

ANDERSON COUNTY COUNCIL
ANDERSON, SOUTH CAROLINA

Regular Meeting - September 5, 1985 - 9:00 a.m. *
Linda N. Gilstrap, Clerk

M I N U T E S

A REGULAR MEETING OF THE ANDERSON COUNTY COUNCIL WAS HELD ON THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 1985 AT 9:00 A.M. IN THE ANDERSON COUNTY COUNCIL CHAMBERS - ROOM 109. MR. DAN RHODES, PRESIDED. (* MEETING DATE WAS CHANGED FROM TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 1985 TO THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 1985 BECAUSE OF LABOR DAY.) Mr. Rhodes called the meeting to order. Mr. Watson gave the invocation. Everyone stood and pledged allegiance to the flag.

PRESENT

Jimmy Cox, District #1
David L. Hooper, District #2
Robert L. Wiles, District #3
Chairman Dan Rhodes, District #4
Harold E. Beebe, District #5
David Watson, Administrator
Rusty Burns, Assist. Administrator
Mike Mullinax, County Attorney
Linda N. Gilstrap, Clerk

Mr. Wiles moved to postpone approving the August 27, 1985 minutes until they have been re-written by the Clerk. (The Clerk returned on this date from a 7-week maternity leave.) Mr. Cox seconded the motion. Vote was unanimous.

Mr. Fred Dobbins, Chairman of the Board of Education, appeared before Council requesting that the County Council along with the County Board of Education ask the commercial and industrial property owners who have appealed their tax assessments to pay part of their tax bills. Under state law, commercial and industrial property owners do not have to pay any taxes while their cases are being appealed. This request would only be voluntary, and would not obligate them to pay any part. Mr. Dobbins told Council about an agreement that Michelin Tire and the County entered into about 4 years ago. Mr. Hooper made a motion that the County Attorney draw up an agreement (Resolution # 290) with Anderson County Council, Anderson County Board of Education and the County Treasurer asking property owners who have taxes under appeal to pay a portion of the taxes until the case is settled through the appeals process. Mr. Rhodes seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Mr. Rhodes presented second reading of Ordinance #176 (Tax Roll Back) and moved that the ordinance be approved as presented. Mr. Cox seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Mr. Roy Ballew appeared before Council with a request to name a road (SR4-200) Ballew Road. In 1981 Mr. Poore had the road named Ballew Road at his request and signs had been put up. Later the signs were removed and the road had been named Brown Road. He therefore recommended that the road be named Ballew Road again. Mr. Wiles recommended that Mr. Ballew get a majority of the residents of the road on a petition and present to the County Council.

Mr. Wiles stated that he had been contacted by several people of the Iva area asking that the Planning & Development Board work with the Great Towns Committee, Mayor & Town Council, and RevIva on the planning for the development of an Industrial Park. He then moved that the request be granted. Mr. Beebe seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Mr. Wiles said that the custodial services for the Administrative offices contract expired the end of August and wanted to give the Administrator some direction on the situation. Mr. Watson was asked what his recommendation would be. Council discussed the possibility of continuing with a contract which would be bid out or hiring County employees. Mr. Hooper moved that the County go with the present cleaning contractor for an additional 30 days in order for the County Administrator and Asst. Administrator to study and come back with bids or some type recommendation for Council. Mr. Rhodes seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Mr. Mike Mullinax, County Attorney, presented a resolution (#289) and assistance agreement for Dyplast Foam Industries for Council's consideration. Mr. Wiles moved that the (#289) Resolution & Agreement be approved. Mr. Hooper seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Mr. Watson presented the road maintenance activity report for information.

Mr. Watson presented second reading of ordinance #175 (amendment #1 to original budget ordinance #171 - 85-86 budget). Mr. Rhodes moved that the ordinance be approved. Mr. Wiles seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Mr. Watson presented a verbal request from the Town of Iva for Council to transfer the body of a 1980- Ford for their use. The Town of West Pelzer also asked that Council authorize them to use a 1980- Ford no longer needed by the Sheriff's Department. Mr. Rhodes moved that the towns be allowed to use the vehicles; but they be returned to the county for public auction after use. Mr. Cox seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Mr. Watson presented a request from Rev. Morton Belk and Ralph Jefferson, Asst. Chaplain, that they be authorized to remove certain items (organ, piano and church furniture) from the chapel at the Stockade after the services are discontinued. These items were purchased by funds raised through their own efforts. Mr. Beebe moved that they be allowed to remove the items as requested. Mr. Rhodes seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Mr. Watson said that there were 75-100 empty Civil Defense drums available for disposition and recommended that they be made available to county employees. Mr. Beebe moved that that the empty drums be made available to any county employee or the general public (one per person). Mr. Cox seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Mr. Rhodes read a letter from the Voter Registration Board requesting that the Registration Board and the Election Commission's budget for 1985-86 be separated from the combined budget. Mr. Marney Thomas, Chairman of Voter Registration, explained the request to Council. Mr. Watson recommended that he and Mr. Burns be allowed to review the budget figures for distribution and report back. Mr. Hooper moved to approve the recommendation of the administrator. Mr. Wiles seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Mr. Cox complimented Mr. Merk on the road maintenance report.

The Council directed Mr. Burns to bid out 50 pipe work orders at this time and have the jobs done as the requests are received.

Mr. Robert King, Director of Disaster Preparedness, asked for permission to purchase a radio on state contract for \$2,157.75. Funds are provided in the 1985-86 budget. Mr. Cox moved that the purchase be allowed. Mr. Hooper seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Mr. Burns asked for ratification of an emergency purchase made on 9-4-85 for computer forms for Family Court Records. They were purchased from Powers Business Forms, the low bidder. Mr. Beebe moved that the Council approve the purchase. Mr. Hooper seconded. Vote was unanimous.

- Mr. Burns reported that the Building Department had issued 76 building permits for the month of August, 1985.

Mr. Walters, County Engineer, explained that apparently the structure of the Hopewell Road Bridge had been damaged when a car and a large truck collided resulting in the collapse of the bridge. They are still investigating the accident.

Council heard from concerned citizens at this time.

There being no further business, Council adjourned at 10:45 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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