

**MINUTES OF THE LYMAN TOWN HALL MEETING
59 GROCE ROAD, PACIFIC PLACE
May 4, 2015**

1. CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Pro Tem Wyatt, presiding officer, announced that he has 6:07 PM, on Monday, May 4th and called the specially called Town Hall meeting of Lyman to order adding thank you for the outstanding turnout. He stated that brief agenda. Wetzel did the invocation and started the pledge of allegiance.

2. FOIA:

Wyatt asked Dennis P. Drozdak, Clerk/Treasurer, if written notice of this meeting with an agenda was publicly posted, published and forwarded to the local newspapers no less than 24 hours prior to adjournment and he responded yes.

ROLL CALL:

Conducted by Dennis P. Drozdak.

Present: Tony Wyatt, Mayor Pro tem
 Daisy Carter
 Larry Chappell
 Rita M. Owens
 Teresa Shuler
 Donnie Wetzel

Not present: Rodney D. Turner, Mayor

3. NEW BUSINESS:

a. Wyatt began that only item under new business is Donnie Wetzel the infrastructure commissioner and limit comments to Lyman residents or businesses to a 3 minute limit. Wetzel began thanking each one of you to come out tonight and let you know that some of pictures have been issues in the past with a vision of why can't be better and more informational to be on the same page. Wetzel began power point presentation (attached) and the first thing is schedule of pickup of stuff, that the Police divided the Town into quarters or zones and I have come up with a Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. 29 is one line, zone 1 with Monday pickup from 29 to Groce Road and Ridge Road area. Zone 2 is Groce Road, 29 on the Locust Street, Mill Village. Area 3 is 29, 292, Holly Springs with Zone 4 the Mountain View and Virginia Avenue area. Wetzel continued that Friday is special projects day like a building you demolish but would prefer to work together with you on that. Next showed pictures of the equipment the grapple truck, dump truck, leaf machine and chipper. He showed what C & D consists of and that electronics is becoming an issue with the landfill, it is \$500 per ton, pretty expensive and significant, but if you take it is nothing cost. He continued that according to present Town ordinance can pickup these but asked if you cannot take 5 tires for no cost to the landfill. The Town is not responsible for taking away contractor debris and no longer electronics. Then there is the landfill debate on what is a limb is it cut in 6' lengths if over 3" wide and separate from other limbs and stack neatly and away from fire hydrants and water meters (showed pictures of evidence). Also big debate on bagging grass and have some communities in Town that must bag grass, a great recommendation but not to say to bag grass. Wetzel said that been studying on leaf pickup and 95% of the communities have a leaf season October through December and anything above that be bagged but some variables like variances for the elderly. Town trucks are suppose to stay on the asphalt so as not to tear up yards, he then showed pictures of leaves in a barrel, limbs off the road. He added does not want to worry about ruts in a yard and to be cognizant of where, how you put it out because

should not be backing up into driveways with stuff along fences and under power lines. The last few months been working with DOT to get tops on drains and was nothing cost on Lawrence Street so be careful where you place grass clippings because ends up in our Tyger River waterways. Wetzel said that he had a citizen called to adopt a road if provide them with some vests and cones to keep a road clean, then showed a vest and a picker-upper with the comment that 90% of the trash on Locust from the QT to Fire Department not local residents with Groce Road to the railroad tracks highly trashed and Powell Lake Road another. So if it may interest you call us at Town Hall. Next spoke of the alley ways talk about the Mill Village having issues in all the alleys of issue of tearing up equipment. Wetzel asked Marion Nichols of Nichols Sanitation to speak and the need to talk about bringing trash to front of the houses. He knows a lot of elderly and a need to consider talking about. He continued been serving Town for 30 years and address the issue of the alleys of trucks we drive are smaller but issue of tightness, parking in the alley and the very heavy trucks make ruts with tree limbs are an issue tearing up mirrors and the electronics on top of the cabs. If elderly will get trash like for Daisy Carter but alleys are not efficient that one street can keep us off 2 alleys with a lot of pros and cons but beneficial in the long run because don't want to do any property damage. Wetzel then added that hears about pot holes and trucks probably the cause of that and thinking might provide a rolling receptacle to help everybody, these just proposals so wrapped up. Wetzel introduced Maurice Hawkins, street supervisor, and he introduced two of his crew Marty Farrar and Leland Hand both been on the new grapple truck with it doing 80% of the work and ended that he has business cards to hand out. Wetzel now talked about mosquitoes and did not know do it in the middle of the night starting next week. Also added that have recycle bins in the Springs Mills parking lot and has notice that people throwing glass and if you see that get their tag number. Drozdak added that this past month Town collected over 10 tons of recycling and almost weekly pickup, Wetzel added that if bin overflowing to call Town Hall.

First speaker was Judy Effler, 48 Spartanburg Road, said that since Town used the alley more than we do she would appreciate a load of gravel since use more than we do. She added that concerned about the weeds at the Old Mill, almost 2 feet tall and seeds blow into Pacific Street houses. Wyatt replied that Town never owned it but will contact the County. Wetzel answered that exactly what talking about the Town's vehicles are running on and have done in the past. Do have guidelines and now why proposing changes and will certainly put gravel in the potholes but big trucks not helping.

Next speaker was Rebecca Martin, 11 Crescent Street, said on an alley that so narrow that needs a 2nd exit, only have one way in and one way out, cannot see around the hedgerow and must ease up to 2 miles per hour. She added that she talked to Rodney Turner and what good did it do. Also, sidewalks at 11 Crescent so bad couldn't walk at night, the vacant houses have grass high and asked if not us as important as Groce Road so please do something about the alleys because only one way in and one way out. Wetzel replied that in process of removing a bunch of trees dead and as for sidewalks replacing too and trees. He added that he understands the alleys and noted will be looked into. A Codes Enforcement Officer will be sent out a notice to served.

Melinda Woodward, 72 Lawrence Street, said lived 44 years there and only in last 3 years has changed and always put in the back alley, never seen grapple truck before and why not get out, pickup and throw into the truck. Wetzel replied that won't take down anymore and with that said will get on the same page and will re-evaluate and agree not go down alley.

Mike Johnson, 75 Ridge Road and 16 Meadow Street, said keep finding stuff at Meadow, Police Chief Hayes answered to call Police and have night vision cameras to catch them. Wetzel said that 9 times out of 10 from out of Town. Johnson mentioned 16 Meadow Street has the high walls, Wetzel replied knows about the walls and DOT would not allow disturbing within 12 inches of the base with ADA requires 5 foot wide sidewalks. Owens said be mindful

of streets at Lawrence from Groce to Spartanburg if cars parked impossible to drive and will be a problem because will have to weave, but Wetzel said would be daytime hours for trash. Chappell added that a lot of streets are really narrow but alley behind Ridge Road is a Town alley, but Mill Village not the Town's. Wyatt added that property in alleys have easement and have talked with Town attorney but not take public money to fix private roads even if forced to use your road. Wetzel said that knew struggling with the alleys and all have concerns with a need to come up that works.

Debbie Gieson, 56 Ridge Road, said she walks everyday and see the grapple truck pickup branches but did not take the time to sweep up leaves fallen, just not get up. Also, grapple truck got dirt dug up with left mud but back when used to do it watched pickup. Now watched pickup with grapple and how much is left with and broke asphalt road and curbs, there must be some kind of limit to lift. Wetzel said talked about that at 7 this morning with guys and duly noted that need proper vehicles. Johnson added that grapple is for heavy duty not leaves that by the time got outriggers could have done pickup truck. Wetzel concluded that been my dream to have this meeting and all want to work together.


Teresa Willbanks from audience said that Duke Energy has the right to cut down tree limbs and to see if will do and requesting reports from Town.

Owens said that LymanFest Armed Forces Festival starts with walk at 9 o'clock with all proceeds go to Wounded Warrior Project with \$20 you get a shirt and for a good cause and festival will be on the street.

Wyatt concluded with a thank you all for coming and that this is what government is about.

4. **ADJOURNMENT:** Wyatt asked for a motion to adjourn:
a. At 7:43 PM Carter with the motion to adjourn, with all in favor.

Submitted by,


Dennis P. Drozdak, Clerk / Treasurer
Date: 05/13/15

Approved by,


Tony Wyatt, Presiding Officer, Mayor Pro Tem