



## Clarendon County Regular Council Meeting Monday, January 9, 2017 - 6:00 PM Council Chambers, Manning, SC

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### 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:** Bobby Baker, The Manning Times

### Others in attendance included:

Lynden Anthony                      Joe Witt                      Nathaniel Dyson                      Jennifer Powell                      Maria Rose  
Linda Lemon                      And other Clarendon County Residents

Chairman Stewart called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm with welcoming comments. 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 Richardson and seconded by Vice Chairman Frierson, Council voted Unanimous Approval to the Agenda for January 9, 2017.

### II. Approval of Minutes

On motion by Councilman English and seconded by Councilman Richardson, Council voted Unanimous Approval to the council meeting minutes for the Regular Council Meeting, which was held on December 12, 2016 with two corrections.

### III. Ordinance 2016-09

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

### IV. Executive Session

Chairman Stewart asked for a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss two issues.

1. Personnel Matter - Administration
2. Legal Briefing / Contractual Matter - Finance

On motion by Vice Chairman Frierson and Seconded by Councilman Richardson, Council voted Unanimous Approval to go into Executive Session to discuss a Personnel Matter in Administration and to receive a Legal Briefing / Contractual Matter in the Finance Department.

The Executive Session began at 6:05 pm.

## **V. Open Session**

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

On motion by Councilman Blakely and Seconded by Councilman Richardson, Council voted Unanimous Approval to come out of Executive Session and back into Open Session. The Executive Session ended at 7:06 pm.

Chairman Stewart stated that in Executive Session, Council discussed the renewal of Administrator Epperson's employment Contract and he asked what was the pleasure of Council.

- On motion by Vice Chairman Frierson and Seconded by Councilman Richardson, Council voted Unanimous Approval to renew Administrator Epperson's employment Contract for another two-years.
- Chairman Stewart stated that no action would be taken on the legal briefing / Contractual Matter in the Finance Department.

## **VI. Financial Report**

Mr. Lynden Anthony, CFO, began his report by stating that the General Fund had Expenditures of \$1,627,779 and Total Revenue of \$4,829,678 for the month ending December 31, 2016.

Mr. Anthony further stated that the Water and Sewer Department had Operating Revenue of \$380,777 and Operating Expenses of \$273,942 as of December 31, 2016. He stated that after depreciation, transfers, interest income, and Grant Revenue totaling \$21,496, the Water and Sewer Department had Net Utility income of \$128,331.

Mr. Anthony continued by stating that the Weldon Auditorium total Revenue for the month of December was \$23,525, and total Expenses of \$140,336. He stated that after transfers from the General Fund, Hospitality Tax and Accommodations Fund in the amount of \$125,000, the Weldon Auditorium ended the month of December with a Zero balance.

Mr. Anthony further stated that the C-Fund Program for the month of December 2016 had a Cash Balance of \$2,371,865 of which \$2,184,561 has been committed to remaining local paving projects, State Construction Projects in Progress and State Proviso Funds. He concluded his report by stating that the C-Fund Program had an Uncommitted Balance of \$187,304 as of the end of December 2016.

## **VII. Administrator's Report**

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

- Phase IB – had final walk through and waiting on DHEC approval.
- Phase II – sketchers are complete for easement requirements.
- DSS - Administrator Complex – Working on Architectural designs with Contractor
- Completing forms to get reimbursement by FEMA. There are 61 eligible individuals qualified for FEMA reimbursement in Clarendon County.
- Registration is open for Softball and Basketball at the Clarendon County Recreation Department.
- Transitions with the Sheriff's Department and the Probate Office are moving smoothly.
- Special Called meeting to be held on January 17, 2017 at 10 am.

## **VIII. Chairman's Report**

Chairman Stewart began his report by thanking everyone for the swearing in ceremony.

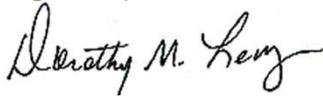
- Mr. Dyson asked Council about putting a Recycling Center in the area where he lives.
- Administrator Epperson stated that he would check to see if a septic tank could perk in that area.
- Councilman Blakely stated that the Town of Turbeville is very happy about the roadwork.

## IX. Adjournment

Chairman Stewart stated that we have exhausted our agenda and he declared the Council Meeting is adjourn. There were no opposes to adjourning the Council Meeting.

The Council Meeting ended at 7:26 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,



Dorothy M. Levy  
Clerk to Clarendon County Council

