

MARLBORO COUNTY COUNCIL

MARLBORO COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PARTNERSHIP BUILDING

COUNCIL CHAMBERS

THURSDAY, JULY 17, 2014

6:00 PM

CHAIRMAN	RON MUNNERLYN
VICE-CHAIR	DR. CAROLYN A. PRINCE
ADMINISTRATOR	JIM HAYNES
COUNTY ATTORNEY	HARRY EASTERLING, JR.
COUNCIL:	
JASON STEEN, RON MUNNERLYN, DR. CAROLYN PRINCE, STEVE BLACKMON, AND	WILLIE GLADDEN, CORRIE H. PLATO, KEN ALLEN, ANTHONY WOODS

* Absent

INVOCATION – Mr. Anthony Woods

APPROVAL OF AGENDA ITEMS

Mr. Willie Gladden suggested that Council go into executive session either before or after the Council meeting to discuss a personnel issue and asked that the executive session be added to the agenda.

Mr. Ron Munnerlyn, Chairman, suggested that we add it to the agenda as item 1. a.

Motion made by Mr. Willie Gladden, seconded by Dr. Carolyn Prince, to amend the agenda with an executive session to be added as item 1.a. Vote in favor. Unanimous. Motion carried.

Motion made by Mr. Anthony Woods, seconded by Dr. Carolyn Prince to approve the agenda as amended with item 1.a. being added. Vote in favor. Unanimous. Motion carried.

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Motion made by Mr. Willie Gladden, seconded by Mr. Steve Blackmon, to enter Executive Session for the discussion of a personnel issue. Vote in favor. Unanimous. Motion carried.

After approximately 23 minutes in executive session, motion was made by Mr. Ken Allen, seconded by Mr. Willie Gladden, to leave executive session and re-enter the regular council meeting. Vote in favor. Unanimous. Motion carried.

PUBLIC HEARING

ORDINANCE # 726 – AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A METHOD FOR THE ALLOCATION OF THAT CERTAIN FEE-IN-LIEU OF AD VALOREM TAX REVENUE DERIVED FROM THAT CERTAIN MULTI-COUNTY INDUSTRIAL PARK ARRANGEMENT BY AND AMONG MARLBORO, DILLON, AND MARION COUNTIES, AND OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO

Mr. Ron Munnerlyn, Chairman, recognized Mr. Jim Haynes, Interim Administrator, to comment on this Ordinance.

Mr. Haynes stated that this Ordinance directs how revenue funds from the Tri-County Industrial Park should be allocated.

Mr. Ron Munnerlyn, Chairman, addressed the public for comments. There were none.

ORDINANCE # 727 – AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A MUNICIPAL ELECTION TRANSFER AND COSTS FEE AGREEMENT BETWEEN MARLBORO COUNTY AND THE TOWN OF BLENHEIM

Mr. Ron Munnerlyn, Chairman, recognized Mr. Jim Haynes, Interim Administrator, to comment on this Ordinance.

Mr. Haynes stated that this Ordinance would authorize Marlboro County to handle the municipal elections for the Town of Blenheim, with the Town of Blenheim to be responsible for all costs and fees associated with elections.

Mr. Ron Munnerlyn, Chairman, addressed the public for comments. There were none.

The Public Hearing was closed.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES - May 13, 2014 and June 12, 2014

Motion made by Dr. Carolyn Prince, seconded by Mr. Anthony Woods, to approve the minutes of May 13, 2014 as presented. Vote in favor. Unanimous. Motion carried.

Motion made by Dr. Carolyn Prince, seconded by Mr. Anthony Woods, to approve the minutes of June 12, 2014 as presented. Vote in favor: Mr. Ron Munnerlyn, Dr. Carolyn Prince, Mr. Jason Steen, Mr. Willie Gladden, Ms. Corrie Plato, Mr. Steve Blackmon and Mr. Anthony Woods. Abstain: Mr. Ken Allen (not present for meeting). Vote: 7/0/1. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

ORDINANCE # 726 – AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A METHOD FOR THE ALLOCATION OF THAT CERTAIN FEE-IN-LIEU OF *AD VALOREM* TAX REVENUE DERIVED FROM THAT CERTAIN MULTI-COUNTY INDUSTRIAL PARK ARRANGEMENT BY AND AMONG MARLBORO, DILLON, AND MARION COUNTIES, AND OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO – THIRD READING

Mr. Ron Munnerlyn, Chairman, stated that Mr. Jim Haynes, Interim Administrator, had made comments on this Ordinance during the Public Hearing and asked if there were any questions or comments. There were none.

Motion made by Mr. Anthony Woods, seconded by Ms. Corrie Plato, to approve the third reading of Ordinance # 726 – An Ordinance approving a method for the allocation of that certain fee-in-lieu of *ad valorem* tax revenue derived from that certain multi-county industrial park arrangement by and among Marlboro, Dillon, and Marion Counties; and other matters related thereto. Vote in favor. Unanimous. Motion carried.

ORDINANCE # 727 – AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A MUNICIPAL ELECTION TRANSFER AND COSTS FEE AGREEMENT BETWEEN MARLBORO COUNTY AND THE TOWN OF BLENHEIM – SECOND READING

Mr. Ron Munnerlyn, Chairman, stated that Mr. Jim Haynes, Interim Administrator, had made comments on this Ordinance during the Public Hearing and asked if there were any questions or comments. There were none.

Motion made by Mr. Steve Blackmon, seconded by Ms. Corrie Plato, to approve the second reading of Ordinance # 727 – An Ordinance authorizing the execution of a Municipal Election Transfer and Costs Fee Agreement between Marlboro County and the Town of Blenheim. Vote in favor. Unanimous. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

ORDINANCE # 728 – AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND CLARIFYING ORDINANCE # 700, TO ALLOCATE TEN PERCENT OF ALL FEE REVENUES DERIVED FROM ASSETS LOCATED WITHIN A MULTI-COUNTY INDUSTRIAL PARK TO THE MARLBORO COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUND; AND OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO – FIRST READING

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Mr. Ron Munnerlyn, Chairman, recognized Mr. Jim Haynes, Interim Administrator, and asked that he make comments on this Ordinance.

Mr. Haynes stated that this Ordinance was a part of Council's effort to make sure that our current programs in place are paid and fees are identified. Staff felt like that we were getting 10% of fees paid on all FILOTS and that these funds were paid to Economic Development Fund but according to a list of the FILOTS, we found that not all were being handled this way. He stated that this Ordinance would make sure that these fees are paid on all FILOTS and that the funds are paid to the economic development fund which we had thought was the case all along.

Motion made by Dr. Carolyn Prince, seconded by Ms. Corrie Plato, to approve the first reading of Ordinance # 728 – An Ordinance amending and clarifying Ordinance # 700, to allocate ten percent of all revenues derived from assets located within a Multi-County Industrial Park to the Marlboro County Economic Development Fund; and other matters related thereto. Vote in favor. Unanimous. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION # 07-14-01 – A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE INTERIM ADMINISTRATOR TO ENTER INTO AND EFFECT A CONTRACT WITH MARLBORO COUNTY DISABILITIES AND SPECIAL NEEDS BOARD, INC. FOR THE PURCHASE OF LOT AND BUILDING AT 242 AG STREET IN BENNETTSVILLE, SC

Mr. Ron Munnerlyn, Chairman, recognized Mr. Jim Haynes, Interim Administrator, and asked that he make comments on this Resolution.

Mr. Haynes stated that Council talked about this possible purchase in last month's Council meeting and the plan is to purchase the lot and building at 242 Ag Street from the Marlboro County Disabilities and Special Needs Board, Inc. for a price of \$75,000.00 to be used as an animal shelter. The contract has been signed but of course is not any good until approved by Council.

Dr. Carolyn Prince suggested that the price be \$75,000.00 plus any closing costs associated with the purchase.

Motion made by Dr. Carolyn Prince seconded by Mr. Jason Steen, to approve Resolution # 07-14-01 – A Resolution authorizing the Interim Administrator to enter into and effect a contract with Marlboro County Disabilities and Special Needs Board, Inc. for the purchase of a lot and building at 242 Ag Street in Bennettsville, SC, for the purchase price of \$75,000.00 plus any closing costs. Vote in favor. Unanimous. Motion carried.

Mr. Ron Munnerlyn, Chairman, stated that he and Mr. Jason Steen of the Public Safety Committee met with the animal shelter folks earlier in the afternoon to discuss procedures for the operation of the new animal shelter and stated that everyone felt real comfortable and

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positive with things going forward on this. He stated that he felt this was a great thing for Marlboro County and the citizens of Marlboro County.

RESOLUTION # 07-14-02 – A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE PALMETTO BRICK WATER EXTENSION – RURAL INFRASTRUCTURE FUND GRANT (#r-14-2012) IN THE AMOUNT OF \$61,650.00 AWARDED BY THE SOUTH CAROLINA RURAL INFRASTRUCTURE AUTHORITY

Mr. Ron Munnerlyn, Chairman, recognized Mr. Jim Haynes, Interim Administrator, and asked that he make comments on this Resolution.

Mr. Haynes stated that this grant, if granted, would be used for water line extension to Palmetto Brick. There is no match required to be paid by County.

Motion made by Mr. Jason Steen, seconded by Mr. Anthony Woods, to approve Resolution # 07-14-02 – A Resolution accepting the Palmetto Brick Water Extension – Rural Infrastructure Fund Grant (#R-14-2012) in the amount of \$61,650.00 awarded by the South Carolina Rural Infrastructure Authority. Vote in favor. Unanimous. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF SC DEPARTMENT OF JUVENILE JUSTICE (DJJ) MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT FOR JUVENILE JUSTICE'S DETENTION CENTER FOR FISCAL YEAR 2014-2015

Mr. Ron Munnerlyn, Chairman, recognized Mr. Jim Haynes, Interim Administrator, and asked that he make comments on this Memorandum.

Mr. Haynes stated that this was an annual agreement with Department of Juvenile Justice for the housing of juveniles of Marlboro County.

Mr. Munnerlyn stated that this was a routine agreement.

Motion made by Mr. Anthony Woods, seconded by Ms. Corrie Plato to approve the SC Department of Juvenile Justice (DJJ) Memorandum of Agreement for Juvenile Justice's Detention Center for fiscal year 2014-2015. Vote in favor. Unanimous. Motion carried.

DISCUSSION OF REQUEST FOR ACCESS TO COUNTY OWNED ROAD FOR WALLACE SCHOOL

Mr. Ron Munnerlyn, Chairman, recognized Mr. Jim Haynes, Interim Administrator, and asked that he make comments on this request.

Mr. Haynes stated that when he initially received this request, he thought that Council had already discussed and agreed to grant this access to the School District. He stated that in

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any event the Marlboro County School District is requesting access to a road that serves a ball park. Mr. Haynes stated that he and Mr. Sidney Wallace of Public Works found that there is a playground on the west side of the road and the road leads into a parking lot with the new school to be located on the east. The School District would like to have access to this road for dropping off students in morning and picking up students in afternoon and the School District has agreed to upgrade and pave the road for the Wallace School.

Mr. Jason Steen stated that he found that this road was between a playground and a ball field and is concerned about the safety of children playing in these areas. He stated that safety was his main concern and the request was not handled appropriately. He stated that the plans were presented as if the School District already had permission to use this road and that is just not the case. Mr. Steen suggested that Council be provided with the width of the road, as well as how close it is actually to the ball field and playground so that it could be reviewed and discussed by Council. He stated that Council needed to look at this because the playground is a public park and it needs to be safe for our children. He stated that he could probably be worked out but that the School District needed to provide exact plans and specifications for Council's review to ensure safety of the children.

Dr. Carolyn Prince suggested that a fence be put up that would be tall enough to keep the children inside the ball park and the playground so that they would not be able to enter the roadway.

Mr. Ron Munnerlyn, Chairman, asked if it would benefit the county to continue to own this road. Mr. Haynes stated that the county would definitely want to continue to have access to the road, but that there was another road that led to the ball park.

Mr. Steen stated again that he really wanted to see plans and wanted the width of the road to be determined and wanted the paving plans to be drawn and shown.

Mr. Munnerlyn suggested that a committee be appointed to review all of the information in question and that they bring back recommendations to Council. Mr. Steen agreed that it would be good to handle it that way and Mr. Haynes also agreed. Mr. Munnerlyn stated that as Chairman he would appoint a committee to handle the discussions and plans on this and would ask the committee to report their findings to Council once they have been completed.

REQUEST APPROVAL OF FUNDS FROM RAILROAD FUNDS FOR BORO MAPLE STREET WATER PROJECT AND IMPROVEMENTS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$90,000.00

Mr. Ron Munnerlyn, Chairman, recognized Mr. Jim Haynes, Interim Administrator, and asked that he make comments on this request.

Mr. Haynes stated that the funds requested for this project would be used to extend fire lines to go around all buildings located in the Maple Street area known as the Boro building. Fire hydrants and protection lines from 8" to 10" for fire flow for buildings will be needed for any industry or warehouse operations. He stated that approximately \$15,000.00 would be

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the cost to have the actual water extended to the buildings from the road. Mr. Haynes stated that this project would cause us to be one more step closer to being able to utilize and show the buildings to potential industry prospects.

Dr. Carolyn Prince asked if this project was a requirement by the industrial park. Mr. Ron King, Economic Development Director, stated that this project was a part of the plans from the very beginning. He stated that staff had applied for a rural infrastructure grant to assist with this but that the grant had been denied. After the grant was denied, he stated that he had sought the advice of engineers to draft a plan to lower expenses at an amount to fit into the budget. Mr. King stated that there were funds still available from NESAs and Department of Commerce and that the only new funds requested were \$12,000.00 and advised that they would also have additional funds coming from Duke and others.

Mr. Haynes stated Economic Development received reimbursement of funds that had been previously spent and these funds have been deposited back into the Economic Development account. He stated that he felt the \$90,000.00 requested would be new funds from the County. He stated that he had discussed this with staff.

Mr. Willie Gladden stated that a lot of money had been spent in renovating the Boro buildings over the years and he needed to see results. He stated that the amount of \$90,000.00 is a lot of money and that he wanted to see some results of our monies already spent on this project before any additional monies were obligated to this project.

Mr. Ron Munnerlyn, Chairman, stated that there has to be an end to our spending on this project at some point. He stated that Council would eventually have sprinklers installed in the buildings but that a great deal of monies have been spent and that Council needed to come to an end with it. He agreed with Mr. Gladden about that. Mr. Munnerlyn suggested that Mr. King and his staff design a plan of projects that needed to be completed on this area and a budget plan for it so that Council could discuss.

Mr. Gladden stated that when he hears the name of Duke Energy and Mega Dump, he had bad feelings and knew that this was his personal opinion. He stated that he put those two names together and was very concerned.

Mr. Gladden stated that this matter should be tabled until more information could be provided.

Mr. Munnerlyn suggested that a motion to table this matter be entertained until a time line table and end point with a breakdown of costs could be provided and discussed.

Motion made by Mr. Willie Gladden, seconded by Dr. Prince, to table the request for funds from Railroad funds for Boro Maple Street Water Project and improvements in the amount of \$90,000.00 until a time line table and end point with a breakdown of costs could be provided and discussed. Vote in favor. Unanimous. Motion carried.

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CONFIRMATION OF REGULAR MEETING DATE FOR AUGUST TO BE AUGUST 12, 2014

Mr. Ron Munnerlyn, Chairman, stated that Mr. Jim Haynes, Interim Administrator, had planned a vacation that would include the date of the next scheduled Council meeting date of August 12, 2014. Mr. Munnerlyn stated that he had discussed this with Mr. Haynes and that he thought it would be suitable to keep the Council meeting date as scheduled for August 12, 2014 with Mr. Haynes not being present and that staff work hard to have a light agenda. Mr. Munnerlyn stated that Mr. Harry Easterling, Jr., the County Attorney, should be able to attend the meeting on August 12, 2014.

Dr. Carolyn Prince suggested that we have a work session at 5:30 p.m. on August 12th before the regular meeting at 6:00 p.m.

Mr. Munnerlyn also advised Council that Mr. Harry Easterling, Jr., the County Attorney, was unable to attend tonight's council meeting due to his having to try a big court case out of town and his presence at the trial could not be avoided. Mr. Munnerlyn stated that Mr. Easterling always made every effort to be present at the council meetings and his absence at tonight's meeting was not a problem in his opinion.

NOMINATIONS OF MEMBERS TO BE APPOINTED TO ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PARTNERSHIP BOARD BY COUNTY COUNCIL MEMBERS

No nominations were made by County Council members.

APPROVAL OF NOMINATION BY MARLBORO WATER COMPANY TO APPOINT MR. R. L. BROCK TO THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PARTNERSHIP BOARD AS A WATER COMPANY REPRESENTATIVE

Motion made by Mr. Ken Allen, seconded by Dr. Carolyn Prince to approve the nomination by Marlboro Water Company to appoint Mr. R. L. Brock to the Economic Development Partnership Board as a Water Company representative. Vote in favor. Unanimous. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF NOMINATION BY MARLBORO ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC. TO APPOINT MR. WILLIAM L. FLEMING, JR. TO THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PARTNERSHIP BOARD AS A UTILITY REPRESENTATIVE

Motion made by Dr. Carolyn Prince, seconded by Mr. Ken Allen to approve the nomination by Marlboro Electric Cooperative, Inc. to appoint Mr. William L. Fleming, Jr. to the Economic Development Partnership Board as a utility representative. Vote in favor. Unanimous. Motion carried.

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APPROVAL OF NOMINATION BY BENNETTSVILLE CITY COUNCIL TO APPOINT MR. RANDALL MALACHI TO THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PARTNERSHIP BOARD AS A CITY MEMBER

Motion made by Mr. Willie Gladden, seconded by Mr. Ken Allen, to approve the nomination by Bennettsville City Council to appoint Mr. Randall Malachi to the Economic Development Partnership Board as a City member. Vote in favor. Unanimous. Motion carried.

REPORTS

FINANCE REPORT – MS. AINSLEY A. MOORE

Mr. Jim Haynes, Interim Administrator, reported that Ms. Ainsley Moore, Finance Director, was unable to attend due to be placed on bed rest but understood that Ms. Moore was scheduled for delivery of her child on Tuesday morning, July 22nd. He stated that he would provide a brief financial report on behalf of Ms. Moore.

Mr. Haynes stated that the Expense and Revenue reports for the month of June, 2014 were attached for Council's review. Expenses were 96% at \$9,116,176.01 and revenues were 83% or \$7,868,002.14. Mr. Haynes reported that there were still revenues due to be received that would be put back into the 2013-2014 budget year and that with all of that information considered, that the numbers appear to be good.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT – MR. JIM HAYNES, INTERIM ADMINISTRATOR

Recognition of Employees – The following employees were recognized with five or more years of service to Marlboro County through the month of June: Sharonica Henegan (7 years); and Martha McQuage (7 years).

Audit Engagement letter for FY ending 2014 - the County received the Audit Engagement letter from Hill & Jordan, LLC for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2014 and the acceptance was returned pursuant to the conditions as set forth in the letter dated June 2, 2014, which he attached for Council's review. The audit is now underway and staff should receive the auditor's report not later than December 31, 2014. The fee for these audit services will be \$30,500.00. This auditing firm will also be handling the assurance services for the volunteer rural fire departments of Marlboro County for a fee of \$2,000.00.

Nomination for 2014 Barrett Lawrimore Memorial Regional Cooperation Award - As Interim Administrator, a letter for nomination and recommendation has been forwarded that the I-95 Gateway Industrial Park – Harbor Freight Expansion be awarded the 2014 Barrett Lawrimore Memorial Regional Cooperation Award. These awards are typically awarded at the Annual Conference in Hilton Head which will be held in August and it is my understanding that Dillon and Marion County administrators also forwarded letters in

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support of this nomination. A presentation will be made at the SCAC Conference on Sunday, August 5th, for this award.

LOST Credits Back to Taxpayers - The Treasurer, Delorice Barrington, has provided a letter to the Auditor, Benjy Rogers, to give back \$1,100,000.00 to the tax payers for the 2014 tax year. This is for your information only to let you know that this will be the basis of our LOST credits to be provided to the taxpayers.

Lightwood Road Water Extension - We have received notification from the SC Department of Commerce that the application for a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) by Wallace Water Co. in the amount of \$398,000.00 for the Lightwood Road Water Extension will not be funded.

Fire Emergency Responders Grant - The South Carolina State Firefighters' Association (SCSFA) has announced the awarding of a \$1.5M Staffing for Adequate Fire Emergency Responders Grant from the Department of Homeland Security. This grant that will extend over a four year term that will benefit 11 counties in South Carolina with Marlboro being one of them, since we do not have high school career and technology centers. It is my understanding that High School Career and Technology centers have been the focus of SCSFA efforts for establishing a Firefighter II certification level curriculum.

SCAC Request for Input - The SC Association of Counties has requested input on any legislative policy issues that Council deems appropriate for consideration by the steering committees which consists of County Government & Intergovernmental Relations; Revenue, Finance & Economic Development; Public Safety, Corrections & Judicial; and Land Use, Natural Resources & Transportation, of which Dr. Prince is a member. Please note that 2015 will be the start of a new session of the General Assembly and there will be no current policy positions automatically carried forward to next year's agenda for the Legislative Committee to consider. These committees will meet in early September so it is important that any input be provided to the Association offices no later than Monday, August 11th.

Kinney Building and Brogdon Building Demolition - We have received confirmation from the City of Bennettsville's Architectural Review Board that we may proceed with the demolition of the Kinney Building, and eventually the Brogdon building. The asbestos permitting will take a while so the actual demolition is not expected to occur until mid to late August.

Detention Center Hot Water Heater - Mr. D. T. Turner has advised that the hot water heater at the Marlboro County Detention Center has been replaced. It is completely useless and staff decided to replace this unit with gas heaters on demand rather than the older type system. Staff thinks that this will work just as well and will be more economical than replacing the heater as it was previously installed.

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New Animal Shelter Property - Mr. D. T. Turner has viewed the Olive Graham center which the county proposes to purchase and utilize as an animal shelter and he thinks he can work on the HVAC unit to get by but it will most likely have to be replaced soon. Also, it has been determined that Tex Taylor has a pest and termite contract currently on this property.

Blenheim Gym – The County has taken possession of the old Blenheim Gym and crews have begun to do some routine maintenance as well as find all the electrical, water and sewer connections. Staff also found some windows broken out of the building which will be replaced soon. The goal is to have some use of the building by fall if at all possible. A list of repairs/upgrades that will be necessary prior to the building being utilized will be prepared for Council's review.

August Council meeting - For your information I will be unable to next month's council meeting due to a previously scheduled family trip.

SCAC's 47th Annual Conference in Hilton Head - Please be reminded that the SCAC's 47th Annual Conference in Hilton Head is scheduled for August 3 – 6, 2014. Those that have notified Patricia of their attendance to date are Dr. Prince, Mr. Woods, Mr. Gladden, Ms. Plato, Mr. Steen, Patricia and myself. If any of the other Council members would like to attend, I am sure that Patricia will be happy to see if she can find you a room but of course, there will be no guarantee.

RECOGNITION OF CITIZEN'S REQUEST BEFORE COUNCIL

No citizens appeared to speak before Council.

RECOGNITION OF COUNCIL MEMBERS

Mr. Anthony Woods – stated that he would like the Recreation Commission to have their football equipment evaluated for safety of the children. He stated that with all the problems of concussions and injuries in this sport, he thought it would be good idea to have Mr. Tim McCoy of the Recreation Commission and Mr. Harrington as Director of the Recreation Department look at what Clio has as far as equipment and make an inventory as to what they have and what may be needed.

Mr. Wood also suggested that Mr. Sidney Wallace of Public Works be more specific in his weekly activity reports. He stated that he thought it was a good idea to have this information but more information needed to be included as to exactly what our employees are doing during their day.

Ms. Corrie Plato – stated that there were two areas that needed work done. The first was Barnhill Street where rain problems existed. She stated that Mr. Lewis Cooper of Environmental Control was very helpful in getting this problem resolved. She said the second area was off of Brushy Bay Road where trash and been dumped and Mr. Lewis

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Cooper also took care of this by obtaining names of those dumping the trash and having the trash cleaned up.

Mr. Jason Steen – commented again on the grant for fireman which Mr. Haynes had mentioned in his Administrator's report. The grant should allow for county to receive about \$2,000.00 worth of equipment. He stated that this was a great opportunity for the community to have young folks involved and interested in participating as volunteers. He stated that all local firemen are having physicals this week and are working towards cutting down on fatalities and injuries.

Mr. Ron Munnerlyn – SC Supreme Court has made a decision about invocations and have said it is ok to have invocations based on the fact that the invocations are actually for the board members and not the audience. I am glad that this has been done and we will continue to handle our meetings as we currently do. Also, the Supreme Court has overturned its decision about agendas and have now said that agendas may be changed at the actual meeting. As you all know, we do not do this unless we have to and when we do, we feel like it is something that would not cause a problem with the freedom of information requirements. Again, we will continue to go forward as we have in the past.

Mr. Munnerlyn stated that Mr. Steen's Public Safety Committee met with the Humane Society folks to discuss the basis use and procedures for the animal shelter that we are attempting to implement and we feel that this process is going really well and will benefit Marlboro County and all of the citizens.

Mr. Munnerlyn stated that he wanted to the Public Service Committee to look into our 911 office and the standard script that they are following when receiving calls. He stated that he had a personal experience recently where there was someone on his property looking for a restroom and finally found one in his yard. Mr. Munnerlyn stated that he called 911 and the dispatcher stopped at the point of needing an exact address as to where police was needed. Mr. Munnerlyn explained that he was at the corner of East Main Street and Everett Street and they would simply not accept that as an address. I am aware of that they have a certain script to follow when answering calls but this could have been a bad scene as the guy on my property was intoxicated and I could not get a police out there. The matter was resolved. He asked that the Public Safety Committee think on this and talk with that department about issues such as this.

Dr. Carolyn Prince – thanked Council for allowing us to represent Marlboro County Council at the 2014 NACo Annual Conference in New Orleans. She stated that there were approximately 3,500 attendees and that she would like to give a report to Council at the next Council meeting. She asked that she be placed on the agenda to make about a 8 to 10 minute presentation to share things that she learned that will benefit the county and the citizens.

Mr. Steve Blackmon - No comments.

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Mr. Ken Allen – No comments.

Mr. Willie Gladden – stated that he spent last week in Charleston with the City of Bennettsville. He talked with a lot of representatives from other cities about working together and many were very positive about great things happening due to their working together. Mt. Pleasant representatives stated that by working closely with the county council they have grown.

The City Council here wants to work with County Council and we need to reach out again to the City Council members to discuss problems that we are all experiencing in the city and county. We need to work close together to move things forward for Marlboro County.

Mr. Ron Munnerlyn, Chairman, stated that we could set up something once school is back in session so as to not interfere with vacations. Mr. Gladden agreed that this would be a good idea.

Mr. Gladden stated that he felt good about how County Council works together.

Mr. Ron Munnerlyn, Chairman, also stated that he would like to comment on an article that he was shown at the begin of the Council meeting. The article was in the SC Environmental Law Project newsletter and mentions a major victory in landfill battle. Mr. Munnerlyn suggested that Council review this and that staff present this to Attorney Steve Weber of Parker-Poe for his review.

NON-AGENDA ITEMS

No items were heard.

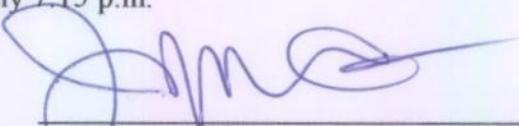
ADJOURN

Motion made by Mr. Willie Gladden, seconded by Mr. Steve Blackmon, to adjourn the meeting. Vote in favor. Unanimous. Motion carried.

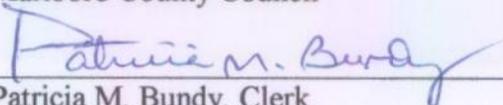
The meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:15 p.m.

(SEAL)

ATTEST:



J. Ron Munnerlyn, Chairman
Marlboro County Council



Patricia M. Bundy, Clerk
Marlboro County Council

Adopted: August 12, 2014