

ANDERSON COUNTY COUNCIL
ANDERSON, SOUTH CAROLINA

Regular Meeting - November 6, 1986 - 7:00 p.m.
Linda N. Gilstrap, Clerk

M I N U T E S

A MEETING OF THE ANDERSON COUNTY COUNCIL WAS HELD ON NOVEMBER 6, 1986 AT 7:00 P.M. IN THE ANDERSON COUNTY COUNCIL CHAMBERS - ROOM 109. CHAIRMAN HAROLD E. BEEBE PRESIDED.

PRESENT

James M. "Jimmy" Cox, District #1
David L. Hooper, District #2
Robert L. Wiles, District #3
Daniel A. Rhodes, District #4
Chairman Harold E. Beebe, District #5
David Watson, Administrator
Jack Crowe, Purchasing Manager
Linda N. Gilstrap, Clerk

ABSENT

Mike Mullinax, County Attorney

The County Attorney was on active duty with the Army Reserves and unable to attend.

Mr. Beebe called the meeting to order and Mr. Wiles gave the invocation. Everyone stood and pledged allegiance to the flag.

Council heard from concerned citizens.

On the motion of Mr. Rhodes, seconded by Mr. Wiles, Council voted unanimously to approve the October 24, 1986 minutes as mailed.

Mr. Burns presented a Resolution (#354) asking for Council's support of a request from Great Southern Foods, Inc. to apply for financial assistance with the Jobs and Economic Development Authority in the amount of \$125,000. On the motion of Mr. Cox, seconded by Mr. Hooper, Council voted unanimously to approve as presented.

Mr. Burns asked Council to accept three bridges into the Off System Bridge Program. These are the bridges over Big Brushy Creek, Hurricane Creek, and Hen Coop Creek. The total project cost would be \$640,000 and the county's part would be 20% or \$128,000 to be budgeted in next years budget (87-88). On the motion of Mr. Cox, seconded by Mr. Wiles, Council voted unanimously to approve the request.

Mr. Cox presented Bill Nichols, Jeanine Stallings, & Henry Childs certificates of appreciation for being selected to participate in the 1987 International Special Olympics Games to be held at the University of Notre Dame-South Bend, Indiana.

The Assistant Fire Chief from Wren Fire Station asked Council to consider exempting them from the building permit fee but not the inspection. He explained that the fee was hard for the Fire Departments to pay because their income comes from bar-b-ques and bake sales. Mr. Cox moved that Council approve first reading of an ordinance (#215) to amend the original Building Codes Ordinance (#149) that all rescue squads and fire departments be exempted from the permit fee as are provided in the section regulating such, however they will still be required to comply with all other provisions set out in the code and would be retroactive to the inception of the Building Codes Department. Refunds to be made to the rescue squads and fire departments and any reciprocal work that the county does with municipalities will be no fee for that. Mr. Rhodes seconded and vote was unanimous.

Mr. Hooper introduced a resolution (#356) asking that all road work be administered through the Administrator's office. Mr. Wiles seconded the Resolution and vote was unanimous.

Mr. Hooper explained the need to appropriate \$46,000 to install a sewer line for the new Vocational Rehabilitation Building. Council discussed the sewer line request. Mr. Wiles said it was his understanding that if Council provided the land, we would not be called on to invest anymore money on the project. Other members agreed. Council received as information and asked that they talk with the Sewer Authority to see if they could come up with the money.

Mr. Hooper discussed the serious water problem Broadway Lake Water District has. He recommended that Council transfer \$75,000 out of District #2 asphalt account to assist the water district with the problem. The money to be transferred into the contingency fund and will be paid from out of that account. If any monies are left over they will revert to District #3 district to help with their water problems. Mr. Rhodes seconded and vote was unanimous.

Mr. Cox moved to give the day after Thanksgiving off to all county employees along with Thanksgiving Day. Mr. Hooper seconded and vote was unanimous.

Mr. Beebe explained that the Airport Commission had applied for a 50-50 matching grant to rework/repave the ramp at White's Aviation and asked Council to appropriate approximately \$6,000 per district, out of the asphalt fund, to pay the county's part. (approximately \$55,000) This money would be put into the "Zero" Road Maintenance Account. Mr. Cox moved that the Council issue a letter of commitment with the stipulation that it be handled through the County Purchasing Department. Mr. Beebe seconded and vote was unanimous. The reason for the "Letter of Commitment" is to allow Council time to study the request.

Mr. Rhodes nominated Mr. Don Thaxton to serve on the Broadway Lake Commission. Mr. Wiles nominated Dr. Fred Stringer. Mr. Hooper seconded the nominations and vote was 5-0.

Mr. Rhodes presented first reading of Ordinance #214 adopting sediment control measures in order to prevent accelerated erosion and sedimentation from unprotected construction sites in the unincorporated areas of Anderson County. He moved its adoption on first reading and Mr. Wiles seconded. Vote was 5-0.

With no objections from Council, the agenda was amended to hear from Mr. Wiles.

Mr. Wiles presented Resolution #355 adopting one route to present to the S.C. Department of Highways and Public Transportation for technical feasibility studies for the I-26 Connector in Anderson County. He moved that the resolution be approved and Mr. Beebe seconded. Vote was 5-0.

Mr. Watson read letters to Council from Anderson Ambulance Service and Anderson Rescue Squad. This was regarding Anderson Rescue Squad charging for its EMS transports. Council discussed. The EMS Commission had requested that County Council attend their meeting scheduled for Wednesday, November 12 to work out a solution to the problem. Council discussed further. Mr. Wiles moved that Council direct the Anderson Rescue Squad to cease charging, ask the County Attorney to see that this is done, pending the next meeting of the EMS Commission and then the Rescue Squad abide by whatever decisions made by the EMS Commission. Mr. Beebe seconded the motion and vote was unanimous.

Mr. Watson also presented copies of the Road Maintenance report and Financial report for Council's information.

Mr. Crowe, as directed at the last meeting, presented pricing on equipment needed by the Road Maintenance Department. The recommended purchase of \$161,997 worth of equipment was presented by a prioritized listing. This purchase would deplete the total amount in the equipment category for road maintenance and would include the \$100,000 transferred from the Fire Commission. Mr. Rhodes moved to approve the request and Mr. Wiles seconded. Council discussed. Mr. Cox said he saw no need to rush out and spend the \$100,000 from the Fire Commission. Mr. Beebe moved that the motion be tabled and Mr. Cox seconded. Vote was 5-0.

Council adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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