

**CHESTERFIELD COUNTY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
COUNTY COUNCIL MULTI-PURPOSE BUILDING
October 5, 2011 9:00 A.M.**

PRESENT: Chairman J. Matthew Rivers, Vice-Chair Lenora V. Powe, Council Members: Gerald L. Miller, G. Franklin Plyler, Bruce E. Rivers, Douglas A. Curtis, Robert G. Cole, Kenneth A. Johnson and Crawford Moore.

OTHERS PRESENT: Denise Douglass, Administrator; Susie Boswell, Clerk to Council; Michelle Stanley, Finance Director; Heath Ruffner, County Attorney; Donna Rivers, CCOA; Karen Stangel, Paws & Claws; Johnnie McLendon; Eddie O’Cain, Humane Society; Brenda Quick; Honorable Paul Burch, Matthew Hogge and Joy Young. There were others attending the meeting who did not sign the sign-in-sheet.

CALL TO ORDER AND PRAYER

Chairman J. Matthew Rivers welcomed everyone and Council Member Powe asked Rev. Johnnie McLendon to open the meeting with prayer.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Council Member Johnson made a motion to adopt the October 5, 2011 meeting agenda. Council Member Cole seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. .

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a. September 7, 2011 – Regular Meeting

Council Member Miller made a motion to adopt the September 7, 2011 Regular Meeting minutes with approved changes. Council Member Cole seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous.

SIGNING OF BONDS, PAYROLL, AND AUTHORIZATIONS

None

APPOINTMENTS

None

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

PUBLIC HEARINGS

None

ORDINANCE READINGS AND RESOLUTIONS

Bobby Bowers - SC Budget & Control Board

Addressed Council regarding the Redistricting Plan and went over the criteria for redistricting. He stated that he did not think Council would be able to improve on the map that had been drawn for redistricting. He stated that Kevin Thurman had been a great help and thanked Kevin for his help.

a. Redistricting Plan Ordinance - 2nd Reading

Council Member Powe made a motion to pass 2nd reading. Council Member Miller seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

b. Home Detention Program – 2nd Reading

Council Member Plyler made a motion to pass 2nd reading. Council Member Cole seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

c. Bath Salts Ban Ordinance – 2nd Reading

Council Member Bruce E. Rivers made a motion to pass 2nd reading. Council Member Plyler seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

d. Solid Waste Plan Ordinance Amendment – 1st Reading (title only)

Council Member Bruce E. Rivers made a motion to pass 1st Reading (title only). Council Member Powe seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

e. G/O Construction Bond Reallocation – 1st Reading

Council Member Plyler made a motion to pass 1st Reading. Council Member Bruce E. Rivers seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

a. Animal Shelter Committee

1. Update – Eddie O’Cain, HSPCA

Mr. O’Cain advised Council that the Attorney General’s Office had asked him to implement the quarterly inspections and to help the County with the change over at the Animal Shelter. He stated that he was there to help in implementing policies, job descriptions, paperwork flow, vets, etc. He stated that instead of coming in and doing an official inspection with a bunch of negatives, that his walk-thru was just a base and on January 1, 2012 he would come back and do an official inspection and that it would be done by the book. He stated that he would submit the findings to Council and to the Attorney General’s Office. He stated that Council needed to look at some issues like Ordinances and that overall for the way the facility is put together, that he thought it was a decent facility. He said that most of the positives outweighed the negatives and that most of the negatives were being addressed. Mr. O’Cain said he would be present to help as much as possible and that he could be contacted at anytime by phone or email and that the Attorney General’s Office said that they would help to turn this around for the County.

Council Member Plyler:

Stated that due to all of the bad publicity with the Animal Shelter that he would suggest that the name of the operation be changed from Animal Control to Animal Services.

Chairman J. Matthew Rivers: Advised that the Administrator could handle this matter.

ITEMS SUBMITTED BY COUNCIL

None

ITEMS SUBMITTED BY STAFF

a. Road Naming for Carolinas Centre

It was requested that Council approve the proposed road naming of the Carolinas Centre. The proposal included the construction side being "Carolinas Centre S Lane" and the water tank side of Highway 9 being "Carolinas Centre N Lane".

Council Member Curtis made a motion to approve the proposed road name of the Carolinas Centre with the construction side being "Carolinas Centre S Lane" and the water tank side of Highway 9 being "Carolinas Centre N Lane".

Council Member Powe seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

None

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Crawford Moore

Jazz Festival is coming up.

Bruce E. Rivers

None

Douglas Curtis

None

Lenora V. Powe

Met with Duane N. Parrish, Director, SC Department of Parks, Recreation & Tourism and Senator Sheheen at the State Park in Cheraw and stated that the State Park is going to bring swimming back, refurbishing the beach and the house on the hill and are talking about putting 6 golf villas at the State Park long term. Also visited H. Cooper Black Field Trial and Recreation Area and learned that they were training bomb sniffing

dogs for the military and that this was one of the best facilities in the nation. In 2013 National Dog Trials are to be held at H. Cooper Black Field Trial and Recreation Area and the economic indicators with the multipliers said it would bring about three million dollars to the county that one week. In the NACO News Chesterfield County was identified as one of the first counties in the nation to have a bath salts ban ordinance.

Gerald L. Miller

None

Kenneth A. Johnson

None

George Franklin Plyler

None

Robert G. Cole

None

J. Matthew Rivers

None

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Chairman J. Matthew Rivers recommended Council enter into Executive Session in accordance with S.C. Law, Section 30-40-70 of the S.C. Code of Laws, to discuss matters pertaining to the following items:

a. Legal Issues – The Honorable Paul M. Burch

Council Member Bruce E. Rivers made a motion to enter into Executive Session. Council Member Johnson seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous.

Council Member Miller made a motion to exit Executive Session. Council Member Johnson seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous.

REGULAR SESSION

Chairman J. Matthew Rivers reported Council is back in regular session. No action was taken in Executive Session.

Council Member Powe advised that she would like to have a Public Meeting regarding redistricting for the people in her district so they would know about the changes in her district. Council agreed to display the Redistricting Map in the each Library in the County, Voter Registration and in the upstairs lobby at the Chesterfield County Courthouse.

ADJOURN

Council Member Plyler made a motion to adjourn. Council Member Bruce E. Rivers seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous.

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

J. MATTHEW RIVERS, CHAIRMAN
DATE: November 2, 2011

SUSIE BOSWELL
CLERK TO COUNCIL