

ANDERSON COUNTY COUNCIL
ANDERSON, SOUTH CAROLINA

Regular Meeting - June 20, 1989 - 7:00 p.m.

Linda N. Gilstrap, Clerk

AMENDED

M I N U T E S

A regular meeting of the Anderson County Council was held on June 20, 1989 at 7:00 p.m. at Belton-Honea-Path High School, Highway 178, Belton, SC. 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
Jacky Hunter - Finance Director
Linda N. Gilstrap - Clerk

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

Mr. Holden said that money was earmarked in the current budget (1988-1989) for two water projects. The money is available in the Contingency Fund for West Anderson Water Company and Homeland Park Water Company (\$5,000 each). Mr. Holden moved to allow the money to be dispensed and Mr. Hooper seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Mr. Holden moved to spend his remaining \$300 in Special Projects on a special project for Homeland Park Elementary School. Mr. Cox seconded. Mr. Cox amended to include his District #1 money: \$254 to Williamston Action Community Club to refinish floors. Mr. Hooper seconded. Mr. Hooper asked that his balance of \$170 be placed in the Recreation Department to be used at the Boys Club. Mr. Cox seconded. Vote was unanimous on all amendments.

Mr. Holden moved to do away with the Special Projects account and Ms. Cahaly seconded. Mr. Cox amended the motion that no more money be allotted in this years' (1988-1989) budget and Mr. Hooper seconded. Vote on the amendment was three in favor (Cox, Banister, Hooper) and two opposed (Holden, Cahaly). Vote on the original motion as amended was three in favor (Cox, Banister, Hooper) and two opposed (Holden, Cahaly). Motion carried.

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Mr. Bob Swearingen appeared before Council with a PCI Cable TV complaint. Mr. Marvin Mattison explained that Council grants all cable companies non exclusive franchise rights and to call the Administrator's office on Wednesday to report a formal complaint.

Mr. Jerry Nunn urged Council to approve funding for the Traffic Division for Anderson County. He said that the County would be giving the State back over \$300,000. The Traffic Division could help reduce deaths, serious injury, property damage and reduce auto insurance rates. Council received as information.

Mr. Ed Allgood talked about the construction of the courthouse and asked if the architectural firm involved had a long term plan for Anderson County for 50 years from now. He said that the County needed a long term plan for transportation, sewer, water, courthouse and etc. Council received as information.

Mr. Cox asked Mr. Rusty Burns to present a resolution. Mr. Burns asked Council for permission to allow the Planning and Development Board to study road situations in the Powdersville area. He said funds were available (\$5,000) and the study would be done in association with the Strom Thurmond Institute. Mr. Cox moved that the Planning & Development Board be authorized to proceed in whatever manner necessary and proper toward this study for the Powdersville area. Mr. Hooper seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Mr. David Standeffer, County Attorney, presented first reading of Ordinance #284 amending the Building and Codes ordinance to comply with the new Southern Building Codes amendments (1988 edition). This would implement all the amendments into Anderson County's Code. Ms. Cahaly moved to adopt on first reading and Mr. Holden seconded. All members stated that discussion would take place before final approval. Vote was four in favor (Cox, Cahaly, Holden, Hooper) and one opposed (Banister).

Mr. Banister moved to go into executive session at 7:30 to discuss personnel and Mr. Cox seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Mr. Holden moved to come out of executive session back into regular session at 7:50 p.m. Ms. Cahaly seconded and vote was unanimous.

Mr. Hooper moved to make Mr. Rusty Burns the Assistant Administrator with no increase in pay and Mr. Cox seconded. Vote was unanimous. Mr. Burns will work under Mr. Watson and will maintain his current position as Director of Planning and Development.

Mr. Banister explained that last year Council approved \$21,000 to go toward the Torrington Sewer Project. He moved that the money be appropriated from the Contingency Fund and Mr. Hooper seconded. Vote was unanimous.

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Mr. Burns asked for first reading approval of Ordinance #285 providing for the creation of special sewer assessment districts within Anderson County and providing for the method of imposing charges upon those receiving sewer services with said districts. Mr. Holden moved to approve on first reading as presented and Mr. Banister seconded. Vote was unanimous.

DEPARTMENT AND ACCOUNT NUMBER	TO ACCOUNT #	AMOUNT
Road Maintenance #601-140-063 (Pipe Account)	#601-140-057 (Asphalt Supplies)	\$37,000.00
Road Maintenance #601-135-051 (Repairs to Vehicles)	#601-160-091 (Machinery & Equip.)	4,037.00
Treasurer #406-120-021 (Printing)	#406-120-023 (Postage)	3,060.00
Solid Waste #708-140-057 (Asphalt)	#708-135-052 (Repairs to Equip.)	1,316.61
Solid Waste #708-125-036 (Fuel & Oil)	#708-135-052 (Repairs to Equip.)	3,000.00
Computer Services #421-140-065 (Special Supplies)	#421-145-073 (Insurance)	1,000.00
Computer Services #421-140-065 (Special Supplies)	#421-155-085 (Consulting)	6,100.00
Computer Services #421-130-045 (Maintenance)	#421-160-093 (Office Equipment)	7,500.00

Mr. Holden moved to approve the transfers as presented and Mr. Banister seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Mr. J.R. McClure asked that Council approve a transfer of \$25,000 from the Contingency Fund into the Road Maintenance-account #601-140-057 (Asphalt account) to continue strip patching until July 1. Mr. Banister moved to approve the transfer and Ms. Cahaly seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Mr. David Watson presented third and final reading of Ordinance #281 approving the 1989-1990 fiscal year budget. He said the budget ordinance doesn't include a tax increase, and no deficit funding. Mr. Hooper moved to approve on third reading and Mr. Banister seconded.

DISTRICT #4 - ELISE CAHALY-BUDGET AMENDMENTS

-- Add one (1) new Clerk in Family Court ----- + 13,000.00*

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- * This will increase revenues by \$45,000
- Add for a water project in the Town of Pendleton (match grant) ----- + 8,000.00
- Veterans Park - light baseball fields ----- + 10,000.00
- Work needed on another park ----- + 1,000.00
- General recreation for District 4 ----- + 5,000.00

TOTAL: \$ 37,000.00

DISTRICT #3 - HARVIE BANISTER-BUDGET AMENDMENTS

Mr. Banister stated, before making his amendments, that he had nothing against Ms. Jo Brown and the Senior Citizens group in Anderson.

- Add for Belton, Honea Path and Iva Senior Citiznes Centers ----- + 5,000.00
(This will not go through Parks & Recreation)
- Restoring standpipe in Belton ----- + 10,000.00
- Beautification-Town of Honea Path ----- + 5,000.00
- Feasibility Study for the Town of Iva Recreation Improvement Fund ----- + 5,000.00
- First Phase of Waterline Craytonville Fire Department ----- + 50,000.00
- Special Projects ----- + 25,000.00 *

TOTAL: \$100,000.00

* Mr. Banister said that he would like \$25,000 for Special Projects with \$1,000 going to each Fire Department and Rescue Squad in District #3 and \$500 to Crime Stoppers.

DISTRICT #2 - DAVID L. HOOPER-BUDGET AMENDMENTS

- Electrical Inspector part-time to full-time (Building & Codes Department) ----- + 10,000.00
- One new car for Litter Coordinator ----- + 10,000.00
- Water project - Broadway Water District ----- + 25,000.00
- In lieu of Special Projects - Add to Recreation Department for projects in District #2 ----- + 25,000.00
- Add one new position in Solicitor's Office Clerk Typist (1/2 salary) ----- + 6,500.00
- Add training money for EMS ----- + 5,000.00

TOTAL: \$81,500.00

Mr. Hooper also included in his amendments that the Emergency Medical Services (EMS) become a department under the Administrator with the Commission advisory and responsible to County Council.

DISTRICT #1 - JIMMY COX-BUDGET AMENDMENTS

-- Senior Citizens Program for Pelzer & Williamston (\$1,250 each) -----	+ 2,500.00
-- Williamston Radio Console -----	+ 15,000.00
-- Sewer Renovations for the Town of West Pelzer-- (From Sewer-Fund Balance)	+ 25,000.00
-- Add for Town of Pelzer (\$10,000 for project under construction now and \$5,000 for sewer line renovation) -----	+ 15,000.00
-- Add for Town of Williamston beautification project in conjunction with the Greater Williamston Business Association -----	+ 5,000.00
-- Water projects in District #1 to be divided equally between Big Creek, Hammond and Powdersville Water Companies-----	+ 10,000.00
-- \$1,000 for each Fire Department and Rescue Squad in District #1 -----	+ 8,000.00
-- Piedmont Business Association and Piedmont Fire, Light and Sewer District to work in conjunction on a beautification project -----	+ 5,000.00
-- Williamston Action Community Club for renovation of floors -----	+ 5,000.00
-- White Plains Trustees for installation of fixtures -----	+ 5,000.00
-- Wren Youth Association-ball field improvements -----	+ 3,000.00
TOTAL:	\$98,500.00

DISTRICT #5 - MIKE HOLDEN-BUDGET AMENDMENTS

-- *Loblolly Sewer Project -----	+ 25,000.00
-- *Gilmer Estates Sewer Project -----	+ 25,000.00
*(Money to come out of sewer budget)	
-- West Anderson Water Company -----	+ 10,000.00
-- Homeland Park Water & Sewer District -----	+ 10,000.00
-- Recreation Projects (2 parks/District #5) -----	+ 5,000.00
-- Add to Asphalt Account for paving project Westside High School -----	+ 20,000.00
TOTAL:	\$ 95,000.00

Mr. Cox moved to adopt all the amendments in one package and Mr. Hooper seconded. Vote was four in favor (Cox, Hooper, Banister, Holden) and one opposed (Cahaly).

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Mr. Cox amended the budget to adopt the Solid Waste fee schedule as adopted previously by County Council and Mr. Hooper seconded. (Amendment #2)

Captain John Skipper, Sheriff's Department, requested to withdraw the request for a Traffic Division and asked that Council add one (1) sergeant's position, one (1) clerk, upgrade narcotics position to sergeant, and two (2) additional deputies. This would be in lieu of the traffic division.

Ms. Cahaly offered an amendment to add to the Sheriff's budget the following additional positions: one (1) sergeant position, one (1) clerk position, two (2) deputies, upgrade one (1) narcotics position to sergeant. Mr. Hooper seconded. (Amendment #3)

Mr. Watson explained state mandated salary adjustments for Master-in-Equity, Magistrates and others (\$38,362) and state retirement increase (\$25,000). Mr. Cox moved to approve and Mr. Hooper seconded. (Amendment #4)

Mr. Cox offered amendment #5 to include an additional \$15,000 in Treasurer's budget to cover mailing for delinquent taxes and and include \$15,000 in additional revenues. This will be offset with the same amount of fees collected. Mr. Banister seconded.

Vote on amendment #5 (Treasurer) - was unanimous.

Vote on amendment #4 (State Mandated Salaries) - was unanimous.

Vote on amendment #3 - (Sheriff positions) - was unanimous.

Vote on amendment #2 - (Adopt Solid Waste Fees) - was unanimous.

Vote on the original proposition as amended five times was unanimous.

Council heard from Ray Coker, Chief of Pelzer Rescue Squad. Mr. Coker talked about training money and repairs to ambulances for EMS and also asked Council to check on the procedure for ambulance purchases. Mr. Hooper and Ms. Cahaly were appointed by Mr. Cox to look into and study ambulance purchases. Council received as information.

Mr. Cox presented a proclamation in appreciation for efforts in the design and construction of White's Consolidated Industries (a world class refrigerator facility) by Mr. Lars Kronberg. The proclamation proclaims Lars Kronberg, Eva Kronberg, Martin Kronberg as honorary citizens of Anderson County. The Kronbergs will be leaving Anderson County and returning to Germany. Mr. Hooper seconded and vote was unanimous.

Mr. Gilreath talked to Council about the Highway Traffic Safety budget

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and it's deletion from the budget. He said that the safety of Anderson County citizens falls directly on County Council.

There being no further business, Council adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda N. Gilstrap, Clerk
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