

ANDERSON COUNTY COUNCIL
ANDERSON, SOUTH CAROLINA

Regular Meeting - September 21, 1999 - 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 of the Freedom of Information Act.

PRESENT

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

The official meeting of the Anderson County Council convened in the Council Chambers of the Historic Courthouse on Tuesday, September 21, 1999 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. Holden, seconded by Mr. Tolly, Council voted unanimously to approve the minutes from the September 7, 1999 meeting as mailed.

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Public Comments: Mr. Brantley Jordan stated that during his tenure as chairman of a civic group in Anderson he was able to get a number of County employees (4 department heads, administrator, and a council member) to speak to the group. Everyone accepted readily and was very good speakers. He has received a lot of good comments on those speakers.

Chairman Wright recognized Councilwoman-Elect, Gracie S. Floyd. Chairman Wright also informed everyone of the swearing-in of Ms. Floyd on Sunday, September 26, 1999 at 3:00 p.m. Everyone was invited.

Ms. Katherine Smith presented Council members with the new Partners Healthwise Handbook, which commemorates Anderson County's part as a sponsor in this. Every home in Anderson County will get the book. She thanked Council for the use of the Civic Center, for the field, and fun day sponsored by the Partners for a Healthy Community. Council received as information.

Mr. Fred Tolly presented Ms. Gracie Floyd a framed resolution (#R99-017) adopted on May 18, 1999. The resolution honors the late William A. Floyd, which reflects exactly what County Council thought of Mr. Floyd, and all of the good things he did for this County. Ms. Floyd accepted the resolution and thanked Council for the presentation.

Mr. Rodney Jenkins, a state representative from the State Government Finance Officer's Association, presented a Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting. This certificate represents excellence in government reporting in order to earn this excellence in reporting Anderson County had to substantially conform to the programs demanding criteria which are well beyond the requirements of Generally Accepted Accounting Principals. Program participants submit copies of their comprehensive annual financial report to the Certificate of Achievement program for an in-depth review and evaluation by two members selected from an impartial panel of government finance officers. Council commended Ms. Smith and her division for their outstanding performance.

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Mr. Michael Cunningham, Chairman of the Human Resources Committee, presented Mr. Joey Taylor of the Building Maintenance Department as Employee of the Month for August. Mr. Taylor was presented an Employee of the Month T-shirt, a coffee mug and a gift certificate to a local restaurant.

On the motion of Mr. Greer, seconded by Mr. Holden, Council voted unanimously to approve third reading of Ordinance #99-019 - an ordinance to provide for the creation of the Shenandoah Country Subdivision Special Tax District in Anderson County, to establish the nature of services to be performed therein; to designate the uniform service charge in the special tax district; to provide for the operation of the special tax district; and other matters relating thereto.

Chairman Wright presented second reading of Ordinance #99-020 - an ordinance amending in certain limited particulars and readopting the Anderson County Unfit Dwellings Ordinance; and other matters relating thereto. A public hearing was held and no comments were heard. On the motion of Mr. Holden, seconded by Mr. Tolly, Council voted unanimously to approve the Ordinance as presented.

Chairman Wright presented second reading of Ordinance #99-021 - an ordinance to revise and amend that certain fee-in-lieu of tax lease agreement between Anderson County, South Carolina and Orian Rugs, Inc. dated as of December 1, 1997, so as to authorize the inclusion of, and to include real estate and improvements thereon in such lease agreement; and other matters related thereto. A public hearing was held. Mr. Thompson Martin, a representative from the Company, thanked Council for their help and confidence which will enable them to continue to invest in Anderson County by expanding their company. He said that the investment will allow 16 jobs and as additional production lines it will double the amount. On the motion of Mr. Greer, seconded by Mr. Holden, Council voted unanimously to approve the Ordinance on second reading as presented.

Chairman Wright presented second reading of Ordinance #99-023 - an ordinance authorizing the sale, by Anderson County, of two (2.0) acres, more or less, of certain property situated within the Anderson County Airport Industrial Park, and, other matters relating thereto.

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On the motion of Mr. Tolly, seconded by Mr. Greer, Council voted three in favor (Wright, Tolly, Greer) with one abstention (Holden) to approve Ordinance #99-023 as presented.

On the motion of Mr. Tolly, seconded by Mr. Holden, Council voted unanimously to approve first reading of Ordinance #99-024 - an ordinance authorizing the leasing and sale of certain property by Anderson County, South Carolina to General Nutrition Products, Inc.; the application of an infrastructure credit to fee-in-lieu of tax payments relating to that property, and other matters relating thereto.

On the motion of Mr. Greer, seconded by Mr. Holden, Council voted unanimously to approve first reading of Ordinance #99-018 - an ordinance amending in certain limited particulars and readopting those provisions of the Anderson County Code of Ordinances pertaining to Anderson County Boards, Commissions, Committees and Councils; and other matters relating thereto. This ordinance will change the composition of all the boards, commissions, etc. to accommodate the move from five Council Members to seven Council Members in January 2001.

On the motion of Mr. Tolly, seconded by Mr. Holden, Council voted unanimously to approve Resolution #R99-032 - a resolution authorizing the execution and delivery of a petition to the State Budget and Control Board of South Carolina requesting approval of the issuance of Anderson County, South Carolina Industrial Revenue Bonds in an Aggregate Principal Amount not exceeding \$400,000,000 in one or more series through December 31, 2004, or through December 2006 if an extension of time in which to complete the project is granted by the County pursuant to Section 4-29-67 of the Bond Act (Michelin North America, Inc. Project).

On the motion of Mr. Holden, seconded by Mr. Greer, Council voted unanimously to approve resolution #R99-0333 - a resolution supporting Fair Housing in Anderson County. This will allow the County to apply for rehabilitation grants for Anderson County.

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On the motion of Mr. Holden, seconded by Mr. Tolly, Council voted unanimously to approve the appropriation of \$14,400 from District #5 Asphalt account for walking tracks and restroom repairs at the Townville Elementary Ballfields.

On the motion of Mr. Tolly, seconded by Mr. Greer, Council voted unanimously to approve the appropriation of \$5,000 to help with the installation of a Playground by Community Partners for Play at the Anderson County Sports and Entertainment Center. The funds to come from District #1 Recreation Funds.

On the motion of Mr. Greer, seconded by Mr. Tolly, Council voted unanimously to approve the paving of an apron at the Craytonville Fire Department in the amount of \$780.00. The funding will come from District #3 Asphalt Account.

On the motion of Mr. Wright, seconded by Mr. Holden, Council voted unanimously to approve the appropriation of \$1,000 for the Holly Light Community Center for their Senior Citizens Fitness program. The funding will come from District #4 Recreation Funds.

Mr. Wright moved to approve \$2,500 for the Three & Twenty Fire Department for assistance with upgrading of their parking lot. Mr. Holden seconded and vote was unanimous. The funding will come from District #4 Paving Account.

Mr. Adam Morgan, Waste Technology Program Manager, gave Council a brief update on the overall status of the Waste Stream Characterization Study. He said that the study examined the quantity and type of garbage produced in the County and its urban areas. The data from the study has been sent to the Research Triangle Institute in Research Triangle Park, NC, where it will be fed to a novel software program designed to output for municipalities the most cost effective way to manage their waste and extract resources from it. He said about 28% of household waste appears to be available for composting. He said another part of the study would be to take the data and look at alternatives to landfill disposal in the County.

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The program is being developed with international input and Anderson County's data is going to be used as the first run of the program in the world. The Waste Technology program at Clemson University is continuing to look at new technology that could come into play. Council received Mr. Morgan's remarks as information.

On the motion of Mr. Tolly, seconded by Mr. Greer, Council voted unanimously to approve the acceptance of Creekside Subdivision into the County Road System as presented by Mr. Jeff Ricketson.

Mr. Preston stated that a bar graph was distributed which showed projected revenues (budgeted revenues) compared to actual revenues collected. He said that last year Ms. Gina Smith was able to project revenues within 6/100th of 1-% accuracy. Ms. Smith explained the bar graph and stated that the County had experienced a 5.5% overall increase in the County levy since 1991 (a period of 8 years). If this is divided out, that is an average increase of 7/10 of 1% for 8 years. Council received as information.

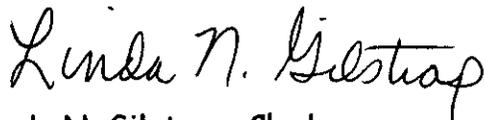
ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:

- (a) Employee Certificates and Training:
 - I. Ms. Linda Rook - IS-195 Basic Incident Command System
- (b) Letters of Appreciation:
 - I. From Ms. Sharon Crout Re: The Governor's visit to the McCants site.
 - II. From Ms. Eleanor Lightsey to Mr. Phil Rhoads for serving on the advisory committee for the Contractor's Licensing Board.
 - III. From Ms. Sandy Mays to Mr. J.R. McClure & Maintenance Crew Re: water drainage
 - IV. From Ms. Barbara Kelley and Ms. Nina Smith to Mr. J.R. McClure and road crew.
 - V. From Mr. Joseph Stuppiello, Federal Aviation Administration Manager to Mr. Mike Shouse

- VI. From Mr. Norbert Steeber to Mr. Holt Hopkins & Mr. Jerry Bannister re: the Sedgewood Drainage
- (c) Minutes:
 - I. Safety Meeting Minutes
- (d) Reports:
 - I. Anderson County Lot A Two Week Paving Schedule
 - II. Inmate Litter Crew
 - III. Detention Center Transportation Report
- (e) Comparing Average Interest Rates for 97/98 and 98/99 Lease Purchase Loans
- (f) Local Option Sales Tax
- (g) Boot Camp Donation

There being no further business, Council adjourned at 7:05 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,



Linda N. Gilstrap, Clerk
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