

**ANDERSON COUNTY COUNCIL
ANDERSON, SOUTH CAROLINA**

Regular Meeting - October 21, 1997 - 6:00 PM
Linda N. Gilstrap, Clerk

M I N U T E S

**ALL AREA NEWSPAPERS, RADIO STATIONS AND TELEVISION STATIONS
HAVE BEEN INFORMED OF THIS MEETING IN COMPLIANCE WITH
GUIDELINES OF THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT.**

PRESENT

**Chairman William A. Floyd - District #2
G. Fred Tolly, Jr. - District #1
Harvie E. Banister - District #3
Clint Wright - District #4
Mike Holden - District #5
Joey Preston - Administrator
Jack McIntosh - 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, October 21, 1997 - 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 October 3, 1997 and October 7, 1997 meetings as mailed.

Citizens Agenda: County Council heard from the following concerned citizens. Mr. Tom Partington - asked Council to look into zoning. Mr. Stanley Vinkovich - urged Council to vote against selling landfill to Allied. Mr. Ricky Hayes, Mr. Joe Pack and Ms. Teresa Morgan also addressed the sale of Big Creek Landfill. Council received all remarks as information.

Mr. Dennis McKee, City Council Member, presented the County a check in the amount of \$250,000 from PRT money, for the Anderson County Sports Complex. An additional \$130,000 will be presented at ground breaking for the complex.

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Council recognized Employee of the Month (Detention Center) August: Lt. Jeff Black and September: Officer John Jordan. Council commended the two employees.

Mr. Preston recognized Fritz Wewers, and Jill Sanders in the Engineering Department for help in the Huntington Heights subdivision. For mowing contest for the month of September for the most number of hours: Gary Dean, Roy Graham developed the program. David Boston with the highest average with 6.75 hours. Ernest Williams runner up with 6.6 hours. Council commended the employees for their outstanding performances. Mr. Clarence Woods was recognized for special assistance he rendered at one of the convenience stations.

Mr. Preston presented third and final reading of Ordinance #97-025 - an ordinance authorizing the issuance and sale of general obligation bonds, series 1997, of Anderson County, S.C. in the principal amount of \$2,500,000; fixing the form and details of the bonds; authorizing the Chairman of County council and the County Administrator to determine certain matters relating to the bonds; providing for the payment of the bonds and the disposition of the proceeds thereof; and other matters relating thereto. On the motion of Mr. Holden, seconded by Mr. Tolly, Council voted four in favor and one opposed (Banister) to approve the third and final reading of the ordinance as presented.

Mr. Stephen Crawford gave an update on the Sports Complex.

On the motion of Mr. Wright, seconded by Mr. Tolly, Council voted unanimously to approve second reading of Ordinance #97-026 - an ordinance to implement a change of employment status for all employees and assistants in Anderson County Office of the Solicitor for the Tenth Judicial Circuit. The County will be the forwarding agent for the S.C. Retirement System and the S.C. Deferred Compensation Benefits that they will get under the office.

Mr. Preston presented second reading of Ordinance #97-028 - an ordinance authorizing the execution and delivery of a lease agreement by and between Anderson County, SC as lessor, and Mount Vernon Mills, Inc., as lessee, with respect to certain industrial projects whereby the county will accept title to the projects, the projects will be subject to certain fee payments in lieu of taxes and the projects will be reconveyed to Mount Vernon Mills, Inc. under certain conditions, and other matters related thereto. Mr. Tolly moved to approve on second reading and Mr. Wright seconded. Vote was unanimous.

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On the motion of Mr. Holden, seconded by Mr. Wright, Council voted unanimously to approve first reading of Ordinance #97-029 (by Title only) - an ordinance to change the name of the Anderson-Oconee Alcohol and Drug Abuse Commission to the Anderson-Oconee Behavioral Health Services.

On the motion of Mr. Banister, seconded by Mr. Holden, Council voted unanimously to approve first reading of Ordinance #97-031 (title only) - an ordinance authorizing the execution and delivery of an equipment lease purchase agreement to defray the cost of acquiring various equipment As approved in the County's 1997-1998 annual budget.

On the motion of Mr. Tolly, seconded by Mr. Holden, Council voted unanimously to approve first reading of Ordinance #97-030 (title only) an ordinance to amend the operating and capital budgets of Anderson County for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1997, and ending June 30, 1998, as adopted by Anderson County Ordinance #97-011, so as to provide for appropriations and revenues for such Anderson County Budgets in order to meet the mandates and requirements of Act #141, acts and joint resolutions of the S.C. General Assembly, 1997, regular session (Crime Victim's Bill of Rights); and other matters related thereto.

Council presented Resolution #R97-043 - congratulating Miss Iris Scott (Miss Anderson County).

On the motion of Mr. Banister, seconded by Mr. Tolly, Council voted unanimously to reappoint Mr. J.A. Young to the Economic Advisory Board as recommended by Mr. Banister.

On the motion of Mr. Holden, seconded by Mr. Wright, Council voted unanimously to approve a bid from Young Plumbing & Electric Company, Inc. in the amount of \$418,598.50 for the Sunset Forest Sewer Project. Funding is provided from a Community Development Block Grant and from the Sewer Department's budget.

On the motion of Mr. Tolly, seconded by Mr. Holden, Council voted unanimously to approve a bid from Harold A. Pickens & Sons in the amount of \$116,300.50 for Alpha Technologies Sewer Project. Funding will be provided through a Community Development Block grant and from the Economic Development's budget.

On the motion of Mr. Holden, seconded by Mr. Tolly, Council voted unanimously to extend a contract with Lesley Courts and Paving for another 150 driveway aprons not to exceed \$28,500.00 (\$190/each).

On the motion of Mr. Holden, seconded by Mr. Tolly, Council voted unanimously to approve adding the following roads to the present paving contract, provided that the work can be done this year.

- ▶ Windward Trail C-06-16**
- ▶ Exchange Drive C-10-79**
- ▶ Gilreath Road C-10-53**
- ▶ Queen Court AN-0000**

On the motion of Mr. Banister, seconded by Mr. Holden, Council voted unanimously to approve a request from the Rock Springs Fire Department & Starr Fire Department for the temporary closure of Beckwith Lane and a road (no name given) in Starr for the purpose of a Halloween fund-raiser event.

On the motion of Mr. Banister, seconded by Mr. Holden, Council voted unanimously to approve a walking track and picnic shelter in the Mount Bethel Community (intersection of Mt. Bethel School Road and Jones Chapel Road), a walking track in the Grove Community (intersection of SC 187). Estimates for the Mt. Bethel track is \$4,395 and Grove is \$4,584.00. The money for the walking tracks will come from District #3 asphalt funds. Funding for the picnic shelter and tables for Mt. Bethel Community will come from Council District #3 Recreation Fund.

On the motion of Mr. Holden, seconded by Mr. Tolly, Council voted unanimously to approve closing the southern end of Hammett Street (C-9-335 from the intersection with Clarence Drive C-9-339) to South Main Street as requested by Orrville Baptist Church.

On the motion of Mr. Holden, seconded by Mr. Tolly, Council voted unanimously to upgrade (tar & gravel) Queen Court, Ming Lane and a short road (no name) off Standridge Road (C-9-225B).

Mr. Holden asked that Administrator to look into the possibility of creating a trash collection facility (comparable to the King David facility) on White Street. The people in that area are having to travel a considerable distance to dispose of their trash. Mr. Holden asked for some figures within the next month. Mr. Preston agreed.

On the motion of Mr. Banister, seconded by Mr. Wright, Council voted unanimously to approve a walking track for the Starr area. An estimate has not yet been prepared; however, the needed money will come from the District #3 asphalt account.

Mr. Pearson reported that inspections were made at the sewerage treatment plant and the complete compliance evaluation inspection by DHEC for all aspects of the plant were satisfactory. Council received as information.

A tentative date of Wednesday, November 12 has been set to tour the new Detention Center wing from 1 p.m. - 4 p.m. Also the new airport terminal renovations will be toured and the Public Safety Building.

Mr. Bill Lloyd presented proposals for the new D.S.S. building. The Committee recommends Trehel Corporation out of Clemson for the construction as the successful bidder in the amount of \$2,715,928. Mr. Tolly moved to accept the recommendation of the committee and Mr. Wright seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Mr. Deepal Eliatamby, with B.P. Barber and Associates, explained a report on the Environmental Status of the Big Creek Landfill. State regulations require an annual report of the ground water and gas monitoring that's conducted every six months on all landfills and must be sent to DHEC. The report was explained in detail by Mr. Eliatamby. On the motion of Mr. Wright, seconded by Mr. Tolly, Council voted unanimously to receive the report as information.

Mr. Wayne Gaskins presented the Airport 2000 study which examines the direction that the Airport needs to successfully move into the 21st century. On the motion of Mr. Wright, seconded by Mr. Tolly, Council voted unanimously to send to the Public Safety Health & Human Services committee was study and recommendations.

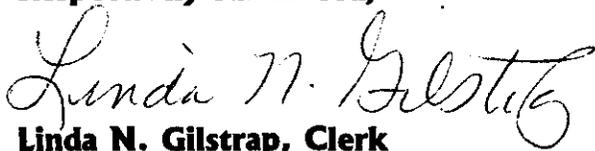
ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:

1. Discharge of Firearms
2. Legislative Delegation Meeting
3. Recreation Complex Update
4. Letters of Appreciation
 - Detention Center
 - Solid Waste
 - Public Works
5. 6 & 20 Wastewater Treatment Plant Inspection
6. 1996 Expenditures by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs for South Carolina

Mr. Floyd asked the Administrator to look at a study of parking of County vehicles such as the different areas that the departments are parking and trying to get them in an area that is closer to the area in which they work.

There being no further business, Council adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Linda N. Gilstrap, Clerk