

MINUTES  
ORANGEBURG COUNTY COUNCIL  
FEBRUARY 2, 2015  
5:30 P.M.



Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, the news media was notified and notice was posted on the bulletin board 24 hours prior to the meeting.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Johnnie Wright, Sr., Chairman  
Janie Cooper-Smith, Vice Chairwoman  
Heyward H. Livingston  
Willie B. Owens  
Johnny Ravenell  
Harry F. Wimberly

**MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Clyde B. Livingston

**OTHERS PRESENT:**

Harold M. Young, County Administrator  
Angel Howell, Interim Clerk to Council  
Jerrold Anderson, Deputy County Attorney

**CALL TO ORDER**

Johnnie Wright, Sr., Chairman

**MOMENT OF SILENCE**

A moment of silence was observed

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

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A motion was made by Councilwoman Janie Cooper-Smith and seconded by Councilman Willie B. Owens. Motion carried. Vote: 6-0-0

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

**AGENDA ITEMS: NONE**

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**OTHER MATTERS:**

Delores Frazier came to the podium and acknowledged the citizens who came from the Edisto Drive Community. Chairman Wright thanked all of them for attending the meeting.

**1. APPROVAL OF FISCAL YEAR 2016 BUDGET CALENDAR**

A motion was made by Councilman Johnny Ravenell to approve the budget calendar as written and the motion was seconded by Heyward Livingston. Motion carried. Vote: 6-0-0

2. **A RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE AMENDED AND RESTATED AGREEMENT FOR DEVELOPMENT OF A JOINT COUNTY INDUSTRIAL PARK EXECUTED ON MAY 17, 2010, BY AND AMONG DORCHESTER COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA, AND ORANGEBURG COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA, PROVIDING FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF A JOINTLY OPERATED INDUSTRIAL/BUSINESS PARK SO AS TO INCLUDE PROPERTY OF ZAPP PRECISION WIRE INC.**

**Chairman Wright yielded the floor to Administrator Young. Administrator Young stated that this is a standard Joint County Industrial Park agreement, which will allow the company to take advantage of certain incentives from the state. Administrator Young yielded the floor to Deputy Attorney Jerrod Anderson. Mr. Anderson stated that this expansion is concerning Zapp Precision Wire, Inc. and that the expansion is located in Dorchester County. Zapp Precision Wire, Inc. seeks to be included in the Joint County Industrial Park. Mr. Anderson stated that per our agreement via the resolution (for Zapp Precision Wire, Inc.) before Council, the company promises to invest a minimum of \$3.5 million with \$30 million laid out-\$6 million in buildings and \$24 million in machinery and equipment, and a promise to add 20 new jobs.**

**A motion to approve the resolution as written was made by Councilman Willie B. Owens and seconded by Harry Wimberly. Motion carried. Vote: 6-0-0**

### **3. ORDINANCE SECOND READING**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF ORANGEBURG COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA, AMENDING THE ZONING MAP OF UNINCORPORATED ORANGEBURG COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA, TO CHANGE THE ZONING DESIGNATION FOR THE REAL PROPERTY DESCRIBED AS TAX MAP NUMBER #0143-20-04-004.000 FROM RG (RESIDENTIAL GENERAL) TO CG (COMMERCIAL GENERAL)**

**Chairman Wright yielded the floor to Administrator Young. Mr. Young stated that the Planning Commission met on December 10, 2014 to discuss the request from Mr. James Guthrie to rezone the property located at 743 North Road, Tax Map Number 0143-20-04-004.000 from Residential General to Commercial General. Mr. Young said that this request is compatible with the comprehensive plan and is adjacent to existing commercial property. Mr. Young stated that there were not any opposition to the request and the Commission voted unanimously to approve the request.**

A motion to approve the ordinance as written was made by Councilwoman Janie Cooper-Smith and seconded by Heyward Livingston. Motion carried. Vote: 6-0-0

**4. ORDINANCE FIRST READING**

**AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AN AMENDMENT TO THE AMENDED AND RESTATED AGREEMENT FOR DEVELOPMENT OF JOINT COUNTY INDUSTRIAL PARK DATED MAY 17, 2010, SO AS TO INCLUDE ADDITIONAL PROPERTY IN ORANGEBURG COUNTY (WALKER EMULSIONS (USA) INC.) AS PART OF THE JOINT COUNTY INDUSTRIAL PARK, AND OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO**

Chairman Wright asked Administrator Young if this item (Item 4) was similar to item 2 on the agenda, except that the company is located in Orangeburg. Mr. Young said yes. Chairman Wright yielded the floor to Councilman Johnny Ravenell. He wanted to know what “amendment to the amended” meant in the agreement. Mr. Anderson said there was an original agreement that was amended. Mr. Anderson said that whenever there is an expansion, you have to amend the agreement to include the expansion.

A motion to approve the agreement as written was made by Councilman Harry Wimberly and seconded by Councilman Johnny Ravenell. Motion carried. Vote: 6-0-0

**5. ORDINANCE FIRST READING BY TITLE ONLY**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 2001-4-2-1 PROVIDING FOR A USER RATE SCHEDULE FOR USERS OF THE WEST EDISTO SEWER SYSTEM**

Chairman Wright yielded the floor to Administrator Young. Administrator Young said that it was in that part of the overall negotiation between the County and the City. He said that it was in the best interest of the County to turn over West Edisto sewer system to the Department of Public Utilities. The Department of Utilities already maintains and operates the system. Mr. Young said the ordinance to update the rates brings the County one step closer to transferring the system to DPU. Mr. Young mentioned that Goodbys Regional Wastewater Treatment Plant is a major new sewer system that the County owns and operates.

A motion was made by Councilman Johnny Ravenell to approve the ordinance by title only as written and it was seconded by Councilman Willie B. Owens. Motion carried. Vote: 6-0-0

**6. VOTE FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION**

A motion was made by Councilwoman Janie Cooper-Smith to go into executive session, seconded by Heyward Livingston. Motion carried. Vote: 6-0-0

**7. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

1) ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT UPDATE

2) LEGAL BRIEFING

**8. VOTE FOR ADJOURNMENT**

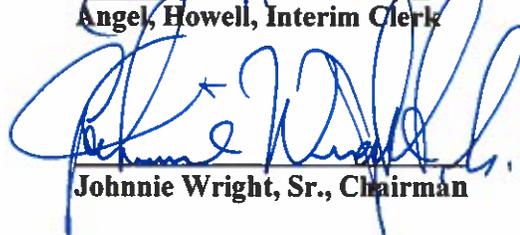
A motion was made by Councilman Willie B. Owens to adjourn and it was seconded by Councilwoman Janie Cooper-Smith. Motion carried. Vote: 6-0-0

**9. ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting adjourned.



Angel, Howell, Interim Clerk



Johnnie Wright, Sr., Chairman