

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE FLORENCE COUNTY COUNCIL,  
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2009, 9:00 A.M., COUNCIL  
CHAMBERS ROOM 803, CITY-COUNTY COMPLEX, 180 N. IRBY  
STREET, FLORENCE, SOUTH CAROLINA**

**PRESENT:**

K. G. "Rusty" Smith, Jr., Chairman  
H. Morris Anderson, Secretary-Chaplain  
Mitchell Kirby, Council Member  
Russell W. Culberson, Council Member  
Johnnie D. Rodgers, Jr., Council Member  
Alphonso Bradley, Council Member  
James T. Schofield, Council Member  
Richard A. Starks, County Administrator  
James C. Rushton, III, County Attorney  
Connie Y. Haselden, Clerk to Council

**ALSO PRESENT:**

Carlie Gregg, Public Works Director  
Herbie Christmas, Environmental Services  
Ray McBride, Library Director  
Chuck Tomlinson, Morning News Staff Writer

**ABSENT:**

Waymon Mumford, Vice-Chairman  
J. Ken Ard, Council Member

A notice of the regular meeting of the Florence County Council appeared in the February 18, 2009 edition of the **MORNING NEWS**. Copies of the agenda were faxed to members of the media and posted in the lobby of the City-County Complex, the Doctors Bruce and Lee Foundation Public Library and on the County's website ([www.florenceco.org](http://www.florenceco.org)).

Chairman Smith called the meeting to order. Secretary-Chaplain Anderson gave the invocation and Councilman Kirby led the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag. Chairman Smith welcomed everyone attending the meeting.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Councilman Kirby made a motion Council approve the minutes of the February 5, 2009 regular meeting of County Council. Councilman Rodgers seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

## **PUBLIC HEARINGS:**

Chairman Smith opened the public hearing for Ordinance No. 19-2008/09 and published the title: An Ordinance Establishing Regulations For The Securing And Disposition Of Solid Waste, To Establish Procedures For Violations, And Other Matters Relating Thereto.

## **APPEARANCES:**

### **RAY McBRIDE, DIRECTOR – FLORENCE COUNTY LIBRARY SYSTEM**

Mr. McBride appeared before Council to provide an update on the Florence County Library System. The Doctors Bruce and Lee Foundation Public Library was the first library in the United States to have the Visions of the Universe Exhibit, which is a NASA and International Space Telescope Presentation and brought over 1,000 new visitors to the library in the past month. The library was also chosen to host a National Endowment for the Humanities Exhibit titled “Images of America” scheduled for March 2009. Council recognized Dr. Julia Mims, Chair of the Florence County Library Board of Trustees, who was also present at the meeting.

### **RYAN LESESNE, PRESIDENT – SC LITTER CONTROL ASSOCIATION**

Mr. Lesesne appeared before Council to present Florence County Environmental Services Officer Herbie Christmas with the South Carolina Litter Control Association’s President’s Award for his many contributions and dedicated service to the citizens of Florence County and the State of South Carolina.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

### **COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION, RECREATION, HEALTH & WELFARE**

Committee Chairman Anderson stated he wanted to go on record expressing his appreciation to Council for its support of the new animal facility. Anticipated completion of the building was April.

## **RESOLUTIONS:**

### **RESOLUTION NO. 11-2008/09**

Chairman Smith published the title of Resolution No. 11-2008/09: A Resolution To Establish Air Quality Improvement Incentives For Hybrid Vehicles And Energy/Clean Air Investments In Buildings In Florence County. Councilman Anderson made a motion Council approve the Resolution as presented. Councilman Bradley seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 12-2008/09**

The Clerk published the title of Resolution No. 12-2008/09: A Resolution For The Naming Of A Private Road Located Off Possum Fork Road In Florence County Shown On Florence County Tax Map Number 00440, Block 5, Parcels 23 And 111 To CJ Lakes Circle; For The Naming Of A Private Road Located Off Salem Road In Florence County Shown On Florence County Tax Map Number 00163, Block 3, Parcels 28 And 33 To Machine Drive; For The Naming Of A Private Road Located Off E. McIver Road In Florence County Shown On Florence County Tax Map Number 00175, Block 1, Parcel 171 To Rufus Way; For The Naming Of A Private Road Located Off Willard Henry Road In Florence County Shown On Florence County Tax Map Number 00214, Block 1, Parcel 92 To Darris Lane; For The Naming Of A Private Road Located Off N. Old Georgetown Road Located In Florence County Shown On Florence County Tax Map Number 00260, Block 3, Parcel 9 To Black Elbow Lane. Councilman Rodgers made a motion Council approve the Resolution as presented. Councilman Culberson seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 13-2008/09**

The Clerk published the title of Resolution No. 13-2008/09: A Resolution Granting Authorization To The County Administrator To Execute The Long-Range Transportation Plan Contract. Councilman Schofield made a motion Council approve the Resolution as presented. Councilman Culberson seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

### **ORDINANCES IN POSITION:**

#### **ORDINANCE NO. 17-2008/09 – THIRD READING**

The Clerk published the title of Ordinance No. 17-2008/09: An Ordinance To Rezone Property Owned By Douglas H. Phillips Located At 3654, 3656, 3658, 3660, 3662 and 3664 South Irby Street, Florence From B-5, Office And Light Industrial District To B-3, General Commercial District Shown On Florence County Tax Map No. 00152, Block 1, Parcel 58 Consisting Of 3.79 Acres. Councilman Rodgers made a motion Council approve third reading of the Ordinance. Councilman Anderson seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

#### **ORDINANCE NO. 18-2008/09 – THIRD READING**

The Chairman published the title of Ordinance No. 18-2008/09: An Ordinance Amending The Florence County Code To Remove Outdated Sections And Other Matters Relating Thereto. Councilman Anderson made a motion Council approve third reading of the Ordinance. Councilman Rodgers seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

### **PUBLIC HEARINGS:**

There were two individuals to speak with regard to Ordinance No. 19-2008/09: Tom Shearin and Jack Nettles. There being no additional signatures on the sign-in sheet, Chairman Smith closed the public hearing for Ordinance No. 19-2008/09.

#### **ORDINANCE NO. 19-2008/09 – SECOND READING**

The Clerk published the title of Ordinance No. 19-2008/09: An Ordinance Establishing Regulations For The Securing And Disposition Of Solid Waste, Establishing Procedures For Violations, And Other Matters Relating Thereto. Councilman Anderson made a motion to defer second reading of the Ordinance. Councilman Bradley seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

#### **ORDINANCE NO. 20-2008/09 – INTRODUCED**

The Clerk published the title of Ordinance No. 20-2008/09 and the Chairman declared the Ordinance introduced: An Ordinance To Adopt A New Community Facilities Element For The Florence County/Municipal Comprehensive Plan In Accordance With The 1976 South Carolina Code Of Laws, As Amended, Title 6, Chapter 29, Section 510.

#### **ORDINANCE NO. 21-2008/09 – INTRODUCED**

The Clerk published the title of Ordinance No. 21-2008/09 and the Chairman declared the Ordinance introduced: An Ordinance To Zone Properties Owned By Sylvia J. Ray, Sally R. Taylor, Elvin G. And Molly C. Price Located On E. McIver Road, Florence County To RU-1, Rural Community District Shown On Florence County Tax Map No. 00175, Block 1, Parcels 26, 27, 39, And 124 Consisting Of 21.878 Acres.

#### **ORDINANCE NO. 22-2008/09 – INTRODUCED**

The Clerk published the title of Ordinance No. 22-2008/09 and the Chairman declared the Ordinance introduced: An Ordinance To Zone Properties Owned By Yvonne Jones Etal, Phillip R. Sandifer, Hilda And Latonya D. Jackson, Catherine E. Sandifer, Willow D. Sandifer Etal, Gloria Sandifer, Odell Spears, Gloria G. And June G. Sandifer, Robert Dukes, W. R. Sandifer, Sr., Phillip R. Sandifer, Sr., John W. And William H. Clarke, Jr., Sylvester L. And Lillie A. King, Kenneth W. Sallenger, Jr., Etal C/O J. W. Sallenger, Elizabeth T. Clarke, St. Jude Church Of Jesus Located On E. McIver Road And E. Old Marion Hwy, Quinby To R-1, Single-Family Residential District, RU-1, Rural Community District And B-3, General Commercial District Shown On Florence County Tax Map No. 00175, Block 1, Parcels 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 29, 32, 36, 37, 45, 46, And 52 Consisting Of 215.03 Acres.

#### **APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS:**

##### **FLORENCE COUNTY MUSEUM BOARD**

Council Unanimously Approved The Recommendation Of The Board Of Trustees Of The Florence Museum To Appoint Becky Crawford And Jumana Swindler To Serve As Members Of The Florence County Museum Board For Four And Two Year Terms, Respectively.

## **REPORTS TO COUNCIL:**

### **ADMINISTRATION**

#### **SC DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION GRANT**

Councilman Rodgers made a motion Council Accept The Allocation From The South Carolina Department Of Transportation Under The "C" Funds Program, PCN#38542, In The Amount Of \$27,800 For The Resurfacing Of Hurst Street In Scranton, South Carolina. Councilman Anderson seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

#### **RECORDING EQUIPMENT/SOFTWARE**

Councilman Rodgers made a motion Council Approve The Purchase And Installation Of Recording Equipment, Software And Wiring For Use In The Room 802 Committee/Conference Room In An Amount Not To Exceed \$7,400. Councilman Schofield seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

#### **RECORDS RETENTION SCHEDULE**

Councilman Anderson made a motion Council Approve Records Retention Schedule Recommended By The South Carolina Department Of Archives And History To Retain Employer's Quarterly Federal Tax Return (Form 941) In The Finance Department For A Period Of Five (5) Years Before Destruction. Councilman Bradley seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

### **EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES**

#### **NON-EXCLUSIVE, NON-EMERGENT AMBULANCE FRANCHISE**

Councilman Schofield made a motion Council Award A Non-Exclusive, Non-Emergent Ambulance Franchise To TransMed, LLC. Councilman Anderson seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

### **PROCUREMENT DEPARTMENT**

#### **AWARD BID #06-08/09**

Councilman Bradley made a motion Council Award The Bid To The Lowest Responsive Bidder, Cherokee Construction, Columbia, South Carolina For Bid #06-08/09 Lake City Alternative School Paving Project In The Amount Of \$87,663.25 To Be Funded By SCDOT "C" Funds Program And Accept Final Funding For The Project In The Amount Of \$27,735; And Authorize The County Administrator To Execute All Associated Documents To Proceed. Councilman Rodgers seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES FACILITY**

Councilman Anderson made a motion Council Award The Preparation And Paving In Connection With The New Environmental Services Building To Palmetto Corp., Conway, SC In The Amount Of \$36,321.26 To Be Funded From Funds Previously Designated For The Construction Of The Animal Control Facility; And Authorize The County Administrator To Execute All Associated Documents To Proceed. Councilman Rodgers seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

**The following two items were approved as additions to the agenda:**

**SOCCKER FIELD LEASE**

Councilman Anderson made a motion Council Authorize The County Administrator To Execute A Lease Agreement With American Specialty Office Products For Property Located At 2109 West Darlington Street For Recreation Department Sports Activities Subject To Review By The County Attorney. Councilman Schofield seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

**JOHNSONVILLE LIBRARY SITE**

Councilman Bradley made a motion Council Approve The Purchase Of One Half (½) Acre Of Property, A Portion Of TMP#’S 00441-05-217 And 0041-05-030, Adjacent To The Johnsonville Branch Library Site In The Amount Of \$50,000, To Be Funded From Funds Budgeted In FY09, Fund 19 Capital Improvements, And Direct The County Administrator To Execute All Associated Documents To Proceed, Subject To County Attorney Review. Councilman Schofield seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

**OTHER BUSINESS:**

**INFRASTRUCTURE FUND**

**CITY OF FLORENCE POLICE DEPARTMENT**

Councilman Bradley made a motion Council Approve The Expenditure Of Funds From Council District 3 Infrastructure Funding Allocation In An Amount Up To \$200.00 To The City Of Florence Police Department To Purchase Twenty-Five (25) Crime Watch Signs For The Liberty Street Neighborhood Watch Organization To Be Placed Throughout The Community. Councilman Rodgers seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

**LYNCHEs LAKE CAMP BRANCH WATER SHED**

Councilman Rodgers made a motion Council Approve The Expenditure Of Funds From Council District 5 Infrastructure Funding Allocation In An Amount Up To \$1,320.19 For 40 Feet Of 36” Double Wall Black Plastic Pipe To Be Used At Lynches Lake Camp Branch Water Shed. Councilman Kirby seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

**UTILITY FUND:**

**PINE NEEDLES FIRE STATION**

Councilman Anderson made a motion Council Approve The Expenditure Of Funds From Council District 9 Utility Funding Allocation In An Amount Up To \$70,000.00 For Removal Of Existing Concrete Pads In Front Of Pine Needles Fire Station Building And Removal Of Existing Asphalt In Parking Area And Replace With Concrete. Councilman Bradley seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

**The following items were approved as additions to the agenda:**

**INFRASTRUCTURE FUND:**

**CLAUDE ROAD**

Councilman Rodgers made a motion Council Approve The Expenditure Of Funds From Council District 5 Infrastructure Funding Allocation In An Amount Up To \$64,431.91 For MBC Stone And Crushed Asphalt For Claude Road. Councilman Culberson seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

**ROAD SYSTEM MAINTENANCE FEE (RSMF) FUND:**

**BROWN ROAD**

Councilman Rodgers made a motion Council Approve The Expenditure Of Funds From Council District 5 RSMF Funding Allocation In An Amount Up To \$25,756.64 For MBC Stone And Crushed Asphalt For Brown Road. Councilman Culberson seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

**INFRASTRUCTURE FUND:**

**COWARD ATHLETIC PARK**

Councilman Rodgers made a motion Council Approve The Expenditure Of Funds From Council District 5 Infrastructure Funding Allocation In An Amount Up To \$3,000.00 For A Batting Cage At The Coward Athletic Park. Councilman Kirby seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

There being no further business to come before Council, Councilman Culberson made a motion to adjourn. Councilman Kirby seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

**COUNCIL MEETING ADJOURNED AT 9:53 A.M.**