

ANDERSON COUNTY COUNCIL
ANDERSON, SOUTH CAROLINA

Regular Meeting June 6, 2000 - 6:00 p.m.

Linda N. Gilstrap, Clerk to Council

MINUTES

All area newspapers, radio stations and television stations were informed of this meeting in compliance with guidelines set forth in the *Freedom of Information Act*.

PRESENT

G. Fred Tolly - District #1
Gracie S. Floyd - District #2
Larry E. Greer - District #3
Vice Chairman Clint Wright - District #4
Chairman J. Mike Holden - District #5
Joey Preston - Administrator
Tom Martin - County Attorney
Linda N. Gilstrap - Clerk to Council

The official meeting of the Anderson County Council convened in the Council Chambers of the Historic Courthouse on Tuesday, June 6, 2000 at 6:00 p.m.

Mr. Clint Wright gave the invocation and everyone stood and pledged allegiance to the flag.

On the motion of Mr. Greer, seconded by Mr. Tolly, Council voted unanimously to approve the minutes from the May 16, 2000 and the May 23, 2000 meetings as mailed.

County Council presented Fire Chief Glenn Gable with a check in the amount of \$15,481.12 for their participation and hard work during the Freedom Weekend

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Event. Chief Gable thanked Council for the nice Fire Fighters Memorial at the Civic Center.

Mr. Joey Preston announced that Anderson County was chosen as one of the All American City award recipients in Louisville, Kentucky. He explained that the award was one of the oldest and most prestigious community recognition award in the country - like the Olympics for civic awards. It recognizes grass roots community problem solving and is given to communities who cooperatively tackle challenges and achieve results. For 50 years the All American City Award has encouraged and recognized civic excellence and honoring communities of all sizes; cities, towns, counties, neighborhoods and regions in which citizens, government, businesses, and volunteer organizations work together to address critical local issues. Anderson County is proud to be one of the 10 winners across the country. Mr. Preston recognized all individuals involved in the process - Mr. Rick Bradshaw with Allstate Insurance Company, was thanked for all of his help, Ms. Katherine Smith wrote the application, Mr. Leo Smith-Team Captain, Mr. Russell Harriss, Mayor Richard Shirley, Mr. John Miller, Mr. Fred Foster, Mr. John Garman, Mr. Tom Martin, Ms. Gracie Floyd and Mr. Larry Greer. All were thanked for their efforts helping win the award.

Public comments: Mr. Dan Waldsmith, Jr. - of Wilmac Drive in Rock Mill Precinct asked Council to consider a new referendum for the Rock Mill Precinct because of all the controversy surrounding the one they just had. Mr. Richard Arielly - of the Rock Mill Voting Precinct called Council's attention to certain issues of the Rock Mill Precinct. Mr. Bob Seelye - of Stone Creek Cove talked about the inconsistencies of the Rock Mill Referendum - asked for another referendum, Ms. Marilyn Waldsmith said that some people in the County did not understand zoning and the anti-zoning people took advantage of this, she urged Council to call for another referendum in the area. Ms. June Emery of 3444 Highway 81 North representing 14 landowners between Bowen Road and Bowen Drive said that the Planning Commission unanimously agreed to give them commercial use of their property and the map still shows them as residential. She asked Council to uphold the Planning Commission's decision of commercial classification, Ms. Nancy Webb congratulated County Council for providing the "vehicle" for progressive leadership to flourish in

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regards to the All American City Award. She said that the County has moved from a "can't do county" to a "can do county" which has been a wonderful evolution to watch, Mr. John Garman talked about all the work done on the All American City Award and thanked everyone involved in the process, Mr. Ronald Lubsen asked Council to lift the building moratorium in the Rock Mill area. Mr. Norman Craft of Selwyn Drive complained of the loud music at JT's Country Music establishment. He has called the Sheriff's office over a hundred times and still they will not enforce the noise ordinance. Ms. Debbie Sloan of Deer Run Subdivision stated that there was some confusion on zoning. She asked for a clarification on the number of cows per acre and if zoning can cause an individual to loose their land. Mr. Jeff Ricketson responded to the questions.

Mr. Larry Greer presented Resolution #R2000-028 to the Crescent Girls Softball team as #1 in 2-A State Softball competition. Mr. Greer commended the team for an outstanding championship title. All members of Council congratulated the girls.

Mr. Donald C. Deremo of Stone Creek Cove of the Rock Mill precinct asked for a new referendum in the Rock Mill voting precinct because of certain issues involving the referendum held. He asked Council to grant a re-zoning referendum and presented Council a petition. Council received as information.

Ms. Tammy A. Collins of 107 Carter Road stated that the residents of the Rock Mill community, asked that no more tax dollars be spent concerning the issue of another referendum. She said the majority has spoken.

Mr. Jerry Howard announced that they had received a written offer to purchase 12 acres at the Airport from an Ohio based manufacturer who plans on investing about \$2 Million. They will create approximately 25 new jobs and will be the County's first manufacturing tenant at the airport. He said that an ordinance must be approved prior to selling county owned property and recommended Council give first reading approval to allow the transaction. Mr. Tolly moved to approve on first reading by title only Ordinance #2000-037 and Ms. Floyd seconded. Vote was unanimous.

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Council held a public hearing (only) for Ordinance #2000-025 - an ordinance amending Ordinance #99-004, the Anderson County Zoning Ordinance, as adopted July 20, 1999, by amending the Anderson County Official Zoning Map to adopt a zoning map in the Hopewell Voting Precinct. The following individuals spoke during the public hearing: Dan McKinney of 4034 Windward Trail in the Hopewell Community asked that Council reconsider the map, Steve Kirven Hwy. 81 North - representing William Thompson, Trisha Drew, Sandy Kirven who owns 30 acres on 81 and Hopewell Road asked for changes to classification from residential to commercial on their property. Cindy Wilson invited Council to the first public information forum dealing with growth issues. The zoning ordinances that we currently have will not work and the subdivision regulations also need to be strengthened and enforced, she said. Jim Broyles, a resident of Hopewell Community, asked Council to consider reclassifying his property from residential to commercial. Lynn Powell 3424 Hwy. 81 North asked that her property be considered as commercial. Johnny Caldwell of 3518 Hopewell Road also asked Council to change the way his property has been classified (from residential to commercial). Sherry Davis of 3434 Hwy. 81 north also asked for property to be zoned as commercial instead of residential. Vince Price of Hwy 81 north, between Concord and McGee Road also asked for zoning changes from residential to commercial. The public hearing was declared closed.

Mr. Martin explained that Ordinance #2000-017 - an ordinance amending Ordinance #99-004, the Anderson County Zoning Ordinance, as adopted July 20, 1999, by amending the Anderson County Official Zoning Map to adopt a zoning map in the Rock Mill voting precinct was placed on the agenda for consideration on third reading. He noted that the referendum held for zoning was voted down therefore Council needed to lift the building moratorium in the Rock Mill area. Mr. Greer moved to remove Ordinance #2000-017 from the table and Mr. Wright seconded. Vote was unanimous. Mr. Greer moved to approve Ordinance #2000-017 in order to get on the floor for discussion. Mr. Wright seconded. Council discussed. Mr. Martin explained that a re-zoning request could only be heard after one year according to the zoning ordinance. After a long discussion, Mr. Greer called for the question. Vote on the ordinance on third reading was none in favor

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and five opposed adoption of the ordinance on third reading. The ordinance was voted DOWN on third reading and is therefore a DEAD ordinance. Mr. Martin stated again that a new referendum could not be conducted for one year.

On the motion of Mr. Greer, seconded by Mr. Wright, Council voted unanimously to approve first reading by title only of Ordinance #2000-038 - an ordinance amending Ordinance #99-004, the Anderson County Zoning Ordinance, as adopted July 20, 1999, by amending the Anderson County Official Zoning Map in the High Point Voting Precinct.

On the motion of Mr. Wright, seconded by Mr. Greer, Council officially voted to lift the building moratorium in the Rock Mill voting precinct.

On the motion of Mr. Tolly, seconded by Mr. Greer, Council voted unanimously to approve Resolution #R2000-029 - a resolution amending in certain limited particulars only, those resolutions imposing a building permit moratorium in specific voting precincts in Anderson County, South Carolina; and other matters relating thereto.

On the motion of Ms. Floyd, seconded by, Council voted unanimously to approve Resolution #R2000-030 - a resolution allowing the Administrator to execute and submit an application to the State Authority for a S.C. Water Quality Revolving Fund Authority loan in the amount of approximately \$5,659,563.00 to finance the costs of construction so listed in the County's Sewer Program.

On the motion of Mr. Greer, seconded by Mr. Tolly, Council voted unanimously to approve Resolution #R2000-032 - a resolution imposing a building permit moratorium in the High Point Voting Precinct, Anderson County, South Carolina, and other matters pertaining thereto.

Mr. Larry Greer talked about road S-4-714 (runs between State Hwy. 181 and Opry House Road). He placed information at each member's station indicating that this road was abandoned by the State in 1989 and was supposed to be

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abandoned by Anderson County. The minutes were searched and was not found where action was taken. Mr. Greer moved to re-affirm Anderson County's intent to abandon interest in and maintenance of road S-4-714. Mr. Tolly seconded and vote was unanimous.

Mr. Greer stated that Santee Cooper requested an Encroachment Permit along this road (S-4-714) and in fairness to the property owners he would like to deny the encroachment permit pending that Santee Cooper works out an agreement with the effected property owners. Mr. Wright seconded and vote was unanimous.

On the motion of Ms. Floyd, seconded by Mr. Greer, Council voted unanimously to approve an appropriation of \$2,000 from District #2 Recreation funds for the Royal Recreational and Enrichment Center.

On the motion of Mr. Wright, seconded by Mr. Greer, Council voted unanimously to approve the list of ACTC roads for paving. These will be added to the paving contract.

On the motion of Mr. Wright, seconded by Mr. Greer, Council voted unanimously to approve a change order for engineering services for the Hwy. 76/Sandy Springs Project in the amount of \$13,675.

On the motion of Mr. Wright, seconded by Mr. Tolly, Council voted unanimously to approve change Order #12 for the Hwy 76/Sandy Springs Sewer Project in the amount of \$60,443.50.

Mr. Preston asked that he be allowed to review the new Zoning 9 EMS Contract for another 30 days to come up with a proposal. This will come back to council for action.

Mr. Chuck Watkins, Manager of the new Anderson County Records Center, gave Council a brief over-view of the new department.

Mr. Wright asked Mr. Martin to develop an amendment to have all mobile home parks approved by the Planning Commission for the next meeting.

Mr. Greer requested that Mr. Preston explore the possibility of assisting our Council Clerk with converting the Council minutes to a computer disc year by year so that Council could have access to these records when needed. Mr. Preston said that he already has made provisions for that request.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:

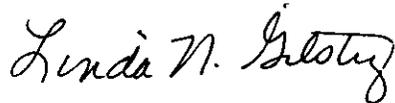
- (a) Certificates and Training:
 - 1. Mr. Michael K. Shouse, Mr. John Hindman - FAA Aircraft & Rescue Fire Fighting Training Course
 - 2. Ms. Laura Johnson - IS-195 Basic Incident Command System
- (b) Letters of Appreciation:
 - 1. For: Mr. Preston and Members of Council From: Human Relations Council
 - 2. For: Mr. Jerry Banister and Crew From: Mr. Norbert R. Steeber - Sedgewood Homeowners' Association
 - 3. For: 911 Operator Dollie Cunningham From: Pam Garner Communications Lieutenant
 - 4. For: Mr. Bob Daly From: Pam Garner Communications Lieutenant
 - 5. For: Kim Cheslack, Shift Supervisor, Pam Garner, Communications Lieutenant, Susan Pierce, Training Officer, and Laura Johnson, Shift Supervisors From: Mr. Gerald Shealy
- (c) Government Finance Officers Association Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting
- (d) Impact Statement - Omega Project
- (e) Grant Award for Drug Control System Program entitled "Anderson County Sheriff's Office Remote Latent Workstation"
- (f) "Anderson County Detention Center Regional Drug Analysis Laboratory"

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- (g) DHEC Grant Reimbursement
- (h) Minutes:
 - 1. Human Relations Council - May 11, 2000 Meeting
 - 2. Economic Development Advisory Board
- (i) Reports:
 - 1. Recreation Fund Account
 - 2. District Paving Report
 - 3. Inmate Litter Report May 8-12, 2000
 - 4. Inmate Litter Report May 15-19, 2000
 - 5. Public Works Litter Report March 7-May 19, 2000
- (j) Notification of Community Planning Meetings
- (k) Process and Procedures of Zoning
- (l) Anderson County Meals on Wheels News Letter

There being no further business, Council adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Linda N. Gilstrap, Clerk
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