

MINUTES
HORRY COUNTY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
April 8, 2008
6:00 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Liz Gilland, Chairman; Harold Worley; Brent Schulz; Marion Foxworth (arrived at 6:30 p.m.); Mike Ryan; Howard Barnard (arrived at 6:55 p.m.); Bob Grabowski; James Frazier (arrived at 7:05 p.m.); Carl Schwartzkopf; Paul Prince; Kevin Hardee; and Al Allen.

MEMBERS ABSENT:

OTHERS PRESENT: Danny Knight (arrived at 6:55 p.m.); Julie Suggs; John Weaver; Steve Gosnell; Paul Whitten; Janet Carter and Lisa Bourcier.

In accordance with the FOIA, notices of the meeting were provided to the press stating the time, date, and place of the meeting.

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Gilland called the meeting to order at approximately 6:02 p.m.

INVOCATION: Mr. Grabowski gave the invocation.

PLEDGE: Mr. Hardee led the pledge.

PUBLIC INPUT:

1. Andre Evans was to speak about vending carts but was absent.
2. Rolland Wills spoke on land rights. Mr. Hardee suggested that Mr. Wills ask for a meeting with Grand Strand Water and Sewer. Chairman Gilland requested Mr. Weaver check into the legality of the right-of-way issue.
3. Terry Boyd spoke on Waccamaw Circle. **Mr. Hardee moved to remove Waccamaw Circle from the road paving plan and have the Engineering Department work with the contractor to build the road up, seconded by Mr. Worley. The motion passed. (Mr. Frazier, Mr. Barnard and Mr. Foxworth were absent.)**
4. Sandy Rogers spoke on Waccamaw Circle.
5. Tom Gwyn spoke on Waccamaw Circle.

Chairman Gilland closed public input at 6:20 p.m.

Chairman Gilland spoke on a potential loss of property taxes if the State Legislature passed an amendment that would change property re-assessment.

CHANGES TO AGENDA:

Mr. Grabowski moved to add Resolution R-68-08, seconded by Mr. Worley. The motion passed. (Mr. Frazier and Mr. Barnard were absent.)

Mr. Grabowski moved to add a presentation on ISO Ratings, seconded by Mr. Hardee. The motion passed. (Mr. Frazier and Mr. Barnard were absent.)

Mr. Grabowski requested to add under Announcements an announcement on the grand opening of two police precincts.

Mr. Schwartzkopf moved to amend Resolution R-67-08, seconded by Mr. Grabowski. The motion passed. (Mr. Frazier and Mr. Barnard were absent.)

Mr. Worley moved to add to the Consent Agenda the nomination of Phillip Schmidt to the Museum Board, seconded by Mr. Prince. The motion passed. (Mr. Frazier and Mr. Barnard were absent.)

Mr. Schwartzkopf moved to amend Resolution R-67-08 to add the following: New ARFF Building- Estimated Cost \$5,500,000.00, seconded by Mr. Grabowski. The motion passed. (Mr. Frazier and Mr. Barnard were absent.)

The motion passed. (Mr. Frazier and Mr. Barnard were absent.)

APPROVAL OF AGENDA CONTENTS:

Mr. Schwartzkopf moved to approve the agenda as amended, seconded by Mr. Grabowski. The motion passed. (Mr. Frazier and Mr. Barnard were absent.)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Regular Meeting March 18, 2008: Mr. Prince moved to approve the minutes as submitted, seconded by Mr. Ryan. The motion passed. (Mr. Frazier and Mr. Barnard were absent.)

MEMORIAL DEDICATION: It was requested that upon adjournment, Council adjourn in memorial of the following individuals:

William B. Buie, Jr.
Anita S. Hogsten
Sarah I. Williams
Farah Abbasi
Franklin R. Dewitt
William B. Finlayson
Blake Andrew Truett
Virgie Lee Chestnut
Iella Hughes
Myrne E. Ferrara

Danny R. Grainger
Frankie C. West
Warren P. Jennings
Annie Ruth H. Gerald
Eunice J. Blake
Bennie Graham
Laura Mae Anderson
Dr. Frank A. Sanders
Russell D. Callihan

CHARATERISTIC OF THE MONTH: Persuasiveness- guiding vital truths around another's mental roadblocks.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA: Mr. Prince moved to approve the Consent Agenda, seconded by Ryan. The Consent Agenda consisted of the following:

First reading of **Ordinance 50-08** approving the re-conveyance of 158' of Brentwood Place to Centex Homes and authorizing the county administrator to execute a quit claim deed.

Resolution R-65-08 authorizing the administrator to enter into a contract with the Myrtle Beach Area Chamber of Commerce designating their organization to manage and direct the expenditures of the 30% tourism promotion funds for 5 years, subject to annual review.

Resolution R-66-08 to approve the terms & conditions of an Horry County/Burroughs & Chapin multi-county business park memorandum of understanding relating to the park's regional water system.

Resolution R-67-08 ratifying the submission of grant applications and to accept grants from the FAA and State Division of Aeronautics for various projects at all Horry County airports.

District Board Appointments: Pam Dyson to the Library Board of Trustees and Philip Schmidt to the Museum Board.

The motion passed. (Mr. Frazier and Mr. Barnard were absent.)

RESOLUTIONS/PRESENTATIONS:

ISO Rating. Mr. Whitten gave an update on the ISO rating in the County and presented a plaque to Captain Allen Carter, ISO Project Manager for Horry County Fire/Rescue for his hard work and dedication.

Resolution R-68-08 recognizing the week of April 13-19, 2008 as National Telecommunicators Week. **Mr. Grabowski moved to approve, seconded by Mr. Hardee.** Toni Bessent spoke briefly thanking Council. **The motion passed. (Mr. Frazier and Mr. Barnard were absent.)**

READING OF ORDINANCES:

Second reading and public review of the following ordinances to approve the request to amend the official zoning maps:

34-08 Felix Pitts, agent for Burroughs & Chapin Co.; **35-08** Evelyn Richardson; **36-08** Prestigious Pets Hotel & Salon LLC; **37-08** Ronnie McCray, Sr.; **38-08** Cynthia Smith; **39-08** Steve Powell, agent for Meadow Development LLC; **40-08** Carolina Retail & Development Services LLC; **41-08** Mary & Edward Gasque & Linda Jordan Floyd; **42-08** Steve Powell, agent for Heartland LLC & Heartwood Development Inc.; **43-08** Shoreline Engineering, agent for Hwy. 319 North LLC and **44-08** Isaac Lacy Cannon, Jr. **Mr. Prince moved to approve, seconded by Mr. Hardee.** There was no public review. **The motion passed. (Mr. Frazier was absent.)**

Second reading and public review of **Ordinance 45-08** to add the following cemeteries, buildings and homesteads to the Horry County Historic Property Register as an individual historic property: Hammond Cemetery, Hammond-Bullard Cemetery, Stalvey Cemetery, Sharon Baptist Church Cemetery, Bryan Cemetery, JW Chestnut Cemetery, High Hill Baptist Church Cemetery, Clardy Cemetery, Holt/Old Dorman Cemetery, Old Bethel Cemetery, Todd Cemetery, Cedar Bay Baptist Church Cemetery, Lewis Cemetery, Bullock-Gerald-Sanders Family Cemetery, Gore/Bellamy Cemetery, Stephens Cemetery, Eliza Lonzia Boyd Gravesite and Like Oak Tree, High Hill Baptist Church, McGougan-Lovett Home and Simeon Harrelson Homestead. **Mr. Foxworth moved to approve, seconded by Mr. Prince. The motion passed. (Mr. Frazier and Mr. Grabowski were absent.)**

Second reading and public review of **Ordinance 46-08** to amend the Zoning Appendix B of the County Code pertaining to the retirement of the GRn zoning district and to create a new section pertaining to the establishment of the Multi-Residential (MRD) zoning district. **Mr. Schwartzkopf moved to approve, seconded by Mr. Hardee.** There was no public review. **The motion passed. (Mr. Frazier and Mr. Grabowski were absent.)**

Second reading and public review of **Ordinance 47-08** adopting the Land Use Element of the updated Horry County Comprehensive Plan, Envision 2025. **Mr. Schulz moved to approve, seconded by Mr. Schwartzkopf.** Pam Creech spoke at public review. **The motion passed. (Mr. Frazier and Mr. Grabowski were absent.)**

Second reading of **Ordinance 49-08** to amend the FY2008 budget so as to authorize the bond issuance of up to \$12 million issue for funding 3 community centers and to add the bond proceeds and projects to the annual budget. **Mr. Worley moved to approve, seconded by Mr. Hardee.** **The motion passed. (Mr. Frazier and Mr. Grabowski were absent.)**

OLD/NEW BUSINESS:

Mr. Barnard gave a report on a meeting that he attended that day in Columbia with the House Subcommittee. The meeting was in reference to a Bill that the State Legislature was attempting to rewrite to pull out the point of sale portion which for the County this year meant a \$30 million hit across the board with \$7 million of that being a hit for the County budget. Mr. Barnard referred to

the 20,000 parcels sold within the County and requested, for the record, information as to what the commission was for those 20,000 parcels. Mr. Knight spoke briefly on the issue and stated the only thing they could control was growth. **Mr. Schwartzkopf moved to approve a resolution opposing passage of the Bill and to send it to Columbia to the legislature, seconded by Mr. Barnard. The motion passed unanimously.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Police Precincts. Mr. Grabowski announced the following grand openings: South Precinct Complex open house Thursday, April 10th, 12:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. and the North Precinct, Friday, April 11th, 12:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Recreation fund disbursements: Mr. Ryan announced a \$14,500 disbursement to Greater Burgess Community Center for playground equipment and shelter. Mr. Allen announced a disbursement of \$875 to the Horry County Recreation Department for a Charleston bus trip by County senior citizens. Mr. Hardee announced an \$825 disbursement to the Horry County Recreation Department for a Charleston bus trip by County senior citizens. Mr. Allen and Mr. Hardee both announced an \$800 disbursement each to Carolina Traveler's Girls Softball Team.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m. in memorial of Anita Smith Hogsten; Sara Ida Williams; Farah Abbasi; Franklin Dewitt; William B. Finlayson; Blake Andrew Truett; Virgie Lee Chestnut; Iella Hughes; Myrne E. Ferrara; Danny R. Grainger; Frankie C. West; Warren P. Jennings; Annie Ruth H. Gerald; Eunice J. Blake; Bennie Graham; Laura Mae Anderson; Dr. Frank A. Sanders and Russell D. Callihan.