

**RICHLAND COUNTY COUNCIL
REGULAR SESSION
JANUARY 20, 2004
6:00 P.M.**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Bernice G. Scott, Chair; Joan B. Brady, Vice-Chair; Susan Brill; Paul Livingston; Joseph McEachern; L. Gregory Pearce, Jr.; Kit Smith; Thelma M. Tillis; James Tuten, Doris M. Corley, Tony Mizzell

OTHERS PRESENT: T. Cary McSwain, Larry Smith, Milton Pope, Tony McDonald, Michielle Cannon-Finch, Ashley Bloom, Stephany Snowden, Monique Walters, Michael Criss, Carrie Neal, Harry Reid, Chief Harrell, Marsheika Martin

CALL TO ORDER – The meeting was called to order at approximately 6:00 p.m.

INVOCATION – The Invocation was given by the Honorable Bernice G. Scott.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

HAPPY BELATED BIRTHDAY – Paul Livingston (January 3, 2004)

CITIZEN'S INPUT – No one spoke to any agenda items at this time.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Ms. Smith requested to add items on the agenda that were discussed at the Council Retreat. These items will be added as item-3.

Mr. Tuten moved, seconded by Ms. Brady, to adopt the agenda as amended. The vote in favor was unanimous.

REPORT OF COUNTY ATTORNEY FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION ITEMS

Mr. Larry Smith, County Attorney, stated no items are on the agenda to be discussed in Executive Session.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – January 6, 2004: Regular Session

Ms. Brady moved, seconded by Mr. Tuten, to approve the minutes. The vote in favor was unanimous.

REPORT OF THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

- a. **Review of the Council Retreat** – Mr. T. Cary McSwain, County Administrator, thanked staff for all of their hard work in preparing for the retreat. He stated that the Council's goals that were agreed upon at the Retreat will be available soon for approval. He also thanked Council for their participation.

REPORT OF THE CLERK OF COUNCIL

SCAC – Michielle Cannon-Finch, Clerk of Council, reminded Council of the South Carolina Association of Counties 17th Annual Mid-Year Conference. She reported that the deadline for registration is Friday, March 5th.

OPEN/CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS – There were no public hearing items on the agenda.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT ITEMS

Ms. Brady moved, seconded by Ms. Brill, to approve the following items for Second Reading:

Mr. Ray Jones gave a brief report regarding the ordinance authorizing the creation of the Village at Sandhill Improvement District.

- **Ordinance authorizing the creation of the Village at Sandhill Improvement District** [Second Reading]
- **Ordinance authorizing and providing for the issuance and sale of not exceeding \$25,000,000 the Village at Sandhill Improvement District Assessment Revenue Bonds of Richland County, South Carolina** [Second Reading]

The vote in favor was unanimous.

REPORT OF RULES AND APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE

Notification of Vacancies on Boards, Commissions, and Committees

Mr. McEachern notified Council of the following vacancies:

- **Accommodations Tax Committee – 1**
- **Board of Zoning of Adjustments and Appeals – 2**
- **Building Code Adjustments and Appeals – 1**

Notification of Appointments to Boards, Commissions and Committees

Board of Assessment Appeals – 1

Mr. McEachern stated there is one appointment to be made to this committee. The vote was as follows:

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Rosen Thomas
Pearce
Corley
Mizzell
Brady
Brill
McEachern

Mr. Joseph B. Rosen was appointed with six votes.

**Employee Grievance Committee – 3
Internal Audit Committee – 2**

Mr. McEachern stated the committee recommended for these boards to be re-advertised because no applications were received. The vote in favor was unanimous.

Lexington/Richland Alcohol and Drug Abuse Council – 2

Mr. McEachern stated there are two vacancies on this board with two applications received. The committee recommended appointing Mr. John Durst and Mr. Sam Morton to the board. The vote in favor was unanimous.

COUNCIL RETREAT ITEMS

Owens Field – Mr. McEachern moved, seconded by Mr. Tuten, to extend the FBO contract through June 20, 2004. The vote in favor was unanimous.

Budget Calendar – Mr. Livingston moved, seconded by Mr. Pearce, to approve the revised calendar as submitted. The vote in favor was unanimous.

Land Development Code Calendar – Ms. Brady moved and it was seconded to approve changes to the calendar as submitted. The vote in favor was unanimous.

Cellular Towers Ordinance – Ms. Smith moved, seconded by Mr. McEachern, to strike “Resolution” and replace it with “Ordinance” and give the Ordinance first reading approval.

A discussion took place.

Ms. Smith requested to strike the language “interim” also because the ordinance would be the process. It would state, “An ordinance adopting application process with cell towers.....”.

The vote in favor was unanimous.

Flood Plain Management – Ms. Smith moved, seconded by Mr. Mizzell, to forward amendments to the Development and Services Committee.

Ms. Scott made a substitute motion, seconded by Mr. Pearce, to give First Reading approval by title only and forward to Committee.

The vote was as follows for the substitute motion:

<u>In favor</u>	<u>Oppose</u>
Pearce	Livingston
Corley	Mizzell
Scott	Brady
	Tuten
	Brill
	McEachern
	Smith
	Tillis

The motion failed.

CITIZEN’S INPUT – No one spoke at this time.

MOTION PERIOD – There were no motions.

ADJOURNMENT – The meeting adjourned at approximately 6:55 p.m.

Bernice G. Scott, Chair

Joan B. Brady, Vice-Chair

Susan Brill

Doris M. Corley

Paul Livingston

Joseph McEachern

Anthony G. Mizzell

L. Gregory Pearce, Jr.

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Kit Smith

Thelma M. Tillis

James Tuten

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