

**MINUTES
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2013
9:00 A.M.**

{Summary minutes of City Council meeting. Audio tapes of the meeting are on file and are included by reference as part of this meeting. An agenda of this meeting has been either mailed or made available to persons, organizations and local news media as per their request. The agenda gives the date, time and place of the meeting as well as the order of business. This disclosure is in compliance with the South Carolina Code of Laws of 1976, Section 30-4-80 (e).}

A special council meeting was held on October 22, 2013 at 9:00 A.M. at the City Municipal building with the following present:

COUNCIL: Mayor Harold Thompson; Mayor Pro Tem Robert Garner; Councilmembers Tommie L. Hill, Sr., Yates Giles; Ricky Todd Harris and Jim Wilson. Councilmember Orangelow Ruff was absent due to illness.

CITY ATTORNEY: None

DEPARTMENTAL STAFF: Gloria Rogers – Municipal Clerk/Personnel Director; Joe Nichols – Utility Director; Walker Gallman – Finance Director; Sam White - Public Safety Director; Perry Harmon – Public Service Director; and Mike Petrie – Maintenance Shop Director

NEWS MEDIA: Graham Williams – Union County News

OTHERS: Chris Woodson

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Thompson called the meeting to order. Invocation was given by Councilmember Giles. The pledge of allegiance was given by all present. The roll was called by Municipal Clerk Gloria Rogers.

2. MINUTES

A. OCTOBER 15, 2013 Regular City Council Meeting

MOTION by Councilmember Giles to approve minutes.
SECOND by Councilmember Hill.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

3. BUSINESS

A. ORDINANCE – 2nd READING – ORDINANCE GRANTING CONSENT TO APPLICATION FOR FRANCHISE FOR CABLE OR VIDEO SERVICE AND SETTING FRANCHISE FEE

Finance Director Walker Gallman states that on September 19, 2013, Bell South Telecommunications, LLC d/b/a AT&T South Carolina filed an application with the Secretary for a state-issued certificate of finance authority or an application to amend a certificate of franchise authority to provide cable or video service. An ordinance that gives AT&T consent to application for franchise for cable or video services and for setting franchise fees was presented to City Council. The City will set the franchise at 5%, which is the maximum allowed by law. City Council passed 1st reading at its October regular meeting.

MOTION by Mayor Pro Tem Garner to pass 2nd reading of ordinance.
SECOND by Councilmember Wilson.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

B. DISCUSSION/MOTION – WBCU “TRUCK FULL OF TOYS” CAMPAIGN

Chris Woodson of WBCU Radio Station addressed City Council. WBCU will be doing their annual “Truck Full of Toys” campaign again this year. All items that are collected during this campaign will be donated to UCARE of Union and distributed in our community this Christmas. “Truck Full of Toys” will be displayed in the Christmas Parades. Last year UCARE assisted around 60 families. Mr. Woodson is requesting \$900 for the “Truck Full of Toys” Campaign. Should Council agree to assist with this campaign a motion is in order.

MOTION by Councilmember Wilson to approve request in the amount of \$900 for the “Truck Full of Toys” Campaign.
SECOND by Mayor Pro Tem Garner.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

3. **ADJOURNMENT**

MOTION by Councilmember Wilson to adjourn.
SECOND by Councilmember Hill.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Council meeting adjourned at 9:13 A.M.

Gloria J. Rogers, Municipal Clerk

Minutes approved _____ 2013