

ORIGINAL

ANDERSON COUNTY COUNCIL
ANDERSON, SOUTH CAROLINA

Regular Meeting - May 2, 1989 - 4:30 p.m.

Linda N. Gilstrap, Clerk

M I N U T E S

A regular meeting of the Anderson County Council was held on May 2, 1989 at 4:30 p.m. The meeting was held at the Williamston Municipal Center in Williamston. 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
David Watson - County Administrator
David Standeffer - County Attorney
Linda N. Gilstrap - Clerk

ABSENT

Mike Holden - District #5
Jack Crowe - Purchasing Manager

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

On the motion of Ms. Cahaly, seconded by Mr. Banister, Council voted unanimously to approve the April 18, 1989 minutes as mailed.

Mr. Cox explained that Mr. Holden was unable to attend the meeting because of a training session out of town.

Mr. Cox recognized Mayor Marion Middleton. Mayor Middleton introduced all Town Council members present. Chairman Cox and members thanked everyone for the opportunity to meet in the Williamston Municipal Center.

Mr. David Standeffer, County Attorney, presented a proposed lease agreement between the Library Board and Harry K. Major and Truman C. McAlister for the construction of the Williamston-Pelzer Library. No County funds are needed for the construction. Mr. Carl Stone explained the size and the terms of the lease. Members of the Library Board present were introduced. The lease obligates the Library for \$1,200 per month for a ten year period. Mr. Cox moved to adopt the lease and authorize the go ahead on the construction. Mr. Hooper seconded and vote was 4-0.

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Mr. Stephen Crawford asked Council to approve the appropriation of \$3,000 from the Recreation Department's budget for the Greater Anderson Track Club. Mr. Banister moved to allow the appropriation and Ms. Cahaly seconded. Vote was 4-0.

Mr. Crawford also announced that the County received the Recreational Land Trust Fund Grant in the amount of \$25,000 to be applied toward the purchase of the Poudersville Land purchase. The money to be available July 1. He explained that they needed a MIA and asked Council for permission to get the appraisal. Council agreed.

Mr. Hooper moved to reappoint Mr. Buck Terry to the Planning and Development Board for another term. Mr. Cox seconded the motion and vote was 4-0.

Mr. Hooper said the City of Anderson had contacted him concerning a mosquito problem on Woodridge Street and North Street that would require pipe work to correct. He and Mr. McClure had investigated the complaint. Mr. Hooper moved to appropriate \$20,604.62 from District #2-asphalt funds for the City to purchase the pipe and Mr. Cox seconded. Vote was 4-0.

Mr. Cox talked about a dangerous railroad crossing on Cheddar Road where several people had been killed. He and Mr. Hooper had talked about ways to make the crossing safer. Mr. Cox asked Mr. Rusty Burns to explain a grant available from the Rail Highway Program. He said the total amount of the grant is \$60,000 and the County would be responsible for \$6,000. The money would have to be in the 1989-1990 budget. Mr. Hooper moved to commit the \$6,000 to be applied on the grant and Mr. Cox seconded. Mr. Hooper and Mr. Cox asked that \$3,000 come from District #1 and \$3,000 from District #2 asphalt funds for the grant. Vote was 4-0.

Mr. Banister explained that last year \$10,000 was approved to match a State grant for a water line in Starr. He said that the citizens could not come up with their share and the grant was returned to the State. He asked Council to approve this money for shorter lines in the same area. He presented petitions from residents of the Hall Road and Cleveland Road areas. Mr. Hooper seconded the motion and vote was 4-0.

Ms. Elise Cahaly presented Resolution #502 and asked Mr. Standeffer to read the Resolution. The resolution calls for budgeting guidelines for this year and next year and calls for no tax increase. She moved to adopt the resolution as read and Mr. Cox seconded. Vote was 5-0 in favor. (Mr. Holden voted in absentia.)

Ms. Cahaly called Council's attention to the letter from the City of Anderson regarding the tax equity meeting on June 24. Council agreed to ask Mr. Watson to write the Mayor a letter informing them that the County will try to have the study finished by June 24.

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Mr. David Standeffer presented Resolution #501 asking for a public hearing for the purpose of making a determination as to whether and to what extent the district boundaries of Homeland Park Water District shall be enlarged. Mr. Hooper moved to approve the resolution calling for a public hearing and Mr. Banister seconded. Vote was 4-0.

Mr. Standeffer presented Ordinance #280 creating the Anderson County Detention Department and providing for its organizational structure. He asked Council for first reading approval. Mr. Cox moved to approve on first reading as presented and Mr. Hooper seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Mr. Watson presented a purchase request for the Delegation Office for a Xerox Copier from Fant's Book Store in the amount of \$1,869.00. Mr. Hooper moved to approve the purchase and Ms. Cahaly seconded. Vote was 4-0.

Mr. Watson asked Council for approval to ask the Appalachian Council of Governments for a study of Solid Waste. Ms. Cahaly moved to authorize the study and Mr. Cox seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Mr. Jacky Hunter asked Council for approval to transfer funds from the Special Tax District for EMS-Squad 1 (Greg Shore) back into the Contingency Fund to repay the money needed to pay monthly expenditures prior to the Special Tax District money coming in. Mr. Hooper moved to allow the transfer of funds and Mr. Banister seconded. Vote was 4-0.

Mr. Hunter asked for a budget transfer of \$10,000 from the Contingency Fund to cover on-going projects. The money to be transferred to Road Maintenance - Asphalt Supplies account. Mr. Banister moved to approve and Mr. Hooper seconded. Vote was 4-0.

Mr. Cox said that there was two private sewer systems near the Town of Williamston (Forest Hills and Ridgecrest Subdivision) which are privately operated. He said that he would like to bring them into the County to facilitate development of other areas and would like to have a study done surrounding the Williamston area to project what sewer needs would be over the next 20 years. Mr. Cox moved that Council authorize Bob Palmer with Russell and Axon to do a feasibility study for bringing in the two private sewer systems and work out a plan for sewer for the entire region surrounding Williamston. The estimated cost would be around \$6,000 which will be paid by the Sewer Authority and Planning and Development. Mr. Hooper seconded the motion and vote was 4-0.

Mr. Burns said Mr. Holden asked him to present a request on his behalf. The request is to appropriate \$300 to Centerville Elementary School "Just Say No" Club out of District #5 - Special Projects. Mr. Banister moved to approve the request and Mr. Hooper seconded. Vote was 4-0.

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Ms. Cahaly moved to go into executive session at 5:20 to discuss litigation and Mr. Cox seconded. Vote was 4-0.

Mr. Hooper moved to come out of executive session back into regular session at 5:35 p.m. Ms. Cahaly seconded and vote was 4-0.

Mr. Cox moved to approve litigation in both cases as discussed by the County Attorney in executive session. Mr. Banister seconded and vote was 4-0.

There being no further business, Council adjourned at 5:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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