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*COUNCIL MEMBERS MAYOR John R. Carter*

*Adolphus Brewster, Mayor Pro-Tem Doris Hamilton, Clerk/Treasurer Millie Dawkins*

*Stellartean Jones*

*Malea Merck*

**Gray Court Town Council Meeting**

**February 16, 2015**

**Minutes – 7:00 p.m.**

**Agenda**

**I.** **Call to Order:**

Meeting was called to order by Mayor Carter

**Council members present**:

Councilmember Adolphus Brewster

Councilmember Stellartean Jones

Councilmember Malea Merck

Councilmember Millie Dawkins

Jonathan Coleman - LCDC

**2**. **Invocation & Pledge**:

Invocation was given by Mayor Pro Tem, Adolphus Brewster

**3.** **Approval of Minutes**: January 24, 2014, Town Council Meeting

Councilmember, Malea Merck made a motion to approve the minutes for January 24, 2015. The motion was second by Mayor Pro Tem, Adolphus Brewster. The Councilmembers unanimously agreed.

**4**. **Old Business:**

**A.** NA

**5.** N**ew  *Business***:

A. Resolution to approve the expenditure of funds for Historic Way Finding Signage from Contingency Funds.

**Mayor Pro Tem, Adolphus Brewster** made a motion for the approval of the expenditure of funds for Historic Way Finding Signage from Contingency Funds. Motion was second by Councilmember, Stellartean Jones. The Councilmembers unanimously agreed. See attachment Resolution #02-15-01

B. **Mr. Jonathan Coleman, LCDC**, recapped of 2014 – presentation. See attachment.

Owings Industrial Park will be the next area for further growth and development.

**Councilmember, Stellartean Jones**, announced that plans are being made for the 2015 Annual Business Appreciation dinner on Thursday, September 24, 2015. This will be the fourth Thursday in September. This will be an annual event held the same date and time every year. The catering services will be Stoddard & Stoddard. Mayor Carter and Jack Stoddard will be responsible for contacting the catering services.

**It was stated that the town’s financial reports distribution list include only councilmembers, Mayor, attorney and accountants. The town’s financial reports are available to the public whenever they are requested by an individual. Mr. Brewster made motion that the financial reports are to be emailed only to the individuals listed above. Motion was second by Councilmember, Malea Merck**. **The Councilmembers unanimously agreed.**

**Councilmember, Malea Merck**, thanked Mayor Carter and the Councilmembers for the donation that was made to her church for the usage of their tables and chairs at the 2014 Business Appreciation Dinner.

**6. Public Comments**: - None

**7. Executive Session**: - None

**8. Adjournment: -**

**Meeting was adjourned by Mayor Carter**

Submitted By: Doris Hamilton

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**Gray Court Town Council WorkSession**

**February 16, 2015**

**Minutes – 6:00 p.m.**

**AGENDA**

1. **Call To Order** – Mayor Carter
2. **Invocation** – Mayor Pro Tem, Adolphus Brewster
3. **Business:**
4. **Web-Site Update**
5. **Historic Way Finding signage update**

Garry Smith gave an explanation of Resolution #02-15-01 to Mayor and Councilmembers. The signage would replace the old ones for the entrance /town limits into the town of Gray Court. Garry Smith presented pictures of the signs to Mayor and Councilmembers.

1. **Sidewalk and tree project for Main Street upd**ate

Mayor Carter and Councilmember unanimously agreed for Engineering Group to begin the sidewalk and tree projects.

1. **Agenda information**

Jack Stoddard called Lowery Mechanical for heating system for Pleasantview Center to be repaired.

1. **Reports**
2. YMCA:
3. Financial Report: Gary Bailey – Garry Smith – See attached financial reports
4. Sheriff - see attached sheriff report
5. **Mayor**

* reviewed procedure for an individual or group to be on the agenda for the town council meeting. The procedure will be made available to the public.
* The 2014 Accomplishments were mailed out to the residents the 3rd week in February 2015.
* Residents complaining about roads in the town need to be repaired.
* Faxed two nuisance compliant forms to Chuck in Laurens to be reviewed and checked out.
* Subject of annexiation was briefy mentioned. Annexed only three times since 1899.

1. **Fire Department** – consolidation of fire stations maybe in order according to fire districts.
2. **Water** –see attached water report

Fire department did not report their water usage

Water tank inspection completed - progress of having water tank on line almost completed

1. **Committee Report**

**Councilmember, Millie Dawkins**

* Name the park(next door to Townhall) in honor of Mayor Carter was discussed.
* Mayor Carter suggested that the ítem listed above tabled until later. Would like for his parents to be given this honor.
* Limbs and leaves cleanup scheduled for Saturday, March 7, 2015.

**Mayor Pro Tem – Adolphus Brewster**

* Beautification issue – need to cover air-conditioner unit located on roof of the Townhall. Unappealing site for the townhall & town appearance.
* Start preparation on 2015 Christmas Parade. If you know of anyone who would be interest in servicing on the Christmas Parade Committee feel free to turn their name in to Mr. Brewster**.**

1. Water System Business Plan Update – waiting to get the remaining DOT permits and finish up on bid documents
2. Administrator Report: Garry Smith; Goals & Objectives, & Business Plan Update

Adjournment

Council Members: Adolphus Brewster ♦ Malea Merck ♦ Millie Dawkins♦ Stellartean Jones

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