



Clarendon County Regular Council Meeting Monday, September 12, 2016, 6:00 PM Council Chambers

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	Tammy L. Rodvansky	Joe Witt	Jeremy B. Cannon
Patricia Pringle	Hannah Mikell	Eric Brown	Larry Johnson, Sr.
Linda Lemon	And other Clarendon County Residents		

Chairman Stewart called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm with opening comments. Vice Chairman Frierson 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 Richardson, Council voted Unanimous Approval to the Council Meeting Agenda for September 12, 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 August 8, 2016 with corrections.

III. Presentation – SC Forestry Commission

Administrator Epperson presented Council with a check from SC Forestry Commission in the amount of \$17,564.79. He requested that the Revenue received be divided equally between the three Clarendon School Districts.

On motion by Councilman Blakely and seconded by Councilman Richardson, Council voted Unanimous Approval to accept the check from SC Forestry Commission and divide it equally between the three Clarendon School Districts.

IV. Presentation – Hope Health

Ms. Shawn Maxwell, Community Relations Coordinator – Hope Health, gave Council some history on Hope Health. She stated that Hope Health started in 1991 and began providing primary care in 2007 for Florence, Williamsburg, Clarendon, Calhoun, and Aiken Counties. Ms. Maxwell continued by stating that Hope Health focus groups are boys, men and veterans.

She concluded by stating that Hope Health received a Planning Grant in 2015 which provided the opportunity to provide external services in Clarendon and Williamsburg Counties.

V. Clarendon County Transportation Committee (CCTC)

Chairman Stewart called the CCTC to order at 6:18 pm

- a. Administration Epperson presented Council with a request from Mr. Scott Tanner, Administrator City of Manning. Mr. Epperson stated that the City of Manning is requesting an additional \$60,000 toward their Mill Street Enhancement Project. He said that the project came in over what was budgeted and the City of Manning is requesting additional funding.

On Motion by Vice Chairman Frierson and Seconded by Councilman Richardson, Council voted Unanimous Approval to the request of the City of Manning, requesting an additional \$60,000 toward their Mill Street Enhancement Project.

- b. Administrator Epperson presented Council with a request from the Clarendon Christian Learning Center (CCLC). He stated that the CCLC is requesting that an additional crosswalk directly in front of CCLC at the opposite end of the school.

On Motion by Councilman Blakely and Seconded by Councilman English, Council voted Unanimous Approval to the request from the Clarendon Christian Learning Center for an additional crosswalk in front of the CCLC.

Chairman Stewart stated that the Clarendon County Transportation Committee meeting would now be closed. The CCTC closed at 6:22 pm.

VI. Request – Mr. Bill Wallace

Mr. Wallace presented Council with a request to apply for a Grant for the Barrineau Community. He stated that this would be a 4-part Grant. Mr. Wallace stated that this Grant will provide an alarm system on existing wells and fire hydrants that will be tied in with the Town of Olanta.

Administrator Epperson stated that the County would incur a liability.

Mr. Wallace stated that the County would be reimbursed for the expenses to administer the grant.

On Motion by Councilman Blakely and Seconded by Councilman English, Council voted Unanimous Approval to the request that was made by Mr. Bill Wallace to apply for a Grant for the Barrineau Community.

VII. Public Hearing

Chairman Stewart stated that the Public Hearing for Ordinance 2016-04 – An Ordinance to Amend the Building Codes is now open. The Public Hearing opened at 6:29 p.m.

Chairman Stewart stated since there were no comments on Ordinance 2016-04, the Public Hearing will close. The Public Hearing closed at 6:30 p.m.

VIII. Ordinance 2016-04

On Motion by Councilman Richardson and Seconded by Vice Chairman Frierson, Council voted Unanimous Approval to the second reading of Ordinance 2016-04, An Ordinance to amend the Building Code.

IX. Ordinance 2016-08

Administrator Epperson presented Council with 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.

Councilman Blakely asked what about the Drug money, could it be used to purchase vehicles this year?

Administrator Epperson responded by stating that the money that was seized has been applied for by the Sheriff's Department, but the money has not been received. He continued by stating that when the money is received, it could be used to purchase additional vehicles.

On Motion by Councilman Richardson and Seconded by Councilman English, Council voted Unanimous Approval to the first 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.

X. Financial Report

Mr. Lynden Anthony, CFO, began his report by stating that the General Fund had Expenditures of \$3,787,134 as of August 31, 2016. He continued by stating that Revenue figures were not available.

Mr. Anthony continued by stating that the Water and Sewer Department had Operating Revenue of \$129,481 and Operating Expenses of \$105,687 as of August 31, 2016. He stated that after depreciation, transfers, interest expense, Interest income, and Grant Revenue totaling \$47,476, the Water and Sewer Department had Net Utility loss of \$23,682.

Mr. Anthony continued by stating that the Weldon Auditorium total Revenue for the month of August was \$12,859, and total Expenses of \$31,914. He stated that after transfers from the General Fund and Hospitality Tax Fund in the amount of \$19,055, the Weldon Auditorium ended the month of August with a Zero balance.

Mr. Anthony concluded his report by stating that the C-Fund Program for the month of August 2016 had a Cash Balance of \$3,931,067 of which \$4,169,405 has been committed to remaining local paving projects, State Construction Projects in Progress and State Proviso Funds.

VIII. Administrator's Report

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

- DSS/Probation/Coroner Complex – Final design is almost complete. Meeting on Friday with Thompson Turner to make final decisions and confirm.
- USDA Phase 1B – Finalization of additional treatment is being made.
- USDA Phase II – Moving forward with Surveying and project design.
- Road Paving – Roads scheduled for paving through the County's portion of C-Funding for 2016 will begin this month.
- Presented Council a Resolution that was sent by Edgefield County.

XI. Chairman's Report

Chairman Stewart stated that he attended a meeting with the Council of Government this morning and he will be attending a meeting with EPAC on September 14th.

Mr. Jeremy Cannon, Clemson Extension, gave Council an update on Clemson Extension moving to a larger facility. He said that the larger facility has more space. He concluded by thanking Council for everything that they are doing and have done for Clemson Extension.

XII. Executive Session

Chairman Stewart asked for a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss the following Items and he stated that he

was recusing himself from the discussion on Project Gordon.

- a. Economic Development - Project Gordon I and II
- b. Legal Briefing – Finance
- c. Personnel - Administration

On motion by Councilman Richardson and seconded by Councilman Blakely, Council voted Unanimous Approval to go into Executive session to discuss two Economic Development Projects, Project Gordon I and II, a Legal Briefing – Finance and a Personnel Issue in Administration. The Executive Session began at 6:58 pm.

XIII. Open Session

Chairman Stewart asked for a motion to come out of Executive Session and back into Open Session.

On motion by Councilman Richardson and Seconded by Councilman Blakely, Council voted Unanimous Approval to come out of Executive Session and back into Open Session. The Executive Session Ended at 7:53 pm.

Chairman Stewart stated that in Executive Session, Council received a Legal Briefing in reference to Finance and Information in reference to Personnel in Administration and no actions would be taken.

XIV. Ordinance 2016-05

On motion by Councilman Richardson and Seconded by Vice Chairman Frierson, Council voted Unanimous Approval to Ordinance 2016-05 an Ordinance Authorizing (1) the Execution and Delivery of a Fee In Lieu of Tax and Incentive Agreement By and Between Clarendon County, South Carolina (“County”) and One or More Investors Collectively Identified for the time being as Project Gordon I, Each Acting for itself, One or more Current or Future Affiliates, and Other Project Sponsors (Collectively, “Company”), Pursuant to Which the County shall Covenant to Accept Certain Negotiated Fees in Lieu of Ad Valorem Taxes with Respect to the Establishment of Certain Facilities in the County (‘Project’); (2) Certain Special Source revenue Credits with Respect to the Project; ((3) the Enlargement of the Boundaries of An Existing Multi-County Industrial or Business Park to Include Therein Certain Additional Property in Connection with the Project; and (4) Other Matters Relating Thereto.

XV Ordinance 2016-06

On motion by Councilman Blakely and Seconded by Vice Chairman Frierson, Council voted Unanimous Approval to Ordinance 2016-05 an Ordinance Authorizing (1) the Execution and Delivery of a Fee In Lieu of Tax and Incentive Agreement By and Between Clarendon County, South Carolina (“County”) and One or More Investors Collectively Identified for the time being as Project Gordon II, Each Acting for itself, One or more Current or Future Affiliates, and Other Project Sponsors (Collectively, “Company”), Pursuant to Which the County shall Covenant to Accept Certain Negotiated Fees in Lieu of Ad Valorem Taxes with Respect to the Establishment of Certain Facilities in the County (‘Project’); (2) Certain Special Source revenue Credits with Respect to the Project; ((3) the Enlargement of the Boundaries of An Existing Multi-County Industrial or Business Park to Include Therein Certain Additional Property in Connection with the Project; and (4) Other Matters Relating Thereto.

XVI Ordinance 2016-07

On motion by Councilman English and Seconded by Councilman Richardson, Council voted Unanimous Approval to 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 Taxes Revenues; Authorizing the County to use the Fund for General Infrastructure of the County; and Other Related Matters.

XVII. Request

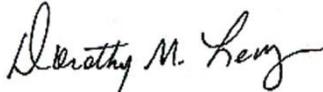
On motion by Councilman Blakely and Seconded by Vice Chairman Frierson, Council voted Unanimous Approval to appoint Ms. Carrie Sinkler-Parker to the Wateree Community Action Board replacing Mr. Thomas L. Harvin.

XVIII. 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 Councilman Blakely, Council voted Unanimous approval to adjourn the Council meeting. The Council Meeting ended at 7:58 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,



Dorothy M. Levy
Clerk to Clarendon County Council

