

**DILLON COUNTY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
FEBRUARY 25, 2015
4:00 PM**

The Dillon County Council held a regular meeting on February 25, 2015 at 4:00 pm in the County Council Chambers, 109 S 3rd Ave, Dillon SC. Present were: Randy Goings, T.F. Finklea, Harold Moody, Bobby Moody, Archie Scott, Robbie Coward and Stevie Grice. Also present were: Clay Young (County Administrator), Richard Gaddy (Finance Director), Ken DuBose (County Attorney), Betsy Finklea (The Dillon Herald), Lisa Gray and Jamie Sue Stephens (Clerk to Council).

The following were notified of the meeting and provided an agenda: By e-mail – Charles Curry, Randy Grimsley (Dillon County EMS), The Dillon Herald, Susan Norton (Perdue), Tim Ammons (Attorney), Tonny McNeil (Dillon County Economic Development), Yolanda McCormick (Dillon County Librarian), Gabriel Salmon (PDCAA), Larry Abraham (Chief Deputy), Les Jackson (County Deputy), Terry Morris, Alvin Nobles, Dillon County Planning/Code Enforcement Office, WMBF News, Sheriff Major Hulon, Jerry Rivers, Dan Gruszka, Bobby Holland (SCANA), Charlie Bailey, Delores Smith, Winna Miller, Calvin Matthews, Jamie Estes (Dillon County Treasurer), Dillon County Finance, Sonny McRae (Dillon County E911), Alan Lane, Steve Johnson and Randy Rouse (Hometown TV), Manufactured Housing Institute of SC, Ron Bartley and Cathy Pelfrey (NETC), Karl McCollester (Agenda Repository), Haywood Proctor, Bo McInnis, Helen & Carley Wiggins, Danny Holder (Dillon County IT), Matt Petrillo (WBTW TV13), Morning News, Kenneth Smith, Mike Burns, Brandon Norris, and Kathy Dawson (McNair Law Firm), Will Johnson (HSB Law Firm), Vernon Grimsley (Recreation), Joette Dukes (Pee Dee Council of Government), Brian Mason, Gail Jenkins (Pee Dee Council of Government), Steve Rogers (Dillon County Tax Assessor); By fax – Farm Bureau and Pee Dee Electric.

Chairman T.F. Finklea presided over the meeting.

INVOCATION

Invocation was given by Randy Goings.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Vice Chairman Archie Scott motioned to approve agenda. Harold Moody seconded and all were in favor.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – 01/28/15, 02/11/15 (CALLED)

Archie Scott motioned to approve the minutes. Robbie Coward seconded and all were in favor.

PUBLIC HEARING

ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF A FEE AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN DILLON COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA AND PROJECT GEOMETRIC PROVIDING FOR A PAYMENT OF A FEE IN LIEU OF TAXES, THE ISSUANCE OF SPECIAL SOURCE REVENUE CREDITS, THE INCLUSION OF PROPERTY IN A MULTI-COUNTY INDUSTRIAL PARK, AND OTHER MATTERS RELATING THERETO

There was no public input. The public hearing was properly noticed in The Dillon Herald on January 15, 2015.

NEW BUSINESS

RECREATION CONCESSION STAND RENTAL BIDS

Jamie Sue Stephens told that three bids were received and she read them as follows: John Graves

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\$2,400.00; Barbara McCallum \$2,600; Shelawn Wright \$3,000.00. **Archie Scott motioned to accept the high bid from Shelawn Wright for \$3,000.00. Robbie Coward seconded and all were in favor.**

RECREATION REQUESTS

Archie Scott motioned to approve the following requests: \$125.00 payable to Dillon Middle School for student's Washington DC trip on May 18 through May 23, 2015 from all Councilmember's recreation accounts \$25.00 each except Stevie Grice; (Later Robbie Coward retracted his \$25.00 for the Dillon Middle School Washington, DC trip.) \$225.00 payable to CON- Concerned Citizens of Newtown, \$150.00 from Randy Goings recreation account, \$25.00 from Archie Scott's recreation account, \$25.00 from TF Finklea recreation account and \$25.00 from Robbie Coward's recreation account. Stevie Grice seconded and all were in favor.

AUTHORIZATION OF CHAIRMAN – WOIA LOCAL WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT DESIGNATION

Mr. Young explained that this gives the chairman, TF Finklea, approval to sign documents. This is the same as it has been done in the past. **Robbie Coward motioned to approve TF Finklea to sign documents. Archie Scott seconded and all were in favor.**

DILLON COUNTY WARMING SHELTERS

TF Finklea asked Moses Heyward to explain about opening the warming shelters. Mr. Heyward told Council that he has cots but no generators and that Council would need to authorize in order to have warming shelters. He said that Fire Department Station #1 would be the best one to use as a warming shelter and that a fireman would have to be at the station in case a call came in. Mr. Heyward said that the city fire department has a generator but is not a warming shelter. TF Finklea asked Mr. Heyward to discuss with the sheriff about transporting homeless people to the shelter. Mr. Heyward said that he would get in touch with the city and the sheriff.

FINANCE REPORT

Richard Gaddy reported that there is currently \$574,760 revenue over expenditures. He told that we have had better revenue stream with the Landfill and EMS doing well.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Randy Goings, Chairman of Building Committee, told Council that Mr. Young, Mrs. Winna Miller and himself did a walkthrough of the Judicial Center and he would like for full Council to walk through the Judicial Center before last monies is paid to contractor. Randy Goings recommended dispensing \$192,756.00 to contractor. TF Finklea thanked Randy Goings for his work on the Judicial Center. **Stevie Grice motioned to pay contractor \$192,756.96. Randy Goings seconded and all were in favor except Archie Scott – no vote.** Randy Goings expressed concern about the committee, an additional punch list, and the Council Members possibly directing employees. TF Finklea agreed with Randy Goings and reiterated that we need to work together.

ORDINANCE READINGS

THIRD READING – ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF A FEE AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN DILLON COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA AND PROJECT GEOMETRIC PROVIDING FOR A PAYMENT OF A FEE IN LIEU OF TAXES,

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THE ISSUANCE OF SPECIAL SOURCE REVENUE CREDITS, THE INCLUSION OF PROPERTY IN A MULTI-COUNTY INDUSTRIAL PARK, AND OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO

Ken DuBose explained ordinance. He told that this ordinance deals with Project Geometric in Town of Latta and that the town passed a Resolution authorizing this. TF Finklea read ordinance and title. **Robbie Coward motioned to approve third reading. Randy Goings seconded and all were in favor.**

SECOND READING – TO DEVELOP A JOINTLY OWNED AND OPERATED INDUSTRIAL/BUSINESS PARK IN CONJUNCTION WITH MARION COUNTY, SUCH INDUSTRIAL/ BUSINESS PARK IN CONJUNCTION WITH MARION COUNTY, SUCH INDUSTRIAL/BUSINESS PARK TO BE GEOGRAPHICALLY LOCATED IN DILLON COUNTY AND ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO SEC. 4-1-170 OF THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, AS AMENDED; TO PROVIDE FOR A WRITTEN AGREEMENT WITH MARION COUNTY TO PROVIDE FOR THE EXPENSES OF THE PARK, THE PERCENTAGE OF REVENUE APPLICATION, AND THE DISTRIBUTION OF FEES IN LIEU OF AD VALOREM TAXATION; AND OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO

Ken DuBose explained ordinance involves same matter, Project Geometric. For the record Expert Machine is Project Geometric. TF Finklea read ordinance and title. **Archie Scott motioned to have second reading. Randy Goings' seconded and all were in favor.**

SECOND READING – AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE DILLON COUNTY BOARD OF ASSESSMENT APPEALS, PROVIDING THE DUTIES THEREOF, AND PROVIDING FOR APPEALS THEREFROM TO THE SOUTH CAROLINA ADMINISTRATIVE LAW COURT

Ken DuBose explained that the next three ordinances are related, vast majority of commissions have expired. He suggested having third reading on all at the same time. All three are identical; create new board not like old one. There will be seven members and each Council Member will nominate a person to the board. The member nominated must be a resident of Dillon County but, does not have to be a resident of District for which they are nominated for. They will serve during the Council Members' term. This will be easier for staff to keep track of. After third reading, in April, Council Member should be prepared to nominate someone at that time. TF Finklea said that if a member did not attend a number of meetings then they were automatically off the board. Mr. DuBose told that he can include that in all three of these ordinances. **Archie Scott motioned to have second reading. Bobby Moody seconded and all were in favor.**

FIRST READING – AMENDMENT TO AN ORDINANCE FOR THE CREATION AND ORGANIZATION OF THE DILLON COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION

Archie Scott motioned to have first reading. Robbie Coward seconded and all were in favor.

FIRST READING – AMENDMENT TO AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS FOR DILLON COUNTY

Archie Scott motioned to have first reading. Stevie Grice seconded and all were in favor.

FIRST READING – AN ORDINANCE BY DILLON COUNCIL AMENDING AND ENACTING DILLON COUNTY BUILDING PERMIT FEES

Mr. Young explained that he and Larry Jones came up with proposed schedule and that this would address companies that come in like Wyman Gordon. **Harold Moody motioned to approve first reading. Archie Scott seconded and all were in favor.**

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RESOLUTIONS/PROCLAMATIONS

AMERICAN RED CROSS MONTH

TF Finklea recognized James Leslie from The Red Cross. Ken DuBose read the Proclamation. **Robbie Coward made the motion to approve proclamation. Stevie Grice seconded and all were in favor.**

**APPROVING LAW ENFORCEMENT ASSISTANCE AND SUPPORT AGREEMENT
BETWEEN DILLON COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE, FLORENCE COUNTY SHERIFF'S
OFFICE AND DARLINGTON COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE**

Mr. DuBose told Council that the sheriff had signed an agreement with Florence and Darlington Counties and that the law requires County Council to ratify these agreements. The Resolution passed by Council authorizes to sign this consent. It is used to help each other out. **Archie Scott motioned to approve both Counties (Florence and Darlington). Robbie Coward seconded and all were in favor.**

APPOINTMENTS

**DILLON COUNTY PUBLIC-PRIVATE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PARTNERSHIP
BOARD- DISTRICT ONE**

Randy Goings was not ready to appoint someone. **Tabled at this time.**

**PEE DEE REGIONAL COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENT BOARD MEMBER – REPLACEMENT
OF ANDREW GRAVES**

Robbie Coward motioned to put Archie Scott on the Pee Dee Regional Council of Government Board. Randy Goings seconded and all were in favor.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION – LEGAL AND CONTRACTUAL MATTERS
RESULTS OF EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Archie Scott motioned to go into Executive Session. Robbie Coward seconded and all were in favor. Archie Scott motioned out of Executive Session. Bobby Moody seconded and all were in favor.

ADJOURNMENT

Archie Scott motioned to adjourn. Randy Goings seconded and all were in favor.

T.F. Finklea, Chairman

Jamie Sue Stephens, Clerk to Council

Date Approved _____