

**PUBLIC HEARINGS:**

- a) An ordinance (05-25) to amend the official zoning maps for Abbeville County, South Carolina, by rezoning a six (6) acre tract of land located off Highway 72 West from FA, Forest Agricultural to BI, Basic Industrial. Hearing no comments, Chairman Gunnells closed the public hearing.

**ABBEVILLE COUNTY COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING  
SEPTEMBER 12, 2005  
MINUTES**

**PRESENT:** Chairman Gunnells, Vice Chairman Forrester Councilman Davis, Councilman Thomas, Councilman Calhoun, Councilman Simpson and Councilman Norris.

**ABSENT:** None

**CALL TO ORDER:**

Chairman Gunnells called the meeting to order at 7:32 p.m.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

The audience led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**INVOCATION:**

Mr. Steve McDade, Director of Emergency Services, gave the invocation.

**FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT:**

Chairman Gunnells stated for the record that both the Press and Banner and the Index Journal were notified of the meeting and that the meeting agenda was posted on County Buildings as required by the Freedom of Information Act.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

- a) Councilman Norris made a motion to approve the minutes of the August 22, 2005 county council meeting. Councilman Simpson seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0-0.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** None

**PRESENTATIONS:** None

**OLD BUSINESS:**

- a) Second reading of an ordinance (05-25) to amend the official zoning maps for Abbeville County, South Carolina, by rezoning a six (6) acre tract of land located off Highway 72 West from FA, Forest Agricultural to BI, Basic Industrial. Councilman Davis made a motion to approve second reading. Councilman Calhoun seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0-0.
- b) A resolution (52-05) authorizing the County Director to enter into an agreement with the Solicitor of the Eighth Judicial Circuit to establish a worthless check program. Councilman Simpson made a motion to remove this resolution from the table. Councilman Norris seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0-0. Councilman Simpson made a motion to accept the resolution. Councilman Norris seconded the motion. Sheriff Goodwin spoke in opposition of the resolution, due to the fact that there was no mention of the Victim's Advocate receiving its percentage of the fees collected. Councilman Simpson removed his first motion and remade a motion to approve the resolution as amended to include payment to the Victim's Advocate Office. Councilman Norris seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0-0.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- a) First Readings: New Policy – All first readings are read into the record by the Chairman, and a vote is not necessary.
  - 1) An ordinance (05-26) to amend the FY 05-06 Budget for Abbeville County by incorporating \$7,615.00 in additional revenues and appropriating the same.
  - 2) An ordinance (05-27) to lease 180 square feet of the Abbeville County Office Building located at Highway 28 By-Pass to the South Carolina Forestry Commission for a cost of \$1,620.00 per year for a three (3) year period.

- 3) An ordinance (05-28) to create and establish the Abbeville Water District in Abbeville County, South Carolina; to establish the area, boundaries and method of government thereof; to authorize an annual levy and collection for the operation and maintenance thereof and other matters related thereto.

b) Resolutions:

- 1) A resolution (53-05) establishing the millage rates and fees for FY 05-06. Councilman Thomas made a motion to approve the resolution. Councilman Calhoun seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0-0.
- 2) A resolution (54-05) to authorize the transfer of \$2,439.74 from the America General fund Account number 701820117 to the Abbeville County Family Court Capital Bank Account number 0113007959. Councilman Norris made a motion to approve the resolution. Councilman Simpson seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0-0.
- 3) A resolution (55-05) to authorize the transfer of \$11,680.59 from the Local Option Sales Tax Account to the General Fund. Councilman Norris made a motion to approve the resolution. Councilman Simpson seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0-0.
- 4) A resolution (56-05) authorizing the County Director to enter into an option on a parcel of land owned by Herbert Anderson. Councilman Norris made a motion to accept the resolution. Councilman Simpson seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0-0.
- 5) A resolution (57-05) authorizing the County Director to enter into a contractual relationship with Malcom Enterprises, Inc. of Norcross, GA in the amount of \$35,975.00 plus sales tax (\$38,133.50) for a Solid Waste Landfill Hydro Seeder for the application of alternate daily cover material. Councilman Norris made a motion to approve the resolution. Councilman Thomas seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0-0.
- 6) A resolution (58-05) accepting the recommendation of the Abbeville County Planning Commission thereby denying the request for rezoning of the 2.237 acre tract of land located off Highway 252 as requested by Carl Putnam. Councilman Thomas made a motion to deny this resolution, thus considering as first reading of an ordinance. Councilman Calhoun seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0-0.

- 7) A resolution (59-05) authorizing the Abbeville County Director to enter into a lease agreement with Frances C. Sloan of 667 Crawford Road, Due West, SC, in the amount of \$500.00 per year for the use of two (2) acres ± for the purpose of stockpiling stone aggregate to be used for maintaining roads in the Abbeville County Road System. Councilman Thomas made a motion to approve the resolution. Councilman Norris seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0-0.

County Director Doug Burns asked that the following resolution be added. Vice Chairman Forrester made a motion to add the resolution. Councilman Simpson seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0-0.

- 8) A resolution (60-05) providing for the expenditure of Title III Funds for FY 05-06. Councilman Norris made a motion to approve the resolution. Councilman Simpson seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0-0.

**DIRECTOR'S REPORT:** None

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

- a) Finance Committee—Ray Gunnells, Claude Thomas and Billy Norris. No report was given.
- b) Personnel and Administration—Mike Davis, Jeff Simpson and Claude Thomas. No report was given.
- c) Public Works—Jeff Simpson, Billy Norris and David Forrester. No report was given.
- d) Intergovernmental Relations—Billy Norris, Mike Davis and John Calhoun. No report was given.
- e) Planning and Industrial Development—Claude Thomas, Ray Gunnells and John Calhoun. No report was given.
- f) Education, Recreation, Health and Welfare—John Calhoun, Jeff Simpson and David Forrester. No report was given.
- g) Public Safety—David Forrester, John Calhoun and Billy Norris. No report was given.
- h) Chairman Gunnells creates Ad Hoc Committee consisting of Councilman Thomas, Norris and Simpson to study new proposed zones.

A motion was made by Councilman Simpson to go into Executive Session to discuss personnel, contractual or legal matters. Councilman Calhoun seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0-0.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

Vice Chairman Forrester left during executive session.

Chairman Gunnells reconvened the meeting following executive session and announced that no action was needed following executive session.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further items of discussion Councilman Calhoun made a motion to Adjourn. Councilman Thomas seconded the motion. The motion carried 6-0-0.

The meeting adjourned at 9:40 pm.

Done this 26<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2005

**Abbeville County Council**

By:   
Ray Gunnells, Chairman

ATTEST:

By:   
Lynn Sopolosky, Clerk to Council