The Town of Winnsboro Council met in regular session on July 18, 2017, at 6:15 p.m. in the Council Chambers of Town Hall. Following normal procedures, copies of the agenda were provided to Council and <u>The Voice</u>. Those in attendance were:

Mayor Roger Gaddy Mayor Pro-tem Clyde Sanders, District #3 Councilwoman Janice Bartell, District #2 Councilman John McMeekin, District #4 Town Manager, Don Wood

Absent

Councilman Danny Miller, District #1

Others

Chief John Seibles

Judge Vannessa Hollins

John Fantry, Utility Attorney

Trip Peak, Water, Gas, Sewer, Supervisor

William Castles, Zoning & Building Director/Streets & Sanitation

William Medlin, Electric Director

Sgt. Francine Goins

Lorraine Abell, ATM

Guests

Foreign Exchange Students: Maks Tumanov (Russia), Fabian Bug (Germany), Dominykas Gedgaudas (Lithuania), Christopher Bass (England), Dori Beranek (Hungary), and
Lily Gahleitner (Austria)
Paul and Bobbie Dove
Linda Haslett

## Call to Order

Mayor Gaddy called the meeting to order at 6:15 p.m.

## Invocation

Mayor Pro-tem Clyde Sanders offered the Invocation.

## Approval of Minutes

Councilman McMeekin made a motion with a second by Councilwoman Bartell-Prather that the minutes of the July 5, 2017, Town Council Meeting be approved as written. All voted aye.

Public Comments - None

Presentations - None

### New Business -

# A. Welcome & Recognition of International Exchange Students

Ms. Linda Haslett, Paul and Bobbie Dove introduced six international exchange students sponsored by the International Lions Club Student Exchange Program. Each student introduced themselves and told a brief history of their lives and their ambitions.

# B. Capital Expense: Streets and Sanitation

Mr. William Castles presented to the Finance Committee a request for the purchase of a new Freightliner Garbage Truck. The Finance Committee is recommending to Council the approval of the purchase of the garbage truck; with the understanding that USDA through grants, will be applied for to help with the cost of the truck. The low bid on the truck thru state purchasing is \$155,000.00 and delivery will be 6 to 12 months. Council voted in favor of the purchase with the applications for grants.

#### Old Business -

## A. Friendship Park Marker

The Finance Committee reported to Council that the marker honoring Mother "AY" Hospon Thomas had been reviewed and approved by Ms. Debra Wellington. The committee recommended moving forward with the purchase and placement of the marker. The total cost would be \$450.00. Council was in agreement to purchase the marker.

## B. Overgrown and Abandoned Property

Council was presented with copies of several properties that met the overgrown and abandoned property catagory. Council discussed the conditions of the properties, how the problem should be handled, and cost of demolition. Council agreed to start the process with local property owners first. Council requested follow up reports every other month. Councilman Sanders stated he wanted to see offenders of overgrown properties being treated more aggressive and not just writing letter but writing tickets.

#### Other Business -

Councilman Sanders made a motion to donate \$100.00 to Ward #1 Back to School Bash. Councilwoman Bartell-Prather requested to donate \$100.00 in addition. Councilman McMeekin seconded the motion. All voted aye.

Council was presented a letter from Ms. Edwanda Armstrong for the use of the Armory on August 15<sup>th</sup> from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. for the Zion Hill Prevention Back to School Bash. Councilman Sanders made a motion granting the request and the motion was seconded by Councilwoman Bartell-Prather. All voted aye.

Executive Session – Pursuant to SC Code Section 30-4-70 (a) (2): No items

### **Questions from Media – None**

Adjournment – With no further business to discuss, Councilman McMeekin made a motion with a second by Councilwoman Bartell. All voted aye. The meeting was adjourned at 6:40 p.m.

Submitted by:

Lorraine Abell

Approved:

Assistant to Town Manager

Roger Gaddy, Mayor