

**ANDERSON COUNTY COUNCIL
ANDERSON, SOUTH CAROLINA**

Regular Meeting - August 6, 1991 - 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 August 6, 1991 at 4:30 p.m. in the Anderson County Chambers. Chairman Mike Holden presided.

PRESENT

David L. Hooper - District #2
Harvie E. Banister - District #3
Ed Allgood - District #4
Mike Holden - District #5
Tom Martin - County Attorney
David Standeffer
David Watson - County Administrator
Linda N. Gilstrap - Clerk

ABSENT

Bob Waldrep - District #1

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

Chairman Holden moved to approve the June 25, June 27 and July 16, 1991 minutes as mailed. Mr. Banister seconded and vote was 3-0. (Mr. Waldrep absent and Mr. Hooper late.)

Mr. David Watson asked that the public hearing on Ordinance #333 (Anderson County General Obligation Bonds) be held and third reading be scheduled for the next meeting. Council agreed. A public hearing was conducted for comments. There were no comments therefore the public hearing was declared closed.

Mr. David Standeffer presented second reading of Ordinance #337 - Anderson County Boards and Commissions. He explained that the Anderson County Library Board requested that the sentence at the end of paragraph 6 - "No appointee shall be a member of any other Board, Commission or Authority, nor shall any appointee be an employee of County government in any other capacity." be removed. They have a minority member that is also employed by Anderson County Government. Council discussed. (Mr. David Hooper arrived at this time.) Mr. Holden moved to approve the ordinance on second reading without amendments and Council would discuss prior to third reading. Mr. Allgood seconded and vote was 4-0.

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Mr. Standeffer presented first reading of Ordinance #336 amending the Anderson County Land Use Ordinance. The amendment incorporates certain provisions in the S.C. Code of Laws. Mr. Standeffer presented a new page 6 with the following amendment. Paragraph 4-"No action of the Anderson County Land Use Commission shall in any way change or amend any existing Anderson County Ordinance or Resolution and any such recommended change shall only become effective after appropriate action by the Anderson County Council." Mr. Hooper and Mr. Banister explained that they had problems with the ordinance. Mr. Holden moved to approve on first reading and all changes to be discussed and made prior to second or third readings. Mr. Allgood seconded and vote was three in favor (Hooper, Holden, Allgood) and one opposed (Banister).

Mr. Tom Martin, County Attorney, presented second reading of Ordinance #338 calling for a referendum to be held on the question of implementing the local option sales and use tax within the Anderson County area. Mr. John Moore from the City of Anderson explained the procedure that would be used if the referendum passes. Mr. Hooper moved to approve on second reading and Mr. Holden seconded. Vote was three in favor (Hooper, Banister, Holden) and one opposed (Allgood). Mr. Allgood said he voted against the ordinance because of the election expense and making the people pay for another election so soon after the people of Anderson voted the issue down. Motion carried.

Mr. Martin presented Resolution #595 requesting the annexation of property from Anderson County into Pickens County. The property is a thirty-four acre tract of land located in part in Anderson and Pickens Counties, which has been annexed into the City of Clemson and is being used as a park. Council agreed to hold off on the Resolution until the amount of land in Anderson County has been determined.

Mr. Tom Dunaway appeared before Council with concerns about the parking situation downtown. He asked that a committee be formed to study parking. The committee would have the authority to establish and maintain adequate parking facilities for the downtown area. Mr. Dunaway recommended that the members of the committee own property within the boundaries of the area, must be a merchant or business man of the area, or be an officer of a company in the area. They would have the right to establish bylaws, to operate and control present parking facilities. If the committee is established they would have the right to run the parking downtown without anyone telling them what to do. They could get grants, incur debts (only after both Councils agree) and provide regulations. The committee would have to submit to both Councils their annual budget and couldn't be funded unless both councils agree. He suggested that Council get a copy of the proposal for study. The City has already given preliminary approval. Mr. Allgood was appointed to replace Ms. Cahaly on the committee appointed last year. Mr. Hooper is the other Council representative. Council received as information.

Mr. Tony Cirelli presented a request from Mr. Robert Gallant to abandon a portion of a road (C-9-368-B) in Anderson County on Liberty Hwy. Mr.

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Gallant must go through all legal procedures. Mr. Allgood moved to allow the abandonment and Mr. Banister seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Mr. Eugene Sutton appeared before Council concerning the Alcohol & Drug Abuse Commission. He explained that he was fired from his job by the Commission. He asked that a committee be formed and an investigation be done into the Board and Grievance committee an also nepotism. Council received as information.

Mr. Harvie Banister said he received a letter from Mayor Leo Fisher of Belton requesting financial assistance for a new metal stamping plant in Belton in the amount of \$1,900 for extension of water and sewer lines for the plant. The money is available in the Planning & Development's budget. Mr. Banister moved that the money be appropriated and used as suggested and Mr. Hooper seconded. Vote was 4-0. Mr. Allgood said that he thinks the County Attorney needed to check out the legality of the request. Mr. Martin will get with Mr. Allgood on the request.

Mr. Banister presented Resolution #596 requesting the Anderson County Civic Center Authority to study the feasibility of providing an all weather smoking area at the Anderson County Civic Center and, if such provision is feasible, to so designate such a smoking area. Mr. Banister moved to approve the Resolution and Mr. Hooper seconded. Vote was 4-0.

Mr. David Watson asked for permission to sign the new health insurance contract for all county employees. The dates of the agreement are August 1, 1991 through July 31, 1992. Mr. Hooper moved to allow the Administrator to sign and Mr. Allgood seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Mr. Watson presented Resolution #597 allowing Mr. Watson to sign a grant for the instrument landing system on behalf of Anderson County for the purposes of the FAA grant, land acquisition and approach clearing project for the Anderson County Airport, provided the terms of the grant, the county's cost share, and FAA facilities approval all remain as projected as of August 5, 1991. Mr. Banister moved to allow and Mr. Holden seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Mr. William McCoy reported on the septage problem. He said that a report on Bosch would go to DHEC within the next 30 days.

Mr. Rusty Burns informed Council that the committee formed to study the B911 situation had met and a report with recommendations to make the system a better system would be soon complete. Mr. Burns asked that the Council authorize the County Attorney to put all suggestions into the existing 911 enabling legislation and then present to Council for their review and recommendation. Mr. Banister moved to authorize and Mr. Hooper. Vote was 4-0.

Mr. Burns said that Mr. Richard Reese had requested road work and asked that Council direct the County Attorney to look into the matter for a

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legal opinion. Mr. Reese has a bad drainage problem. Council agreed.

Mr. Hooper asked that a new committee be formed to study the Special Tax District contract.

Council heard from concerned citizens at this time. Mr. Eugene Sutton asked Council to do something about the crime on Anderson's westside. Council discussed different averages that may be available in order to close the businesses where illegal activity was going on. Ms. Elizabeth Williams spoke. She asked about the completion of the Boards and Commissions appointments.

Mr. Banister appointed Mr. Dick Gaillard from Belton to the Accommodations Tax Advisory Committee.

Mr. Watson said that Mr. Carl Stone, Director of County Library, requested that Council allow the replacement of a position (Children's Librarian) which is vacant. All funds are available and the position is not new. Mr. Holden moved to approve and Mr. Hooper seconded. Vote was 4-0.

Council heard from Mr. Brantley Jordan.

There being no further business, Council adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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