

**CHESTERFIELD COUNTY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
COUNTY COUNCIL MULTI-PURPOSE BUILDING
JULY 11, 2007 9:00 A.M.**

PRESENT: Chairman J. Matthew Rivers, Vice-Chair Lenora V. Powe, Council Members: Gerald L. Miller, G. Franklin Plyler, Anne Brumley, Bruce E. Rivers, Robert G. Cole, Crawford Moore, Administrator J. Ronald Thurman, and Clerk to Council Michelle Sellers. There were others attending the meeting who did not sign the sign-in sheet. Council Member Kenneth A. Johnson was not present.

CALL TO ORDER AND PRAYER

Chairman J. Matthew Rivers welcomed everyone and Administrator J. Ronald Thurman opened the meeting with prayer.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Chairman J. Matthew Rivers requested an amendment to the agenda in that Council will go in Executive Session to discuss update on E-85, tax abatement matter with Frontier Spinning, Surplus Property Contractual Matter, Election Commission (legal matter), and payoff of debt matter. Council Member Cole made a motion to adopt the agenda with approved amendments. Council Member Moore seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a. June 6, 2007 Regular Meeting

Council Member Miller made a motion to approve the June 6, 2007 regular meeting minutes. Council Member Brumley seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous.

b. June 27, 2007 Special Meeting

Council Member Moore made a motion to approve the June 27, 2007 regular meeting minutes with amendment to page 14. Council Member Cole seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous.

SIGNING OF BONDS, PAYROLL, AND AUTHORIZATIONS

None

APPOINTMENTS

None

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

PUBLIC HEARINGS

a. Economic Development Board Amendment Public Hearing

Council Member Plyler made a motion to open the public hearing. Council Member Miller seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. There were no oral comment from the public made at the meeting nor were any written comments received from the public.

Council Member Powe made a motion to close the Public Hearing. Council Member Brumley seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous.

b. Loader Lease Purchase Public Hearing

Council Member Bruce E. Rivers made a motion to open the public hearing. Council Member Powe seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. There were no oral comments from the public made at the meeting nor were any written comments received from the public.

Council Member Brumley made a motion to close the public hearing. Council Member Miller seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous.

ORDINANCE READINGS AND RESOLUTIONS

a. Economic Development Board Ordinance Amendment - 3rd Reading

Council Member Miller made a motion to pass 3rd reading. Council Member Moore seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous.

b. Loader Lease Purchase Ordinance - 3rd Reading

Council Member Powe made a motion to pass 3rd reading. Council Member Bruce E. Rivers seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous.

ITEMS SUBMITTED BY COUNCIL

a. Standing Rules Amendment – Chairman J. Matthew Rivers

The Chesterfield County Council Standing Rules may be amended under item 7 by including any proposed amendments in the proposed agenda mailed or delivered to all members. With this notice, a rule or rules may be amended by a simple majority vote of Council. The following changes are recommended by Chairman J. Matthew Rivers:

1. Amend item 4 to read:

The Chairman, with the Assistance of the Administrator, shall prepare or cause to be prepared the Notice of meeting with a proposed agenda which shall be mailed or delivered to all members no later than the Friday immediately prior to the meeting and shall contain all items submitted by 5:00 p.m. on the Tuesday one week prior to the meeting. (5 business days prior to the next meeting date)

Members who wish to introduce any item shall contact the chairman, pursuant to the above, for committee assignment as deemed appropriate by the Chairman. Thereafter, a copy of the item or a thorough narrative describing same shall be included in the proposed agenda along with a notation by the Chairman regarding the details of committee assignment, if any. If assigned, the item shall be taken as information and returned to the agenda as either the committee chair or submitting member deems appropriate.

At the beginning of the meeting, the proposed agenda shall be submitted for adoption, and then additional emergency items, occurring after the time noted herein,

may be added and any proposed items deleted by means of amendment. Once the agenda has been adopted, it cannot be changed except by two-thirds vote for such change.

2. Amend Item 16 (a) to read and add Section C
Meeting Pursuant to the timeline of item 4 herein.

(c) Provided, further that all matters addressed by members of the public in the portion of the Agenda entitled “Public Comments” shall be limited to four (4) minutes per speaker and twenty (20) minutes per subject which shall be addressed by members no earlier than the next regular monthly meeting pursuant to Item 4 herein. Additionally, during said commentary, all persons addressing council shall not question, poll or otherwise engage council or its members whom shall likewise refrain from such activity.

Council Member Powe made a motion to approve the amendment to Item two (2) of the Standing Rules. Council Member Moore seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous.

Council Member Powe made a motion to approve the amendment to Item Four (4) of the Standing Rules. Council Member Bruce E. Rivers seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous.

ITEMS SUBMITTED BY STAFF

a. Courthouse Renovation and Expansion Update – Administrator Thurman

The work on the Family Courtroom is complete and there will be a small dedication of the Courtroom. The central Magistrate office in Chesterfield is now completed.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

a. Loader Lease Purchase Bid Award

Chesterfield County accepted proposals for the financing of the Loader Lease Purchase Agreement until Tuesday, July 10, 2007. Council Member Bruce E. Rivers made a motion to award BB& T the Loader Lease Purchase Bid. Council Member Brumley seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous.

b. Strategic Marketing Plan Award

Ms. Cherry McCoy, Economic Development is now ready for Council to award the bid for a strategic marketing plan, Target Industry Study and Marketing Implementation. The Economic Committee recommends the bid be awarded to Sanford Holshouser.

Council Member Plyler made a motion to award the bid to Sanford Holshouser as recommend by the Economic Development Committee. Council Member Bruce E. Rivers seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Lenora V. Powe

The Public Defender's Office is now up and running. On June 29, 2007 the SCDOT & DHEC meeting in reference to the #9 project. The project is progressing.

Franklin Plyler

None

Crawford Moore

None

Robert G. Cole

None

Bruce E. Rivers

None

Kenneth Al Johnson

None

Anne Brumley

None

Chairman J. Matthew Rivers

Census Issue Meeting Space and Staff. Also if any council members has any suggestions for the Annual Conference in Hilton Head.

Gerald Miller

None

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Chairman J. Matthew Rivers recommended Council enter into Executive Session in accordance with S.C. Law, Section 30-4-70 of the S.C. Code of Laws, to discuss the update on E-85, tax abatement matter (Frontier Spinning), Surplus Property, Election Commission (Legal Matter), and Payoff debt matter.

Council Member Moore made a motion to enter Executive Session. Council Member Powe seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Council Member Miller made a motion to exit Executive Session. Council Member Powe seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous.

REGULAR SESSION

Chairman J. Matthew Rivers reported Council is back in regular session. No motions were made and no action was taken in Executive Session.

Council Member Cole made a motion to continue tax abatement with Frontier Spinning Machinery. Council Member Moore seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous.

Council Member Bruce E. Rivers made a motion to pay off Spec Building with monies on hand. Council Member Plyler seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous.

Council Member Miller made a motion to declare fourteen (14) law enforcement vehicles as surplus property. Council Member Bruce E. Rivers seconded the motion.

Council Member Bruce E. Rivers made a motion to enter into a contract with Bobby Jones Ford for sale of the fourteen (14) law enforcement surplus property for \$32,000.00. Council Member Powe seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous.

ADJOURN

Council Member Powe made a motion to adjourn. Council Member Miller seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous.

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

J. MATTHEW RIVERS, CHAIRMAN

MICHELLE SELLERS
CLERK TO COUNCIL

DATE:_____