

Pickens County Council Meeting
Regular Meeting
Items Before the Pickens County Council on

Monday, June 7, 2004
7:00 PM

Agenda

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County Council met in special session in the auditorium, County Administration Facility, with Chairman Ronald D. Harrison presiding. Agendas, bearing date, time and location of meeting, were mailed to Council members and local news media May 28, 2004.

Council Members in attendance:

Ronald D. Harrison, Chairman
Norman D. Langston, Vice Chairman
James London, Vice Chairman Pro-tempore
James H. Patten, III
C. Roy Collins
Jennifer H. Willis

Staff: Alan M. Ours, County Administrator
Donna F. Owen, Clerk to Council
Ken Roper, County Attorney

AGENDA

Motion Period and New Business

The following items were Approved to add to the agenda:

1. Amendment of Ordinance No. 333 Section 1-17; moved to the Public Service Committee.

Approved.

2. Paving the road in front of Bes Pac. \$16,200.00

Approved.

3. Moving funds from the Contingency Fund for the following departments:

a. Purchasing	TERI Employee	3,710.00
b. Delinquent Tax	TERI Employee	4,700.00
c. Delinquent Tax	TERI Employee	15,000.00
d. Coroner	Autopsies	10,000.00
e. LEC	Food	12,000.00

Approved.

Resolution No. 04-06, recognizing Chief Justice Toal with the implementation of the Court Management System Software.

Approved.

Third Reading of Ordinance No. 338, to Provide for Adoption of a budget Amendment Containing Estimates of Revenue and Expenditure changes for Pickens County for the Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 2003 and ending June 30, 2004

Approved.

Third Reading of Ordinance No. 337 Covenants, Conditions, Restrictions and Easements for the Pickens County Commerce Park.

Approved.

Consideration to renew lease agreements with Southland Capital Trust Corporation for the use of a 36 acre tract of land and a 20 acre tract of land. Pickens County leased two tracts of land at the Public Works facility to Southland Capital Trust Corporation in June of 2002. The 36-acre tract is used as grazing land for cattle and the 20-acre tract is used for growing hay. The annual lease payment is \$3672.00 for the 36-acre tract and \$220.00 for the 20-acre tract.

Approved. (staff to negotiate the 20-acre tract if possible)

Consideration to authorize payment from contingency for the development of media presentation material for the recruitment of Reliable Automatic Sprinkler Company to Pickens County. The Public Relations Firm of Erwin-Penland was retained by Pickens County to develop press releases and appropriate public relations medium for the announcement of the recruitment of Reliable Automatic Sprinkler Company. The cost for these services is \$11,435.87.

Approved.

Consideration to approve purchase of diagnostic equipment related to maintaining and servicing approximately 35 vehicles with diesel engines. Currently each time Vehicle Maintenance needs to analyze the diesel engine of a vehicle the vehicle has to be taken to an outside vendor. This analysis costs \$65.00 for smaller trucks and \$100.00 for larger trucks. In addition, it takes two employees to transport the equipment to the vendor, which equates to approximately 4 man-hours. When the equipment is taken to the vendor the down time ranges from two days to one week. Vehicle Maintenance believes that they would be more efficient if they had the diagnostic equipment to perform the required analysis in-house. The ability to perform the analysis in-house would avoid the analysis charge, avoid the repair charge by the outside vendor, save man hours and reduce the amount of equipment

downtime. The cost of the equipment is approximately \$8600.00. Approval to purchase the equipment using contingency funds is requested.

Approved.

Consideration to appropriate funds from contingency for the emergency replacement of the compactor at the Easley Recycling Center. The compactor at the Easley Recycling Center had mechanical difficulties approximately two weeks ago. Based on the life of the old compactor and the cost for repairs, it was determined that the purchase of a new compactor would be more cost effective. The cost of the new compactor was \$9,371.00. The compactor has been replaced with minimal downtime at the center.

Approved.

Consideration to approve an updated Pickens County section of the Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) for the Appalachian Council of Governments (ACOG). ACOG annually updates the CEDS for the Upstate region and has drafted an updated section of the report for Pickens County and requests Council's approval of the update.

Approved.

Appointments to Boards and Commissions

Library Board of Trustees. **Patsy Smith was appointed.**

Behavioral Health Services. **Mary Hammond, Douglas Clamp, and Redmond Coyle were re-appointed.**

South Side Water District. **Mark Albertson and Tommy King were re-appointed.**

Board of Zoning and Appeals. **Howard Frist was appointed.**

Approval of Consent Agenda

The following Consent agenda was Approved:

Approval of Minutes- May 3, 2004

Consideration of funding recommendations from the Accommodations Tax Advisory Committee. The Accommodations Tax Advisory Committee has reviewed applications for funding tourism related events and has developed funding recommendations for Council to consider. It is requested that this matter be referred to the Administration and Finance Committee.

Consideration to approve the selection of an insurance broker to advise Pickens County on matters related to employee health insurance. A request for proposals was sent out to interested parties requesting insurance brokerage services for health insurance. A total of four proposals were received. After careful review by a selection committee the firm of Benefit Management Group is being recommended. An Insurance broker will provide guidance to the County on health insurance options that are available in the

marketplace. It is requested that this matter be referred to the Administration and Finance Committee.

Adjourn

Council adjourned at 7:55 PM