

ANDERSON COUNTY COUNCIL
ANDERSON, SOUTH CAROLINA

Regular Meeting - April 16, 1996 - 7:00 p.m.
Linda N. Gilstrap, Clerk

M I N U T E S

PURSUANT TO SECTION 30-4-80 OF THE STATE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT THE FOLLOWING PERSONS/ORGANIZATIONS WERE NOTIFIED BY MAIL AND/OR FAX OF THIS MEETING: G. Fred Tolly, Jr., William Floyd, Harvie Banister, Ernie Garrison, Bruce Gerrard, David Watson, Jack McIntosh, INDEPENDENT MAIL, GREENVILLE NEWS, WYFF - CHANNEL 4 TELEVISION, WSPA - CHANNEL 7 TELEVISION, WLOS - CHANNEL 13 TELEVISION, CATV (AND. CABLE), CENCOM CABLE TV, EASLEY PROGRESS, Matt Phillips- WRIX RADIO, Bill Meade-THE JOURNAL, Roy Ethridge - AND. MONITOR, WAIM RADIO, WCCP RADIO, Joe Newton-COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS, Rosemary Garrick- SENIOR REFLECTIONS, Brantley Jordan.

PRESENT

Chairman Ernie Garrison, District #4
G. Fred Tolly, Jr. - District #1
William A. Floyd - District #2
Harvie E. Banister - District #3
Bruce Gerrard - District #5
Jack McIntosh, County Attorney
David Watson, Interim Administrator
Linda N. Gilstrap, Clerk

The official meeting of the Anderson County Council convened in the Council Chambers of the Historic Courthouse on Tuesday, April 16, 1996 at 7:00 p.m.

The Chairman called the meeting to order and welcomed the group. Mr. Gerrard gave the invocation and everyone stood and pledged allegiance to the flag.

On the motion of Mr. Banister, seconded by Mr. Tolly, Council voted unanimously to approve the minutes from the March 26, 1996 and the April 2, 1996 meetings as mailed.

The following citizens spoke during the citizens agenda: Mr. Billy Rhodes, Executive Director of the YMCA. Mr. Rhodes asked for \$12,000 consideration in the 96-97 budget for recreational needs of the citizens of Anderson County. Mr. Tom Clark presented letters from Wren High School and Pelzer EMS in regard to the poor condition of Thornwood Lane. He asked Council to consider these as official records for appropriate action needed for

minimum maintenance of this road. Mr. Mike Biggs from East Lake Subdivision also presented the same letters to Mr. Gerrard asking for assistance with roads in his subdivision. Council discussed some type method which would allow them to do minimum maintenance on roads with these type situations. Mr. Garrison asked the Attorney to check if the County could bring a judgment against the developer and disallow his participating/obtaining County permits until such time that the County is reimbursed for expenses. Chairman Garrison stated that when all the information is gathered he will poll Council for a work session.

Mr. Watson presented a request from the Anderson County Solid Waste Department that the acceptance of burnt trash be discontinued at all convenience centers and the Big Creek Landfill, and all the burnt trash be disposed of at the two C & D landfills at Big Creek and Starr. When the ash is accepted it must be completely incinerated with no visible paper, fabric, sparks or etc. All material with hot ashes will be rejected at the C & D landfill site. Mr. Gerrard moved to approve the request and Mr. Banister seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Mr. Watson presented a request from the Anderson County Solid Waste Department asking to stop the individual household acceptance of municipal solid waste at the Big Creek MRF site. The reason for the request is from a safety factor in keeping the individual traffic user separated from commercial vehicle and dangers encountered when they are mixed together. Mr. Gerrard moved to approve the request and Mr. Banister seconded. Vote was unanimous.

An additional list of roads that were approved by the Anderson County Transportation Committee (ACTC) for paving were presented for Council's approval. The County will pave the roads and then be reimbursed by the Anderson County Transportation Committee. Also the request would be to add the approved list of roads to the paving contract to be paved this fiscal year. Mr. Banister moved to approve the list and add to the contract and Mr. Tolly seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Mr. Watson presented the asphalt paving bid for Council's consideration. The low bid from Vulcan Materials for \$25.52 per ton plus 27¢ for blading for a total of \$25.79 was recommended. Council discussed the price of the asphalt and the blading. Mr. Banister moved to approve the bid of \$25.79 per ton from Vulcan and Mr. Gerrard seconded. Council talked about the October 31, 1996 completion date. It was agreed to extend the completion date to November 30, 1996 because of the additional roads to be added by the Anderson County Transportation Committee. Mr. Banister amended the motion to add a \$500 per day penalty if the contract is not completed by November 30. Mr. Gerrard seconded the amendment. Vote on the amendment was unanimous. Vote on the original motion as amended was unanimous.

Mr. Watson presented a bid in the amount of \$15,449 for the purchase of sign making equipment (graphix 9500, plotter, and scanner) from Clark Sign Company. Mr. Banister moved to go with an alternate bid from Tubelite Company for \$18,287 and Mr. Gerrard seconded. During discussing, Mr. Banister said that he was told that the State Highway Department uses the Tubelite and they are well pleased. Mr. Crowe stated that the equipment is identical and that the Clark Sign Company was the largest Gerber Scientific distributor and would assure Council that they are the same exact equipment. Under the assurance of the Purchase Manager that the machine was the exact same, Mr. Banister and Mr. Gerrard withdrew their motion and second. Mr. Gerrard then moved to purchase from the low bidder; Clark Signs in the amount of \$15,449. Mr. Tolly seconded and vote was unanimous.

On the motion of Mr. Gerrard, seconded by Mr. Tolly, Council voted unanimously to approve an ISTEPA Grant Application for entrance signs into Anderson County. All questions from the last meeting were answered satisfactory regarding the grant.

Mr. Tolly moved that Council consider the use of the former Planning & Development Building on McDuffie Street as a place for the Anderson County Museum. Mr. Floyd seconded. Council decided to have the Museum Committee look at the building to see if it would be suitable. The building is in need of several repairs and the possibility of using some of the \$60,000 appropriated for the museum was mentioned. Mr. Tolly withdrew his motion and Mr. Floyd withdrew his second until the Committee looks at the building.

Mr. Watson presented a request from Mt. Bethel Baptist Church to close Mt. Bethel Church Road at certain times in order to protect children of the church. The road runs approximately 75 feet from the back door of the church and the basketball court. The request was to close the road on Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. and also during Vacation Bible School and other special occasions. Placing and removing "Closed" signs would be the church's responsibility. Mr. Banister moved that the request be granted and Mr. Tolly seconded. Council discussed the liability and the possibility of permanently closing the road. Mr. Gerrard asked the County Attorney what the difference in this situation and the one at New Prospect Baptist Church. Council agreed to consult with Mr. J.R. McClure prior to making a decision. Mr. Banister and Mr. Tolly withdrew their motion and second.

Mr. Tolly moved to correct a drainage problem at Concord Elementary School estimated to cost \$291.69 (Option #1- 60 ft. of 15" concrete pipe). The money will come from District #1 paving. Mr. Floyd seconded and vote was unanimous.

On the motion of Mr. Tolly, seconded by Mr. Gerrard, Council voted unanimously to approve change order #1 for the I85/Hwy 86 Sewer Project. The change order will provide service to a larger area along the frontage road by extending the gravity line by 125 L.F., and will relocate pump station #1 at the request of the property owner. The net increase of this change order is \$896.00.

Mr. Watson presented a revised 1996-1997 Budget Calendar. All dates are shifted by 10 days to allow extra time to complete the Administrator's Recommended budget. Mr. Floyd moved to accept the revised calendar and Mr. Banister seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Mr. Tim O'Neal, with the County Fire Department, has requested from the County 30 CY fill dirt (4 loads) to be delivered by Road Maintenance to County Fire Headquarters. Mr. Gerrard moved to approve and Mr. Tolly seconded. Vote was unanimous.

On the motion of Mr. Gerrard, seconded by Mr. Tolly, Council voted unanimously to go into executive session at 8:30 p.m. to discuss contractual, personnel and economic development matters.

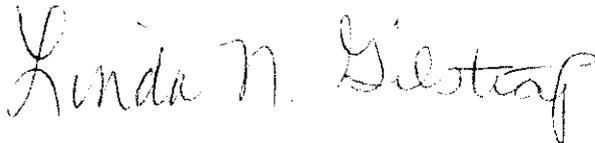
Council come out of executive session back into regular session at approximately 10:50 p.m.

Mr. Tolly moved to approve the access road to the Tri-County Landfill complex as recommended by George McDaniel. Mr. Floyd seconded and vote was three in favor (Tolly, Floyd, Garrison) and two opposed (Gerrard, Banister). Motion carried.

Mr. Gerrard moved to negotiate a contract with Steven Bedard for position of County Administrator. Mr. Garrison relinquished the chair to the vice chairman and then seconded the motion. Vice Chairman Banister called for the vote which was two in favor (Gerrard, Garrison) and three opposed (Banister, Tolly, Floyd). Motion failed.

There being no further business, Council adjourned at 11:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



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