

**Minutes of Greenville Town Council Meeting  
January 14, 2008**

**President Talbotte Richardson** called the regular monthly meeting to order. **Councilpersons present** were Bob Wright, Patti Hayes, Randal Johnes, Hanzal Barclay, and **President Talbotte Richardson**, along with Clerk Jack Travillian. Also attending the meeting was Water Utility Superintendent Gary Getrost, Town Attorney Rick Fox, and other concerned citizens.

Chaplain Mark Avery opened the meeting with a prayer. Election of town officers was held. R. Johnes nominated Talbotte Richardson for president and H. Barclay nominated Patti Hayes. Votes were cast; 3 votes for Richardson, 2 votes for Hayes. Richardson appointed Randal Johnes, as vice president and the each council member shall retain the previous year's chairmanship of committees. Minutes reviewed and approved R. Johnes made the motion and T. Richardson seconded. (Motion passed 5-0)

**Ordinances & Resolutions:**

**2007-T-080 Closure of Alleyway:** Second reading of ordinance for closing of alleyway on Harrison Street. Motion was made by R. Johnes and seconded by T. Richardson. Motion passed (5-0). Third reading of ordinance was completed. Motion was made by R. Johnes and seconded by T. Richardson. Motion passed (5-0).

**2007-T-081 Annexation of Cristiani Property:** Second reading of ordinance for annexation of 11.78 acres along the Highway 150. Motion was made by T. Richardson and seconded by R. Johnes. Motion passed 5-0. Third reading of ordinance was completed. Motion made by H. Barclay and seconded by P. Hayes. Motion passed 5-0.

**2007-T-082 Reserve Officers:** Second reading of ordinance was read. Motion was made by R. Johnes and seconded by B. Wright. Motion passed 5-0. Third reading of motion was made by R. Johnes and seconded by T. Richardson. Motion passed 5-0.

**Water Business:**

GIS/GPS - The council was updated about the progress of the mapping process. The mapping has begun with about 500 readings being finished, 300 meters and 200 hydrants & valves. The process should be complete in 30 – 45 days. FMSM engineering firm has been sold to another firm. Stantec requested that the president sign another agreement. The council will research the firm and advise about signing another contract.

Pumping station update was giving by Superintendent Getrost. Cinergy was given a drawing of the pumping station and the water utility is awaiting their decision about granting a right of way.

The council was presented with the leaks and adjustment report. The report was accepted without comment.

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Standard Operating Procedures (SOP) were presented to the council for approval. The council voted 5-0 to accept the SOPs as written.

Getrost requested that the 1998 Chevrolet S-10 4-wheel drive be sold. The council accepted the recommendation.

The council received a request from Getrost to add three holidays to the regular days the office would be closed. Upon review it was suggested that instead three personal days be awarded to employees who has completed their one-year probation period. The motion was made by B. Wright and seconded by R. Johnes. Motion was passed 5-0. The days will take effect immediately and be added to the personnel policy as an appendix.

A customer (B. Ginkins) was at the meeting and requested a refund of a turnoff charge of \$50. He stated that he was at the office at 8:15 AM and the water had not been turned off yet. However the water clerk advised that the letter had been sent to the customer stating that the money must be in the office before cut off day. Company policy was that the money had to be in the office before opening and she could not make exception without board approval. The customer gave a check, which was returned as insufficient funds, and now faces an additional \$20 return check fee. The customer stated that the office was closed on December 26 so he could not pay the fee earlier. The motion was made to waive the fee. The motion failed for lack of a second. The customer paid the \$70 to clerk Travillian and was given a requested receipt.

#### **Financial:**

**Review/Approval Checks and Expenditures:** Clerk Travillian presented the forms for checks written from the utility.

#### **Old Business:**

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#### **Committee Reports:**

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The clerk noted that the annual allowance that was budgeted in 2008 at \$2,000. Wright requested spending the following amounts; light bar - \$125, metal cage - \$350, Taser - \$1,250, badges - \$60. Approximately 90 percent of the budget.

**Marshal's Report:** The marshal has received two applications, one for deputy and one for reserve officer. After reviewing an application, the council accepted Burkhart's appointment of Chris Wright as a reserve officer (4-0) one abstained (Wright). The council will hold a special meeting next week to meet with the deputy marshal applicant. Burkhart stated that there had been some communication problems with Floyd County Sheriff's Department; however, he believed that it had been resolved.


**Street Department:**

Councilman Barclay has contacted a surveyor about the Parkland Heights street widening project. President Richardson requested that all council members make sure that the project was what the neighborhood wanted.

No further business coming before the Council the meeting was adjourned.

ATTEST:

  
Clerk of the Council

  
Presiding Officer