

**ANDERSON COUNTY COUNCIL
ANDERSON, SOUTH CAROLINA**

Regular Meeting - October 3, 1995 - 4:30 P.M.
Linda N. Gilstrap, Clerk

M I N U T E S

PURSUANT TO SECTION 30-4-80 OF THE STATE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT THE FOLLOWING PERSONS/ORGANIZATIONS WERE NOTIFIED BY MAIL AND/OR FAX OF THIS MEETING: G. Fred Tolly, Jr., William Floyd, Harvie Banister, Ernie Garrison, Bruce Gerrard, Gary A. Smoak, Jack McIntosh, INDEPENDENT MAIL, GREENVILLE NEWS, WYFF - CHANNEL 4 TELEVISION, WSPA - CHANNEL 7 TELEVISION, WLOS - CHANNEL 13 TELEVISION, CATV (AND. CABLE), CENCOM CABLE TV, EASLEY PROGRESS, Matt Phillips- WRIX RADIO, Bill Meade-THE JOURNAL, Roy Ethridge - AND. MONITOR, WAIM RADIO, WCCP RADIO, Joe Newton-COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS, Rosemary Garrick- SENIOR REFLECTIONS, Brantley Jordan.

A regular meeting of the Anderson County Council was held on October 3, 1995 at 4:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers - Old Courthouse - Second Floor.

PRESENT

Chairman Ernie Garrison - District #4
G. Fred Tolly, Jr. - District #1
William A. Floyd - District #2
Harvie E. Banister - District #3
Bruce Gerrard - District #5
Gary A. Smoak, Administrator
Jack McIntosh - County Attorney
Linda N. Gilstrap, Clerk

The official meeting of the Anderson County Council convened in the Council Chambers of the Historic Courthouse on Tuesday, October 3, 1995 at 4:30 p.m.

The Chairman called the meeting to order and welcomed the group. He then called on Councilman Floyd to open the meeting with prayer. Everyone stood and pledged allegiance to the flag.

Mr. Furman Dove, a concerned citizen, played portions of a tape where he was told by employees of the Solicitor's Office that adequate funds were not provided by County Council for the office to prosecute criminals in Anderson. Mr. Dove brought charges against a citizen of Anderson County and the solicitor did not have the money to try the man, he said. Council received the remarks from Mr. Dove as information.

Mr. Garrison presented third and final reading of Ordinance #95-021 - an ordinance creating the position of Internal Auditor. Mr. Gerrard moved to approve as presented and Mr. Banister seconded. Vote was four in favor (Gerrard, Banister, Tolly, Garrison) and one opposed (Floyd). Motion carried.

On the motion of Mr. Tolly, seconded by Mr. Gerrard, Council voted unanimously to approve the reappointment of Mr. Robert Altman and Ms. Evelyn Kay to the Private Industry Council (PIC).

Appointments to the Sedgewood Community Tax District Commission was deferred until later in the meeting.

Mr. Garrison presented bids for Engineering Design services for the US 76 sewer project. He said the low bid was way out of line with the other bids. (Mr. Smoak was not present at this time.) Mr. Garrison suggested that the item be deferred until later in the meeting when Mr. Smoak is present. Council agreed.

Mr. Dewey Pearson addressed bids for the Lone Oak, Broadview, Johnson Estates Subdivisions sewer Project. The low bid from Young Plumbing & Electric for \$641,831 was recommended. Mr. Floyd moved to approve and Mr. Tolly seconded. Vote was unanimous.

(MR. SMOAK ARRIVED AT THIS TIME.)

Mr. Garrison suggested that Council go back to the bid on sewer for US 76. Council agreed. Mr. Garrison asked Mr. Smoak if Goldie & Associates could meet the requirements of the contract. Mr. Smoak reported that a meeting was held yesterday and the specifications were discussed. It appears that he is able and capable of doing the work, Mr. Smoak said. Council discussed. Mr. Banister moved to approve the bid for the US Sewer project (engineering design services) for \$13,925 with the condition that we require a performance bond. Mr. Gerrard seconded and vote was three in favor (Gerrard, Banister, Garrison) one opposed (Floyd) and one abstention (Tolly). Motion carried.

Mr. Smoak presented a request for approval to replace the roof on the DSS Building. The two proposals received were for two different jobs. One would place new roof over existing roof and one would replace roof after the removal of existing roof. Council discussed. Mr. Banister moved that the proposals be sent back to both bidders and both bid on the same thing, after a method is decided. Mr. Gerrard seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Mr. Smoak presented bids for 19 each - 1996 Ford Crown Victoria Pursuit vehicles for the Sheriff's department. Century Ford has agreed to meet the bid price of the State Contractor for these units at \$345,002. Mr. Tolly moved to approve the bid and Mr. Tolly seconded. Only \$344,300 were provided in the 1995-1996 budget; therefore, Council agreed to have the Sheriff trim back

within the budget figure or transfer the funds from another account. Mr. Tolly amended the motion that the bids be approved and the amount be trimmed back to the original budget amount of \$344,300 and Mr. Floyd seconded. Vote on the amendment was unanimous. Vote on the original motion as amended was unanimous.

Mr. Smoak presented a bid for a cab & chassis with Tilt frame for the Solid Waste Department. The bid is from Nu Life Environmental for \$89,637. Mr. Banister moved to approve the bid and Mr. Gerrard seconded. Council discussed the bids and the reason that the low (alternate) bid was not presented to Council. No one present could answer the question; therefore, Mr. Floyd moved to table for further information and Mr. Tolly seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Mr. Smoak presented the Anderson County Tourism-related Accommodations Tax fund appropriations for Council's consideration. Mr. Tolly moved to approve with the following changes:

Change Anderson Area Chamber of Commerce Olympic Training
from \$3,750.00 to \$ 1,650

Change 1996 Anderson Soiree
from \$13,900.00 to \$10,000

Change Town of Belton (Standpipe Festival)
from \$ -0- to \$ 2,000

Change Town of Iva (Festival)
from \$ -0- to \$ 2,000

Change Town of Williamston (Spring Water Festival)
from \$ -0- to \$ 2,000

This is a total of \$42,547. Mr. Floyd seconded and vote was unanimous.

Mr. Smoak asked that the paving contract with Vulcan Materials for 95-96 be extended until November 30, 1995 to accommodate the additional tonnage approved. Mr. Banister moved to grant the extension and Mr. Gerrard seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Mr. Smoak presented a request from the Town of Pendleton to pipe and widen Morse Street, from Mechanic Street to Jackson Street. (Total estimate is \$3,389.00.) It is very narrow and will make the road safer for the public. Mr. Gerrard moved to approve and place on the FY96 paving list for District #4. Mr. Tolly seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Mr. Smoak presented a request to grass approximately 60' parameter of tennis courts at Hurricane Spring Park. This can be done in-house within the next two weeks for approximately \$2,420.00. Mr. Banister moved to approve with the funds coming out of District 4 paving. Mr. Gerrard seconded. Mr. Garrison said that the Road Department was over-loaded and on all items such as the grassing at the Hurricane Spring Park that the Administrator get bids from outside agencies and an estimate from the Road Department for Council to have at the time for any consideration. Vote was unanimous.

Mr. Smoak presented a request from the City of Anderson to pave a 100' strip of Miracle Mile Drive, east of Clemson Boulevard. No motion was made; therefore, the item died on the floor.

Mr. Smoak presented a request from School District #3. With the new LONG school buses, the drivers are having great difficulty getting into the driveways and yards. We can classify this under the pipe ordinance if we interpret that this is a business and the County can (under the ordinance) put in 40' in width on entrances to a business, he said. Mr. Smoak then requested that in these cases, the county put in an additional 12' per driveway to get the buses off the highway. Mr. Banister moved that this be granted, not only for School District #3 but in any other districts that this may occur in. Mr. Floyd seconded. Mr. Tolly said that if the ordinance was not amended then it could be abused or a matter of interpretation. He asked Mr. McIntosh if a written agreement or something on record would be a good idea. After some discussion, Mr. Garrison recommended that this be approved by first reading of an ordinance (#95-022). Vote was unanimous on first reading of the ordinance.

Mr. Banister moved to go into executive session at 5:20 p.m. to discuss economic development and contractual matters. Mr. Gerrard seconded and vote was unanimous.

On the motion of Mr. Gerrard, seconded by Mr. Banister, Council voted unanimously to come out of executive session at 6:35 p.m.

Mr. Garrison announced that no action was taken in executive session.

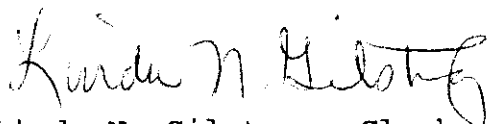
Mr. Gerrard moved that Council increase the funding for the Sekido sewer project from \$6,000 to \$7,300. Mr. Banister seconded and vote was unanimous.

Mr. Tolly moved that Anderson County sell the Pennell Building (by approving first reading of Ordinance #95-023) to First Citizens Bank for \$75,000 with Mr. Roy Pennell giving a life estate interest in the deeding of this property. Mr. Floyd seconded and vote was unanimous.

Mr. Tolly moved to appoint Mr. Norbert R. Steeber of 216 Severn Circle, Easley (3 year term) and Marion Carey, 104 S. Severn Circle, Easley (2 year term) to the Sedgewood Community Tax District Commission. Mr. Floyd seconded and vote was unanimous.

On the motion of Mr. Banister, seconded by Mr. Gerrard, Council voted unanimously to adjourn at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Linda N. Gilstrap, Clerk
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