

ABEVILLE COUNTY COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING  
JUNE 24, 2002

PRESENT: Chairman Walker, V. C. Gunnells, Councilmen Forrester, Brown, Calhoun, Thomas, Interim Director Klugh, and Attorney Pruitt

Chairman Walker called the meeting to order with prayer given by Attorney Pruitt.

1. First item on the agenda was approval of June 10th County Council Meeting Minutes. Councilman Brown made a motion to approve minutes that was seconded by V. C. Gunnells and passed unanimously. Next item was approval of minutes for Special Meeting of June 17th. Councilman Forrester made a motion to approve these minutes that was seconded by Councilman Brown. Councilmen Forrester, Brown, Thomas and Walker voted to approve the minutes. V.C. Gunnells and Councilman Calhoun abstained since they did not attend the meeting. Motion passed.

**II. Presentations:**

**III. Committee Reports:**

- A. Personnel & Administration: Councilman Brown, Chair had nothing to report
- B. Finance: Chairman Walker, Chair had nothing to report.
- C. Public Works: Vice Chairman Gunnells, Chair had nothing to report.
- D. Intergovernmental Relations: Councilman Forrester, Chair had nothing to report.
- E. Planning & Industrial Development: Councilman Thomas, Chair had nothing to report.
- F. Education, Recreation, Health & Welfare; Councilman Calhoun, Chair had nothing to report.
- G. Public Safety; Councilman Brown, Interim Chair. Vehicle for Emergency Preparedness Director. He requested that this be discussed further into the agenda.
- H. Ad-Ho Committee on Office Space: Vice Chairman Gunnells, Chair referred to the renewal of lease agreements for S. C. Vocational Rehabilitation and the S.C. Forestry Commission. He felt we needed to look at this further since we needed to make some changes in office space. Some of these departments have already said they would take a smaller space to later relocate something else.
- I. Ad-Hoc Committee on Computerization of County Government had nothing to report.

#### IV. Old Business:

**I. 3rd Reading** of Ordinance #02-07 to provide appropriations for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2002 for Abbeville County. Councilman Thomas made a motion to have 3rd Reading on this ordinance that was seconded by Councilman Brown. Councilman Brown made a motion to amend the budget to include those items that were discussed at the Council Workshop Session and as outlined by Director Klugh. Motion was seconded by Councilman Thomas and unanimously approved 6-0 to approve the amendment.

Vice Chairman Gunnells made a motion to amend Section 7 of the Budget Ordinance to increase from 25cents to 30cents the rate reimbursed for travel. Motion was seconded by Councilman Thomas. Council voted 6-0 to give 3rd Reading to Ordinance 02-07 as amended.

**B. Approval of contract for purchasing fuel.** After a brief discussion, Councilman Thomas made a motion to renew the contract at the same rate. Motion was seconded by Councilman Calhoun and passed unanimously.

**C. Consideration of 2nd Reading of an Ordinance Authorizing the Execution and Delivery of Not Exceeding \$800,000 Principal Amount Hospital Facilities Revenue Bond (Abbeville County Memorial Hospital) Of Abbeville County, South Carolina, Pursuant to Article II, Chapter 7, Title 44, Code of Laws of South Carolina 1976 as Amended; The Application of the Proceeds of Said Bond To Be Made Available To The Board of Trustees of Abbeville County Memorial Hospital To Finance The Costs of Acquisition Of Certain Real Property And Improvements and Construction of Certain Related Improvements; The Entering into of Certain Covenants And Agreements And the Execution and Delivery of Certain Instruments Relating to the Issuance Of The Aforesaid Bond including A Loan Agreement Between Abbeville County And The Board of Trustees Of Abbeville County Memorial Hospital, And An Assignment Thereof And a Mortgage Of Real Property Pertaining to the Hospital; And Other Matters Relating Thereto.** Councilman Brown made a motion to have 2nd Reading that was seconded by V. C. Gunnells and passed unanimously.

#### V. New Business:

**A. Approval of bills for payment.** Councilman Brown made a motion to approve bills for payment that was seconded by V. C. Gunnells and passed unanimously.

**B. Renewal of Lease for SC Forestry Commission.** This was differed until the next meeting.

**C. Renewal of Lease for Vocational Rehabilitation Dept.** This was differed until the next meeting.

D. Recycling Coordinator /Office Manager Position for Public Works. Public Works Director, Buddy Agan recommended to Council that the duties and responsibilities of the Clerk/Scale Operator be revised to the position of Recycling Coordinator/Office Manager at a rate of \$10.50 per hour and that a part-time position of Assistant Office Manager/Scale Operator be established with a salary of \$8.50 per hour. He said that funds were included in the budget for these positions. V. C. Gunnells made a motion to establish these positions that was seconded by Councilman Brown and passed unanimously.

E. Consideration of 1st Reading to an Ordinance Authorizing the Execution and Delivery of a Fee in Lieu of Tax Agreement By and Between Abbeville County, South Carolina And Aladdin Manufacturing Corporation With Respect to Certain Economic Development Property Whereby Such Property Will Be Subject to Certain Payments in Lieu of Taxes; And Other Matters Related Thereto. Councilman Thomas made a motion to have 1st Reading that was seconded by Councilman Brown and passed unanimously.

F. Consideration of a Resolution Authorizing the Execution And Delivery Of An Inducement And Millage Rate Agreement By And Between Abbeville County, South Carolina, And Aladdin Manufacturing Corporation Whereby Under Certain Conditions, Abbeville County will Execute a Fee in Lieu of Tax Agreement With Aladdin Manufacturing Corporation With Respect to an Industrial Project In The County, Whereby the Project Would Be Subject to Certain Fees-In-Lieu of Taxes And Providing for Related Matters. After a brief discussion, Council tabled the Resolution for further study.

G. Next item was an addendum to the agenda and was consideration of appointees to the Board of Directors for Abbeville County Development Board. Chairman Walker listed them as follows: Hugh Tolbert, District 1; Faye Crocker, District 2; Andrea Ulmer, District 4. After a brief discussion, Councilman Brown made a motion to appoint these members that was seconded by V. C. Gunnells and passed unanimously.

#### **VI. Executive Session:**

A. Personnel Matter

B. Jay West, Development Board to discuss an Economic Development Matter.

C. Councilman Brown requested that an additional item be added to the agenda, which was discussion of a vehicle for the Emergency Management Director.

Councilman Forrester made a motion to go into executive session that was seconded by Councilman Thomas and passed unanimously. After reconvening in regular session, Chairman Walker stated that no action was necessary from the matters discussed in executive session.

Councilman Brown made a motion to adjourn that was seconded by V. C. Gunnells and passed unanimously