



Clarendon County Regular Council Meeting Monday, November 14, 2016, 6:00 PM Clarendon One Board Room, Summerton, SC

Those in attendance:

Chairman Dwight L. Stewart, Jr.
Councilman Billy G. Richardson
Councilman Benton Blakely
Clerk to Council, Dorothy M. Levy

Vice Chairman W.J. Frierson
Councilman AC English
County Administrator, David W. Epperson

Press in attendance: Konstantin Vengerowsky, The Item, Robert Baker, The Manning Times

Others in attendance included:

Lynden Anthony	Charlotte Johnston	Jamie Welch	George Kosinski
Eric Rosdail	Linda Lemon	Gregory Holliday	Maria Rose
And other Clarendon County Residents			

Chairman Stewart called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm with opening comments. He thanked Dr. Rose Wilder and Gregory Holliday for hosting the November Council Meeting. Councilman Richardson led the invocation. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited in unison.

I. Approval of Agenda

Chairman Stewart asked for an approval of the agenda.

On motion by Councilman Blakely and seconded by Councilman English, Council voted Unanimous Approval to the Agenda for November 14, 2016.

II. Approval of Minutes

On motion by Councilman English and seconded by Vice Chairman Frierson, Council voted Unanimous Approval to the council meeting minutes for the Regular Council Meeting, which was held on October 13, 2016 with corrections.

III. Presentation – Harvin Clarendon County Library Board – Mr. Jamie Welch

Mr. Welch began his presentation by requesting an increase of \$50,000 in the funding for the Library for the upcoming Calendar year. Mr. Welch said that the Library would like to hire two part-time positions, one being a part-time Librarian to help fill the needs of the Library.

Mr. Welch continued by stating that the Library provides free copies to individuals receiving FEMA assistance. He stated that the Library received 60,000 plus visitors per year and 41,000 items were circulated. Mr. Welch stated that for the 2016 reading program, the Library had 425 participants verses 302 participants in 2015. He continued by stating that the Library would continue to create ways to increase their physical presence in the County. Mr. Welch concluded his presentation by thanking Council, Facility Maintenance, and Ms. Charlotte Johnston for the work that you all do for the Library.

IV. Board Appointments

On Motion by Councilman English and Seconded by Councilman Richardson, Council voted Unanimous Approval to reappoint the following members to the Clarendon Behavioral Health Board to serve another 4-year term: Mr. W.T. Geddings, Jr., Ms. Beatrice McKnight, Ms. Beulah Roberts, and Dr. Kate Smith.

On Motion by Councilman Blakely and Seconded by Vice Chairman Frierson, Council voted Unanimous approval to appoint Ms. Ericka S. Floyd to the Harvin Clarendon County Library Board to serve a 4-year term.

V. Public Hearing – Ordinance 2016-07

Chairman Stewart stated that the Public Hearing for Ordinance 2016-07 – An Ordinance Authorizing an Amendment to the Master Agreement Governing the Clarendon-Sumter Industrial Park; Authorizing the Creation of an Infrastructure Fund (“FUND”) to be Funded by a Portion of Certain Fee-In-Lieu of Tax Revenues; Authorizing the County to use the Fund for General Infrastructure of the County; and Other Related Matters is now open.

The Public Hearing Opened at 6:15 pm.

Administrator Epperson stated that this Ordinance is a Revision to the Multi-County Park Agreement. He stated that 20% of the Infrastructure Fund would be used for Economic Development purposes.

Chairman Stewart asked if there were any comments on Ordinance 2016-07. Hearing nothing, he stated that the Public Hearing would close. The Public Hearing closed at 6:17 pm.

VI. Ordinance 2016-07

On motion by Councilman Richardson and Seconded by Councilman English, Council voted Unanimous Approval to the Third and Final Reading of Ordinance 2016-07 - An Ordinance Authorizing an Amendment to the Master Agreement Governing the Clarendon-Sumter Industrial Park; Authorizing the Creation of an Infrastructure Fund (“FUND”) to be Funded by a Portion of Certain Fee-In-Lieu of Tax Revenues; Authorizing the County to use the Fund for General Infrastructure of the County; and Other Related Matters.

VII. Public Hearing – Ordinance 2016-08

Chairman Stewart stated that the Public Hearing for Ordinance 2016-08 – An Ordinance Authorizing the County to Finance and Acquire Public Safety Vehicles and Related Equipment in an amount not exceeding \$250,000; To Execute and Deliver all Documents necessary to carry out the Financing and Acquisition; and other Related Matters is now open.

Administrator Epperson stated that this is an Ordinance for a Lease Purchase Option in an amount not to exceed \$250,000.

The Public Hearing Opened at 6:18 pm

Chairman Stewart asked if there were any comments on Ordinance 2016-08. Hearing nothing, he stated that the Public Hearing would close. The Public Hearing closed at 6:20 pm.

VIII. Ordinance 2016-08

On motion by Councilman Blakely and Seconded by Vice-Chairman Frierson, Council voted Unanimous Approval to the Third and Final Reading of Ordinance 2016-08 - An Ordinance Authorizing the County to Finance and Acquire Public Safety Vehicles and Related Equipment in an amount not exceeding \$250,000; To Execute and Deliver all Documents necessary to carry out the Financing and Acquisition; and other Related Matters.

IX. Ordinance 2016-09

Chairman Stewart presented Council with Ordinance 2016-09 – An Ordinance of the County Council of Clarendon County, South Carolina to amend the County’s Official Zoning Map Designating for Tax Map Parcel

#167-00-02-080-00; From Residential Conservation (RC) to Neighborhood Commercial (NC) and Providing an Effective Date.

Ms. Maria Rose, Planning Director, stated that this Parcel is located on Hwy 260 across the street from Santee Electric Cooperative Office.

On Motion by Councilman English and Seconded by Councilman Richardson, Council voted Unanimous Approval to the First Reading of Ordinance 2016-09 – An Ordinance of the County Council of Clarendon County, South Carolina to amend the County’s Official Zoning Map Designating for Tax Map Parcel #167-00-02-080-00; From Residential Conservation (RC) to Neighborhood Commercial (NC) and Providing an Effective Date.

X. Resolution

Administrator Epperson presented Council with a Resolution Declaring the Results of the County of Clarendon, South Carolina Ballot Question in the General Election of November 8, 2016. He stated that there were 12,100 ballots tabulated with 7,435 were In Favor of the question and 4,655 Opposed to the question.

On motion by Councilman Richardson and Seconded by Councilman English, Council voted Unanimous Approval to the Resolution Declaring the Results of the County of Clarendon, South Carolina Ballot Question in the General Election of November 8, 2016.

XI. Financial Report

Mr. Lynden Anthony, CFO, began his report by stating that the General Fund had Expenditures of \$1,614,337 and Total Revenue of \$1,187,102 for the month ending October 31, 2016.

Mr. Anthony further stated that the Water and Sewer Department had Operating Revenue of \$256,597 and Operating Expenses of \$186,973 as of October 31, 2016. He stated that after depreciation, transfers, interest income, and Grant Revenue totaling \$78,417, the Water and Sewer Department had Net Utility income of \$148,041.

Mr. Anthony continued by stating that the Weldon Auditorium total Revenue for the month of October was \$18,543, and total Expenses of \$75,511. He stated that after transfers from the General Fund and Hospitality Tax Fund in the amount of \$56,968, the Weldon Auditorium ended the month of October with a Zero balance.

Mr. Anthony concluded his report by stating that the C-Fund Program for the month of October 2016 had a Cash Balance of \$4,136,242 of which \$4,226,722 has been committed to remaining local paving projects, State Construction Projects in Progress and State Proviso Funds.

XII. Administrator’s Report

Administrator Epperson began his report by giving Council an update on the following projects:

- Continuing to work through the damages done by Hurricane Matthew.
- Clarendon County has been approved by FEMA for individual and public assistance; this will reimburse the County 75% of allowable expenses.
- Debris – We are in the process of collection all of the debris from our debris sites.
- Due to the cost associated with it, the County will not be picking up debris from County maintained roads.
- The State has contracted with a contractor to pick up debris from State maintained roads.
- There will be mobile intake centers set up in the County taking applications for individual assistance for damages from the October 2015 flood, site dates in Summerton, November 21 and November 28,

at the Summerton Resource Center and there will be sites set up in Turbeville in December at Pine Grove Methodist Church, the dates have not been finalized for December.

- There are also two permanent set-up sites, one in Sumter, and one in Kingstree for anyone that missed the mobile unit dates.
- The Emergency Management Center has announce a new App for mobile phones that you can download from the iTunes Store or App Store where you can receive emergency announcements from the Emergency Management Center in reference to Openings, Delays, National Disasters, etc.
- We are in the process of finalizing our Text 911 service in which instead of calling 911, you would be able to have a conversation with a 911 associate through texting.
- We are moving forward and everything seems to be back to normal.

XIII. Chairman's Report

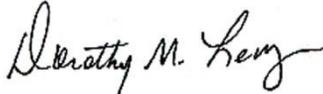
Chairman Stewart stated that he did not have anything to add and he wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

XIV. Adjournment

Chairman Stewart stated that we have exhausted our agenda and he asked for a motion to adjourn the Council Meeting.

On motion by Councilman Richardson and Seconded by Vice Chairman Frierson, Council voted Unanimous approval to adjourn the Council meeting. The Council Meeting ended at 6:54 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,



Dorothy M. Levy
Clerk to Clarendon County Council

