

ANDERSON COUNTY COUNCIL
ANDERSON, SOUTH CAROLINA

Regular Meeting - March 20, 1984 - 7:00 p.m.
Linda N. Gilstrap, Clerk

M I N U T E S

PRESENT: Fred G. Alexander, District #1
Prue L. Gilreath, District #2
Robert L. Wiles, District #3 - Chairman
Daniel A. Rhodes, District #4
A.M. "Al" Lynch, District #5
Billy D. O'Neal, Administrator
Joseph G. Wright, III, County Attorney

Mr. Wiles called the meeting to order and then gave the invocation. Everyone stood and pledged allegiance to the flag.

Mr. O'Neal discussed the road maintenance activity report for the period March 5-16, 1984. The County received 330 work orders and completed 272. The guard rails are being installed and bridge work being completed. Ordinance #132 (amendment to 1983-84 fy budget) was presented for approval on third reading with changes. On the motion of Mr. Gilreath, seconded by Mr. Alexander, Council voted three in favor and two opposed adopting the ordinance. Mr. Gilreath, Mr. Alexander and Mr. Wiles voted in favor, Mr. Rhodes and Mr. Lynch voted against the ordinance.

Mr. Watson explained bids for guard rail posts. He recommended an approved substitute from Rosco Builder Mart for a total of \$7,255.04 be accepted. These would be 6" X 8" X 10' pieces that would be cut to made 2 - 5' posts. On the motion of Mr. Lynch, seconded by Mr. Alexander, Council voted 5-0 to approve the request as recommended.

Mr. Gilreath proposed that the Council consider replacing prison help with one of two methods. These methods would be to replace these prisoners with paid employees or to contract with a professional custodial firm. Mr. Gilreath made a motion that the Council authorize the Administrator to check into the two methods presented and make the determination of which method would be most advantageous to the County and recommend funding in the '84-'85 budget. Motion was seconded by Mr. Lynch. Mr. Lynch amended the motion to include that any alternate method would be acceptable. The amendment was seconded by Mr. Rhodes. Vote was 5-0. Vote on the original motion was unanimous.

Mr. Gilreath asked that all new positions funded wholly/in part be approved by the Council. He moved that this be the policy of Anderson County. Motion was seconded by Mr. Alexander. Mr. Lynch amended the motion that the positon would be filled by the Administrator by advertising in the paper. The amendment was seconded by Mr. Rhodes. Vote was unanimous. Vote on the original motion was unanimous.

Mr. Gilreath proposed that the Council co-sponsor a resolution mandating that there will be no tax increase for 1984-85. Mr. Rhodes presented his Resolution #219 calling for no additional tax millage for 1984-85. This motion was seconded by Mr. Gilreath. Vote was unanimous.

Mr. Alexander asked the Administrator to verify budget figures that Council received at the last budget work session. Mr. O'Neal agreed.

Mr. Gilreath proposed that the Council clean up and beautify the square in Anderson. This would be to replace sidewalks, remove advertising benches, the chain around the monument, remove the tree stump, provide a dumpster at Agriculture Building, and remove trash from behind the Penny Building. He moved that the Administrator work with the City Manager and put the required monies in the '84-'85 budget to accomplish the request. Mr. Alexander seconded the motion. Mr. Lynch amended the motion to have the administrator handle the request. The amendment was seconded by Mr. Rhodes, Vote was 5-0. Vote on the original motion was 5-0.

Mr. Rusty Burns gave a brief up-date on the road inventory project. He told Council that inventory of roads, road maps, high-accident location and road standards were the four areas of study involved. The study should be complete June 30, 1984. Council received as information.

Mr. Robert King came before Council asking that an Emergency Operations Center be funded for Anderson County. He gave a slide presentation to describe the center. The estimated cost of the center would be \$100,000 with 50% being Federal Funds. Council received the request as information.

Mr. Alexander presented Resolution #218 recognizing two sheriff's deputies for outstanding services. He presented Paul Harrison and Sam Frazier with the Resolution and also a certificate of appreciation.

Mr. Wiles appointed Mr. Gilreath and Mr. Rhodes to the City-County Duplication Committee. Mr. Wiles explained that the chairman of the Solid Waste Authority had passed away and appointed Mr. Ernest C. Simpson to fill the unexpired term of Mr. Andy Thompson. Vote was 5-0.

Mr. Alexander asked that Mr. Lynn Ridgeway be appointed to the Beautification Committee. Vote was 5-0.

Mr. Lynch moved that the Council appoint a committee to help eliminate confusion and misunderstanding that exist now between Council and the Treasurer's Office and to assist the Treasurer in collection of delinquent or defaulting taxpayers. He appointed Mr. Alexander and Mr. Rhodes. Mr. Rhodes stated that he would like to withdraw his name and enter Mr. Lynch's name. The motion was seconded by Mr. Rhodes. Vote was three against and two in favor. Mr. Gilreath, Mr. Alexander and Mr. Wiles voted against the motion. Mr. Lynch and Mr. Rhodes voted in favor. Mr. Wiles goes on record as opposing anything that would interfere with the collection of delinquent taxes.

Mr. Rhodes proposed that four van ambulances (titles) be transferred from Anderson County to four Rescue Squads. Motion was seconded by Mr. Lynch. Vote was 5-0.

Mr. John Nash came before Council with a sewer problem at Hembree Creek lift station. On the motion of Mr. Rhodes, seconded by Mr. Lynch, Council voted unanimously to have the administrator check into the problem.

Mr. Gilreath moved that the agenda be amended to hear from Mr. Hurley Badders. The motion was seconded by Mr. Alexander. Vote was 5-0.

Mr. Badders asked Council to approve an Anderson County Museum Advisory Committee and submitted a list of names for consideration. On the motion of Mr. Lynch, seconded by Mr. Gilreath, Council voted 5-0 to establish the committee.

Mr. Lynch read a letter from Mr. Flack, Director of the Human Resources Commission, asking for an additional funding in the amount of \$5,000 for the next three months. Council received as information.

On the motion of Mr. Wiles, seconded by Mr. Rhodes, Council voted 5-0 to amend the agenda to consider a resolution & petition for Yoder Brothers.

Mr. Wright read a petition & Resolution (#217) for Yoder Brothers for the issuance of industrial revenue bonds for \$1,300,000. On the motion of Mr. Rhodes, seconded by Mr. Gilreath, Council voted 5-0 to approve the petition and Resolution #217. On the motion of Mr. Rhodes, seconded by Mr. Alexander, Council voted 5-0 to approve Ordinance #113 for Yoder Brothers on first reading.

Council heard from concerned citizens at this time.

On the motion of Mr. Lynch, seconded by Mr. Rhodes, Council voted unanimously to adjourn at 9:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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