

M I N U T E S
LEXINGTON COUNTY COUNCIL
March 9, 2010

Lexington County Council held its regular meeting on Tuesday, March 9, 2010 in Council Chambers beginning at 4:30 p.m. Chairman Kinard presided.

Reverend John Culp, pastor of Virginia Wingard United Methodist Church and chaplain at Lexington Medical Center, gave the invocation. Purple Heart recipient Sgt. Major Harvey Parks, U.S. Marine Retired, led the Pledge of Allegiance. Sgt. Major Parks retired with honors after 32 years of service.

Members attending:	James E. Kinard, Jr.	William B. Banning, Sr.
	William C. Derrick	George H. (Smokey) Davis
	Debra B. Summers	Bobby C. Keisler
	Johnny W. Jeffcoat	M. Todd Cullum

Not Present: John W. Carrigg, Jr. *

*Mr. Carrigg was out due to surgery.

Also attending: Katherine Hubbard, County Administrator; Joe Mergo, III, Deputy County Administrator; Larry Porth, Finance Director/Assistant County Administrator; John Fechtel, Director of Public Works/Assistant County Administrator; Jeff Anderson, County Attorney; other staff members, citizens of the county and representatives of the media.

In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act, a copy of the agenda was sent to radio and TV stations, newspapers, and posted on the bulletin board located in the lobby of the County Administration Building.

Lexington High School Economics and Government Class - Mr. Kinard recognized students from Lexington High School attending as part of their economics and government class assignment.

Chairman's Report - Chairman Kinard reported he attended the following events: On February 25 attended the Insights into the Current & Future Economic Outlook; the Lexington Medical Center Foundation dinner on March 4, the Lexington County Energy Expo on March 5, and the Home Depot Board Cutting Ceremony on March 8.

Administrator's Report - Ms. Hubbard announced that the Edmund C&D Landfill and Edmund Collection and Recycling Center is now accepting clean wood waste for grinding.

Stormwater Rain Barrel Workshop - The Lexington County Stormwater Department is hosting their second rain barrel workshop on Wednesday, March 31 at 10:00.

Protect Your Home from Wildfire - A workshop for homeowners will be Saturday, March 27 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at the South Region Service Center.

Risk Manager - Ms. Hubbard introduced Ryant Johnson, the County's new Risk Manager.

Employee Recognition - Katherine Hubbard, County Administrator - Employee of the 4th Quarter 2009 - Ms. Hubbard recognized Janice Summers, Building Services, and Sharon Butler as nominees for the Employee of the Fourth Quarter.

Ms. Hubbard presented a plaque to Ms. Butler as the Employee of the Fourth Quarter and a Certificate of Excellence to Ms. Summers.

Appointments - Lexington Medical Center - Janice Summers and Billy R. Oswald - Mr. Banning made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jeffcoat to reappoint Ms. Summers and Mr. Oswald.

Mr. Kinard opened the meeting for discussion; no discussion occurred.

In Favor:	Mr. Kinard	Mr. Banning
	Mr. Jeffcoat	Mr. Derrick
	Mr. Davis	Ms. Summers
	Mr. Keisler	Mr. Cullum

Appointments - Lexington Medical Center - James D. Whitehead, M.D. and Larry Stroud, Pharm. RPh. - Mr. Banning made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jeffcoat to reappoint Dr. Whitehead and Mr. Stroud.

Mr. Kinard opened the meeting for discussion; no discussion occurred.

In Favor:	Mr. Kinard	Mr. Banning
	Mr. Jeffcoat	Mr. Derrick
	Mr. Davis	Ms. Summers
	Mr. Keisler	Mr. Cullum

Appointments - Lexington Medical Center - Janice Burt - Mr. Cullum made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jeffcoat to reappoint Ms. Burt.

Mr. Kinard opened the meeting for discussion; no discussion occurred.

In Favor:	Mr. Kinard	Mr. Cullum
	Mr. Jeffcoat	Mr. Derrick
	Mr. Davis	Ms. Summers
	Mr. Keisler	Mr. Banning

Appointments - Lexington Medical Center - Allan R. Risinger and Archie L. Harman, III - Mr. Derrick made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jeffcoat to reappoint Mr. Risinger and Mr. Harman.

Mr. Kinard opened the meeting for discussion; no discussion occurred.

In Favor:	Mr. Kinard	Mr. Derrick
	Mr. Jeffcoat	Mr. Davis
	Ms. Summers	Mr. Keisler
	Mr. Banning	Mr. Cullum

Appointments - Lexington Medical Center - Vince Rhodes - Ms. Summers made a motion, seconded by Mr. Banning to reappoint Mr. Rhodes.

Mr. Kinard opened the meeting for discussion; no discussion occurred.

In Favor:	Mr. Kinard	Ms. Summers
	Mr. Banning	Mr. Derrick
	Mr. Davis	Mr. Keisler
	Mr. Jeffcoat	Mr. Cullum

Bids/Purchases/RFPs - Lexington County Community Housing Development Organization (CHDO) - A proposal was solicited and advertised for professional services for the Lexington County Community Housing Development Organization project. Carolina Community Development Corporation (CDC) was the only designated Lexington County CHDO to respond to the invitation for professional services. The cost of the project includes acquisition of the site, site preparation, and construction of three affordable housing units in Lexington County. Staff recommended the award of the project in the amount of \$300,000 to Carolina Community Development Corporation (CDC).

Mr. Davis made a motion, seconded by Mr. Cullum to approve staff’s recommendation of the Lexington County Community Housing Development Organization (CHDO).

Mr. Kinard opened the meeting for discussion; no discussion occurred.

In Favor:	Mr. Kinard	Mr. Davis
	Mr. Cullum	Mr. Derrick
	Ms. Summers	Mr. Keisler
	Mr. Jeffcoat	Mr. Banning

Appointment - River Alliance - Mike Stamps - Mr. Banning made a motion, seconded by Ms. Summers to appoint Mr. Stamps to the River Alliance Board of Directors.

Mr. Kinard opened the meeting for discussion; no discussion occurred.

In Favor:	Mr. Kinard	Mr. Banning
	Ms. Summers	Mr. Derrick
	Mr. Davis	Mr. Keisler
	Mr. Jeffcoat	Mr. Cullum

Approval of Minutes - Meeting of February 9, 2010 - Mr. Derrick made a motion, seconded by Ms. Summers to approve the February 9, 2010 minutes as submitted.

Mr. Kinard opened the meeting for discussion; no discussion occurred.

In Favor:	Mr. Kinard	Mr. Derrick
	Ms. Summers	Mr. Davis
	Mr. Keisler	Mr. Jeffcoat
	Mr. Banning	Mr. Cullum

Committee Reports - Planning & Administration, J. Carrigg, Jr., Chairman - FY2010-11 CDBG Program and FY2010-11 HOME Program - Committee Vice-Chairman Derrick, reported that the Planning & Administration committee met on Tuesday, February 23, 2010 to review the proposed FY2010-11 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and FY2010-11 HOME Investment Partnership Program projects. Following is the Committee Report:

Mr. Ronald Scott, Community Development Director, presented the proposed CDBG and HOME projects and included a summary of project funding recommendations. He reported that seventeen requests were received which exceeded the estimated allocation projected for FY2010-11 (CDBG \$1,650,195 and HOME \$645,314). After requests were reviewed and evaluated by the Grants Programs Division staff and the Grant Programs Advisory Committee, the proposed projects were submitted:

FY 2010-11 Projects	Recommended Funding
1) Pelion Family Practice	\$597,000
2) BL Empowerment Center Building Renovations	\$165,480
3) Brookland Pediatrics Center Extension	\$125,000
4) North Oak Street Sidewalk	\$99,388
5) Leaphart Place Community Building Renovation	\$45,621
6) Works Activity Center Storage Units	\$4,120
7) Julius Felder Housing Rehabilitation	\$200,000
8) Rural Mobile Food Pantry	\$135,000
9) Afterschool Program Scholarships	<u>\$56,730</u>
Total	\$1,428,339

FY2010-11 HOME Projects	Recommended Funding
1) Community Housing Development Organization (CHDO)	\$200,000
2) Homeownership Assistance Program	\$200,000
3) Housing Rehabilitation Program	<u>\$180,783</u>
Total	\$580,783

Staff is requesting Council's recommendation and approval so they may proceed with developing the annual Action Plan due to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) on May 15, 2010 and be considered during the County's FY2010-11 budget proceedings.

Mr. Scott reported they have received notification from the City of West Columbia that the Alexander Road Sidewalk Project has now received funding through the S.C. Department of Transportation. CDBG funds for the project were originally allocated during the FY2008-09 budget for \$40,000 therefore staff is requesting permission to deobligate these funds. Staff may return to Committee with another CDBG project for approval if funds are available.

The Planning & Administration Committee voted unanimously to recommend that full Council approve staff's recommendations for the proposed FY2010-11 CDBG Program and FY2010-11 HOME Program projects and deobligation of the FY2008-09 funds of \$40,000 appropriated for the Alexander Road Sidewalk Project.

A motion was made by Mr. Derrick, seconded by Mr. Cullum to approve the FY2010 -11 CDBG and FY2010-11 HOME Programs.

Mr. Kinard opened the meeting for discussion; no discussion occurred.

In Favor:	Mr. Kinard	Mr. Derrick
	Mr. Cullum	Mr. Davis
	Ms. Summers	Mr. Keisler
	Mr. Jeffcoat	Mr. Banning

Health & Human Services, J. Jeffcoat, Chairman - FY2010 - Local Emergency Management Performance Grant (LEMPG) Application - Mr. Jeffcoat reported the Committee met during the afternoon to consider staff’s request to submit the Local Emergency Management Performance Grant application (LEMPG). The grant, if approved, in the amount of \$166,303 will be used to offset a percentage of the salaries for personnel, training, annual WebEOC support cost and complete an Emergency Management project. The grant requires a 50 percent in-kind cash match, which will come from personnel salaries covered by the General Fund. The Committee voted unanimously in favor to recommend to full Council for approval.

Mr. Jeffcoat made a motion, seconded by Mr. Keisler to approve staff’s request to move forward with the submittal of the grant application.

Mr. Kinard opened the meeting for discussion; no discussion occurred.

In Favor:	Mr. Kinard	Mr. Jeffcoat
	Mr. Keisler	Mr. Derrick
	Mr. Davis	Ms. Summers
	Mr. Banning	Mr. Cullum

Public Works, B. Derrick, Chairman - Line Striping Project - Mr. Derrick reported the Public Works Committee met on Tuesday, February 23, 2010, for a report on a proposed line striping project. Following is the Committee Report:

Mr. Randy Edwards, County Engineer, presented a proposal to adopt a line striping project in an effort to improve highway safety for unmarked roads throughout the County. Staff proposed the following criteria for roads to be striped; A) Ditch section – stripe center and edge lines, B) Valley gutter section – stripe center only, C) High volume – stripe with raised pavement markers (RPM), and D) Low volume – RPM only. Mr. Edwards said the project would be placed out for bids and advertised as a Disadvantage Business Enterprise (DBE) “set aside” in compliance with C-Fund regulations. Staff recommends allocation of up to \$200,000 from the remaining FY09-10 C-Funds appropriated for road resurfacing (present balance is \$1,195,657) for the proposed project.

The Public Works Committee voted unanimously to recommend that full Council approve staff’s recommendation for the proposed line striping project and allocation of C-Funds.

Mr. Derrick made a motion, seconded by Mr. Banning to allocate \$200,000 from “C” Funds for the Line Striping project. (All bids will have to be approved by Council; however, separate bids will be solicited for the raise markers).

In Favor:	Mr. Kinard	Mr. Derrick
	Mr. Banning	Mr. Davis

Ms. Summers
Mr. Jeffcoat

Mr. Keisler
Mr. Cullum

Budget Amendment Resolution - The following BAR was distributed and signed:

10-107 - An appropriation transfer of \$200,000 to establish a budget for the Public Works new line striping project.

Old Business/New Business - None.

Executive Session/Legal Briefing - Executive Session consisting of two contractual and ten legal matters were discussed and completed during the afternoon Committee of the Whole meeting.

Matters Requiring a Vote as a Result of Executive Session - Mr. Kinard reported Council was able to complete Executive Session during the Committee of the Whole and noted there were no motions to be considered.

Motion to Adjourn - Mr. Davis made a motion, seconded by Mr. Banning to adjourn.

In Favor:	Mr. Kinard	Mr. Davis
	Mr. Banning	Mr. Derrick
	Ms. Summers	Mr. Keisler
	Mr. Jeffcoat	Mr. Cullum

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Diana W. Burnett
Clerk

James E. Kinard, Jr.
Chairman