



Minutes
Clarendon County Council
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING
Wednesday, August 3, 2011
Weldon Auditorium, Manning, SC

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:

1. County Council Chairman, Dwight L. Stewart, Jr.
2. County Councilman Benton Blakely
3. County Councilman A.C. English, Jr.
4. County Councilman Billy Richardson

COUNTY STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:

- David W. Epperson, County Attorney
- William F. Houser, County Administrator
- Mia R. Jackson, Clerk to Council
- Linda Taylor, Dir. of Human Resources (?)

MEDIA PRESENT:

Vic MacDonald, *Manning Times*
Konstantin Vengerowsky, *Clarendon Citizen*
Bobby Baker, *The Item Newspaper*

- I. Chairman Dwight Stewart called the meeting of the Clarendon County Council to order at 6:01 pm on August 3, 2011.
- II. Chairman Richardson performed the invocation.
- III. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited in unison.
- IV. Upon motion from Councilman Richardson, seconded by Councilman English, *Council unanimously approved the agenda as presented.*
- V. County Administrator, Bill Houser presented to Council a copy of the Letter of Conditions from the USDA on Phase 1A of the county's Water project. Mr. Houser welcomed Rusty Craven from USDA Walterboro office to the meeting and indicated to council that Mr. Craven had gone above and beyond in assisting Clarendon County in obtaining the funding for the Phase I-A project. The additional funding of \$1,007,800 is an extension of funding to the original Phase I in the amount of \$4,530,000. The new total of funding is \$5,537,800 for Phase I and Phase IA.

Phase IA is a high pressure line from Highway 301 to Raccoon Road. Another master meter will be connected with the City of Manning Water System at the intersection of Hector Walker Road and Raccoon Road. This new additional Phase should include approximately 25 to 40 additional water customers to the county system. Mr. Craven stated that the amendment that is being signed tonight is an extension to the Letter of Conditions signed under the Phase I loan and grant. The funding for forty (40) years payment and pledge by the complete water system owned and operated by Clarendon County.

The additional \$1,007,800 is at a maximum interest rate of 3.375%. The original loan was at a maximum of 3.5%. However, the interest rate could be lower depending on the rate at the time of final closing; but, would be no higher than the guaranteed maximum amount as stated above. All other requirements remain the same as the original Letter of Conditions for Phase I.

Motion was made by Councilman English, seconded by Councilman Richardson, *Council approved the acceptance of the Letter of Conditions and authorized the execution of the Resolution.*

- VI. There being no further business to discuss upon motion by Councilman Richardson, seconded by Councilman English, council adjourned the meeting of August 3, 2011.

Respectfully submitted
Denise Fenters
Temporary Clerk to Council
Senior Secretary
Clarendon County Administration

CERTIFICATION OF PUBLIC AND MEDIA NOTIFICATION

I, Mia R. Jackson, Clerk to Council, Clarendon County Council, Manning, South Carolina, do hereby certify that public and media notification of the County Council Meeting of July 11, 2011 was given prior thereto by the following means:

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MANNER NOTIFIED: Agenda placed on the Clarendon County Website, Clarendon County Courthouse and at Weldon Auditorium

DATE POSTED: July 8, 2011

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Respectfully submitted,

Mia R. Jackson

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