TOWN OF CENTRAL SPECIAL CALLED MEETING 130 COMMONS WAY CENTRAL, SC 29630 JANUARY 6, 2021 – 6:30 PM

Present: Mayor Mac Martin, Council Members Lynne Chapman, Joe N. Moss, Harry Holladay, via zoom Paige Bowers, Ken Dill, and Daniel Evatt; Town Administrator Phillip D. Mishoe; Fire Chief Ed Reynolds; Police Chief Steve Thompson; Officer Jake Mealy; David Garrett, Miranda Baska, Jeff Skeris, Kevin Tumblin, Paul Boska, Suzanne O'Dell, Thomas Golden, Curt Edsall, Erin Ash, Zoe Nicholson, Gregg Chapman, Sheryl Kelly, Teresa Mosely, Margaret Hicks, Janie Collins, Reba Simpson, Stan Thompson, Doug Barry, Alysen McCaughey, Kate Byrd, Greg Mocko, Tish Goode, Danny Merck, Maureen Lesley, Rachelle Beckner, Andrew Beckner, Tina Galbreath, Tripp Brooks, Russell Oglesby, Marshall Collins, and Town Clerk Susan A. Brewer.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Mac Martin.

Ken Dill rendered the invocation.

Mayor Martin said the purpose of the meeting was for the annexation for 245 Lawton Road.

Chair made the motion to adopt rules for the public hearing to allow 5 minutes for each person that signed up to speak; seconded by Ken Dill. Ken Dill thanked everyone for coming out. He wanted to express how Council wanted to hear from them in an effort to make the right decision for the town. He said they were there to listen to them. The vote unanimous. Chair said that everyone would have 5 minutes and they could not combine their time.

Mayor Martin gave a short presentation to help everyone understand the history of the town.

Danny Merck, Pickens County School District Superintendent, spoke and said that the school district is ready for the growth that Central is experiencing. He said that they watch it very closely. He said they did not want to see schools close. He said they could add more than 100 with no problem. He said they will be monitoring it closely and the long-term plan for Central is to add a wing and build an Auditorium.

Jeff Skeris discussed their designs for a housing development. He said that there were different levels of preparing to design the development. He said they followed

the SCDHEC guidelines for erosion control. He said they would have it inspected weekly to help prevent issues due to a lot of rain. He presented a drawing of a development in the R-12 layout. He also showed a cluster ordinance and that may be what citizens may want to preserve more of the property into a more common area.

Chair began to call the citizens for their comments. Thomas Golden, Janie Collins, Stan Thompson, Doug Barry, Rachelle Beckner, and Lynne Chapman all expressed their concerns with the development of 245 Lawton Road. They were all against the development coming to that area.

Chair said that Jeff Skeris had agreed to answer some questions. David Garrett, Paul Boska, Erin Ash, Lynne Chapman, Janie Collins, and Stan Thompson all asked questions. Jeff Skeris answered what he could. The individuals all had time to ask their questions and concerns. There was a lot of discussion.

Mayor Martin stated that this was for the annexation for 245 Lawton Rd. and the development would be a different meeting.

With no objections, Mayor Martin adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan A. Brewer, CMC Town Clerk

Approved: 02.08.2021