

Town of Yemassee Special Council Meeting
September 25, 2013
6:30 P.M.

PRESENT: Mayor Goodwin, Council Member's Moore, Searson, Hagan, Paula Hagan, Lori Dotson, Linda Jenkins, Jobeth Wood, Tracy Moore, Tammy Lane, Joyce Main, Jerry Thompson, and Clerk Josie Roberts.

ABSENT: Council Member O'Banner.

INVOCATION: Invocation was given by Mayor Goodwin.

DETERMINATION OF NOTICE OF PRESS: Press has been notified by newspaper.

UPDATE ON YEMASSEE SHRIMP FESTIVAL EVENT: Paula Hagan said "I think we had a good Festival. I know I had, a lot of people told me, it's the best that they've ever had this year, I don't know if ya'll heard that but I did. I think ya'll get a little rundown because of what all took place. Thursday night we had the shrimp festival cook-off and everything went really well. We had a lot of shrimp dishes, lots of participation. I didn't get to watch the kiddie parade or the magic parade but I heard that it was a really good crowd. Friday we had the gospel musical that went really well. Large crowd on Saturday, the talent show was the best we've ever had lots of good talent. We had a great festival a lot of people came up saying how wonderful it was".

Complaint about street dance at stop-n-shop Mayor said we will address this next year. Anytime that anything is out here making excessive noise the police can shut it down.

Tammy Lane said, "We rent out golf carts from Sutcliff in Beaufort we do this as a courtesy for our people in town. The Shrimp Festival doesn't make a profit from the money collected. We do collect the money and fill out the paper work for Sutcliff. Unfortunately some money went missing \$2800.00 is missing. This is not the shrimp festival money. Sutcliff money was not deposited in the bank because it is not shrimp festival's money. The checks are counted for. No idea where cash money went to, 911 was called when we discovered this incident. As shrimp festival board we feel that we could reimburse the money to Sutcliff. Will check on reimbursement thru insurance policy. It's a bad situation a lot of random going on in town. Person discovered on Sunday that money is missing.

Mayor Goodwin said "Investigator ongoing, we not saying anything about case is over. Mayor said that there are things to be reviewed and put in place". Mayor said is Sutcliff wants to collect the money and not leave it with us they can do that.

Thief is being investigated. Mayor Goodwin said that everyone has been instructed by Captain Alexander to not discuss the investigation of the missing money. This is the law.

Willa Young said, "Shrimp Festival was great. Hwy 68 Church Street is part of us this is one of the things that needs to be addressed. Why is it separate?

Tammy Lane said YSF business do dances to make money. Mayor said, YSF been in business 20yrs I know hours dedication and time put in to it we're not going to handle other people money. We don't need to get our money involved with this. Shrimp Festival Meet during the year. Yemassee is one of the best places in the world. Town needs a lot more attention. Put meeting in web page on face book put on radio station.

Shrimp Festival has its own account not Town of Yemassee vendor or rent a spot. Shrimp Festival income shall be use to improve event in Yemassee. Mayor said all the money that is taken in support of the shrimp festival money is used for the citizens to enjoy. Mud run vendor's money goes to recreation.

I-95 ENTRANCE: Paul Holmes said, entrance on I-95 is ugly. Mayor said flowers are at I-95.

GRANT FOR LANDSCAPING: No money for lights.

Meeting adjourned by Council Member Hagan second by Council Member Moore. All in favor.