

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF NEWBERRY CITY COUNCIL
HELD IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL, NEWBERRY, SC
September 2, 2008 – 7:00 P.M.**

Members Present: Mayor T. Edward Kyzer. Council: R. LeMont Glasgow, Foster Senn, Zebbie D. Goude-lock, Gregg Summer, Thomas Louis Boyd, David E. DuBose.

Also Present: City Manager Eric G. Budds, Assistant City Manager Jeff Shacker, City Clerk Tina P. Wicker, Planning & Development Services Director Ward Braswell, Finance Director Marie Hickman, Utilities Director Fred Yandle, City Planner Doug Currier. Others Present: Nancy Bickley, Tyler Ellis, Deborah Smith, Allen Wicker, Barry Hickman, Johnny Mendenhall, Garry Ball, Lewis Davis, Frank Hare, Rhett Frazier, Representative Walt McLeod, Dave and Mary Beth Greenslade, William D. Blizzard, Lenny Green, Jim Edwards and others.
News Representatives: Leslie Moses, Heather Hawkins.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Kyzer called the meeting to order and Councilman Glasgow gave the invocation.

MINUTES

Councilman Goude-lock made a motion, seconded by Councilman Boyd, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of Newberry City Council held on August 12, 2008 as presented. Mayor Kyzer declared the motion carried following a unanimous vote of City Council members present.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Mayor Kyzer reported that members of City Council had been provided with a copy of the Financial Report for the period ending August 31, 2008. He indicated that the report would be attached to and made a part of the minutes.

RECOGNITION OF EMPLOYEES

Mayor Kyzer and City Manager Budds recognized Nancy Bickley, Police Corporal, for her ten years of service and Marie Hickman, Finance Director, for her thirty years of service. Each received a longevity pin and gift from the City.

PUBLIC HEARING:

**Zoning of Frazier Property – GC-General
Commercial**

Mayor Kyzer declared a public hearing for the purpose of considering a permanent zoning classification for the property of Frazier located adjacent to S. C. Highway 219 and the I-26 corridor. He indicated that the Municipal Planning Commission recommended a zoning designation of GC – General Commercial.

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Mr. Lenny Green, of 4515 S.C. Highway 219, appeared to request that the property be buffered in some manner to protect the existing neighborhood.

Mr. Garry Ball, President of the Deer Trace Subdivision, who resides at 62 Deer Trace Lane also appeared to address the buffer issue and to ask what types of protections would be in place against fuel spills, fumes, criminal activity and other issues that might arise as a result of a truck stop being located on the property. He requested that City Council give fair consideration to the residents and other property owners. He also had questions about the possible contamination of the water in the wells of the residents. Mayor Kyzer offered to appeal to the county for water service to Deer Trace. Representative McLeod also agreed to be supportive of a request to the County water service.

Mr. Allen Wicker of 617 Wicker Drive appeared on behalf of St. John's Baptist Church to discuss the issue of noise. He indicated the church was concerned about noise levels while they were attempting to hold services.

Mr. Jim Edwards, 45 Deer Trace Lane, spoke of concerns about noise from truck idling and, increased truck traffic in the neighborhood. He asked would Council members want to live next to a truck stop.

Mr. William D. Blizzard, 250 Deer Trace Lane, expressed some of the same concerns and also mentioned the lighting issue from the truck stop.

Mr. Frank Hare, 110 Newberry Arms, also spoke on behalf of St. John's Baptist Church with a concern about the level of noise and its effects on church services.

Mayor Kyzer declared the public hearing closed.

PUBLIC HEARING:

**Zoning of Kohl Property – GC-General
Commercial**

Mayor Kyzer declared a public hearing for the purpose of considering a permanent zoning classification for the property of Kohl located adjacent to Dusty Road near the I-26 corridor. He indicated that the Municipal Planning Commission recommended a zoning designation of GC – General Commercial.

No one appeared to offer comments on the proposed zoning and Mayor Kyzer declared the public hearing closed.

