

ORIGINAL

ANDERSON COUNTY COUNCIL ANDERSON, SOUTH CAROLINA

Regular Meeting - January 17, 1989 - 7:00 p.m.

Linda N. Gilstrap, Clerk

M I N U T E S

A regular meeting of the Anderson County Council was held on January 17, 1989 at 7:00 p.m. in the Anderson County Council Chambers - Room 109. Chairman James M. "Jimmy" Cox, Jr. presided.

PRESENT

James M. "Jimmy" Cox, Jr. - District #1
David L. Hooper - District #2
Harvie E. Banister - District #3
Elise C. Cahaly - District #4
Mike Holden - District #5
David Watson - County Administrator
David Standeffer - County Attorney
Jack Crowe - Purchasing Manager
Linda N. Gilstrap - Clerk

Chairman Cox called the meeting to order and Councilman David Hooper gave the invocation. Everyone stood and pledged allegiance to the flag.

On the motion of Mr. Hooper, seconded by Ms. Cahaly, Council voted unanimously to approve the minutes from the December 20, 1988 and January 3, 1989 meetings as mailed.

Mr. Dave Peters, next on the agenda, was unable to attend and asked that the item be placed on the February 7th meeting agenda.

Council recognized Sheriff Taylor next on the agenda. He called the Council's attention to a letter at their stations concerning his 1988-89 fiscal year budget and requested that some money budgeted for constables and money from positions adjusted downward be shifted to adjust 6 other positions upward. This would save about \$42,000 which would result in a net savings of \$32,000 after the positions are upgraded. Mr. Cox asked if this could be delayed until budget time so the Council could get the whole picture. Council discussed the Sheriff raising salaries. Sheriff Taylor explained that several of the people recommended to be upgraded, left positions that paid more to come to Anderson County and was promised that their salaries would be increased as quickly as possible. Ms. Cahaly said the proper procedure would be to go through the Administrator. Mr. Banister moved that the request be held off until budget time. Mr. Cox seconded. Council discussed. Sheriff Taylor also called the Council's attention to a request for additional employees at budget time. Mr. Holden amended the motion

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that the positions recommended to be adjusted down be approved and Mr. Cox seconded. Mr. Hooper moved to table the request until David Watson can study. Mr. Holden seconded and vote was unanimous.

Chairman Cox explained to Sheriff Taylor that there was a problem with removal of holidays from Sheriff deputies since they were County employees and policy decisions must be approved by County Council. He explained to Council that the department was short staffed and the need for protection during holidays. Mr. Watson said that the County needed a consistent policy and would propose a study be done that will study all positions held by county employees with written job descriptions.

Mr. Tony Cirelli presented third reading of Ordinance #272 asking that the following fee schedule be adopted as part of the Land Use and Development Standards of Anderson County.

1. Commercial/Industrial Site Plan Reviews.
\$40.00 minimum plus \$1.00 for every sq. ft. of gross floor area over 2000 square feet with a \$500 minimum.
2. Multi-Family Site Plan Review.
\$40.00 minimum plus \$1.00 for each dwelling unit over 15 units.
3. Mobile Home Park Site Plan Review.
\$40.00 minimum plus \$1.00 for each Mobile Home unit over 15 units.
4. Sign Plan Reviews.
\$15.00 for review of location signs on premise unless included in original site plan.
\$15.00 for review of a permanent outdoor advertising sign or free standing off premise sign.

Mr. Hooper moved to approve Ordinance #272 on third reading as presented and Mr. Holden seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Chairman Cox presented Resolution #487 proclaiming January 9-15 as D.B. Walker Week. Rev. Walker has been pastor of the Liberty Baptist Church for 40 years. He then moved that the resolution be approved and Mr. Banister seconded. Mr. Hooper asked that the Resolution be framed and presented to Rev. Walker. Vote was unanimous.

Mr. Holden moved to appropriate \$2,000 from District #5 - Special Projects Fund for Homeland Park Fire Department. Mr. Cox seconded and vote was 5-0.

Mr. Holden brought up the contract with the City for the use of the old Stockade. He suggested that the City continue to use the building under the present terms of the contract. Mr. Burns said that the

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contract would be reviewed monthly. Mr. Holden moved to allow the City to continue to use the building per the contract and Mr. Hooper seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Chairman Cox appointed Forest Suggs to fill a vacancy on the Courthouse Building Authority.

Council recessed for 5 minutes at 7:50 p.m.

Chairman Cox appointed Mr. Holden to serve on the ANATS Committee, Mr. Hooper to serve on HAZMAT. Mr. Hooper asked that he be replaced on the Council of Governments Board. Chairman Cox appointed Elise Cahaly.

Mr. Watson gave the following report on ENS. He said that the contract terminates the end of January and Mr. Shore has agreed not to cut off service. Mr. Crowe explained that the guaranteed rate to the users is for one year, the guaranteed rate to the County is for two years. The cost of a County run system would be approximately \$349,000 and all patients would be bill for services and expenses. Anderson Ambulance would charge \$12,250 per month for a 24 month period. They would like to purchase equipment from the County at \$42,500 (12% interest) for two years making a gross payment to the County of \$53,963.72. If the County takes that as a credit the monthly payment to Anderson Ambulance Service will be \$10,001.51. Mr. Banister asked that the equipment be appraised. Council agreed that the County run system would cost twice as much as the proposal from Anderson Ambulance Service. Chairman Cox suggested that the Council appoint a 7 member committee to study and recommend to Council a solution. Mr. Hooper moved that a 7 member committee be appointed to study and report back within 60 days and Mr. Cox seconded. Vote was two in favor (Cox, Hooper) and three opposed (Banister, Holden, Cahaly). Motion failed. Mr. Banister moved that Council make a decision within 60 days and Mr. Holden seconded. Vote was two in favor (Banister, Cox) and three opposed (Hooper, Cahaly, Holden). Motion failed. Ms. Cahaly moved that Council make a decision in 30 days and Mr. Holden seconded. Vote was two in favor (Cahaly, Holden) and three opposed (Cox, Hooper, Banister). Motion failed.

Mr. Watson said that payments for the ambulance service would need to come from the tax money collected for that purpose. There were no objections.

Mr. Crowe asked for tentative approval to purchase playground equipment for the Pendleton Park in the amount of \$4,800.00. The Recreation Commission is waiting grant approval of \$4,000 from the Parks and Recreation Department and the Commission has \$1,800 budgeted for this item. Mr. Hooper moved to approve the purchase and Mr. Cox seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Mr. Crowe asked for permission to purchase EMS equipment in the amount of \$11,217.69. This will be a 75%-25% grant from DHEC. The County's

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share is 25% and is a budgeted item. Mr. Cox moved to allow the purchase and Mr. Holden seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Mr. Crowe presented a request from Solid Waste to purchase repair parts for a 977 caterpillar tractor in the amount of \$4,129.98. The low bid is from Carolina Crawler Equipment, Inc. and the money is available in the 1988-1989 budget. Mr. Banister moved to allow the purchase and Mr. Holden seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Mr. Crowe asked Council to ratify action taken in a telephone poll concerning asbestos abatement and demolition of the buildings on the western square as recommended by the Courthouse Commission. The asbestos abatement will cost \$76,720.61 and demolition by Thrift Bros. will cost \$50,000. The money will come from the Courthouse Bond. Mr. Cox moved to ratify the action and Mr. Banister seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Mr. David Standeffer, County Attorney, presented a contract for Value Engineering for Flour Daniel to oversee contracts for various parts of the Courthouse construction and is recommended by the Courthouse Commission. The amount is \$13,650. Mr. Cox moved to adopt and ratify the Courthouse Commission's approval. Mr. Banister seconded and vote was 5-0.

Mr. Jacky Hunter presented a budget transfer for the Health Department: account #701-135-050 - \$5,000 to cover an on-going project. Mr. Hooper moved to allow the transfer and Mr. Banister seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Mr. Watson said that the annual audit has been received and copies are at all Council members stations.

Mr. Watson presented a request from Tom Acker, Clemson Extension Director, asking that a 2' diameter receiving antenna be placed on the County's emergency antenna. This would be used for training sessions with no cost to the County. There were no objections from Council.

Mr. Watson said that the City has an annexation proposal-election and the Registration is involved with putting the election on. He presented information to the Clerk for Council.

Mr. Watson said that he attended a meeting with the Association of Councils concerning the Medically Indigent Fund, no action was taken and will keep Council informed.

Mr. Hooper moved to appropriate \$1,500 from District #2 - Special Projects to help with repairs to McFalls Landing. Mr. Cox seconded and vote was unanimous.

Mr. Cox stated that the Special Populations Recreation Department requested that they come under the Recreation Commission with Stephen

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Crawford director. They would like to have their advisory committee remain in place. He then moved that they be placed under the Recreation Commission. The motion died from lack of second.

Mr. Cox asked Mr. Crowe to purchase a County flag for the Special Populations Department. The cost (\$120) to come from District #1 Special Projects. Council agreed.

Mr. Watson presented a proposal (low bid) to Council for county employee evaluations. He said that it will be discussed during a work session or Council retreat. Council received as information.

Chairman Cox asked the Clerk to put Mr. Roy Perry on the next Council agenda.

There being no further business, Council adjourned at 9:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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