

ANDERSON COUNTY COUNCIL
ANDERSON, SOUTH CAROLINA
Regular Meeting – August 20, 2002 - 6:00 p.m.
Linda N. Gilstrap, Clerk to Council

M I N U T E S

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PRESENT

Chairman Larry E. Greer – District #3, Presiding
G. Fred Tolly – District #1
Vice Chairperson Gracie S. Floyd - District #2
Clint Wright – District #4
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, Deputy Clerk to Council

(During times of discussion and presentations the minutes are condensed and paraphrased.)

The official meeting of the Anderson County Council convened in the Council Chambers of the Historic Courthouse on Tuesday, August 20, 2002 at 6:00 p.m.

Ms. M. Cindy Wilson gave the invocation and everyone stood and pledged allegiance to the flag.

No citizens signed up under "Citizens Comments".

Mr. Bill Dees moved to approve the minutes from the August 6, 2002 meeting as mailed and Mr. Tolly seconded. Mr. Dees stated for the record that his motion to approve included several typographical errors already discussed with the Clerk. Ms. Cindy Wilson requested that more discussion be included in the minutes concerning Resolution #R2002-055 – a resolution in support of JEDA funds for the Legacy Project. Vote was unanimous with changes as discussed.

Chairman Greer asked for permission from Council to read one letter and one resolution that has been sent to Anderson County. No members objected. The resolution read was from the Abbeville County Council recognizing the accomplishments of Anderson County for winning awards for its Regional Drug Laboratory and Transit System and congratulating Anderson County on its accomplishments. Chairman Greer also read a letter from GenPower in response to concerns of the status of the GenPower project. The letter said that they are continuing their work on contracting power from the project and ultimately securing financing to build the project on that basis. The project remains the primary focus of the GenPower Company, the letter said. GenPower stated that they appreciated the County's patience and looks forward to the day when they can break ground and begin a new phase. Mr. Mike Gregg, Senior Vice President of GenPower signed the letter. Ms. Floyd asked for copies of both letters for her files.

Chairman Greer read the title for Resolution #R2002-063 – a resolution recognizing and honoring south Carolina Representative Daniel T. Cooper (R-Williamston) for being selected as Legislator of the Year by the South Carolina Association of Counties. Ms. Cindy Wilson moved to approve and Mr. Dees seconded. Vote was unanimous on approving the resolution. Ms. Cindy Wilson read the entire resolution and then stated

that Rep. Cooper was not able to attend the meeting because he was detained in Columbia. Council commended Rep. Cooper for the outstanding achievement.

Mr. Gracie S. Floyd stated that she had requested a presentation concerning the County's mosquito spraying operation after the state found evidence of the West Nile Virus in Lexington County. Mr. Vic Carpenter handed out some pamphlets to Council that are being distributed because of the West Nile Virus transmitted by mosquitoes. He said that first the County has tried to provide education concerning the virus to the general public. The first step is to insure that mosquitoes don't breed and this has been stressed to the community of what citizens can do to prevent this breeding on their own property. The second step is to make available the resources to citizens so they can fight mosquitoes. Farm ponds, small fishponds, any standing water is attractive to mosquitoes. The County has available small briquettes that you can throw in that will kill the small larvae. The County has embarked on a program, which was started last year for running trucks in the evenings, which sprays mosquito pesticide. The County responds to municipalities that do not have their own program. Ms. Floyd asked what a homeowner should do if they have a reason to believe that there is a problem concerning the West Nile Virus. Mr. Carpenter said that if a dead bird is found (if must be a fresh dead bird) the resident can call the County Health Department or the Environmental Services. Mr. Carpenter also warned that the only effective bug spray is the one, which contains Deet.

Chairman Greer requested a Point of Personal Privilege. No Council members objected. Chairman Greer said that at the last meeting there were comments made by Mr. Stephen Winger, President of the Lake Secession Property Owners Association. He made a request that the Anderson County portion of the Lake Secession be made into a Wildlife Sanctuary. Contrary to what Mr. Winger might have thought or led someone to imply his request has not gone unheeded. The County has been discussing and working with this for several months. He said that present tonight were members of the Department of Natural Resources; Mr. Mel Justice and Mr. Larry Holbrook. Mr. Holbrook said that his prospective of the sanctuary proposal that as being a game warden he was opposed to it. Their jobs are to enhance the hunting for the citizens of Anderson County and the State of South Carolina, which increases the revenue that comes into Anderson County from the purchase of shotguns, ammunition, hunting licenses, gas, food and etc. and this is how the Department of Natural Resources looks at it. Duck hunters have a lot of organizations, which would be in support of not allowing that to be a sanctuary. Another reason is the nuisance of geese, like on Lake Hartwell, if the population is not controlled through the proper procedures of hunting and the bag limit. Below 184 it is illegal to hunt in Anderson County so the people in Abbeville County will be suffering if the population of these birds are not kept under control. It is true that the birds migrate but there are resident waterfowl that stay in the area, especially the geese. They will do a presentation at the next meeting. Ms. Wilson said that one of the problems the Lake Secession people had was the high-density area of housing. She asked how Council could handle this and he responded that legislation could be passed. Mr. Mel Justice stated that hunting was a major contributor to any economy and there are plenty of laws on the books now. Mr. Greer read two sentences sent to Mr. Tucker on April 9th that says "I have also heard from responsible hunters who understand the problem homeowners on the lake have with irresponsible hunters shooting near homes. It appears there is support for some type of regulation to regulate shooting near homes. There may also be current state laws that can help with problem if they are enforced." Mr. Justice said that there were current laws on the books called negligence discharge of a firearm. There are certain elements that must be met before a charge against an individual can be made. Mr. Dees said that he thought that the new Land Use standards might attempt to address the discharging of firearms that would apply throughout Anderson County and if this would be applicable then that is a state issue. Mr. Justice complimented the Park Police

and their helpful assistance with the Department of Natural Resources. A presentation will be done at the next meeting.

Chairman Greer presented third and final reading of Ordinance #2002-022 - an ordinance authorizing the execution, delivery, and implementation of the statewide mutual aid agreement for catastrophic disaster response and recovery; and other matters related thereto. Mr. Martin explained that an amendment made at the last meeting was reflected in Paragraph 2. Mr. Bill Dees moved to approve on third reading and Ms. M. Cindy Wilson seconded. Vote was unanimous to approve as amended on second.

Chairman Greer presented third and final reading of Ordinance #2002-024 - an ordinance authorizing the leasing of available space at the Anderson County Airport; and other matters related thereto. Mr. Dees moved to approve and Mr. Tolly seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Mr. Bill Dees moved to remove Ordinance #2002-021 (EMS background checks) from the table and Mr. Tolly seconded. Vote to remove from the table was unanimous.

Chairman Greer stated that at this time Council was now in discussion of Ordinance #2002-021. Mr. Dees said that one of the issues discussed last meeting was the confidentiality of records. He said that any conviction data in the State of South Carolina is already public record and anyone can go down to the local records depository and purchase a copy. Some of the things that would be left out if Council voted to go with the National Register would be (misdemeanors in the State of South Carolina) threatening, intimidating, or attempting to intimidate a vulnerable adult, prostitution third offense, indecent exposure, criminal domestic violence third offense, contributing to the delinquency of a minor, stalking, aiding escapes from prison, instigation or participating in a riot, use of a firearm while under the influence, conspiracy, fraudulent checks, forgery, motor vehicle theft, hazy, assault with a concealed weapon, cruelty to animals, harassment, resisting arrest, bribery, trafficking in counterfeit goods. He said this was only a small portion of the offenses which would be left out if Council went with the National Registry. The issue is that felonies are different in different states and for that reason Mr. Dees said he felt that the misdemeanors as written should be left in the ordinance. He also asked that the amendments approved last meeting should remain as they were approved. Chairman Greer pointed out on page 2, paragraph 3 of the ordinance that the squads are allowed the EMS squads to maintain their background records provided that they require with certain requirements. Ms. Floyd asked if EMS personnel were in attendance and Mr. Greer responded no. Ms. Wilson said that she was concerned that this was not on the agenda so that Council could have received other comments. Mr. Greer said he had three typed pages of dates during which there was ample awareness made in the EMS community, squads, chiefs committee and he feels that it is appropriate to put to a vote. Mr. Dees called for the question. Mr. Dees withdrew his call. Chairman Greer asked for a motion to adopt the document in his hand (which has a note in the upper right hand corner which reads "received 8/15/02". Mr. Dees moved to approve and Mr. Tolly seconded. Vote was unanimous. Motion to approve Ordinance #2002-021 as amended was unanimous.

Ms. Floyd said that on January 8, 2002 a motion was made and approved that no verbatim minutes would be done unless County Council voted on it. Ms. Floyd offered an amendment to the motion that County Council members may have transcribed verbatim for them one agenda item per meeting not to exceed more than one page of transcribed notes. Mr. Wright seconded. Vote was five in favor (Wright, Floyd, Holden, Tolly, Wilson), Mr. Dees abstained and Mr. Greer did not vote. Motion carried.

Mr. Mike Holden gave a report of his committee with the Home Builders, Board of Realtors and builders concerning some proposed changes to the Land Use and Development Standards ordinance. He said that there are certain things that would affect farmers and the community as well and he feels that before a final vote maybe some type community input would be good. These changes have been incorporated into the final draft that was handed out earlier. Ms. Wilson asked when the meetings were held because she requested to be notified of the meetings so that she could be in attendance and she was never notified. Chairman Greer read the schedule for the ordinance. Mr. Tolly moved to schedule a public hearing for September 3 only on the ordinance and schedule third and final reading on September 17. Mr. Dees seconded and vote was unanimous.

Council took a short recess at 7:00 p.m. Mr. Greer called the meeting back to order at 7:10 p.m.

Chairman Greer presented second reading of Ordinance #2002-019 – an ordinance to approve a rezoning request by Ken Moorehead, R.D Garrett, and Jerry Meehan to rezone a combination of six parcels totaling 56.58 acres in the Five Forks precinct from C-2 (Highway Commercial) to S-1 (Services) the parcels are located on Liberty Highway between I-85 and Manse Jolly Road and are identified by TMS#093-00-06-004, 093-00-06-003, 093-00-06-022, 093-00-06-007, 093-00-06-008, 120-00-07-001 and 093-00-06-005. Mr. Wright moved to approve on second reading and Mr. Dees seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Chairman Greer presented second reading of Ordinance #2002-020 – an ordinance concerning approving a rezoning request by Jeff Saxton to rezone 2.37 acres in the Five Forks precinct from I-2 (Industrial Park) to R-A (Residential Agriculture). The parcel is located off of Whit Road adjacent to I-85 and is identified by TMS#119-00-018-001. Mr. Wright moved to approve on second reading and Mr. Dees seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Chairman Greer presented second reading of Ordinance #2002-023 – an ordinance to transfer official military discharge records and the responsibility for the continued maintenance thereof to the Anderson County Veterans' Affairs Officer pursuant to Section 30-15-60 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, as amended; and other matters related thereto. A public hearing was held; however, no comments were received. Mr. Wright moved to approve and Ms. Wilson seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Chairman Greer presented second reading of Ordinance #2002-025 – an ordinance approving the financing of the construction of improvements to sanitary sewer infrastructure located in the County of Anderson, South Carolina, through the borrowing of not exceeding \$1,940,000.00 from the State Water Pollution Control Revolving Fund, by agreement with the South Carolina Water Quality Revolving Fund authority, pursuant to Title 48, Chapter 5, Code of Laws of south Carolina, 1976, as amended; authorizing the issuance and sale of a not exceeding \$1,940,000 General Obligation Bond (Special Tax District for Sewer Services); providing for the agreement to make and to accept a loan, the execution and delivery of a loan agreement between the County of Anderson and the South Carolina Water Quality Revolving Fund Authority; the execution and delivery of a General Obligation bond in the form of a promissory note from the County of Anderson to the South Carolina Water quality Revolving Fund Authority; to provide for the levy and collection of property taxes for the payment of the note; and other matters relating thereto. A public hearing was held; no comments were received. Mr. Dees moved to approve and Ms. Wilson seconded. Ms. Wilson stated that this was part of the infrastructure that was greatly needed in two rapidly growing corridors. This will provide sewer along Highway 81

and excesses the LINWA Project and all potential development apparently on both sides of 81 and back to the interchange. Vote was unanimous.

Chairman Greer presented second reading of Ordinance #2002-026 – authorizing the issuance and sale of General Obligation Bonds, Series 2002, of Anderson County, South Carolina in the principal amount of not exceeding \$7,700,000; fixing the form and details of the bonds; authorizing the Chairman of County Council and the County Administrator to determine certain matters relating to the bonds; providing for the payment of the bonds and the disposition of the proceeds thereof authorizing the refunding of the County's \$2,500,000 General Obligation Bond Anticipation Note; 2002; and other matters relating thereto. A public hearing was held and the following individuals spoke. Ms. Jean Martin of 6302 Highway 413 said that she serves on the County Museum Advisory Committee thanked Council for their vision and foresight now the Museum will have a new home. Ms. Moyer Albergotti who currently serves as Vice Chairman for Friends of the Museum Board commended Council for their understanding the importance of the Museum Project and for making it a reality. Ms. Donna Seaman a volunteer at the museum thanked Council for their interest in the Museum and for making a 20-year-old dream come true. Ms. Lib Peace also thanked Council for the inception for the Museum. She informed them that she had located a great artifact, which has been stored at the Hospital for a long time, and it goes back to World War II - a book containing a list of all killed in World War II was also found. Mr. Dan Harvell, Vice Chairman of the Anderson County Tax Payers Association said that tonight the Council would vote to borrow about 10 million dollars for the County. He asked for a detailed explanation of bonding process as pursued by Anderson County and the procedures related thereto. He asked if the rate was set by the County (3.75%) arbitrarily and was there a finders fee for securing the bond and if so he will receive it and how much is the fee percentage. Mr. Dees moved to approve and Mr. Holden seconded. Council heard from Mr. Dan McLeod, McNair Law Firm, who answered Mr. Harvell's questions. He said that there was no finders fee for the bond anticipation note, the 7.7 million dollar bond issue the interest paid to the investors or bond holders will be exempt from Federal and State income taxation. He said the 7.7 million dollar bond issue will be sold at public sale at an appointed time and date as requested by state statute. Vote was unanimous.

Chairman Greer asked for a two-thirds vote of Council to place Ordinance #2002-029 – an ordinance to delete a road from the County's master road list approved by Ordinance #2002-007. Chairman Greer moved to place the ordinance on the agenda and Mr. Tolly seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Chairman Greer explained that when the Master Road list was prepared it came to his attention that some roads were placed on the list in error. One road, which has come under scrutiny/question in his section of the County, named Duckhead Road. So the proposed ordinance #2002-029 would be to remove Duckhead Road from the master list. He then moved to approve and Mr. Dees seconded. Chairman Greer had Mr. Holt Hopkins come to the microphone. Mr. Hopkins gave Council an explanation regarding the road. He said that he did not believe that Duckhead Road was ever a County road. Vote was six in favor and one abstention (Ms. Wilson). Motion carried.

Chairman Greer presented Resolution #R2002-056 – a resolution authorizing the publication of a notice of sale of a not exceeding \$1,940,000 General Obligation Bond, Series 2002, of the County of Anderson, South Carolina: providing for the form of the Notice of Sale; and other matters relating thereto. Ms. Wilson moved to approve and Mr. Wright seconded. Vote was unanimous.

The next item of discussion is transcribed verbatim.

Ms. Wilson: Mr. Chairman, May I have a Point of Special Privilege please at this point?

Chair: Yes, Ms. Wilson.

Ms. Wilson: As y'all recall at our last meeting, I read a statement concerning some possible remedies for our very, very serious water crisis that's becoming worse each day. I think it was in today's or yesterday's paper where there is a situation where our Mayor in Anderson has requested conservation of water and we're having to provide some water for the Milliken Mill up toward Clemson. In reading articles along the same line from the State paper about a month ago, and I'm not sure what the updates are now, but right now at that point the PeeDee River was in great peril of being so low that even water treatment plants, water intake valves, major industries were going to close down. I would request that by the next Council meeting, that we, as a Council, endeavor to look at every possible solution that we, as a group, could provide to our citizens. One possible remedy that was advanced was the appropriation of the equivalent of one-mill of our tax money to provide matching funds for water infrastructure. We still have a lot of areas in our County that are absolutely desperate. Our water authorities are looking very diligently, they're making very rapid progress, but there will always be a "pocket of need" that they can't adequately respond to. For example, there general measure is that they cannot viably put waterlines into one road mile with less than 10 citizens. As our citizens across the county have been paying a three-mill tax for sewer infrastructure, which is very, very supportable it seems that we should look at for a period of years providing matching money for water infrastructure and also to allow a more complete inventory and assessment of our water resources. I've spoken with some of the builders, with the Stormwater runoff rules about to be enforced next year; we're also going to have to address that. Sadly, those laws have been on the books since '76, but most of us were unaware of it and they'll be enforced next year. I would think that some of that one mill could go toward training our County officials; our builders, our developers. It goes without saying that before the first blade of dirt is ever moved, which cost money, sometimes a little pre-planning can prevent extraordinary expense. So, I'm again asking that each of us look at this issue and have something on our agenda by the next meeting that will provide some form of relief. Thank you.

Chair: Thank you, Ms. Wilson. Mr. Martin in that light, I'm going to ask you and your office to do something for us at our next Council meeting, as briefly as possible, but it is my understanding that when this three-mill tax was put on it was a referendum conducted to impose this tax and that referendum had conditions under which this money would be applied and the purpose for which that money would be used and so forth. So would you prepare a short, brief presentation on the legal issues and ramifications involved in pursuing financing waterlines using county dollars? At our next Council meeting, not tonight.

Mr. Martin: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. The simple answer to your question is yes, sir we will certainly try and I'll have at least the first part of it, but with your permission would explain to the Chair and to the Council that it is an extraordinarily complicated question. Counties cannot provide utilities that were not in place at the time of Home Rule, unless or until there is a referendum. Now understand Ms. Wilson, you are suggesting using grant monies, but the question is whether we could use the 3-mill money for that or even broader than that whether we can use general obligation bonds to accomplish indirectly what can't be accomplished directly. We will make every effort to have the answer by the next meeting, but it may turn into a far larger constitutional issue than that.

Ms. Wilson: Mr. Chairman, may I respond to that? I have not even suggested that we use part of that 3-mill tax. I had already reviewed that months ago and found that it was not possible. What we are looking at is the possible expenditure in future years, if we don't respond to these issues now, of millions of dollars. But if we start looking at the water issues in as many facets now, and deal with it we will avoid extraordinary

expenses later and we are also better able to provide our growing population and our continued economic growth with adequate clean water. All around us right now, towns and counties, communities are putting in water restrictions and I know that, I guess it was January a year and a half ago, when we brought this up in our vision meeting, it was so appalling that nobody could even anticipate that this would ever happen but here we are. We are dealing with a serious drought and a few showers while they've been greatly appreciated, don't even begin to address the issue. I was requesting that we look at using an equivalent of approximately 1-mill of tax to put toward these issues, not only in providing matching funds for grants for waterlines. Now that we have a water association, I've been informed that the legal mechanism is there to allow for this type of endeavor, but also to look at our water resources. We've already had plenty of conversation about what if Atlanta takes water out of Hartwell Lake; we need to continue that discourse, and we also need to look at our other waterways. So I'm just requesting that we look at this in greater depth, and that we look at the possibility of taking the equivalent of approximately 1-mill and putting toward these situations. Thank you.

Chair: Ms. Wilson, I think that was the direction of my comments to Mr. Martin that there's some issues involved here-I don't mean it to sound that I don't support funding waterlines, because I am one of the strongest supporters on this council for trying to get water to our people in this County and I fully understand the dire need that our people are in. What I was saying to Mr. Martin is there is some legal aspects of this. I've already discussed this with members of Delegation. There is even constitutional issues involved here that we've got to explore. I'm not saying that it's impossible or that it's something we can't do, I'm saying there is some issues here that we need to be aware of, Mr. Martin needs to do a little homework and education us on this and it may be that we - if we are moving in a direction of pursuing some of these items that we will need to meet with our Delegation and see if they can help us get some legislation that will permit us to do some of these things to try to get this water into our community. So there are some legal aspects involved here that we've got to explore before we start coming up with a plan on what we want to do because we've gotta be able to do the plan once we put it into place and if the constitution of the existing legislation does not allow us to do that then we're just (as the old saying goes) just spinning our wheels. So Mr. Martin needs to kinda update us on the constitutional aspects of this and the legal implications of it. So that as we develop some type of plan or idea to try to help our people get water in these outlying communities that it's a plan that will work. Mr. Tolly, I believe you wanted to speak.

Mr. Tolly: I thought I understood what Mr. Martin ... that in order for the county, our county, now to go into any utilities funding would take a referendum.

Mr. Tolly: That's seems pretty simple. I think if we're going to do we need a referendum.

Mr. Dees: One question or a couple that I would like to know is if this is a tax increase over what we currently have how much would one mill bring in? Would it also tax the incorporated areas as well as unincorporated areas of the County? And how many mills would it take to do the job because if we do it, we want to do it right and not leave anybody out of the picture.

Chair: At this time we move into Agenda Item 7B.

Chairman Greer presented Resolution #R2002-064 - a resolution supporting Fair Housing in Anderson County. Mr. Dees moved to approve and Ms. Wilson seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Chairman Greer presented a proclamation proclaiming the first week of September as National Payroll Week. Mr. Wright moved to approve and Mr. Dees seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Mr. Clint Wright moved to appoint Ms. Nancy Buchanan to fill an unexpired term on the Planning Commission (replaced Ed Allgood). Ms. Wilson seconded and vote was unanimous.

Item # 8 (b) was removed from the agenda.

Mr. Greer moved to appropriate \$1,000 from District #3's Recreation Account to the Starr Athletic Association. Mr. Tolly seconded and vote was unanimous.

Mr. Greer moved to appropriate \$439.42 for the Town of Iva for the Iva ball field from District #3's Recreation Account for the purchase of two-15' benches in the dugout. Mr. Tolly seconded and vote was unanimous.

Mr. Dees moved to approve a request for the removal of lights at Wren High School for the Tri-County Soccer League. The cost of up to \$5,000 would be needed to relocate these lights before of expansion at Wren High School. The funds will come from District #6' Recreation Account. Mr. Tolly seconded and vote was unanimous.

Mr. Dees moved to approve a request for the Hurricane Spring Park for fencing, tire stops and a gate in the amount of up to \$3,600. The amount of \$1,200 of the total will come from District #6's paving account and \$2,400 from District #6's Recreation Account. Mr. Holden seconded. Mr. Dees commended Mr. Wayne Proctor of the Planning Department for his work on the project to get the cost down. Vote was unanimous.

Mr. Holden moved to appropriate \$25,000 from District #5's paving account for paving of the Sheriff's concrete helicopter pad at the Anderson County Airport. Mr. Dees seconded and vote was unanimous.

Mr. Holden moved to approve \$3,000 for the Westside Band for equipment to haul their band equipment. The funds to come from District #5's Recreation Account and Mr. Dees seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Mr. Holden moved to approve a request of \$1,500 for the Carolina Bullets Youth Baseball Association and Mr. Dees seconded. The funds will come from District #5's Recreation Account. Vote was unanimous.

Ms. Gracie S. Floyd asked that Council approve \$300 from District #2's Recreation Account for the Concerned Citizens for the East Side of the City of Anderson. They are preparing for their Stay In School event to be held in the park on September 7. Mr. Dees seconded and vote was unanimous.

Ms. Cindy Wilson moved to approve a request of \$1,000 for the Caroline Community Center from District #7's Recreation Account to help with replacement windows and kitchen floor. Mr. Dees seconded and vote was unanimous.

Ms. Wilson moved to approve \$500 for the Town of Honea Path to help with printing for their Milestone's Celebration. The funding will come from District #7's Recreation Account. Mr. Holden seconded and vote was unanimous.

Mr. Clint Wright moved to approve \$1,500 for the Pendleton Community Club for summer programming. The funds to come from District #4's Recreation Account and Mr. Tolly seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Mr. Wright moved to approve \$1,500 for the Holly Light Community Club for after school and summer programming. The funds to come from District #4's Recreation funds. Mr. Tolly seconded and vote was unanimous.

Mr. Wright moved to approve \$1,000 for the Town of Pendleton to help with expenditures of their Fourth of July Celebration. The funds to come from District #4's Recreation Account. Mr. Tolly seconded and vote was unanimous.

Mr. Wright moved to approve \$5,000 for the Pendleton Youth Association for providing summer, fall programming. Mr. Dees seconded. The funds will come from District #4's Recreation account. Vote was unanimous.

Mr. Wright moved to approve \$5,000 for Townville Recreation for full year programming. The funds to come from District #4's Recreation Account. Mr. Dees seconded and vote was unanimous.

Mr. Wright moved to approve \$1,000 for the Pendleton High School Band Boosters for band contest. Mr. Dees seconded. The funds will come from District #4's Recreation Account. Vote was unanimous.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:

- a. Certificates and Training:
 - 1. Lieutenant Tony Barnett, Sergeant Dawn Moser, Capt. John Chambers – Incident Command System for Law Enforcement (G-190)
- b. Letter of Appreciation:
 - 1. For: Mr. Joey Preston From: Mr. Neal Long, Gallant Belk, Mr. Carl Stone, Mr. Michael Thompson, Lindsey O. Graham, Congressman,
 - 2. For: Mr. Jerry Shealy, Captain John Chambers, Lieutenant Tony Barnette, and Sergeant Dawn Moser From: Mr. Gerald Black, Agent In Charge – Dept. of Probation, Parole and Pardon
 - 3. For: Mr. Vic Carpenter From Mr. R. Don Cooke
- c. Minutes:
 - 1. Anderson County Transportation Committee Meeting
 - 2. County Transportation Safety Meeting – July 26, 2002
 - 3. EMS Meeting – August 8, 2002
- d. Reports:
 - 1. District Paving Report
 - 2. Recreation Fund Accounts
 - 3. Road Maintenance Litter Report of July 1-26, 2002
 - 4. Detention Center Litter Report of July 15-19, 2002
 - 5. Environmental Enforcement July Report
 - 6. Animal Control July Report
 - 7. Building and Codes July Report
- e. Senator Hollings Grants Announcement
- f. Friendship Fire Department's Letter regarding duplicate road names
- g. Anderson County Fire Chiefs' Association – Addressing problems with 911 system
- h. Upstate Forever's Monthly Bulletin

Ms. Wilson asked a question regarding the paving list. She said if a project was included in his list and will not be done, would Council need to vote to delete the project and put it back into the District's total. Mr. Martin explained that a vote was not needed to put the money back in, however, Council would have to vote to spend it on another project.

Mr. Dees said that he thought there was many things that people think that we don't need or do without. He said we could go with a car and go back to walking or riding mules or horses, but Libraries and Museums are mint for us to go see. It is an effort to see where we have been and an effort to go somewhere better, he said. We need to take care of our children the future of this nation is our children. All these monies spent in these communities are all well spent if they save one child; one person.

Ms. Floyd said at the last meeting, Council spoke about several ordinances that were on the table. One of those ordinances is the Noise ordinance. She said she would like to see the noise ordinance on the agenda for the next meeting. Ms. Floyd congratulated Ms. Gilstrap on being elected as president of her Association.

Mr. Holden asked Mr. Preston to follow up on a discussion regarding a youth activity schedule at the Sports and Entertainment Center.

Mr. Tolly commended the County department heads and also commended Ms. Gilstrap for being elected as President of her Association. He also commended Ms. Daly for his outstanding job and the Finance Department.

Mr. Wright congratulated the Finance Department also. He also mentioned that the Balloon National Championship was a big success.

Chairman Greer presented a vase of bitter weeds and said he brought them so that he could make a point. Bitter weeds are weeds, which are a nuisance weed and a problem. He said that his wife had a vase on the kitchen counter that she wouldn't take anything for because it's a different perspective -- because their five-year-old granddaughter came running in with them and gave them to her. He said it was all in how you look at things -- he said just think about how we look at things. With that thought the Chairman adjourned the meeting at 8:45 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda N. Gilstrap, Clerk to Council
ANDERSON COUNTY COUNCIL