

ANDERSON COUNTY COUNCIL  
ANDERSON, SOUTH CAROLINA

Regular Meeting - May 8, 2001 - 6:00 p.m.

Linda N. Gilstrap, Clerk to Council

M I N U T E S

All area newspapers, radio stations and television stations were informed of this meeting in compliance with guidelines set forth in the *Freedom of Information Act*.

PRESENT

Chairman Clint Wright - District #4 - Presiding

G. Fred Tolly - District #1

Gracie S. Floyd - District #2

Larry E. Greer - District #3

Vice Chairman Mike Holden - District #5

William C. Dees - District #6

M. Cindy Wilson - District #7

Joey Preston - Administrator

Tom Martin - County Attorney

Linda N. Gilstrap - Clerk to Council

Tammie Shealy - Assistant Clerk to Council

The official meeting of the Anderson County Council convened in the Council Chambers of the Historic Courthouse on Tuesday, May 8, 2001 at 6:00 p.m.

Chairman Clint Wright gave the invocation and everyone stood and pledged allegiance to the flag.

On the motion of Mr. Greer, seconded by Mr. Holden, Council voted unanimously to approve the minutes from the April 17, 2001 meeting as mailed.

Mr. Holden asked that Council recognize Ms. Gina Smith for a special

presentation. Ms. Smith stated that she was thinking about how far the county has come. She asked County employees to come tonight to show their support not only for Mr. Preston but also for Council also to show them how much they appreciate what Mr. Preston and Council does. Everyone in attendance was there because they felt that they wanted to be in attendance. The auditorium was full of County employees estimated at approximately 270. She said that many organizations possess the same technology, they have the same resources, they have the same equipment, knowledgeable employees but it is the organization that runs on passion that prevails. She said the County has that passion. She presented Mr. Preston a book by Richard Chang; *The Passion Planet Work-Building a Passion Driven Organization* from all County employees. Mr. Holden stated that he wanted to continue to give employee raises and he will not vote for a budget that does not give the County employees a raise. Ms. Floyd asked for a Point of Personal Privilege. Mr. Holden, Mr. Greer, Mr. Tolly, and Mr. Wright gave Ms. Floyd their agreement. Ms. Floyd asked that County Council work very hard to insure that the County employees are protected from public ridicule. Mr. Tolly said that this is his fifth term and the outlook and demeanor is as different as night and day. Mr. Greer stated that he did not believe that any County employee should be identified in a complaint either by name or position and they should go through the proper procedure to avoid at all times subjecting the County employees to public criticism and ridicule.

**Public Comments:**

Mr. Brantley Jordan: Mr. Jordan wanted to join in with all the remarks made earlier about the remarks about the County employees and Mr. Preston. He also stated that at the last meeting there were people in attendance complaining of Mr. Holt Hopkins and he wanted to express what a good job Mr. Holt Hopkins was doing at he road department. He disagreed with what was said even though the shoulders of County roads did need work on them. He also stated that he was in favor of public comments.

Ms. Bennie Sue West: "We've been hearing a lot about a short fall in revenue and so I've taken an interest at looking at where the money is going and that's what I wanted to inquire about tonight. A total of 30

vehicles were purchased at a cost \$483,269 during Dec. 99 through May 2000. My questions are: How many cars did the county own before these purchases and how are older cars disposed of and at what age. 2) What county employees are assigned a county vehicle and what are the restrictions on their use. I thought some of these vehicles were for law enforcement and I could understand that and that's my interest in that expenditure to see if there could be some cut backs in areas like that. And also listed was the name of Edna Williams from Aug 99 to June 2000 she received a total of \$50,637 but it did not list what services she provided and I was interested in finding out what services she provided. Thank you, Mr. Preston." Ms. West complimented Council on the nice way that the Civic Center, playground and the surrounded areas look.

Mr. Frank Kellam: "Mr. Chairman and Members of the Anderson County council. I would like to take this time to address serious concerns about how our tax dollars are being wasted. I also want to thank the many citizens of Anderson for being here tonight. Let me briefly compare four budget areas from the 1997 budget to the proposed 2002 in just five years the Administrator's Office has increased by \$194,000 that's a year. Legal consultant did not exist in 1997 but next year we're going to pay \$300,000. Four years ago, public information did not exist. But next year we're going to pay \$148,000. Also the personnel Department will grow in the same five years by \$190,000 in these four offices of County government we're out of control. Four years ago in 1997, the budget for these four offices cost the county taxpayers \$270,000. Next year in your budget the same four offices will cost the taxpayers \$1,100,000 this is an increase of \$830,000 a year this is indicative of the reckless and arrogant spending of the current administrator and you council members. It is obvious to see why you do not like accountability. It requires making tuff choices and it requires saying no something you folks are incapable of doing. In the Anderson community, thousands of good paying manufacturing jobs has been lost to poorly developed countries with very low pay scales. Some companies in our Counties are struggling today to stay afloat many workers are having to

take rotating lay-offs some citizens of this county have had to take lower paying jobs to keep there households going, yet you and the Administrator keep throwing more and more money away like public drunks instead of being responsible public servants. Do you not care that you are putting a heavy tax burden on this community have you not even

considered the opportunities of saving money and reducing taxes. We're the taxpayers. You need us. The point I want to make here tonight is do we the taxpayers need you. Unless you start taking responsibility for your spending for this ridiculous budget. May the Lord Eternal have show mercy on our great nation. Thank you."

Mr. Paul Dechand: Presented pictures of problem at his residence on Dawn Drive. The pictures showed a bad drainage problem, which has caused bad erosion problems. He said he has lived with the situation for the last 15 years and has tried the whole time to get it corrected. When you call the County they come out and dig the ditch even deeper and this, in his opinion, is not the solution. He asked Council to come out to talk with him about this.

Mr. Ron Hendricks: Mr. Hendricks stated that it was obvious after his presentation at the last meeting that Council went into "a closed mind" attitude toward his remarks. He said that safety was not an issue. The employee he talked with never said safety was an issue. I spoke specifically about a specific item - Marett Road which is 7 tenths long you can see from one end to the other with no curves, no dips, no dangerous shoulders on either side. He stated once again safety was not a significant criteria for the reason for widening the shoulders out on Marett Road. Why wasn't the money spent fixing this guys' drive or in the roads in the Wren School area where students are killed annually, he asked. He said that he understood that had acquired \$650,000 of right of ways why wasn't about  $\frac{1}{2}$  mile section of Hopewell Road selected for widening to show these people what could be done. This just doesn't make sense to go way over on the other side of the county to do this. He stated that he had two possible reasons that he believes the money was wasted. 1) This person said it was his idea. Over the two year period did he take the was this money being spent in the best possible

way for Anderson County. Nobody has addressed that question yet. 2) The county employee described that the project was being done as a show place and beautification not for the reasons that perhaps that they were told or assumed. He suggested that some person(s) might have influenced this person to do his work to create a beautified industrial park. The county wasted and wrongly spent \$200,000, he said.

Mr. William Werts: (210 Arcadia Drive) "I requested today a copy of the proposed budget. The lady from the finance office said it would not be available until third reading. I would like to mention to Mr. Kellam to find out where he got his figures. I requested it under the Freedom of Information act. I also requested a last year's budget and a year to date expenditure budget and they said what do you mean by a year to date expenditure. It's very simple. You key in the computer and it spits it out what (tape not clear). On thing that concerns me is the discussion about the YMCA and the County possibility donating up to couple million dollars. My concern in the budget is very small amount. This is my tax money. Anderson County says okay we are not gonna charge you any taxes period. Then my concern of how the money is spent is up to you. But as long as I've paid Anderson County taxes this is my money that you are spending. YMCA needs money tell them to call me. I will donate money if I want to if I don't I won't. In the paper today there was one business closing July 6 or 8 with 40 employees. (not clear) overhead lights, water, taxes, it's all built in. If the county can spend this type money - give me a tax break. I'm sure there is other county residents that would like to get a tax break along with. Thank you a lot."

Mr. Holden stated for the record that the County Council has not committed to help the YMCA and neither has the City and the Council cannot control what the paper prints.

Mr. Martha S. Burgess: Ms. Burgess said that she lived on Sharon Road which is north of Belton and was present representing the residents of Sharon Road. She requested Council's help with obtaining a waterline. The County has never spent any money for these residents not even for the up keep of the road, she said. She said anything the County can do

to help them with this waterline would be greatly appreciated. Mr. Greer stated that he and other members of Council and staff went to Washington, DC last week. The one reason he went was to speak to his Congressmen and Senators about the need for water in Council District #3. He presented a proposal to Lindsey Graham requesting in excess of ten million dollars in Federal help for waterlines in district 3. The County does not have the money in the county budget to put that many waterlines across this district. The county just had one gentleman to stand up and criticize for not offering industry help and other groups for offering incentives for industries. For the county to put the tax dollars out there to put these waterlines in that are needed it would cost a tremendous tax increase. Mr. Martin stated a point of personal privilege that Anderson County could not actually provide water to entire Anderson County and Anderson County is not a water utility company. Ms. Wilson asked if a special tax district could be a solution to the problem. Council agreed that could be a possibility.

Mr. Frank Killem: Mr. Killem said that it grieved him to address the YMCA fiasco. He said according to the newspaper the YMCA serves only about 3,300 community members with a County population of 173,000. This represents less than 2% of the County's population. You can see that the YMCA serves an elite group, which proves that the YMCA does not serve the County of Anderson; therefore, it's the "pits" of insensitivity of the YMCA managers to make a request to the County or City for financial assistance. He suggested that they try the "bucket test" to determine how much the County thinks of their request. Let them get their proper permits and stand at all major intersections of Anderson County with buckets and let them see how long it'll take for the County to donate the 2-4 million dollars for this cause. He said he dared say that they would not raise the money in their lifetime or their grandchildren's lifetime.

Ms. Gracie Floyd presented a Proclamation proclaiming May 5-12, 2001 as NATIONAL SAFE KIDS WEEK. The proclamation was presented to Mr. Dwayne Smith. Mr. Holden seconded the adoption of the proclamation and vote was unanimous. Ms. Floyd recognized Ms. Felicia

Rainey who lost a child exactly one year ago to a bike/car accident. He was not wearing a helmet.

Ms. Caren Kelly-Hall, Coordinator for Big Brothers/Big Sisters asked Council for some financial assistance with the annual "Bowl for Kids Sake" fundraiser. Council received all remarks under advisement.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Duncan explained a situation that they had encountered concerning their property being zoning commercial. He said that they live within a  $\frac{1}{4}$  of mile from the jockey lot and did not know that their property had been zoned commercial and he had lived there over 31 years. They deeded his son some land last year (April 2000) and they have been working since then to get his house built behind him and his wife so he can take care of them. Ms. Wilson stated that this is in the Williamston Mill precinct and is located in a residential setting. She asked Council to consider working with the Planning Department and the Duncans to find a reasonable solution to let them begin construction as soon as possible. Ms. Wilson moved to amend the agenda to add first reading (title only) of Ordinance #2001-021 - a ordinance to change Mr. Duncan's property from C-2 to Residential. Mr. Tolly seconded. Vote was unanimous. Mr. Ricketson stated that Mr. Duncan or County staff did anything wrong. Mr. Holden moved to approve first reading of Ordinance #2001-021 to change the zoning class from C-2 to residential (R20) of certain property owned by Mr. Harvey Duncan. Mr. Tolly seconded. Mr. Greer asked that the County move as fast as possible to accomplish this change. Ms. Floyd also agreed that the County needed to move as fast as possible but to be very careful. Mr. Ricketson replied to Mr. Dees question of how fast could this be done with a reply of approximately 60 days or the final reading by June 19. Vote was unanimous to approve first reading. Mr. Greer asked that the process move as quickly as possible. Mr. Greer said that he attended several community zoning meetings and the question regarding "grand fathering" of property zoned commercial could you build a house there was stated. The answer he heard was no, loud and clear. Vote was unanimous.

Council recessed for 10 minutes at this time. Chairman Wright called the meeting back to order.

Mr. Tom Martin presented third and final reading of Ordinance #2001-011 - an ordinance regulating the solicitation of contributions or donations from an occupant of any vehicle, in accordance with section 5-27-910 of the South Carolina code of Laws, 1976, as amended, and creating and establishing the procedures whereby an individual, group, or entity may obtain a permit for such solicitation; and other matters related thereto. Mr. Dees moved to approve on third reading of Ordinance #2001-011 as amended and Mr. Holden seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Mr. Martin presented third and final reading of Ordinance #2001-012 - an ordinance imposing a prohibition on certain vehicular traffic on Powell Road, designated as County Road C-9-150; and other matters related thereto. Mr. Martin explained that the Ordinance had been amended from the last meeting to reflect the request of Council. Mr. Greer moved to approve and Mr. Holden seconded. Mr. Holden said he had received complaints regarding where you come off Powell Road onto McGee Road (left) there is a lot of trees and grass that needs a county crew to go out and check on. Vote was unanimous.

Mr. Martin presented second reading of Ordinance #2001-007 - an ordinance amending Chapter 38 of the Anderson County Code of ordinances by identifying and designating all roads in Anderson County currently maintained by the Anderson County Transportation Division as County roads, accepting such roads into the Anderson County road system, specifying the only means in which a new or existing private road may be designated a County road, and other matters related thereto. A public hearing was held at which Mr. Rufus Gleason of 711 Trail Road, Belton asked if there were any roads currently maintained by the Anderson County Transportation department which are not county roads. Chairman Wright explained what the ordinance was for and

replied no to his question. Mr. Charles Crowe asked if there was a current map which indicated the county roads. Mr. Martin replied that there was a master map of County roads. Chairman Wright stated that all roads on the master list are all county roads and have met all County specifications to be county roads and the ordinance was simply a identification tool. No further remarks the public hearing was declared closed. Mr. Holden moved to approve and Mr. Dees seconded. Mr. Greer stated that one of the "key" words of the ordinance was "maintained" and over the last 2-1/2 years that I've ridden district 3 there are roads on the county map which has oak trees 18-24" in diameter that are still on the map but are not maintained. What this does is it gives the developer the opportunity to have the County put him in a road at county taxpayer expense. This would eliminate that possibility. The other concern that Mr. Greer has is that he is prepared to vote on second reading but would like more time before third reading. He asked that the final reading be delayed until the second meeting in June. Vote was unanimous.

Mr. Preston asked for approval of first reading of Ordinance #2001-016 the fiscal year 2001-2002 Administrator's recommended budget (title only). He said that second reading and public hearing would be held on June 5 and a special called meeting for June 12. All funds included: \$82,392,200. Mr. Holden moved to approve and Mr. Tolly seconded. Ms. Cindy Wilson's Budget Questions: Ms. Wilson: On page 1 of the proposed budget for fiscal year 2001-2001 it states: total revenues of \$82,412,200. It does not match the appropriations figure further over. All we've been given, along with a number of other questions I'll be asking, is a summary of budget revenues and budget appropriations. We've not been given the budget ordinance to vote on. I would also like to know why when we had a budget, which stated we would have budget workshops March 12-16, 2001 between Department Heads, the Administrator, and the elected officials-they were not held. That is part of our budget ordinance. We've not received any revisions asking for approval of a changed budget calendar. Also I want to know why

we've been given figures indicating increased vehicle taxes and also increased RMC when we've been advised that we'll be dealing with hardships from vehicle tax rollbacks. Also we've been told that we will be having cutback from the state funds to local governments yet it shows an increase. This budget that I'm looking at, and I have a number of knowledgeable people looking at it with me over the weekend a lot of the figures do not match. I have a big question about the Library. It shows a \$1,191,065 difference from 2000-2001. Then the EMS has an huge increase going from \$1,336,545 to \$3,462,745. One of the big red flags that I've seen concerning EMS is it appears that area 1 has a Special tax district and there were funds obtained from that and they look like they have been co-mingled with the millage that was imposed Countywide. In effect does that mean that people in area one have been taxed twice? Is it proper for those funds to be co-mingled? I have a number of more questions. Also when I was given the check registers from the Finance Department - I had asked for the detail of the general budget and also the monthly financial statements and what're finding is a lot of questions. For example a printing bill was paid to Haynsworth and Baldwin, which we found is a law firm. We found that Vulcan which is basically (end of tape 1)...hidden and I want to know why. I just cannot vote for this budget, which amounts to a pig in a poke.

Mr. Holden: I think that is why we are going to have a work session. May I ask who these knowledgeable people are that you are working with?

Ms. Wilson: I am not going to reveal those names unless they want to reveal themselves.

Mr. Holden: So it appears that we can't get information either, but understanding that. I think that is why we're gonna have a workshop.

Ms. Wilson: Well at least you didn't FOI me for it. If you had FOIed me, I would have given it to you within 15 days.

Mr. Holden: We can do that.

Mr. Preston: If Ms. Wilson would put these questions in writing, I'm sure we can answer all the questions.

Ms. Wilson asked for a brief time for the public to have a question and answer period after the budget work session. Ms. Wilson also respectfully requested that (in a public meeting) for her detail of the general budget and

her monthly financial statement. She said that the last information she received (vendor files) was not what she asked for. It was not by fund or account and you would have had to have a forensic auditor to match and account number and add up various checks and account numbers to figure out what was happening in a specific department. She respectfully requested that the information be provided on a monthly statement in the proper form by fund and by department with sub-categories with both revenue and expenses. She asked for this information to go back to October and a detail of the general budget. Mr. Tolly called for the question. Vote was six in favor and one opposed (Ms. Wilson).

Mr. Martin presented first reading of Ordinance #2001-018 - an ordinance to approve the application for rezoning from R-20 to R-A for the applicant/property owners of Owens Circle and Burns Bridge Circle, located in Council District 4 and within the Mt. Tabor Voting precinct. A public hearing was held and no comments were heard. Mr. Holden moved to approve on first reading and Mr. Dees seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Mr. Martin presented first reading of Ordinance #2001-020 - an ordinance authorizing the execution and delivery of a wastewater leasing agreement between the city of Clemson and the town of Pendleton, as lessors, and the county of Anderson, as lessee, for the purchase of an additional 300,000 gallons per day of capacity at the Pendleton/Clemson Wastewater Treatment Plant; and other matters related thereto. Mr. Greer moved to approve the ordinance on first reading and Ms. Floyd seconded. Ms. Wilson asked how much of the 100,000 per day is the county currently using? Mr. Pearson replied 35-40,000 gallons. She asked what the revenues would be. Mr. Pearson replied he was not sure about that. Mr. Pearson said that the \$1.56 per thousand gallons is the user fee for what the County actually uses. The County will pay for what they actually use and are buying capacity for future allocations. Mr. Pearson replied yes. Mr. Greer asked Mr. Pearson if it was correct to say that the cost of this operation would be paid for by the user fees that the customers of Anderson County that tie on. What the county will

pay to the town of Pendleton will be the O & M charges of the wastewater treatment plant itself. The County will actually make a profit. The county will pay for treatment \$1.56 per thousand gallons and the County will receive \$3.05/per thousand gallon. Mr. Greer called for the question. Vote was unanimous.

On the motion of Mr. Dees, seconded by Mr. Tolly, Council voted unanimously to approve a proclamation for Zero Tolerance for Litter to be May 11 and 12, 2001.

Mr. Joey Preston presented a Proclamation proclaiming the week of May 15, 2001 as Anderson County Police Week. Mr. Dees moved to approve and Mr. Holden seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Chairman Wright read a proclamation proclaiming May 7-12, 2001 as Small Business Week 2001. Mr. Tolly moved to approve and Ms. Wilson seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Ms. Wilson presented Resolution #R2001-022 - a resolution recognizing and honoring Anderson County resident Francis W. Cox, for being selected as a South Carolina Woman of Achievement Award recipient by the S.C. Governor's Commission for Women.

Mr. Wright moved to appoint Mr. Marvin Greene to serve on the Broadway Lake Commission to represent District #4. Mr. Dees seconded and vote was unanimous.

On the motion of Mr. Dees, seconded by Mr. Tolly, Council voted unanimously to allow Mr. Dees to appropriate \$4,000 from District #6 parks & Recreation fund for the Caroline Community Center upon receipt of invoices.

Mr. Holden asked for approval to appropriate \$5,000 from Parks & Recreation Account Fund for Whitehall Elementary for playground equipment. Mr. Tolly seconded and vote was unanimous.

Mr. Holden moved to add Old Shoals Drive (C-9-0026) and Muirfield Road (C-09-031) to the County paving contract for a total of \$34,037.10. Mr. Greer seconded and vote was unanimous.

Mr. Holden announced that the referendum held on May 8 was defeated. Yes votes 548, no-561.

Mr. Holden requested that Mr. Preston to prepare the new sign ordinance for Anderson County dealing with seasonal/agricultural type signs. The existing sign ordinance already has exceptions for political signs, and real estate signs.

On the motion of Mr. Tolly, seconded by Mr. Holden, council voted unanimously to approve the appropriation of \$2,700 for the installation of a fire hydrant to be located contiguous to West Anderson Church of God. These funds to come from District #1 paving funds.

Mr. Tolly moved to appropriate \$5,000 to the Good Neighbor Cupboard from District #1 Parks and Recreation funds. Mr. Holden seconded and vote was unanimous.

Mr. Tolly moved to appropriate \$1,000 to the Foothills Rape Crisis Center from District #1 Recreation funds for their fundraiser. Mr. Greer seconded and vote was unanimous.

Mr. Tolly moved to appropriate \$4,860 from district #1 paving funds to pave Roddington Way (C-09-035). Mr. Greer seconded and vote was unanimous.

Ms. Floyd moved to appropriate \$4,000 from District 32 Recreation Funds for the Arts Council to help with youth summer program. Mr. Holden seconded and vote was unanimous.

Ms. Floyd moved to appropriate \$1,000 for Special Olympics for their summer programs from District #2 Recreation funds. Ms. Floyd amended the motion to include a \$1,000 from District #5 recreation account for a total of

\$2,000 and Mr. Holden seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Ms. Floyd moved to appropriate \$1,000 to the Crisis Ministries for their summer programs from district #2 Recreation funds and \$1,000 from District #5 Recreation funds. Mr. Holden seconded. She encouraged all members to consider with financial assistance for the programs. Vote was unanimous.

Chairman Wright moved to appropriate \$4,000 for the Pendleton Band Boosters to help with the regional band contest, which was held at Anderson College. The funds to come from District #4 Parks & Recreation funds. Mr. Greer seconded and vote was unanimous.

Mr. Greer asked for a point of personal privilege. He said that he had been in the County Fire system for some time and knows a lot of the members throughout the County. He said that he was contacted by Mr. Preston Lewis of the Broadway Fire Department concerning their parking lot. The parking lot is in bad shape and needs repaving. He asked Mr. Preston to explore some opportunity of assisting this fire department in resurfacing this fire department. Mr. Hopkins has informed him that it could be resurfaced for approximately \$5,000. Ms. Floyd moved to take the \$5,000 from District #2 to do this paving and Ms. Greer seconded. Ms. Floyd stated that this fire department was in her district prior to redistricting and she was working on the project before the fire department went into another district. Vote was unanimous.

Mr. Greer asked for discussion of the type of landfills that the Big Creek and Starr C & D are. Mr. Vic Carpenter explained that Big Creek was a subtitle D landfill that operates under very strict guidelines from EPA to DHEC to local municipalities that run or license landfills. A subtitle D is a landfill, which has a very thick plastic poly liner with several feet of clay and sand under the liner. It has a system of collecting the run-off so it never gets from the liner through the sub liner into the ground. This is where municipal, household, certain types of items that are regulated are disposed of. A C&D

landfill (a disposal in Starr) is a construction and demolition site. There are very strict restrictions on what can go in there. Items that are allowed are generally inert items such as concrete, brick, block, leaves, land-clearing debris, non-asbestos shingles, wood, and lawn clearing. Items that cannot be accepted are metal, glass, cardboard, aluminum and garbage. If there are concerns then the items are turned away. Mr. Greer asked if the Big Creek Landfill was permitted to accept friable asbestos and home demolition containing lead paint? Mr. Preston replied yes. Mr. Greer asked if the Starr Landfill was permitted to accept those items. Mr. Carpenter said that the current permit from DHEC does not allow those items.

On April 24 in the Anderson Independent Mail there was an article in the paper where the City of Anderson was requesting a various from DHEC to allow them to dispose of house demolition in the Starr landfill. Was that various granted and what issue at the Big Creek Landfill resulted in this request from the City of Anderson. Mr. Preston said no the various had not been granted. Mr. Preston stated that the county's ability to dispose of this type of materials had been impeded because of present litigation with the Big Creek landfill. He said that those types of materials will be disposed up in the proper facility, which is permitted to receive them, and this is another example of why we need to have a permitted facility. Mr. Greer said that he and some of his residents were disturbed by a move to put these items which should go into a lined landfill where the leaching into the ground water. Mr. Greer stated that he would like to county to entertain an ordinance or motion that would establish a county policy prohibiting friable asbestos and materials containing lead paint from going into the Starr C & D landfill. Mr. Martin said that the ultimate solution would be to amend the County's Solid waste plan but in the mean time a simple motion stating the policy would be enough to give direction to County staff. County staff does have discretion, within the guidelines, of what is accepted. Mr. Preston said that the Solid Waste Management plan was very complex and it was being redeveloped now. He said that they would be sure to include that in it. Mr. Greer moved to establish as County policy that the Starr C & D landfill does not accept any material containing friable asbestos or any home demolition containing lead paint and

staff explore the procedures for incorporating this into Solid Waste Management Plan. Mr. Holden seconded. Vote was six in favor and one abstention (Ms. Wilson). Mr. Tolly said that the county needed to consider restrictions on what type of demolition materials are accepted at Big Creek when we can be putting garbage in there. Motion carried. Ms. Wilson talked about a test from 1998 test well done at the Big Creek, which contained lead with a action, level of (normal 15) 26. Mr. Preston responded that he would be glad to get her any report that she needed and get the engineers to do an analysis.

**ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:**

- (a) Mobile Home Ordinance Revisions
- (b) Land Use Ordinance Revisions
- (c) Certificates and Training:
  - (1) Mr. Jerry Shealy - Selective Service System - Region II Training
  - (2) Mr. William E. Rutledge - Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors - Engineering Degree
  - (3) Mr. Tommy D. Thompson - Voluntary Organizations Active in Disasters, The Role of Amateur Radio in Hurricane Communications, and Medical Issues During an Evacuation
  - (4) Ms. Pamela Garner - Authorized Bridge Course Process
- (d) Letters of Appreciation:
  - (1) *For: Council Member William Dees and Cindy Wilson & Officer Burgess From: Mr. Jeff Kindley*
  - (2) *For: Council Member William Dees From: Powdersville Community Club*
  - (3) *Mr. William Dees and Members of Council From: Mr. Jerry Nichols- Piedmont Public Service District*
  - (4) *For: Anderson County Administrator, Mr. Larry Greer and Members of Council From: Mr. Steven J. Rosette - Starr*

*Athletic Complex/Starr Athletic Complex Lawn Care*

- (5) For: Mr. Jeff Ricketson From: Concord Elementary School  
Mrs. Thompson's Fifth Grade Class
- (6) For: Ms. Gina Smith, Ms. Rita Davis from Dr. Keith Cole, Chairman Anderson County Board of Education
- (7) For: Vic Carpenter and Wastewater Treatment Dept.  
From: Mr. Jerry Singleton
- (8) For: Anderson County Advisory Board & Committee Seminar From: Attorney Garrett Steck
- (9) For: Mr. Holt Hopkins From: John Garman, Chamber
- (10) For: Ms. Rosemary Jones From: Ms. Denise Holley
- (11) For: Mr. Gerald Watson From: Ms. Denise Holley
- (12) For: Mr. Jerry Bannister From: Ms. Denise Holley
- (13) For: Mr. Jerry Shealy and Mr. Taylor Jones From: Belton Rescue Squad
- (14) For: Mr. Mark McConnell, and Pipe Crew From: Ms. Betty Vickery
- (15) For: Mr. Holt Hopkins From: Mr. Stuart Taylor
- (16) For: Mr. Aaron Smart and crew From: Mr. Bill Ellison
- (17) For: Mr. Jerry Shealy From: Councilman Bill Dees

(e) Minutes:

- (1) Transportation Division Safety Meeting Minutes - April 20, 2001
- (2) Anderson County Transportation Committee Minutes - February 8, 2001
- (3) EMS Commission Minutes - April 12, 2001
- (4) Anderson County Local Emergency Planning Committee Minutes June 5, 2001
- (5) Anderson Sports & Entertainment Center Advisory Board Minutes- April 30, 2001

(f) Reports:

- (1) Road Maintenance Litter Report - April 2-13, 2001 and April 16 through April 27, 2001

- (2) Public Safety March Training Report
- (3) Recreation Fund Account
- (4) District Paving Report
- (5) Detention Center Litter Report April 16-20 and April 23-27
- (6) Keep America Beautiful Litter Statistics
- (g) Sign Ordinance Alternatives
- (h) Senate Bill 528 - Private Property Rights Protection Act
- (i) Copy of the S.C. Building Code Act as Codified in Title 6, Chapter
- (j) May 8, 2001 - Zoning Referendum for Rock Mill Voting Precinct
- (k) Rock Mill Voting Precinct Voting Activity
- (l) "A High-flying Memorial Day" Article
- (m) EMS Grant-in-Aid Application
- (n) General Sessions Transports by Detention Center
- (o) Kids Count
- (p) Tri-County Technical College - Tuition Increase
- (q) Delinquent Tax Notices
- (r) Chapter Communications Upgrades
- (s) Jolly Wingo/Marett Road Issue
- (t) Brownfields Cleanup Revolving Loan Grant Approved
- (u) Owens Corning Service and Logistics Headquarters
- (v) EMS Commission's recommendations to Council
- (w) Anderson Sports and Entertainment Calendar/May

There being no further business, Council adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda N. Gilstrap, Clerk to Council  
ANDERSON COUNTY COUNCIL