

**JASPER COUNTY COUNCIL  
MARY GORDON ELLIS EXECUTIVE BUILDING  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
JUNE 2, 2008  
2:00 P.M.  
MINUTES**

**OFFICIALS PRESENT:**

DR. GEORGE HOOD, CHAIRMAN  
FRED TUTEN, VICE CHAIRMAN  
GLADYS JONES, COUNCILWOMAN  
LEROY BLACKSHEAR, COUNCILMAN  
HUBERT TYLER, COUNCILMAN

**STAFF PRESENT:**

ANDREW FULGHUM, ADMINISTRATOR  
RONNIE MALPHRUS, DEP. ADM. ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES  
JUDITH FRANK, CLERK TO COUNCIL  
MARVIN JONES, ATTORNEY  
LISA LAMB, PLANNING AND ZONING COORDINATOR

**STAFF ABSENT:**

EVELYN LEE, DEPUTY CLERK TO COUNCIL

**CALL TO ORDER:**

CHAIRMAN HOOD CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AT 2:00 P.M. AND SAID THAT THE COUNCIL WOULD HOLD THE EXECUTIVE SESSION AND BUDGET WORKSHOP AND THEY WOULD DO THE FORMAL OPENING OF THE MEETING AT 4:00 P.M.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

COUNCILWOMAN JONES MOTIONED AND COUNCILMAN TYLER SECONDED THE MOTION TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR EMPLOYMENT MATTERS. THE MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL MEMBERS PRESENT VOTING IN FAVOR.

**RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION:**

COUNCILWOMAN JONES MOTIONED AND TYLER SECONDED THE MOTION TO RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION. THE MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL MEMBERS PRESENT VOTING IN FAVOR.

CHAIRMAN HOOD SAID THE COUNCIL ADVISED THE ATTORNEY TO MOVE FORWARD REGARDING THE EMPLOYMENT MATTERS.

CHAIRMAN HOOD PRESENTED THE COUNCIL WITH A LETTER FROM SENATOR PINCKNEY AND REPRESENTATIVE BRANTLEY. THE COUNCIL

MEMBERS DISCUSSED THE LETTER AND CHAIRMAN HOOD ASKED THE CLERK TO WRITE A LETTER TO SENATOR PINCKNEY AND REPRESENTATIVE BRANTLEY REGARDING THE APPOINTMENTS.

**BUDGET WORKSHOP:**

MR. MALPHRUS SAID THAT NO CHANGES WERE MADE BY THE ADMINISTRATION. MR. MALPHRUS SAID HE DID NOT MAKE ANY CHANGES SINCE HE WAS NOT AWARE OF ANY CHANGES THAT WERE DISCUSSED BY COUNCIL THAT WERE AGREED UPON. MR. MALPHRUS SAID THAT THERE WERE TWO REQUESTS FROM CLEMSON UNIVERSITY REGARDING THE CLEMSON EXTENSION AGENT AND THE 4-H AGENT WHICH WOULD REQUIRE A \$2,000.00 INCREASE TO THE CLEMSON LINE IN THE BUDGET.

MR. MALPHRUS PROVIDED THE COUNCIL WITH INFORMATION REGARDING HOW THE FIVE MILL INCREASE WOULD EFFECT THE TAXPAYERS. MR. MALPHRUS SAID THAT TAXES WOULD GO UP ABOUT \$7.00 ON A HOME VALUED AT \$150,000.00. COUNCILMAN TUTEN ASKED ABOUT HOW MOBILE HOMES WOULD BE AFFECTED AND MR. MALPHRUS SAID THEY WOULD HAVE THE SAME PERCENTAGE OF INCREASE. COUNCILWOMAN JONES ASKED IF THE LOCAL OPTION CREDIT WAS DETERMINED BY THE VALUE OF THE COUNTY AND MR. MALPHRUS SAID THAT IT WAS AND THE COUNTY VALUE INCREASED ABOUT \$13,000,000.00.

COUNCILWOMAN JONES SAID THE TOTAL OF THE INCREASES SHOULD HAVE BEEN \$447,000.00 NOT \$597,000.00. COUNCILWOMAN JONES ASKED ABOUT THE NEW EMPLOYEES IN THE BUDGET AND TOLD MR. MALPHRUS THAT THE SPECIAL PROJECT MANAGER'S POSITION WAS TO BE CUT FROM THE BUDGET. MR. MALPHRUS SAID THE NEW PERSON FOR HR, THE RECEPTIONIST AND THE IT DIRECTOR WERE STILL IN THE BUDGET. COUNCILWOMAN JONES ASKED HOW MANY PEOPLE WERE CURRENTLY IN HR. MR. MALPHRUS SAID THE DIRECTOR, THE HR GENERALIST, AND 2 PAYROLL CLERKS. MR. MALPHRUS SAID THOSE FOUR POSITIONS HAVE ALREADY BEEN APPROVED BY COUNCIL. CHAIRMAN HOOD ASKED WHO HANDLED BENEFITS AND MR. MALPHRUS SAID THAT DEANI HALL HANDLED THE BENEFITS. COUNCILWOMAN JONES SAID SHE FELT THE 5<sup>TH</sup> POSITION IN HR NEEDED TO BE CUT. CHAIRMAN HOOD ASKED WHAT MS. PHOENIX DID AND MR. MALPHRUS SAID THAT SHE HANDLED RECRUITMENT BACK GROUND CHECKS, ADVERTISING AND DRUG TESTING. COUNCILWOMAN JONES SAID THAT SHE HEARD THE TEMPORARY PERSON WAS DOING THE INTERVIEWING. MR. MALPHRUS SAID THAT THE REPORTING IS GETTING COMPLICATED AND SOMEONE IS NEEDED TO HANDLE RISK MANAGEMENT. VICE CHAIRMAN TUTEN ASKED IF AN ADDITIONAL PERSON IN HR WAS REALLY NEEDED AND MR. MALPHRUS RESPONDED THAT ANOTHER PERSON WAS NEEDED. CHAIRMAN HOOD SAID HE FELT THE TWO PEOPLE IN PAYROLL WERE NEEDED AND HE ASKED WHAT DOES MS. LUCAS DO. MR. MALPHRUS SAID THAT SHE SPENDS MOST OF THE DAY PUTTING OUT FIRES AND WORKS

AFTER HOURS TO GET OTHER THINGS DONE. COUNCILWOMAN JONES SAID THAT YOU DO NOT NEED THREE PEOPLE WITH MASTERS DEGREES AND TWO CLERKS. COUNCILMAN TUTEN ASKED THAT THIS BE TABLED UNTIL THE NEXT WORKSHOP.

COUNCILWOMAN JONES SAID SHE WAS CONCERNED ABOUT THE OVERTIME IN THE BUDGET AND THERE ARE NO MORE EMPLOYEES WORKING THIS YEAR THAN LAST YEAR. COUNCILWOMAN JONES ASKED THAT ALL THE OVERTIME BE REDUCED TO THE AMOUNT BUDGETED LAST YEAR. VICE CHAIRMAN TUTEN SAID THEY NEEDED TO GET AWAY FROM PAYING OVERTIME AND HIRE MORE PART TIME PEOPLE. COUNCILWOMAN JONES SAID SHE WOULD LIKE TO TALK WITH THE DEPARTMENT HEAD TO SEE HOW THEY FELT ABOUT IMMEDIATE FAMILY MEMBERS WORKING IN THE SAME DEPARTMENT OR DIVISION. COUNCILMAN TUTEN SAID HE DIDN'T THINK IT SHOULD BE INCREASED AND IF THEY SEE THEY ARE GOING TO NEED TO PAY MORE OVERTIME, AND THEN THEY SHOULD USE THE FUNDING FROM SOME OTHER LINE IN THEIR BUDGET WHERE THEY HAVE MONEY STILL AVAILABLE. COUNCILMAN TYLER ASKED IF THEY CONTACTED OTHER COUNTIES TO SEE HOW THEY HANDLE THIS AND MR. MALPHRUS SAID HE HAS TALKED WITH OTHER COUNTIES. MR. FULGHUM SAID THE COUNTY IS PROVIDING A LEVEL OF SERVICE THAT MOST OTHER COUNTIES DO NOT PROVIDE. COUNCILWOMAN JONES SAID SHE AGREED THAT MORE OVERTIME SHOULD NOT BE BUDGETED AND THAT IF THEY NEEDED MORE OVERTIME FUNDED, THEY COULD SIT DOWN AT THAT TIME AND DISCUSS WHAT OTHER LINE IN THEIR BUDGET IT COULD COME FROM. COUNCILWOMAN JONES ASKED HOW MUCH MONEY WAS FUNDED TO POINT SOUTH FOR THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT TO PROVIDE EXTRA COVERAGE. MR. MALPHRUS SAID THAT \$30,000.00 IS GIVEN TO THE POINT SOUTH MERCHANTS FROM THE A-TAX FUND AND THEY PAY THE DEPUTIES DIRECTLY. VICE CHAIRMAN TUTEN ASKED ABOUT THE CONTINGENCY FUND AND MR. MALPHRUS SAID THAT IT HAS \$145,000.00 IN IT FOR UNBUDGETED ITEMS. VICE CHAIRMAN TUTEN ASKED WHERE THE \$513,000.00 BUDGET ADJUSTMENT FUNDS WERE TAKEN FROM AND MR. MALPHRUS RESPONDED THAT MONEY CAME FROM THE FUND BALANCE AND \$3,500,000.00 IS BEING USED FROM THE FUND BALANCE TO MAKE THIS BUDGET WORK. MR. FULGHUM SAID THAT THE COUNTY HAS BEEN FORTUNATE THAT THE FUND BALANCE HAS BEEN REPLENISHED EACH YEAR, HOWEVER, WHILE MOST GOVERNMENTS DO THIS, IT IS A BAD HABIT TO CONTINUE. CHAIRMAN HOOD SAID THAT MEDICAL INSURANCE HAS GONE UP AND THE COUNTY MAY NOT BE ABLE TO CONTINUE FUNDING THE FULL AMOUNT FOR THE EMPLOYEES. VICE CHAIRMAN TUTEN SAID THAT CURRENTLY ANYONE WHO RETIRES FROM THE COUNTY WITH 10 YEARS, THE COUNTY PAYS FOR THEIR INSURANCE. MR. MALPHRUS SAID THAT WILL CHANGE IN THE NEW PERSONNEL POLICY AND ALL NEW HIRES WILL HAVE TO WORK 15 YEARS FOR THE COUNTY TO PAY FOR THEIR INSURANCE WHEN THEY RETIRE. MR. MALPHRUS SAID THAT IF THE GASB 45 PASSED THE COUNTY WILL HAVE TO FUND THEIR

LIABILITY FOR THE RETIREES HEALTH INSURANCE. MR. MALPHRUS SAID THAT THE COUNTY'S LIABILITY FOR THIS YEAR'S BUDGET IS \$1,000,000.00 AND HE IS LOOKING IN TO WAYS IT CAN BE FUNDED. MR. MALPHRUS SAID IF THE COUNTY DOES NOT FUND IT, THEN THE COUNTY'S BONDING RATING WOULD BE AFFECTED. THE COUNCIL DISCUSSED USING MS. SAULS AND MS. MYERS TO FILL THE RECEPTIONIST POSITION REQUESTED IN THE BUDGET, THEY WOULD BOTH BE PART TIME EMPLOYEES. THE BUDGET WORKSHOP ENDED AT 3:30 P.M. AND THE COUNCIL TOOK A BREAK UNTIL 4:00 P.M.

**CALL TO ORDER:**

CHAIRMAN HOOD CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AT 4:00 P.M.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

CHAIRMAN HOOD LED THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

**INVOCATION:**

VICE CHAIRMAN TUTEN GAVE THE INVOCATION.

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:**

COUNCILWOMAN JONES MOTIONED AND COUNCILMAN TYLER SECONDED THE MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF MAY 14, 19 AND 27, 2008. COUNCILMAN BLACKSHEAR ASKED THAT THE MINUTES OF MAY 19, 2008 BE CORRECTED TO REFLECT HE VOTED AGAINST THE MOTION REGARDING THE NAMING OF COUNTY FACILITIES RESOLUTION. THE MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL MEMBERS PRESENT VOTING IN FAVOR.

**PROCLAMATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS:**

**BILL COX – PERSONAL PATHWAYS TO SUCCESS:**

MR. COX INTRODUCED HIMSELF TO THE COUNCIL AND INFORMED THEM THAT HE REPRESENTED FOUR COUNTIES. MR. COX SAID HE HAS MET WITH THE SCHOOL DISTRICT AND HE WAS ENCOURAGING THE LOCAL BUSINESSES TO HOST EVENTS THAT INVOLVE THE STUDENTS IN JASPER COUNTY.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS AND ORDINANCES:**

**PUBLIC HEARING AND 3<sup>RD</sup> READING OF THE ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 2 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF JASPER COUNTY TO ESTABLISH THE COUNCIL RULES AND PROCEDURES:**

ATTORNEY JONES EXPLAINED THAT THIS ORDINANCE DEALS WITH HOW THE COUNCIL OPERATES. CHAIRMAN HOOD OPENED THE PUBLIC HEARING. THERE WERE NO COMMENTS. CHAIRMAN HOOD CLOSED THE PUBLIC HEARING. VICE CHAIRMAN TUTEN MOTIONED AND COUNCILWOMAN JONES SECONDED THE MOTION THAT THIS BE THE 3<sup>RD</sup> READING OF THE ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 2 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF JASPER COUNTY TO ESTABLISH THE COUNCIL RULES

AND PROCEDURES. THE MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL MEMBERS PRESENT VOTING IN FAVOR.

**PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AN AMENDMENT TO THE MASTER PARK AGREEMENT GOVERNING THE MULTI-COUNTY INDUSTRIAL/BUSINESS PARK BY AND BETWEEN JASPER COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA AND BEAUFORT COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA, IN ORDER TO EXPAND THE BOUNDARIES OF THE PARK TO INCLUDE PROPERTY LOCATED IN BEAUFORT COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA AND OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO:**

MR. FULGHUM EXPLAINED THAT ATTORNEY SAM HOWELL WAS REVIEWING THE ORDINANCE AND HE MAY MAKE SOME RECOMMENDATIONS TO CHANGE THE ORDINANCE PRIOR TO THE 3<sup>RD</sup> READING. MS. STATLER PRESENTED A MAP AND SHOWED THE LOCATIONS OF THE AREAS THAT ARE BEING EXPANDED AND INCLUDED IN THIS AGREEMENT. THE AREAS INCLUDED AN AREA IN THE CITY OF BEAUFORT ALONG BOUNDARY STREET, AND AN AREA IN BLUFFTON AT BUCKWALTER PLACE. MS. STATLER SAID THAT 1% OF THE TAX PROCEEDS FROM THOSE AREAS WOULD COME TO JASPER COUNTY. CHAIRMAN HOOD OPENED THE PUBLIC HEARING, THERE WERE NO COMMENTS, AND CHAIRMAN HOOD CLOSED THE PUBLIC HEARING.

**2<sup>ND</sup> READING OF THE ORDINANCE TO APPROVE THE 2008-2009 JASPER COUNTY OPERATING BUDGET IN THE AMOUNT OF \$41,335,988.00:**

MR. MALPHRUS EXPLAINED THAT THE BUDGET COVERED THE COUNTY'S OPERATING EXPENSES, THE SCHOOL OPERATIONS BUDGET, AND THE SCHOOL DEBT. COUNCILWOMAN JONES ASKED THAT SECTION 14 BE CHANGED TO REFLECT THAT THE CHAIRMAN OF THE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE IS PAID A STIPEND OF \$100.00 PER MEETING PROVIDING HE ATTENDS THE MEETING AND THERE IS A QUORUM OF THE MEMBERS PRESENT. CHAIRMAN HOOD SAID THAT THE PUBLIC HEARING WILL BE HELD ON JUNE 16, 2008 AT 7:00 P.M. AND HE HOPED THAT THE FINAL FIGURES WILL BE AVAILABLE ON JUNE 18, 2008 WHEN HE HAS SCHEDULED A BUDGET WORKSHOP/MEETING. COUNCILWOMAN JONES SAID THAT THE FIGURES PRESENTED BY THE ADMINISTRATION REFLECT A FIVE MILL INCREASE AND SHE WOULD LIKE TO SEE THE BUDGET CUT SO THAT THERE IS NO TAX INCREASE FOR THE CITIZENS OF JASPER COUNTY. CHAIRMAN HOOD SAID HE RESPECTED COUNCILWOMAN JONES' OPINION, THERE WAS STILL THE GASB-45 FUNDING THAT MAY NEED TO BE INCLUDED IN THE BUDGET. CHAIRMAN HOOD ASKED THE MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL TO REVIEW THE BUDGET AND SEE WHAT CAN BE CUT. COUNCILMAN TYLER MOTIONED AND COUNCILMAN BLACKSHEAR SECONDED THE MOTION THAT THIS BE THE 2<sup>ND</sup> READING OF THE ORDINANCE TO APPROVE THE 2008-2009 JASPER COUNTY BUDGET IN THE AMOUNT OF \$41,335,988.00. THE MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL MEMBERS PRESENT VOTING IN FAVOR.

**2<sup>ND</sup> READING OF THE ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE ORDINANCES OF JASPER COUNTY SO AS TO IMPOSE A MORATORIUM ON THE ISSUANCE OF OFF PREMISE SIGN PERMITS DESCRIBED IN CODE OF ORDINANCES OF JASPER COUNTY SECTION 22-2:**

MS. LAMB PRESENTED THE ORDINANCE AND SAID THAT THE PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDED ADOPTION. COUNCILWOMAN JONES SAID THE ORDINANCE REFLECTED THAT IT WENT INTO EFFECT AFTER THE 2<sup>ND</sup> READING AND THERE STILL NEEDED TO BE A PUBLIC HEARING AND 3<sup>RD</sup> READING. ATTORNEY JONES SAID THAT THERE WAS A SPECIAL STATUTE THAT ALLOWED IT TO GO INTO EFFECT AFTER THE 2<sup>ND</sup> READING. THE COUNCIL ASKED ATTORNEY JONES TO CHANGE THAT CLAUSE THAT IT WILL NOT GO INTO EFFECT UNTIL AFTER THE PUBLIC HEARING AND 3<sup>RD</sup> READING. COUNCILMAN BLACKSHEAR MOTIONED AND COUNCILWOMAN JONES SECONDED THE MOTION THAT THE ORDINANCE BE CHANGED SO THAT IT WILL NOT GO INTO EFFECT UNTIL AFTER THE PUBLIC HEARING AND 3<sup>RD</sup> READING AND THAT THIS BE THE 2<sup>ND</sup> READING OF THE ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE ORDINANCES OF JASPER COUNTY SO AS TO IMPOSE A MORATORIUM ON THE ISSUANCE OF OFF PREMISE SIGN PERMITS DESCRIBED IN CODE OF ORDINANCES OF JASPER COUNTY SECTION 22-2 AND THAT IT WILL NOT GO INTO EFFECT UNTIL AFTER THE 3<sup>RD</sup> READING. THE MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL MEMBERS PRESENT VOTING IN FAVOR.

**1<sup>ST</sup> READING OF THE ORDINANCE TO APPROVE THE JASPER COUNTY PERSONNEL POLICY (BY TITLE ONLY):**

MR. MALPHRUS SAID THE COMMITTEE MET SEVERAL TIMES AND THE CHANGES RECOMMENDED BY THE COMMITTEE HAVE BEEN MADE. COUNCILWOMAN JONES ASKED IF THE SECTIONS REGARDING DRIVERS AND DRUG TESTING WERE COMPLETE. MR. MALPHRUS SAID HE THOUGHT THE PERSONNEL POLICY WAS READY TO BE APPROVED. COUNCILWOMAN JONES MOTIONED AND COUNCILMAN TUTEN SECONDED THE MOTION THAT THIS BE THE 1<sup>ST</sup> READING OF THE ORDINANCE TO APPROVE THE JASPER COUNTY PERSONNEL POLICY (BY TITLE ONLY). THE MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL MEMBERS PRESENT VOTING IN FAVOR.

**1<sup>ST</sup> READING OF AN ORDINANCE GRANTING AN EASEMENT TO TOWNE CENTERS DEVELOPMENT (BY TITLE ONLY):**

MR. FULGHUM SAID THAT AN EASEMENT ON COUNTY PROPERTY WAS NEEDED FOR THE STORM WATER MANAGEMENT OF THIS DEVELOPMENT. ATTORNEY JONES SAID HE WAS WORKING ON AN AGREEMENT THAT WOULD APPROVE THE EASEMENT, THE TERMS OF THE EASEMENT AND INCLUDE THE IMPROVEMENTS THAT THE DEVELOPER HAS AGREED TO

BUILD. COUNCILMAN BLACKSHEAR MOTIONED AND VICE CHAIRMAN TUTEN SECONDED THE MOTION THAT THIS BE THE 1<sup>ST</sup> READING OF THE ORDINANCE GRANTING AN EASEMENT TO THE TOWNE CENTER DEVELOPERS. THE MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL MEMBERS PRESENT VOTING IN FAVOR.

**1<sup>ST</sup> READING OF THE ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE OFFICIAL JASPER COUNTY ZONING MAP OF PARCELS TO AMEND THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP OF JASPER COUNTY SO AS TO TRANSFER THE FOLLOWING PARCELS DEPICTED ON THE JASPER COUNTY OFFICIAL ZONING MAP IN THE RURAL PRESERVATION ZONE TO THE RESIDENTIAL ZONE: PROPERTIES LOCATED IN HONEY DO SUBDIVISION: 058-02-00-009; 058-02-00-008; 058-02-00-007; 058-02-00-006; 058-02-00-005; 058-02-00-004; 058-02-00-003; 058-02-00-002; 058-02-00-001; 058-03-00-019; 058-03-00-018; 058-03-00-017; 058-03-00-016; 058-03-00-015; 058-03-00-014; 058-03-00-013; 058-03-00-012; 058-03-00-011; 058-03-00-010; 058-03-00-009; 058-03-00-008; 058-03-00-007; 058-03-00-006; 058-03-00-005; 058-03-00-004; 058-03-00-003; 058-03-00-001; 058-01-00-016; 058-01-00-015; 058-01-00-014; 058-01-00-013; 058-01-00-012; 058-01-00-011; 058-01-00-010; 058-01-00-009; 058-01-00-008; 058-01-00-007; 058-01-00-006; 058-01-00-005; 058-01-00-004; 058-01-00-003; AND 058-01-00-001; AND PROPERTIES LOCATED IN THE GRAHAM HALL SUBDIVISION: 064-31-00-013; 064-31-00-012; 064-31-00-011; 064-31-00-014; 064-31-00-010; 064-31-00-015; 064-31-00-009; 064-31-00-016; 064-31-00-008; 064-31-00-017; 064-31-00-018; 064-31-00-006; 064-31-00-005; 064-31-00-019; 064-31-00-020; 064-31-00-004; 064-31-00-021; 064-31-00-003; 064-31-00-022; 064-31-00-023; 064-31-00-026; 064-31-00-001; 064-31-00-024; 064-31-00-025; 064-32-00-050; 064-32-00-049; 064-32-00-026; 064-31-00-24A; 064-32-00-048; 064-32-00-047; 064-32-00-027; 064-31-00-23A; 064-32-00-046; 064-32-00-028; 064-32-00-045; 064-32-00-044; 064-32-00-029; 064-32-00-51A; 064-32-00-043; 064-32-00-030; 064-32-00-042; 064-32-00-031; 064-32-00-041; 064-32-00-032; 064-32-00-040; 064-32-00-033; 064-32-00-039; 064-32-00-034; 064-32-00-038; 064-32-00-035; 064-32-00-036; 064-32-00-051; AND 064-32-00-037; AND PROPERTIES LOCATED IN THE OKATIE PARK SUBDIVISION: 081-01-00-112; 081-01-00-113; 081-01-00-032; 081-01-00-033; 081-01-00-034; 081-01-00-091; 081-01-00-035; 081-01-00-092; 081-01-00-036; 081-01-00-088; 081-01-00-089; 081-01-00-090; 081-01-00-093; 081-01-00-037; 081-01-00-087; 081-01-00-094; 081-01-00-038; 081-01-00-086; 081-01-00-095; 081-01-00-039; 081-01-00-040; 081-01-00-085; 081-01-00-096; 081-01-00-041; 081-01-00-084; 081-01-00-097; 081-01-00-042; 081-01-00-098; 081-01-00-043; 081-01-00-082; 081-01-00-044; 081-01-00-099; 081-01-00-045; 081-01-00-081; 081-01-00-100; 081-01-00-046; 081-01-00-080; 081-01-00-101; 081-01-00-047; 081-01-00-079; 081-01-00-102; 081-01-00-048; 081-01-00-078; 081-01-00-103; 081-01-00-049; 081-01-00-077; 081-01-00-050; 081-01-00-104; 081-01-00-051; 081-01-00-052; 081-01-00-116; 081-01-00-053; 081-01-00-054; 081-01-00-055; 081-01-00-076; 081-0100-105; 081-01-00-056; 081-01-00-057; 081-01-00-075; 081-01-00-106; 081-01-00-058; 081-01-00-074; 081-01-00-107; 081-01-00-059; 081-01-00-108; 081-01-00-073; 081-01-00-060; 081-01-00-072; 081-01-00-109; 081-01-00-061; 081-01-00-062; 081-01-00-071; 081-01-00-110; 081-01-00-063; 081-01-00-070; 081-01-00-111; 081-**

01-00-064; 081-01-00-065; 081-01-00-069; 081-01-00-068; 081-01-00-066; 081-01-00-067; 081-01-00-118; 081-01-00-031; 081-01-00-114; 081-01-00-115; 081-01-00-030; 081-01-00-090; 081-01-00-029; 081-01-00-028; 081-01-00-027; 081-01-00-026; 081-01-00-025; 081-01-00-024; 081-01-00-023; 081-01-00-022; 081-01-00-021; 081-01-00-020; 081-01-00-019; 081-01-00-018; 081-01-00-017; 081-01-00-016; 081-01-00-015; 081-01-00-014; 081-01-00-013; 081-01-00-012; 081-01-00-011; 081-01-00-009; 081-01-00-010; 081-01-00-120; 081-01-00-008; 081-01-00-007; 081-01-00-006; 081-01-00-005; 081-01-00-004; 081-01-00-117; 081-01-00-003; 081-01-00-002; 081-01-00-001; AND 081-01-00-119 AND THE FOLLOWING PARCELS DEPICTED ON THE JASPER COUNTY OFFICIAL ZONING MAP IN THE RURAL PRESERVATION ZONE TO THE GENERAL COMMERCIAL ZONE: PROPERTIES LOCATED IN THE ARGENT BUSINESS CENTER: 080-03-00-011; 080-03-00-010; 080-03-00-009; 080-03-00-008; 080-03-00-012; 080-03-00-013; 080-03-00-014; 080-03-00-007; 080-03-00-015; 080-03-00-021; 080-03-00-006; 080-03-00-016; 080-03-00-005; 080-03-00-017; 080-03-00-004; 080-03-00-003; 080-03-00-020; 080-03-00-018; 080-03-00-019; 080-03-00-002; 080-03-00-001; 080-03-00-023; AND 080-00-03-066.

MS. LAMB EXPLAINED THAT THESE PARCELS WERE INCORRECTLY ZONED WHEN THE REZONING OF THE COUNTY WAS DONE. MS. LAMB SAID THAT THE PLANNING COMMISSION WAS RECOMMENDING THE CHANGE. VICE CHAIRMAN TUTEN ASKED IF THIS WAS A PLANNING COMMISSION ERROR AND MS. LAMB SAID THE ERRORS WERE MADE WHEN THE ZONING MAP WAS ADOPTED. VICE CHAIRMAN TUTEN SAID HE WOULD LIKE TO MEET WITH THE PLANNING COMMISSION TO GET A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF THE ORDINANCE AND HE DIDN'T UNDERSTAND WHY CHANGES WERE NEEDED WHEN SOME OF THE DEVELOPMENTS WERE DONE 7-8 YEARS AGO. VICE CHAIRMAN TUTEN SAID HE WAS CONCERNED ABOUT THE PROPERTY AT POSSUM CORNERS (HONEY- DO SUBDIVISION) AND HE WANTED A BETTER UNDERSTANDING WHY ALL THE CHANGES NEEDED TO BE MADE. COUNCILMAN TYLER ASKED IF HOMES WERE ALREADY ON THE PROPERTY AND MS. LAMB SAID MOST OF THE LOTS ALREADY HAVE HOMES BUILT ON THEM. COUNCILMAN BLACKSHEAR MOTIONED AND COUNCILWOMAN JONES SECONDED THE MOTION THAT THIS BE THE 1<sup>ST</sup> READING OF THE ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE OFFICIAL JASPER COUNTY ZONING MAP OF PARCELS TO AMEND THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP OF JASPER COUNTY SO AS TO TRANSFER THE FOLLOWING PARCELS DEPICTED ON THE JASPER COUNTY OFFICIAL ZONING MAP IN THE RURAL PRESERVATION ZONE TO THE RESIDENTIAL ZONE: PROPERTIES LOCATED IN HONEY DO SUBDIVISION: 058-02-00-009; 058-02-00-008; 058-02-00-007; 058-02-00-006; 058-02-00-005; 058-02-00-004; 058-02-00-003; 058-02-00-002; 058-02-00-001; 058-03-00-019; 058-03-00-018; 058-03-00-017; 058-03-00-016; 058-03-00-015; 058-03-00-014; 058-03-00-013; 058-03-00-012; 058-03-00-011; 058-03-00-010; 058-03-00-009; 058-03-00-008; 058-03-00-007; 058-03-00-006; 058-03-00-005; 058-03-00-004; 058-03-00-003; 058-03-00-001; 058-01-00-016; 058-01-00-015; 058-01-00-014; 058-01-00-013; 058-01-00-012; 058-01-00-011; 058-01-00-010; 058-01-00-009; 058-01-00-008; 058-01-00-007; 058-01-00-006; 058-01-00-005; 058-01-00-004; 058-01-00-003; AND



058-01-00-001; AND PROPERTIES LOCATED IN THE GRAHAM HALL  
SUBDIVISION: 064-31-00-013; 064-31-00-012; 064-31-00-011; 064-31-00-014; 064-  
31-00-010; 064-31-00-015; 064-31-00-009; 064-31-00-016; 064-31-00-008; 064-31-00-  
017; 064-31-00-018; 064-31-00-006; 064-31-00-005; 064-31-00-019; 064-31-00-020;  
064-31-00-004; 064-31-00-021; 064-31-00-003; 064-31-00-022; 064-31-00-023; 064-31-  
00-026; 064-31-00-001; 064-31-00-024; 064-31-00-025; 064-32-00-050; 064-32-00-049;  
064-32-00-026; 064-31-00-24A; 064-32-00-048; 064-32-00-047; 064-32-00-027; 064-  
31-00-23A; 064-32-00-046; 064-32-00-028; 064-32-00-045; 064-32-00-044; 064-32-00-  
029; 064-32-00-51A; 064-32-00-043; 064-32-00-030; 064-32-00-042; 064-32-00-031;  
064-32-00-041; 064-32-00-032; 064-32-00-040; 064-32-00-033; 064-32-00-039; 064-32-  
00-034; 064-32-00-038; 064-32-00-035; 064-32-00-036; 064-32-00-051; AND 064-32-  
00-037; AND PROPERTIES LOCATED IN THE OKATIE PARK SUBDIVISION: 081-  
01-00-112; 081-01-00-113; 081-01-00-032; 081-01-00-033; 081-01-00-034; 081-01-00-  
091; 081-01-00-035; 081-01-00-092; 081-01-00-036; 081-01-00-088; 081-01-00-089;  
081-01-00-090; 081-01-00-093; 081-01-00-037; 081-01-00-087; 081-01-00-094; 081-01-  
00-038; 081-01-00-086; 081-01-00-095; 081-01-00-039; 081-01-00-040; 081-01-00-085;  
081-01-00-096; 081-01-00-041; 081-01-00-084; 081-01-00-097; 081-01-00-042; 081-01-  
00-098; 081-01-00-043; 081-01-00-082; 081-01-00-044; 081-01-00-099; 081-01-00-045;  
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00-047; 081-01-00-079; 081-01-00-102; 081-01-00-048; 081-01-00-078; 081-01-00-103;  
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00-052; 081-01-00-116; 081-01-00-053; 081-01-00-054; 081-01-00-055; 081-01-00-076;  
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00-058; 081-01-00-074; 081-01-00-107; 081-01-00-059; 081-01-00-108; 081-01-00-073;  
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00-071; 081-01-00-110; 081-01-00-063; 081-01-00-070; 081-01-00-111; 081-01-00-064;  
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00-118; 081-01-00-031; 081-01-00-114; 081-01-00-115; 081-01-00-030; 081-01-00-090;  
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00-013; 081-01-00-012; 081-01-00-011; 081-01-00-009; 081-01-00-010; 081-01-00-120;  
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00-117; 081-01-00-003; 081-01-00-002; 081-01-00-001; AND 081-01-00-119 AND THE  
FOLLOWING PARCELS DEPICTED ON THE JASPER COUNTY OFFICIAL  
ZONING MAP IN THE RURAL PRESERVATION ZONE TO THE GENERAL  
COMMERCIAL ZONE: PROPERTIES LOCATED IN THE ARGENT BUSINESS  
CENTER: 080-03-00-011; 080-03-00-010; 080-03-00-009; 080-03-00-008; 080-03-00-  
012; 080-03-00-013; 080-03-00-014; 080-03-00-007; 080-03-00-015; 080-03-00-021;  
080-03-00-006; 080-03-00-016; 080-03-00-005; 080-03-00-017; 080-03-00-004; 080-03-  
00-003; 080-03-00-020; 080-03-00-018; 080-03-00-019; 080-03-00-002; 080-03-00-001;  
080-03-00-023; AND 080-00-03-066. THE MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL  
MEMBERS PRESENT VOTING IN FAVOR.

**1<sup>ST</sup> READING OF THE ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE OFFICIAL JASPER  
COUNTY ZONING MAP SO AS TO TRANSFER THAT PROPERTY**

**CONSISTING OF APPROXIMATELY 8.2 ACRES BEARING JASPER COUNTY TAX MAP NUMBER 081-00- 03-017 FORMERLY OF CHELSEA PLANTATION AND KNOWN GENERALLY AS PROPERTY OF SPOTTED DOG FARM, LP FROM RESIDENTIAL TO THE GENERAL COMMERCIAL ZONE:**

MS. LAMB PRESENTED THE ORDINANCE AND EXPLAINED THAT THE CHANGE WAS REQUESTED BY THE OWNER OF THE PROPERTY. MS. LAMB SAID THE PROPERTY WAS LOCATED ON HWY. 170 NEAR HWY. 462. COUNCILMAN TYLER ASKED HOW THIS WOULD AFFECT THE PEOPLE LIVING AROUND THIS LOCATION AND MS. LAMB SAID THAT IT WAS MOSTLY WETLAND AND PROPERTY IN AGRICULTURAL USE. COUNCILWOMAN JONES ASKED HOW THE SURROUNDING PROPERTY WAS ZONED AND MS. LAMB RESPONDED THAT IT WAS ZONED RURAL PRESERVATION. COUNCILMAN BLACKSHEAR MOTIONED AND COUNCILMAN TYLER SECONDED THE MOTION THAT THIS BE THE 1<sup>ST</sup> READING OF THE ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE OFFICIAL JASPER COUNTY ZONING MAP SO AS TO TRANSFER THAT PROPERTY CONSISTING OF APPROXIMATELY 8.2 ACRES BEARING JASPER COUNTY TAX MAP NUMBER 081-00- 03-017 FORMERLY OF CHELSEA PLANTATION AND KNOWN GENERALLY AS PROPERTY OF SPOTTED DOG FARM, LP FROM RESIDENTIAL TO THE GENERAL COMMERCIAL ZONE. THE MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL MEMBERS PRESENT VOTING IN FAVOR.

**RESOLUTIONS:**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF NOT EXCEEDING \$8,650,000 SPECIAL SOURCE REVENUE BONDS ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF SPECIAL SOURCE REVENUE BONDS OF JASPER COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA:**

MR. MALPHRUS SAID THAT THESE BONDS WERE FOR THE RENOVATION OF THE COURTHOUSE AND TO BUILD THE NEW ANNEX BUILDING. MR. MALPHRUS SAID THE ATTORNEY RECOMMENDED RENEWING THE BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES INSTEAD OF DOING PERMANENT FINANCING SINCE THEY HAD BETTER INTEREST RATES. COUNCILWOMAN JONES ASKED IF THE FEE- IN –LIEU OF TAXES FROM THE SCANA PLANT WOULD PAY FOR THESE BONDS AND MR. MALPHRUS SAID YES. COUNCILWOMAN JONES ASKED IF THE SCANA FEE – IN – LIEU FUNDS WERE DEDICATED TO ANYTHING ELSE AND MR. MALPHRUS SAID THEY WERE NOT. COUNCILMAN TYLER MOTIONED AND COUNCILWOMAN JONES SECONDED THE MOTION TO PASS THE RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF NOT EXCEEDING \$8,650,000 SPECIAL SOURCE REVENUE BONDS ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF SPECIAL SOURCE REVENUE BONDS OF JASPER COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA. THE MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL MEMBERS PRESENT VOTING IN FAVOR.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**NORTHERN NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION – COMMUNITY ISSUES:**

CARRIE FAIR, ON BEHALF OF THE NORTHERN NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION, PRESENTED THE COUNCIL WITH A LIST OF THEIR CONCERNS AND ISSUES AND A REQUEST FOR FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR THE INITIATIVE. MS. FAIR SAID THEY WOULD LIKE TO KNOW THE FUTURE PLANS FOR FIRE PROTECTION FOR THEIR AREA. MS. FAIR ALSO STATED THAT THE AREA NEEDED MORE POLICE PROTECTION AND BETTER MOSQUITO CONTROL. MS. FAIR ASKED HOW THE COUNTY ESTABLISHED THEIR POLICIES REGARDING WHAT UTILITIES WILL SERVE THE AREA AND WHY THE RESIDENTS CANNOT CHOOSE THEIR SERVICE COMPANIES. MS. FAIR SAID THE COMMUNITY WAS LOOKING FOR THE COUNTY TO ENCOURAGE BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT IN THEIR AREA. MS. FAIR SAID THEY WANTED TO START A TUTORING PROGRAM AT THE ROBERTVILLE SCHOOL. MS. FAIR REQUESTED FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR THE ASSOCIATION. MS. FAIR HANDED OUT BROCHURES TO THE COUNCIL AND INVITED THEM TO A DAY OF UNITY ON JULY 19, 2008. CHAIRMAN HOOD SAID THAT HE WILL FORWARD THE ISSUES TO THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR AND THE COUNTY ATTORNEY AND HE ASKED MS. FAIR TO WORK WITH THEM.

**APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS FOR THE COMMITTEE TO REVIEW APPLICATIONS FOR NAMING ROOMS IN COUNTY OWNED BUILDINGS:**

COUNCILWOMAN JONES ASKED HOW LONG OF A TERM WOULD THE COMMITTEE MEMBERS SERVE AND CHAIRMAN HOOD SAID HE HAS NOT MADE A DECISION REGARDING THE TERM AND ONCE THE NAMES ARE PRESENTED HE WILL ESTABLISH THE TERMS. VICE CHAIRMAN TUTEN SUBMITTED THE NAMES OF MILTON WOODS, KAREN MALPHRUS, AND DAPHNE FLOYD. CHAIRMAN HOOD SAID HE FELT THE COMMITTEE SHOULD HAVE 5-7 MEMBERS. COUNCILMAN TYLER SAID HE FELT THE MEMBERSHIP SHOULD REFLECT THE CITIZENS OF THE ENTIRE COUNTY.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**PROPOSED CONTRACT FOR THE SWAMP GIRLS OUTPOST AT SGT. JASPER PARK:**

MR. DAVIS AND MS. CHAPMAN EXPLAINED THAT MS. CHAPMAN, DBA THE SWAMP GIRLS, WOULD LEASE A PORTION OF ONE OF THE BUILDINGS AT SGT. JASPER PARK. THEY WOULD OFFER PROFESSIONAL HELP WITH THE KAYAK AND CANOE RENTALS AND OFFER EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS THROUGH THE SCHOOLS. COUNCILWOMAN JONES ASKED IF THERE WAS A SUMMER PROGRAM PLANNED. MR. DAVIS SAID NOT AT THIS TIME, BUT ONE NEEDS TO BE DONE. COUNCILWOMAN JONES ASKED ABOUT REVENUE TO THE COUNTY. MR. DAVIS SAID MS. CHAPMAN WOULD PAY RENT AND THE REVENUE FROM LEASING THE KAYAKS AND CANOES WOULD GO TO THE COUNTY. VICE CHAIRMAN TUTEN MOTIONED AND COUNCILMAN BLACKSHEAR SECONDED THE MOTION TO APPROVE THE LEASE AGREEMENT. THE MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL MEMBERS PRESENT VOTING IN FAVOR. THIS ITEM MUST BE APPROVED BY AN ORDINANCE

AND A PUBLIC HEARING MUST BE HELD, THE 1<sup>ST</sup> READING WILL BE HELD AT THE NEXT COUNCIL MEETING.

**MOU- CLEMSON UNIVERSITY – EXTENSION AGENT:**

**MOU- CLEMSON UNIVERSITY – 4-H YOUTH AGENT:**

MR. FULGHUM EXPLAINED THAT THE CONTRACTS NEEDED TO BE APPROVED EACH YEAR AND ONE CONTRACT WAS FOR THE EXTENSION AGENT AND THE OTHER FOR THE 4-H AGENT. VICE CHAIRMAN TUTEN MOTIONED AND COUNCILMAN TYLER SECONDED THE MOTION TO APPROVE THE CONTRACT EXTENSION FOR THE EXTENSION AGENT AND THE CONTRACT EXTENSION FOR THE 4-H AGENT. THE MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL MEMBERS PRESENT VOTING IN FAVOR.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

VICE CHAIRMAN TUTEN DISCUSSED JENKINS AVENUE AND THAT IF EXIT 3 OFF OF I-95 WAS GOING TO TEAR UP THE NEIGHBORHOOD, HE WOULD NOT SUPPORT IT. MR. FULGHUM SAID THAT HARDEEVILLE ASKED FOR FUNDING AND THIS IS JUST IN THE PLANNING STAGES AND NO FUNDING FOR THIS PROJECT HAS BEEN COMMITTED.

CHAIRMAN HOOD DISCUSSED HIS TRIP TO WASHINGTON, D.C. AND THAT HE ASKED THE CONGRESSMAN TO GO ON RECORD ABOUT FUNDING THE EXIT BECAUSE IT WAS IMPORTANT TO THE PORT AND THE AREA, BUT NOTHING WAS FINAL, THEY WERE JUST MAKING THE INITIAL REQUEST AND FEDERAL ACTION AND FUNDING ARE NEEDED FOR THE PROJECT.

CHAIRMAN HOOD SAID THE EXIT WOULD ALSO BE A GREAT HELP IF THE CITIZENS HAVE TO EVACUATE DURING A HURRICANE AND CHAIRMAN HOOD SAID THE CITIZENS WILL BE INVOLVED IN THE DECISION.

CHAIRMAN HOOD STATED THAT THEY ALSO DISCUSSED THE PROTECTION OF THE WATERWAYS, CBDG GRANTS, AND THE NEED FOR THE GOVERNMENTS TO WORK TOGETHER ON THE PORT, AND WORKING ON THE TRAFFIC PROBLEMS. MR. FULGHUM SAID THAT CHA WAS ALSO WORKING ON A TRAFFIC STUDY FOR THE COUNTY. COUNCILMAN

BLACKSHEAR SAID THE CITIZENS WERE CONCERNED ABOUT JENKINS AVENUE BEING AN AVENUE TO EXIT 3 AND THE BLUFFTON PARKWAY.

CHAIRMAN HOOD SAID HE DID NOT HEAR ABOUT THAT AND THE COUNTY CANNOT CONTROL WHAT HARDEEVILLE DOES. COUNCILWOMAN JONES

SAID SHE ALSO WENT TO WASHINGTON, D.C. AND THEY DISCUSSED THE WIDENING OF I-95. SHE SAID SHE SPOKE WITH REPRESENTATIVE

CLAYBURN AND HE SAID HE IS WILLING TO WORK WITH THE

CONGRESSMEN AND ANYONE ELSE, BUT HE NEEDS TO BE ASKED TO HELP AND THE CITIZENS NEEDED TO CONTACT OUR REPRESENTATIVES AND

HAVE THEM REQUEST FUNDING TO WIDEN I-95 AND FOR A TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM FOR THIS AREA.

**ADMINISTRATORS' REPORTS:**

MR FULGHUM DISCUSSED THE LETTER FROM THE PLANNING COMMISSION REGARDING NEW DEVELOPMENT FEES AND THEY ENCOURAGED THE COUNCIL TO REVISIT THE FEES AND TO WORK WITH THE ATTORNEY, STAFF, AND THE CONSULTANTS REGARDING THE FEE STRUCTURE. WILBUR DALEY SAID THAT THE 3 FIREMEN AND THE ENGINE FROM CHERRY POINT WILL BE MOVED TO POINT SOUTH. MR. DALEY SAID THE ENGINE FROM POINT SOUTH WILL BE MOVED TO ANOTHER STATION AND AN OLDER TRUCK WILL BE USED AS A RESERVE. MR. DALEY SAID THAT WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THE PINELAND STATION, ALL THE STATIONS WILL HAVE 24/7 COVERAGE WITH 3 MEN ASSIGNED TO EACH STATION. CHAIRMAN HOOD DISCUSSED THE BID FOR THE ROBERTVILLE SCHOOL AND THAT TYPE OF LICENSE WAS NOT CLEARLY SPECIFIED. CHAIRMAN HOOD SAID THE LOWEST BIDDER CONTACTED THE COUNTY AND INFORMED THE COUNTY THAT THEY HAVE GOTTEN THE PROPER LICENSE. ATTORNEY JONES EXPLAINED THAT THE LOW BIDDER COULD NOT ASSIGN THE BID TO ANOTHER COMPANY. COUNCILWOMAN JONES ASKED IF THE PROJECT NEEDED TO BE RE-BID. MR. TERRY SAID THE LOW BIDDER, THE GRAFTON GROUP, INFORMED HIM THAT THEY WILL HAVE THE CERIFICATION AS THEY PASSED THE EXAM, BUT WON'T HAVE THE CERTIFICATION FOR 2-3 WEEKS AND MR. TERRY SAID THAT HE WANTED THE JOB DONE DURING THIS BUDGET YEAR. COUNCILWOMAN JONES ASKED IF THE FUNDS COULD BE TRANSFERRED. MR. FULGHUM SAID THEY COULD BE PUT INTO THE COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT FUND. MR. MURPHY, REPRESENTING THE GRAFTON GROUP, SAID THAT AFTER PASSING THE TEST, THE TEST RESULTS SERVES AS CERTIFICATION BY THE STATE AND THE LETTER SERVES AS NOTIFICATION. ATTORNEY JONES SAID THAT IS A PASSING CERTIFICATE TO MICHAEL GRAFTON AND SERVES AS A NOTIFICATION AS QUALIFYING FOR PROPER LICENSING AND THAT IT INDICATED THAT THE LICENSE WILL BE ISSUED SHORTLY. MR. JONES SAID THIS WOULD RESOLVE ITSELF IN A FEW DAYS AND RECOMMENDED THAT THE COUNCIL NOT TAKE ANY ACTION. MR. JOHN BRAMBALL, ADVANCED ROOFING, SAID THAT PART OF THE CERTIFICATION PROCESS FOR SPECIALIZED ROOFING IS TO TAKE THE COURSE AND PASS THE TEST, BUT IT IS A LONG PROCESS AND THE BID WAS MADE PRIOR TO GRAFTON GROUP HAVING THE PROPER LICENSE, AND THAT ROOFING COMPANIES ARE NOT ALLOWED TO BID OUTSIDE OF THE CERTIFICATION THAT THEY HOLD. CHAIRMAN HOOD INSTRUCTED THE ATTORNEY TO CHECK ON ALL ASPECTS REGARDING THIS BID.

**OPEN FLOOR TO THE PUBLIC (3 MINUTES PER INDIVIDUAL):**

CHAIRMAN HOOD OPENED THE FLOOR TO THE PUBLIC.

JEROME DAVIS SAID THAT HE LIVED ON JENKINS AVENUE AND HE PRESENTED THE COUNCIL WITH A LETTER AND A MAP THAT HARDEEVILLE SENT TO HIM. MR. JENKINS SAID HE WAS CONCERNED THAT THE COMMUNITIES WILL BE BROKEN UP AND HE PLANNED TO

ATTEND THE TRANSPORTATION MEETING THAT THE SENATOR WAS HOLDING.

BARBARA BARTOLDUS ASKED THE COUNCIL TO INVESTIGATE THE PROJECT THAT IS PROPOSED FOR THE PROPERTY KNOWN AS SPOTTED DOG. MS. BARTOLDUS SAID THAT A MARINE STORAGE FACILITY IS PROPOSED AND THAT THEY APPLIED TO BEAUFORT TO BUILD IT IN BEAUFORT COUNTY AND IT WAS TURNED DOWN. MS. BARTOLDUS SAID THAT THE CHEMICALS THEY USE TO CLEAN THE BOATS CAN BE TOXIC AND THAT IS NOT GOOD FOR THE WETLANDS AROUND THE PROPERTY. CHAIRMAN HOOD ASKED THE ADMINISTRATOR TO INVESTIGATE THIS MATTER.

CARRIE FAIR SAID THAT SENDING THE FIRE FIGHTERS FROM CHERRY POINT TO POINT SOUTH IS A SET BACK AND IT SEEMS AS THOUGH PINELAND DOES NOT MATTER. MS. FAIR SAID THE PINELAND AREA HAS BEEN NEGLECTED FOR MANY YEARS. SHE ASKED THAT THE FIRE FIGHTERS NOT BE SENT TO POINT SOUTH AND THAT THEY BE SENT TO PINELAND. MS. FAIR SAID WHEN SHE REFERRED TO BUSINESSES FOR THE AREA SHE DID NOT MEAN STORAGE PLACES, SHE MEANT GROCERY STORES AND GAS STATIONS. MS. FAIR SAID THE SPEED LIMIT ON HIGHWAY 321 NEEDED TO BE REDUCED.

DOUG GRAHAM SAID THAT WILBUR DALEY SAID ALL THE FIRE STATIONS IN THE COUNTY WOULD BE MANNED AROUND THE CLOCK. MR. GRAHAM SAID THAT THE LEVY AREA WILL NOT.

**ADJOURN:**

VICE CHAIRMAN TUTEN MOTIONED AND COUNCILMAN BLACKSHEAR SECONDED THE MOTION TO ADJOURN THE MEETING. THE MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL MEMBERS PRESENT VOTING IN FAVOR.

THE MEETING ENDED AT 5:50 P.M.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED BY:

APPROVED BY:

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JUDITH M. FRANK, CCC  
CLERK TO COUNCIL

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DR. GEORGE M. HOOD  
CHAIRMAN