

THE COWAN COMMERCIAL CLUB MET ON MONDAY, NOVEMBER 22, 1993 AT THE CP CHURCH FOR A DINNER-MEETING WITH 22 MEMBERS AND 2 PROSPECTIVE MEMBERS PRESENT.

PRESIDENT STACY CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER. MINUTES READ AND APPROVED. TREASURER REPORTED A BALANCE OF \$1,159.34.

CORRESPONDENCE: REQUEST FOR MONEY FROM THE COWAN LIONS CLUB TO HELP WITH THE 29th ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARADE. MOTION MADE BY JEFF PENNINGTON TO DONATE \$100.00. SECOND BY MILDRED HATCHETT. CARRIED UNANIMOUS.

LOUISE JACKSON MADE THE MOTION TO PAY OUR ANNUAL \$50.00 DUE TO THE FRANKLIN COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE. CARRIED UNANIMOUS.

HAROLD STACY WILL PHONE FOR MORE INFORMATION ON THE HUNTSVILLE INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT AUTHORITY "SPEAKERS BUREAU."

MAYOR TUCKER WILL INVITE GLEN DEERING TO THE JANUARY 1994 MEETING TO DISCUSS CUB SCOUTING AND HOW THE COMMERCIAL CLUB MAY BE OF HELP.

MUCH DISCUSSION ON THE SIGNS AT EITHER END OF CUMBERLAND STREET IN COWAN. CHICK TUCKER MADE A MOTION TO REPAIR OLD SIGNS, LEAVING NATURAL. BETTY VANDERBILT SECONDED. CARRIED UNANIMOUS.

BROTHER CARLOS SPARKS SUGGESTED THE MINISTERIAL ASSOCIATION BE GIVEN AN OPPORTUNITY TO REPAIR AND PLACE NEW SIGNS ON THE MINISTERIAL AND CIVIC ORGANIZATION SIGN BOARD. MOTION MADE BY SPARKS THAT HE TRY TO MOTIVATE MINISTERIAL ASSOCIATION. TED CLICK SECONDED. CARRIED UNANIMOUS.

LARRY MYERS ASKED IF THERE WAS A SIGN ORDINANCE ON THE FLASHING, BLINKING SIGNS NOW BEING USED IN COWAN. MAYOR TUCKER SAID NO. DISCUSSION ON SIGNS (SIGNS COULD BE USED FOR A LIMITED DURATION, SUCH AS GRAND OPENINGS, ETC). A MOTION MADE THAT THE LIAISON COMMITTEE OF THE CCC, MADE UP OF HAROLD STACY, DAVID KINNINGHAM, LARRY MYERS AND MILDRED HATCHETT, ATTEND NEXT CITY MEETING AND DISCUSS A SIGN ORDINANCE. JEFF PENNINGTON SECONDED. CARRIED UNANIMOUS. IT WAS SUGGESTED THAT WE CHECK WITH OTHER CITIES THAT NOW HAVE A SIGN ORDINANCE IN PLACE AND APPROACH OUR COWAN MERCHANTS FROM THAT PERSPECTIVE.

CHRISTMAS LIGHTS WILL GO UP ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 30th. PRESIDENT STACY ASKED THAT ALL MEMBERS WHO CAN TO COME BY T'S ANTIQUES OLD BUILDING ON FRIDAY AFTERNOON AND HELP STACY, SOME OF HIS FAMILY MEMBERS AND JEFF PENNINGTON CHECK OUT THE LIGHTS.

MEETING ADJOURNED TO MEET THE 4th MONDAY NIGHT, JANUARY 24, 1994.

  
Mary Lou Garner, Secretary

COWAN COMMERCIAL CLUB MET ON MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 1993 AT THE CP CHURCH FOR A DINNER-MEETING WITH 24 PRESENT.

PRESIDENT PENNINGTON CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER. MINUTES READ AND APPROVED. TREASURER REPORTED A BALANCE OF \$1,256.34.

OLD BUSINESS INCLUDED COMPLIMENTS ON WORK THAT HAS BEEN DONE TO SPRUCE UP BUILDINGS. PHILOMENA KIRBY HAS TALKED WITH OWNER OF CORNER BUILDING IN TRYING TO GET IT PAINTED. HAROLD STACEY WILL ASK OWNER IF CCC COULD PAY FOR "WELCOME TO COWAN" SIGN TO BE PAINTED ON CORNER BUILDING.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORTED: OFFICERS FOR 1993-94.  
PRESIDENT: HAROLD STACEY — VICE-PRESIDENT: DAVID KINNINGHAM  
SECRETARY: MARY LOU GARNER — TREASURER: MILDRED HATCHETT.

HOWARD COULSON MADE A MOTION THESE OFFICERS BE ELECTED BY ACCLAMATION. SECONDED AND MOTION CARRIED.

PRESIDENT APPOINTED CALLING COMMITTEE: LOUISE JACKSON & CLARA BROCK.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS: JEFF PENNINGTON, J.D. JACKSON, TED CLICK & HOWARD COULSON.

PRESIDENT PENNINGTON APPOINTED BETTY VANDERBILT TO TAKE CARE OF PLANS FOR INSTALLATION BANQUET IN OCTOBER.

CHICK TUCKER & HAROLD STACEY WILL CHECK ON WELCOME SIGNS TO COWAN AND REPORT TO THE CLUB WHAT NEEDS TO BE DONE.

CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS. GO WITH WHAT WE HAVE THIS YEAR AND REPLACE ON AN ANNUAL BASIS.

COWAN LIBRARY HAS MOVED TO THEIR NEW BUILDING NEXT TO THE COWAN CITY HALL AND ASKED FOR CCC FILING CABINET TO BE PICKED UP. WILLARD GARNER MOVED THE FILING CABINET TO COLOR GRAFIX STUDIOS.

*Glen Steve*  
DEERING IS TRYING TO RE-FORM THE CUB SCOUT TROOP IN COWAN.

NEW BUSINESS: CHICK TUCKER MENTIONED OLD CARS THAT HAVE BEEN PARKED IN COWAN ARE NOW BEING MOVED.

HARRY GREEN IS WORKING WITH HABITAT FOR HUMANITIES IN COFEEE & FRANKLIN COUNTIES IN TRYING TO BUILD HOUSES OF 1200 SQUARE FEET WITH SOME STATE GRANTS AND ALL-VOLUNTEER LABOR. WOULD LIKE TO UPGRADE HOUSING IN COWAN. LOOKING FOR BUILDING LOT IN COWAN.

ALSO, HARRY GREEN IS INTERESTED IN OUR YOUTH! MAYBE A SUMMER COMMUNITY-WIDE PROGRAM. START AFTER JULY 4th, 8 WEEKS PROGRAM. TRANSPORTATION ON CHURCH BUSES. GET VOLUNTEERS FROM CHURCHES &/OR PAY A COLLEGE STUDENT TO WORK WITH PROGRAM. HELP CHILDREN IMPROVE SKILLS WITHOUT COMPETITIVENESS, ETC. LOOK INTO GRANTS FOR RECREATION. MUCH DISCUSSION AND MUCH INTERESTED.

MEETING ADJOURNED TO MEET THE 4th MONDAY NIGHT IN OCTOBER. (OCTOBER 25, 1993).

*Mary Lou Garner*  
*Secretary*

COWAN COMMERCIAL CLUB MET ON MONDAY, AUGUST 23, 1993 AT THE CP CHURCH FOR A DINNER-MEETING WITH 18 MEMBERS AND 1 PROSPECTIVE MEMBER PRESENT. (LARRY MYERS)

PRESIDENT PENNINGTON CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER. MINUTES READ AND APPROVED. TREASURER REPORTED A BALANCE OF \$1,201.34.

MAYOR-ELECT TUCKER REPORTED ONE OF HIS FIRST DUTIES IS TRYING TO BUY EQUIPMENT FOR CLEANING OUT GRASS AND PLANT GROWTH THAT IS TEARING UP THE CONCRETE STREETS. ALSO, TRYING TO GET THE WATER TANK ROAD REPAIRED. HE WELCOMES ALL RESIDENTS OF COWAN TO ATTEND THE MONTHLY MEETINGS AT THE COWAN CITY HALL, SECOND TUESDAY NIGHT OF EACH MONTH AT 7:00 O'CLOCK PM.

MEMBERS OF THE CCC SUGGESTED: HAVE A TOWN MEETING AND GET IDEAS. PRESIDENT PENNINGTON SUGGESTED EACH MEMBER MAKE A LIST OF IDEAS ON ISSUES THEY WANT ADDRESSED IN COWAN AND BRING LIST TO OUR NEXT MEETING IN SEPTEMBER. ONE OR ALL OF OUR MEMBERS SHOULD ENTER-ACT MORE WITH THE COWAN CITY OFFICIALS.

PRESIDENT PENNINGTON APPOINTED THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE OF: TEDDY CLICK, HOWARD COULSON AND DAVID KINNINGHAM, TO PRESENT A SLATE OF OFFICERS AT THE SEPTEMBER MEETING, FOR OFFICERS FOR THE COMING YEAR.

PRESIDENT PENNINGTON AND MEMBERS WELCOMED LARRY MYERS TO OUR CLUB.

MEETING ADJOURNED TO MEET THE 4th MONDAY NIGHT IN SEPTEMBER. (SEPTEMBER 27, 1993).

*Mary Lou Garner*

MARY LOU GARNER, SECRETARY

COWAN COMMERCIAL CLUB MET ON MONDAY, JULY 26, 1993 AT THE CP CHURCH FOR A DINNER-MEETING WITH 19 MEMBERS AND 1 PROSPECTIVE MEMBER PRESENT. (DAVID BULL)

PRESIDENT PENNINGTON CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER. MINUTES READ AND APPROVED. TREASURER REPORTED A BALANCE OF \$1,101.34.

OLD BUSINESS: JARED PEARSON REPORTED ON AM-TRAK. GETTING PACKET TOGETHER FOR COWAN PRESENTATION.

HAROLD STACY TALKED ABOUT OUR CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS. STARTING IN '93 HE WOULD LIKE FOR THE COWAN COMMERCIAL CLUB TO PURCHASE A NEW DECORATION (OR MORE) EACH YEAR. STACEY, HOWARD COULSON & JEFF PENNINGTON WILL CHECK ON THE PRESENT CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS AND REPORT ON WHAT IS NEEDED TO GET READY FOR THIS SEASON.

DEBBIE STACY WILL HAVE FLYERS READY BY AUGUST MEETING, TO PRESENT TO PROSPECTIVE MEMBERS, ETC. ALL MEMBERS NEED TO BE "AMBASSADORS" FOR COWAN!

COWAN LIBRARY WILL BE MOVING NEXT DOOR TO THE COWAN CITY HALL. CCC NEEDS TO GET OUR FILING CABINET OUT OF THE PRESENT LIBRARY. AFTER THE MEETING HAROLD STACEY GAVE US PERMISSION TO PUT THE FILING CABINET IN COLOR-GRAFIX STUDIOS.

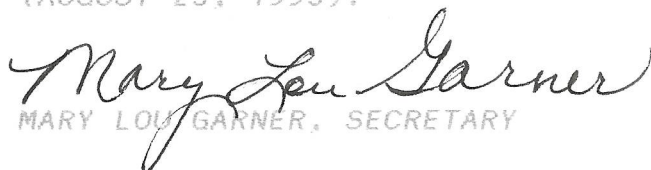
JARED PEARSON SPOKE ON VANDALISM AT THE R/R MUSEUM AND SOLICITS ALL OUR EFFORTS IN HELPING PATROL THE AREA. HE WOULD LIKE FOR THE MUSEUM TO PURCHASE THE OLD MOTOR CAR BUILDING FOR STORAGE AND ALSO IT WOULD MAKE ANOTHER R/R DISPLAY. THE CABIN IN THE PARK IS NOW BEING USED FOR STORAGE OF LAWN MOWERS, ETC. IT IS VISITED BY MANY AND NEEDS TO BE RESTORED BEFORE ANOTHER SEASON.

HOWARD COULSON DISPLAYED THE NEW T-SHIRT THAT'S SELLING EXCEPTIONALLY WELL AT THE R/R MUSEUM. THE DESIGNER HAS NOW ADDED COWAN RAILROAD MUSEUM TO THE SHIRTS, AT NO EXTRA COST.

PRESIDENT PENNINGTON AND MEMBERS WELCOME DAVID BULL & JARED PEARSON AS NEW MEMBERS TO OUR CLUB.

HELEN SMITH MADE A MOTION WE SEND FLOWERS OR SOMETHING TO WELCOME NEW BUSINESSES' TO COWAN. SECONDED BY HAROLD STACEY. CARRIED UNANIMOUS.

MEETING ADJOURNED TO MEET THE 4th MONDAY NIGHT IN AUGUST. (AUGUST 23, 1993).

  
MARY LOU GARNER, SECRETARY

COWAN COMMERCIAL CLUB MET ON MONDAY, JUNE 28, 1993 AT THE CP CHURCH FOR A DINNER-MEETING WITH 19 MEMBERS AND 1 GUEST PRESENT. (BENNIE WARREN FROM EDMOND, OKLAHOMA).

PRESIDENT PENNINGTON CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER. MINUTES READ AND APPROVED. TREASURER REPORTED A BALANCE OF \$1,051.34.

OLD BUSINESS INCLUDED MEMBERS TAKING NAMES OF PROSPECTIVE MEMBERS TO CONTACT. DEBBIE STACEY WILL PREPARE A MAILER TO PROSPECTIVE MEMBERS IN COWAN. IT WAS NOTED THAT BUSINESS OWNERS SHOULD WANT TO BECOME A MEMBER TO ENHANCE THEIR BUSINESS AND BE A PART OF THE BUSINESS COMMUNITY.

THANKS TO MILDRED HATCHETT, CLARA BROCK, LYNN BETTY, JEFF & SHELIA PENNINGTON FOR WORKING IN THE COWAN PARK.

COMMITTEE REPORT: JOHN SMITH ON AM-TRAK MEETING AT OPRYLAND HOTEL. ALL 6 STATES HAD A DELEGATION OF 3 MEMBERS PRESENT. BILLS MAKING THEIR WAY THRU THE HOUSE @ PRESENT TIME. BELIEVES IT WILL BE A LONG, SLOW PROCESS. NEXT MEETING WILL BE IN ATLANTA IN JULY.

MILDRED HATCHETT RECEIVED A LETTER THAT ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP DUES IN THE MIDDLE TENNESSEE COUNCIL, BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA IS DUE. MOTION BY HAROLD STACEY, SECOND BY JOHN SMITH AND CARRIED UNANIMOUS TO PAY THE \$50.00 ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP DUES.

LELAND FARMERS' BUILDING ON TENNESSEE AVENUE IN COWAN HAS BEEN PAINTED AND IS NOW GETTING A NEW ROOF.

CHICK TUCKER BRINGS UP THE IDEA OF A SWIMMING POOL FOR THE CITY OF COWAN AND OTHER RECREATION POSSIBILITIES FOR COWAN. SEVERAL AGREED THESE AND OTHER THINGS ARE NEEDED FOR OUR YOUNG PEOPLE IN COWAN.

MILDRED HATCHETT ASKS IF THE CLUB COULD DO SOME RENNOVATION ON THE WELCOME SIGNS COMING INTO COWAN. MAYBE THE MEN WOULD DO THE WOODWORKING AND LADIES THE FLOWERS, ETC. J.D. JACKSON WILL CHECK WITH CITY AND TRY TO FIND OUT WHO IS IN CHARGE OF SIGNS AND IF IT WOULD BE OK FOR THE COMMERCIAL CLUB TO TAKE ON THE PROJECT OF UPDATING THE SIGNS. CHICK TUCKER WILL DONATE CROSS *ties* TO HELP WITH THE SIGN.

MEETING ADJOURNED TO MEET THE 4th MONDAY NIGHT IN JULY. (JULY 26 1993).

  
MARY LOU GARNER, SECRETARY

COWAN COMMERCIAL CLUB MET ON MONDAY, APRIL 26, 1993 AT THE CP CHURCH FOR A DINNER-MEETING WITH 17 MEMBERS AND 3 GUESTS PRESENT. (JARED PEARSON, LOUISE COULSON & WILLARD GARNER).

PRESIDENT PENNINGTON CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER. MINUTES READ AND APPROVED. TREASURER REPORTED A BALANCE OF \$1,051.34.

OLD BUSINESS: HELP IS NEEDED IN CLEANING & PLANTING IN THE COWAN PARK. JARED PEARSON VOLUNTEERED TO PAINT THE GAZEBO IN THE PARK.

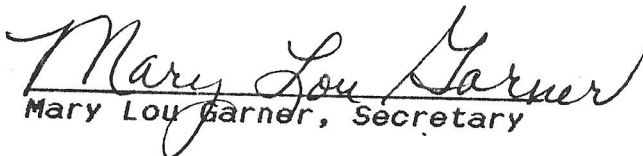
A POTENTIAL MEMBERSHIP SHEET, CONTAINING NAMES TURNED IN BY MEMBERS AT LAST MEETING, WILL BE READY BY THE JUNE MEETING FOR MEMBERS TO WORK ON THE MEMBERSHIP DRIVE.

DISCUSSION ON WAYS FOR BUSINESSES IN COWAN TO HELP WITH THE COUNTY-WIDE CLEAN UP-FIX UP CAMPAIGN FOR MAY.

JARED PEARSON GAVE US AN UPDATE ON THE AM-TRAK. THE COMMITTEE HAS MET SEVERAL TIMES. SOME OF THE OBSTACLES TO OVERCOME ARE: FUNDING, ROUTING, TERMINALS, AND SUPPORT FOR THE BOB CLEMENTS FLORIDIAN BILL. EVANSVILLE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE & EVANSVILLE AM-TRAK COURSE ARE BOTH ACTIVE IN GETTING THE AM-TRAK STARTED. IT WAS LEARNED THAT COWAN IS THE FIRST SMALL COMMUNITY TO RESPOND. WE NEED TO FIND OUT REQUIREMENTS FOR A STOP.

MEETING ADJOURNED TO MEET THE 4th MONDAY NIGHT IN JUNE. (JUNE 28, 1993).

NO MEETING IN MAY DUE TO MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND.

  
Mary Lou Garner, Secretary

COWAN COMMERCIAL CLUB MET ON MONDAY, MARCH 22, 1993 AT THE C. P. CHURCH FOR A DINNER-MEETING WITH 19 MEMBERS AND 2 GUESTS PRESENT. (PHILOMENIA'S MOTHER: DOROTHY FROM OHIO AND JARED PEARSON, GUEST SPEAKER).

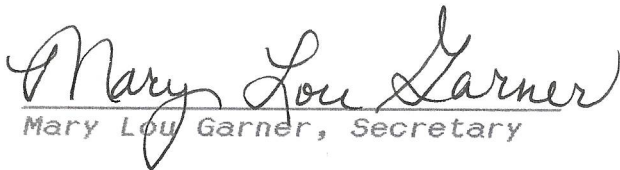
PRESIDENT PENNINGTON CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER. MINUTES READ AND APPROVED. TREASURER REPORTED A BALANCE OF \$911.34.

NEW BUSINESS: FRANKLIN COUNTY BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE NEEDS NEW MEMBERS AND ENCOURAGES SOMEONE FROM THE COMMERCIAL CLUB TO ATTEND THEIR MONTHLY MEETINGS. IT WAS SUGGESTED WE ADOPT COWAN CITY PARK. WORKING AND PLANTING BEGINS IN A FEW WEEKS AND VOLUNTEER LABOR IS NEEDED. ANOTHER SUGGESTION WAS TO GET SOME OF THE SCOUTS TO USE CLEANING OF THE PARK AS THEIR PROJECT. JEFF PENNINGTON IS TO PHONE ED CURBIN, DISTRICT COUNCIL CUB SCOUTS LEADER, TO GET INFORMATION ON LOCAL SCOUT LEADERS.

JARED PEARSON PRESENTED OUR SPECIAL PROGRAM ON AM-TRAK. OUR AM-TRAK COMMITTEE APPOINTED IS: JARED PEARSON, CHAIRMAN. HAROLD STACY, HOWARD COULSON, J. D. JACKSON & JOHN SMITH. JARED ENCOURAGED ALL TO WRITE A BRIEF LETTER TO STATE POLITICIANS; WHY IT IS IMPORTANT TO HAVE THE AM-TRAK ROUTE THRU TENNESSEE. MIGHT MENTION COST EFFECTIVE FOR TENNESSEE AND WHAT IT WILL DO FOR COWAN.

AM-TRAK IS TO RUN FROM CHICAGO TO FLORIDA. IT IS HOPED TO GET A FULL SERVICE OR A STOP IN COWAN. SEWANEE NEWSPAPER IS VERY INTERESTED IN AN AM-TRAK STOP IN COWAN BECAUSE OF ST. ANDREWS SEWANEE AND THE UNIVERSITY OF THE SOUTH STUDENTS. MEMPHIS TERMINAL IS BEING RENNOVATED FOR GREYHOUND BUS, TROLLEY AND AM-TRAK. ALSO, A HIGH SPEED TRAIN IS BEING TESTED.

MEETING ADJOURNED TO MEET THE 4th MONDAY NIGHT IN APRIL. (APRIL 26, 1993).

  
Mary Lou Garner, Secretary

COWAN COMMERCIAL CLUB MET ON MONDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 1993 AT THE C.P. CHURCH FOR A DINNER-MEETING WITH 16 MEMBERS AND 1 GUEST PRESENT, CHICK TUCKER, COWAN FIRE CHIEF.

PRESIDENT PENNINGTON CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER. MINUTES READ AND APPROVED. TREASURER REPORTED A BALANCE OF \$921.34.

OLD BUSINESS: THE PRESIDENT ASKED FOR LIST OF NAMES OF POTENTIAL MEMBERS, TO BE TURNED IN, SO THEY COULD BE PAIRED UP WITH CLUB MEMBERS TO VISIT AND ENCOURAGE TO ATTEND OUR NEXT MEETING.

A VERY INTERESTING PROGRAM WAS GIVEN BY COWAN FIRE CHIEF CHICK TUCKER, WHICH INCLUDED A BRIEF HISTORY OF OUR FIRE DEPARTMENT AND SHOWED VARIOUS PHOTOGRAPHS. CHICK JOINED THE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT IN APRIL 1952, WHEN KENNETH MYERS WAS FIRE CHIEF. TUCKER WAS MADE FIRE CHIEF IN THE EARLY 70'S, WHEN THE PRESENT FIRE CHIEF, THOMAS NORVELL BECAME DISABLED. IN 1967 THE WHITE FIRE TRUCK WAS PURCHASED FROM THE OLD CAMP FORREST IN TULLAHOMA. IN 1984 THE NEW FIRE TRUCK WAS PUCHASED. ALSO, THE CHURCH BUILDING ON POPLAR STREET IN COWAN WAS PURCHASED FROM THE OLD CAMP FORREST.

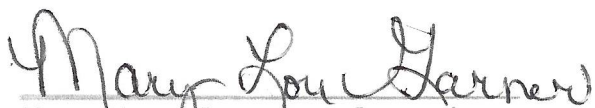
CHIEF TUCKER COMMENTED ON THE FINE WAY IN WHICH MAYOR BOBBY SNELSON HAD SERVED COWAN FOR THE PAST 10 YEARS. HE WAS ELECTED MAYOR IN AUGUST 1983, TAKING OFFICE ON SEPTEMBER 1, 1983. HE HAS ACQUIRED MORE GRANT MONEY FOR COWAN THAN ANY OTHER MAYOR SINCE HE RECEIVED THE FIRST GRANT IN 1987. MAYOR SNELSON HAS PERSONALLY PAID EXPENSES OF STAYING IN NASHVILLE AT MOTELS AND FOOD FOR HIMSELF AND OTHERS HE WAS TRYING TO RECEIVE GRANTS FROM. AT THIS TIME COWAN HAS RECEIVED \$2,433,500.00 IN GRANTS SINCE MAYOR SNELSON HAS BEEN IN OFFICE. \$120,000.00 GRANT WAS FOR THE TWO FIRE HALLS, \$64,000.00 GRANT FOR THE RAILROAD, \$20,000.00 GRANT FOR CITY GARAGE, \$6,500.00 GRANT FOR NEW TANKER TRUCK, ETC.

EVERYONE IS ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND THE CITY OF COWAN BOARD OF MAYOR & ALDERMENS MEETING, AT 7:00 PM ON THE SECOND TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH AT THE COWAN CITY HALL.

IN CLOSING FIRE CHIEF TUCKER SAID THE WAY THE GENERAL PUBLIC COULD HELP THE FIRE DEPARTMENT MOST WHEN THERE IS A FIRE, IS TO GET BACK AND LET THE FIREMEN HANDLE THE FIRE.

PRESIDENT PENNINGTON READ A LETTER FROM THE COWAN PTO REQUESTING A DONATION TOWARD THE DONKEY BASKETBALL GAME SCHEDULED FOR MARCH AT COWAN ELEMENTARY. JOHN SMITH MADE A MOTION WE DONATE \$50.00, SECOND BY DEBBIE STACEY. CARRIED UNANIMOUS.

MEETING ADJOURNED TO MEET THE 4th MONDAY NIGHT IN MARCH. (MARCH 22, 1993).

  
Mary Lou Garner, Secretary