

Charleston, S. C.
June 11, 2013

A regular meeting of County Council of Charleston County was held on the 11th day of June, 2013, in the Beverly T. Craven Council Chambers, Second Floor of the Lonnie Hamilton, III Public Services Building, located at 4045 Bridge View Drive, Charleston, South Carolina.

Present at the meeting were the following members of Council: Teddie E. Pryor, Sr., Chairman, who presided; Colleen Condon; Henry E. Darby Anna Johnson; Joseph K. Qualey; A. Victor Rawl; Herbert R. Sass, III; Dickie Schweers and J. Elliott Summey.

Also present were County Administrator, W. Kurt Taylor and County Attorney Joseph Dawson.

Rev. Robert Reid gave the invocation and Deputy Administrator for Community Services, Jennifer Miller, led in the pledge to the flag.

The Clerk reported that in compliance with the Freedom of Information Act, notice of meetings and agendas were furnished to all news media and persons requesting notification.

An Ordinance approving the budget for the Charleston County Park and Recreation Commission was given second reading by title only

**FY 2014
Charleston
County Park
and
Recreation
Commission
Ordinance
2nd Reading**

AN ORDINANCE

APPROVING THE BUDGET AND DIRECTING THE AUDITOR OF CHARLESTON COUNTY TO LEVY THE NECESSARY MILLAGE AND THE TREASURER TO COLLECT TAXES FOR THE CHARLESTON COUNTY PARK AND RECREATION COMMISSION FOR FISCAL YEAR 2013-2014

The Ordinance in its entirety will appear in the minutes of Charleston County Council at the time of third reading.

The Chairman called for second reading of the ordinance. The roll was called and votes recorded as follows:

- Condon - aye
- Darby - aye
- Johnson - aye
- Qualey - aye
- Rawl - aye
- Sass - aye
- Schweers - aye
- Summey - aye
- Pryor - aye

The vote being nine (9) ayes, the Chairman declared the ordinance to have received second reading approval.

**FY 2014
Cooper River
Park &
Playground
Ordinance
2nd Reading**

An Ordinance approving the budget for the Cooper River Park and Playground Commission was given second reading by title only

AN ORDINANCE

APPROVING THE BUDGET AND DIRECTING THE AUDITOR OF CHARLESTON COUNTY TO LEVY THE NECESSARY MILLAGE AND THE TREASURER TO COLLECT TAXES FOR THE COOPER RIVER PARK AND RECREATION COMMISSION FOR FISCAL YEAR 2013-2014

The Ordinance in its entirety will appear in the minutes of Charleston County Council at the time of third reading.

The Chairman called for second reading of the ordinance. The roll was called and votes recorded as follows:

Condon	- aye
Darby	- aye
Johnson	- aye
Qualey	- aye
Rawl	- aye
Sass	- aye
Schweers	- aye
Summey	- aye
Pryor	- aye

The vote being nine (9) ayes, the Chairman declared the ordinance to have received second reading approval.

**FY 2014
James Island
PSD
Ordinance
2nd Reading**

An Ordinance approving the budget for the James Island Public Service District was given second reading by title only.

AN ORDINANCE

APPROVING THE BUDGET AND DIRECTING THE AUDITOR OF CHARLESTON COUNTY TO LEVY THE NECESSARY MILLAGE AND THE TREASURER TO COLLECT TAXES FOR THE JAMES ISLAND PUBLIC SERVICE DISTRICT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2013-2014.

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The Chairman called for second reading of the ordinance. The roll was called and votes recorded as follows:

Condon	- aye
Darby	- aye

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Johnson	- aye
Qualey	- nay
Rawl	- nay
Sass	- nay
Schweers	- nay
Summey	- nay
Pryor	- aye

The vote being four (4) ayes, and five (5) nays, the Chairman declared the ordinance to have received second reading approval.

Mr. Rawl stated that since he had voted on the prevailing side that he wished to reconsider his vote

After a lengthy discussion regarding actions of the James Island Public Service Commission and receiving inform from the County Attorney, Mr. Rawl reiterated his motion to reconsider, with the understanding that amendments would be allowed prior to third reading.

This motion was seconded by Ms. Condon and carried.

The Chairman called for second reading of the ordinance. The roll was called and votes recorded as follows:

Condon	- aye
Darby	- aye
Johnson	- aye
Qualey	- nay
Rawl	- aye
Sass	- nay
Schweers	- nay
Summey	- nay
Pryor	- aye

The vote being five (5) ayes, and four (4) nays, the Chairman declared the ordinance to have received second reading approval.

**North
Charleston
District
Ordinance 2nd
Reading**

An Ordinance approving the budget for the North Charleston District was given second reading by title only.

AN ORDINANCE

APPROVING THE BUDGET AND DIRECTING THE AUDITOR OF CHARLESTON COUNTY TO LEVY THE NECESSARY MILLAGE AND THE TREASURER TO COLLECT TAXES FOR THE North Charleston PUBLIC SERVICE DISTRICT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2013-2014

The Ordinance in its entirety will appear in the minutes of Charleston County Council at the time of third reading.

The Chairman called for second reading of the Ordinance, and votes were recorded as follows:

Condon	- aye
Darby	- aye
Johnson	- aye
Qualey	- aye
Rawl	- aye
Sass	- aye
Schweers	- aye
Summey	- aye
Pryor	- aye

The vote being nine (9) ayes, the Chairman declared the ordinance to have received second reading approval.

**St. Andrews
Parish Park
and
Playground
Ordinance 2nd
Reading**

An Ordinance approving the budget for the St. Andrews Parish Park and Playground Commission was given second reading by title only

AN ORDINANCE

APPROVING THE BUDGET AND DIRECTING THE AUDITOR OF CHARLESTON COUNTY TO LEVY THE NECESSARY MILLAGE AND THE TREASURER TO COLLECT TAXES FOR THE ST. ANDREW'S PARISH PARK AND PLAYGROUND COMMISSION FOR FISCAL YEAR 2013-2014, AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF A TAX ANTICIPATION NOTE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$400,000.

The Ordinance in its entirety will appear in the minutes of Charleston County Council at the time of third reading.

The Chairman called for a vote on second reading of the Ordinance. The roll was called and votes recorded as follows:

Condon	- aye
Darby	- aye
Johnson	- aye
Qualey	- aye
Rawl	- aye
Sass	- aye
Schweers	- aye
Summey	- aye
Pryor	- aye

The vote being nine (9) ayes, the Chairman declared the ordinance to have received second reading approval.

**St. John's
Fire District
Ordinance 2nd
Reading**

.An Ordinance approving the budget for the Saint John's Fire District was given second reading by title only

AN ORDINANCE

APPROVING THE BUDGET AND DIRECTING THE AUDITOR OF CHARLESTON COUNTY TO LEVY THE NECESSARY MILLAGE AND THE TREASURER TO COLLECT TAXES FOR THE SAINT JOHN'S FIRE DISTRICT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2013-2014. AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF A TAX ANTICIPATION NOTE IN THE AMOUNT UP TO \$1,000,000

The Ordinance in its entirety will appear in the minutes of Charleston County Council at the time of third reading.

The Chairman called for a vote on second reading of the Ordinance. The roll was called and votes recorded as follows:

Condon	- aye
Darby	- aye
Johnson	- aye
Qualey	- aye
Rawl	- aye
Sass	- aye
Schweers	- aye
Summey	- aye
Pryor	- aye

The vote being nine (9) ayes, the Chairman declared the ordinance to have received second reading approval.

St. Paul's Fire District Ordinance 2nd Reading

An Ordinance approving the budget for the Saint Paul's Fire District was given second reading by title only

AN ORDINANCE

APPROVING THE BUDGET AND DIRECTING THE AUDITOR OF CHARLESTON COUNTY TO LEVY THE NECESSARY MILLAGE AND THE TREASURER TO COLLECT TAXES FOR THE SAINT PAUL'S FIRE DISTRICT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2013-2014 FOR THE ST. PAUL'S FIRE DISTRICT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2013-2014 AND AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF A TAX ANTICIPATION NOTE IN THE AMOUNT UP TO \$2,000.00

The Ordinance in its entirety will appear in the minutes of Charleston County Council at the time of third reading.

The Chairman called for a vote on second reading of the Ordinance. The roll was called and votes recorded as follows:

Condon	- aye
Darby	- aye
Johnson	- aye
Qualey	- nay

Rawl	- aye
Sass	- nay
Schweers	- nay
Summey	- aye
Pryor	- aye

The vote being six (6) ayes and three (3) nays, the Chairman declared the ordinance to have received second reading approval.

An Ordinance establishing and making appropriations from the Transportation Sales Tax Budget for FY 2014, was given second reading by title only.

AN ORDINANCE

TO ESTABLISH AND MAKE APPROPRIATIONS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2014 FROM THE TRANSPORTATION SALES TAX SPECIAL REVENUE FUND FOR PROJECTS AND PURPOSES PERMITTED BY LAW, TO PROVIDE FOR BUDGET CONTROL OF SAID APPROPRIATIONS BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL AND COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR, AND OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO.

The Ordinance in its entirety will appear in the minutes of Charleston County Council at the time of third reading.

The Chairman called for a vote on second reading of the Ordinance. The roll was called and votes recorded as follows:

Condon	- aye
Darby	- aye
Johnson	- aye
Qualey	- aye
Rawl	- aye
Sass	- aye
Schweers	- aye
Summey	- aye
Pryor	- aye

The vote being nine (9) ayes, the Chairman declared the ordinance to have received second reading approval.

An Ordinance relating to the imposition of Annual Solid Waste and Disposal fees was given first reading by title only.

AN ORDINANCE

RELATING TO THE IMPOSITION OF ANNUAL SOLID WASTE RECYCLING AND DISPOSAL FEES FOR THE DISPOSITION OF SOLID WASTE AND RECYCLING; PROVIDING FOR CLASSIFICATIONS OF REAL PROPERTY SUBJECT TO ANNUAL SOLID WASTE RECYCLING AND DISPOSAL FEES;

AND ESTABLISHING THE AMOUNT OF THE ANNUAL SOLID WASTE RECYCLING AND DISPOSAL FEES.

The Ordinance in its entirety will appear in the minutes of Charleston County Council at the time of third reading.

The Chairman called for a vote on second reading of the Ordinance. The roll was called and votes recorded as follows:

Condon	- aye
Darby	- aye
Johnson	- aye
Qualey	- aye
Rawl	- aye
Sass	- aye
Schweers	- aye
Summey	- aye
Pryor	- aye

The vote being nine (9) ayes, the Chairman declared the ordinance to have received second reading approval.

An Ordinance providing for the Levy of Taxes for Corporate Purposes of Charleston County for the fiscal year 2014 was given second reading by title only.

AN ORDINANCE

PROVIDING FOR THE LEVY OF TAXES FOR CORPORATE PURPOSES OF CHARLESTON COUNTY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2013 AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2014, HEREINAFTER REFERRED TO AS FISCAL YEAR 2014; MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FROM THE GENERAL FUND AND OTHER FUNDS OF CHARLESTON COUNTY FOR SUCH PURPOSES; AND FURTHER PROVIDING FOR THE LEVY OF TAXES FOR CORPORATE PURPOSES OF CHARLESTON COUNTY, INCLUDING THE AWENDAW CONSOLIDATED FIRE DISTRICT, EAST COOPER FIRE DISTRICT, NORTHERN CHARLESTON COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT, WEST ST. ANDREW'S FIRE DISTRICT, AND TRIDENT TECHNICAL COLLEGE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2014; PROVIDING FOR APPROPRIATIONS FROM SUCH SPECIAL FUNDS CREATED FOR THE PURPOSES OF THE AWENDAW CONSOLIDATED FIRE DISTRICT, EAST COOPER FIRE DISTRICT, NORTHERN CHARLESTON COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT, WEST ST. ANDREW'S FIRE DISTRICT, AND TRIDENT TECHNICAL COLLEGE IN ORDER TO SUPPLY THE NECESSARY FUNCTIONS OF THE UNITS; PROVIDING FOR BUDGET CONTROL OF THE APPROPRIATIONS BY THE CHARLESTON COUNTY COUNCIL AND THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR; MAKING PROVISIONS FOR THE FISCAL AFFAIRS OF CHARLESTON COUNTY; AND PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE OF TAX ANTICIPATION NOTES IN AN AMOUNT UP TO \$25,000,000 FOR CHARLESTON

COUNTY AND UP TO \$400,000 FOR THE AWENDAW CONSOLIDATED FIRE DISTRICT.

The Ordinance in its entirety will appear in the minutes of Charleston County at the time of third reading.

Mr. Schweers said that it was important for him to reinstate, prior to the vote, the his statement he made at time of first reading of the County's fiscal year 2014 Ordinance which is as follows:

"I do not understand why it is necessary now, in a rising economy, to increase millage, when the financial picture has been so bleak in the past."

The Chairman called for a vote on second reading of the Ordinance. The roll was called and votes recorded as follows:

Condon	- aye
Darby	- aye
Johnson	- aye
Qualey	- nay
Rawl	- aye
Sass	- nay
Schweers	- nay
Summey	- nay
Pryor	- aye

The vote being five (5) ayes and four (4) nays, the Chairman declared the ordinance to have received second reading approval.

An Ordinance amending Charleston County's Bar Closing Ordinance was given second reading by title only.

AN ORDINANCE

AMENDING SECTION 13-3 OF THE CHARLESTON COUNTY CODE OF ORDINANCES SO AS TO PROHIBIT THE OPERATION OF COMMERCIAL ESTABLISHMENTS ALLOWING ON PREMISES CONSUMPTION OF BEER, ALE, PORTER, WINE OR ALCOHOLIC LIQUORS BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 2:00 AM AND 6:00 AM.

The Ordinance in its entirety will appear in the minutes of Charleston County at the time of third reading.

The Chairman called for a vote on second reading of the Ordinance. The roll was called and votes recorded as follows:

Condon	- aye
Darby	- nay
Johnson	- aye

Qualey	- aye
Rawl	- aye
Sass	- aye
Schweers	- aye
Summey	- aye
Pryor	- aye

The vote being eight (8) ayes and one (1) nay, the Chairman declared the ordinance to have received second reading approval.

The Chairman stated that the next two items, the IOP Connector Project and the Ashley River Bridge Bike Lane Retrofit Project, were being removed from the agenda. He added that all his questions/concerns had been addressed to his satisfaction by Staff.

The Chairman asked if any Member of Council wished to bring a matter before the Body.

Mr. Schweers said that he was disappointed that Council voted to raise the millage unnecessarily.

Ms. Johnson stated that other people viewed the Budget differently.

Mr. Darby said he disagreed with the lady who spoke at the Comment Period prior to Council's meeting and he did not feel that the "bike riding issue" was a Social Justice Matter

Ms. Condon said she admires the positive efforts being put forth to enable the public to have access to bike paths.

Mr. Taylor thanked his staff for all their hard work on the budget preparation.

Mr. Pryor thanked Mr. Taylor and his staff for a no tax increase budget and said that sadly voting was done by party affiliation.

There being no further business to come before the Body, the Chairman declared the meeting to be adjourned.

Beverly T. Craven
Clerk of Council