



Clarendon County Regular Council Meeting Monday, September 8, 2014, 6:00 PM Clarendon County Council Chambers

Those in attendance:

Chairman Dwight L. Stewart, Jr.
Vice Chairman, W.J. Frierson, Sr.
Councilman, Billy G. Richardson
Councilman, Benton Blakely
Councilman, AC English
County Administrator, David W. Epperson
Clerk to Council, Dorothy M. Levy

Press in attendance: Jim Hilley, The Item, and Cathy Gilbert, Clarendon Citizen

Others in attendance included:

Lynden Anthony	Charlotte Johnston	Don Lane	Ann Windham
Susan Stroman	Linda Joyce	Jim Joyce	Donald Bethune
Yana K. Mathis	John Truluck	Frank Davis	Michael Kozlarek

And other Citizens of Clarendon County

Chairman Stewart called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm. Councilman Richardson led the invocation and asked everyone to remember the family of Mr. Henry Lawson. 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 Councilman Blakely, Council voted Unanimous Approval to the regular council meeting agenda for September 8, 2014.

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 Meeting, which was held on August 11, 2014 with minor corrections.

III. Resolution

Administrator Epperson presented Council with an Environmental Mitigation Resolution which is a requirement by USDA for the Letter of Conditions for Phase 2 of the Water Project. He concluded by stating that this Resolution states that the County agrees to follow the guidelines set forth in the Resolution.

On motion by Vice Chairman Frierson and seconded by Councilman Richardson, Council voted Unanimous Approval to the Environmental Mitigation Resolution presented by Administrator Epperson.

IV. Ordinance 2014-02

Consideration was given to the Third and Final Reading of Ordinance 2014-02, An Ordinance to amend Ordinance 2010-09, the Water and Sewer Department Ordinance.

On motion by Councilman English and seconded by Councilman Richardson, Council voted Unanimous Approval to the Third and Final Reading of Ordinance 2014-02, An Ordinance to amend Ordinance 2010-09, the Water and Sewer Department Ordinance.

V. Ordinance 2014-03

Ms. Maria Rose, Director of Clarendon County Planning Commission, presented Council with an Ordinance to Update the Clarendon County Unified Development Codes (UPC). She stated that the updates are recommendations from the Clarendon County Planning Commission in reference to Junk and Salvage Yards and the Airport Compatibility District.

Ms. Rose continued by stating that this update would give Council the authority to clean up areas around the airport that our citizens would not clean-up.

Administrator Epperson stated that the County would have to notify the landowners and give them a time limit to have the obstructions removed. He stated that after the time limit has passed, and the landowners have not removed the obstruction, the County could have the obstructions removed at the County's expense.

On motion by Councilman English and seconded by Vice Chairman Frierson, Council voted Unanimous Approval to the First Reading of Ordinance 2014-03, an Ordinance to update the Clarendon County Unified Development Codes (UDC).

VI. Financial Report

Mr. Lynden Anthony, Controller, began his report by stating that the General Fund had Expenditures of \$3,482,586 year-to-date and Revenue figures were not available. He continued by stating that all departments were operating within their budgets.

Mr. Anthony further stated that the Water and Sewer Department had Operating Revenue of \$119,621 and Operating Expenses of \$106,287. He stated that after depreciation and interest expense, the Water and Sewer Department had a Net Utility Loss of \$31,964.

Mr. Anthony continued by stating that the Weldon Auditorium had Total Revenue of \$1,550, Total Expenses of \$23,912 and a deficit of \$22,362, which were salary, and salary related expenses.

Mr. Anthony concluded his report by stating that the C-Fund Report for July was not available.

VII. Administrator's Report

Administrator Epperson began his report by stating that the Renovation of the Courthouse is ongoing. He stated that additional asbestos abatement and shoring have been completed.

He continued by giving Council an update on the Water Projects.

- Phase 1B – The project has been solicited and bids have been received and Alliance Engineering is negotiating with the lowest bidders.
- Phase 1C and Phase 2 – Plans are being finalized and we are still accepting signups.
- Phase II – Signups are still being accepted and 400 customers have signed up.

Administrator Epperson continued by giving Council an update on E-Waste Recycling. He stated that a lot of items (TV's, Computer screens and towers, etc...) are piling up at the Recycling Center so he made the decision to stop accepting these items at the recycling center temporarily. He further stated that these items could be dropped off at the Landfill.

Administrator Epperson concluded his report by stating that an Audit was performed on Legal Residents and 180 property owners are listed as having dual legal residency. He stated that the Audit went back to 2011 and the 180 property owners that were affected, would have to provide their driver's license or utility bill with the address of

their legal resident in order to prove residency. He further stated that once their legal residency is proven, additional taxes would have to be paid for the other properties.

VIII. Chairman's Report

Chairman Stewart began his report by recognizing Palmetto Shores RV Resorts owners that were present.

Mrs. Linda Joyce, Mr. Jim Joyce, and Mrs. Susan Stroman, Palmetto Shores RV Resort, Mrs. Joyce stated that they are working to beautify exit 102 in Clarendon County. She continued by stating that Palmetto Shores RV Resort is located on the shores of Lake Marion offering something for everyone.

Chairman Stewart continued by stating that he attended the annual board meeting of the Association of Counties, which was held in Hilton Head. He concluded his report by thanking the Media for reporting the good news of Clarendon County.

IX. Executive Session

Chairman Stewart asked for a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss an Economic Development project.

On motion by Vice Chairman Frierson and seconded by Councilman Richardson, Council voted Unanimous Approval to go into Executive Session to discuss an Economic Development project. The Executive Session began at 6:45 pm.

X. Open Session

Chairman Stewart asked for a motion to come out of Executive 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 7:14 pm.

Chairman Stewart stated that action would be taken. He continued by stating that they were given a legal briefing in Executive Session on a project under the name of "Project Peak".

XI. Ordinance 2014-04 (Title Only)

Consideration was given to First Reading of Ordinance 2014-04, an Ordinance Authorizing the Execution and Delivery of a Fee In Lieu of Tax Agreement and an Infrastructure Credit Agreement providing for payment for a Fee In Lieu of Taxes and an Infrastructure Credit by and between Clarendon County, South Carolina and a Company or Companies known to the County at this time collectively as "Project Peak" and other matters related thereto.

On motion by Councilman English and seconded by Councilman Richardson, Council voted Unanimous Approval to the First Reading of Ordinance 2014-04, , an Ordinance Authorizing the Execution and Delivery of a Fee In Lieu of Tax Agreement and an Infrastructure Credit Agreement providing for payment for a Fee In Lieu of Taxes and an Infrastructure Credit by and between Clarendon County, South Carolina and a Company or Companies known to the County at this time collectively as "Project Peak" and other matters related thereto.

XII. Resolution 2014-09

On motion by Councilman Richardson and seconded by Vice Chairman Frierson, Council voted Unanimous Approval to Resolution 2014-09, an Inducement Resolution providing for a Fee In Lieu of Tax Agreement and an Infrastructure Credit Agreement between Clarendon County and "Project Peak".

XIII. Resolution 2014-10

On motion by Vice Chairman Frierson and seconded by Councilman Richardson, Council voted Unanimous Approval to Resolution 2014-10, a Resolution of Clarendon County, South Carolina, authorizing the Chairman of

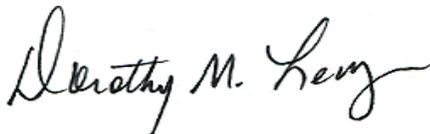
County Council or the County Administrator to Execute a PT-444 so as to Extend the Five-Year Exemption from Non-School and Non-Municipal Ad Valorem Taxation to "Project Peak"; and other matters relating there to.

IX. Adjournment

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

On motion by Vice Chairman Frierson and seconded by Councilman Blakely, Council voted Unanimous Approval to adjourn the council meeting. The Council Meeting ended at 7.17 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,



Dorothy M. Levy
Clerk to Clarendon County Council

