- Jeffcoat called on Councilwoman Lane to read a letter from the family of Paul Drew (copy attached) wherein the family wishes to donate \$5,000 to the Town of North for use at the town's park in memory of Paul's devotion and love for North and the people here.
- Mayor Jeffcoat noted that Paul and Maxine Owen donated the building on North Road next to NAPA which the Town sold to Bill Courtney and used those funds to purchase a large portion of the land where the park is now situate. Based on the generous donations by the Drew and Owen families, Jeffcoat made a motion to name the park "Drew-Owen Park". Motion was

seconded by Councilwoman Lane and upon vote carried with four members voting in favor of and Carson abstaining from voting.

Mayor's Report:

- Mayor Jeffcoat noted that we will have a Park Dedication Ceremony after the Christmas Parade on November 27<sup>th</sup>. Jeffcoat asked if anyone had an objection to or saw a conflict of interest if Jeffcoat's Tax Service provided hot dogs and drinks for the Park Dedication Ceremony. With no objections noted, Jeffcoat said that the Tax Office will plan on doing so.
- Jeffcoat also directed everyone's attention to the Christmas Wreath hanging on the wall which was donated by Elegant Creations for the Mayor's Wreath to represent North in Orangeburg County.

Council Announcements:

- Councilwoman Carson inquired into the street light that was formerly located by the TDS building. Jeffcoat indicated that he has spoken with James Taylor and that Mr. Taylor is planning to go to SCE&G to request a street light to be placed on the corner of his property before SCE&G will proceed.
- Councilwoman Carson suggested that the town duplex copies for council meetings to save paper. Clerk Garrett verified that copies for the public are made on both sides, and that the public doesn't get copies of everything that Council members do. Garrett also noted that she used to duplex copies for Council Members but that it was confusing with the pages flipping back in forth so she now copies them one sided for ease of topic transition during the meeting.

Public Comments:

- Rev. Buckson congratulated the newly elected members of council and requested that members of council be professional and show respect to others in front of the general public.
- Rev. Wright thanked everyone for their support for the North Day of Prayer which was held on November 12<sup>th</sup>. He noted that he remembers having his meetings before the town built the pavilion and how grateful he is to have the pavilion as shelter during meetings. He also echoed Rev. Buckson's sentiment and requested that members of council be on one accord and respectful to others.

There being no further business, Councilman Jones made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded and meeting was adjourned at 6:47 p.m. Rev. Buckson closed the meeting in prayer.

The next Council meeting will be held on Monday, December 12, 2011 at 6:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Carrie Garrett

**APPROVED: NOVEMBER 14, 2011 MINUTES**

Mayor Earl Jeffocat: \_\_\_\_\_

**Council Members:**

Harriett Lane: \_\_\_\_\_

Julius Jones: \_\_\_\_\_

Jeff Washington: \_\_\_\_\_

Patty Carson: \_\_\_\_\_

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