

ANDERSON COUNTY COUNCIL
ANDERSON, SOUTH CAROLINA

Regular Meeting - October 6, 1987 - 4:30 p.m.
Linda N. Gilstrap, Clerk

M I N U T E S

A REGULAR MEETING OF THE ANDERSON COUNTY COUNCIL WAS HELD ON OCTOBER 6, 1987 AT 4:30 P.M. IN THE ANDERSON COUNTY COUNCIL CHAMBERS - ROOM 109. CHAIRMAN JAMES M. "JIMMY" COX, JR. PRESIDED.

PRESENT

Chairman Jimmy Cox, District #1
David L. Hooper, District #2
Robert L. Wiles, District #3
Ernie Garrison, District #4
J. Mike Holden, District #5
David Watson, Administrator
Mike Mullinax, County Attorney
Jack Crowe, Purchasing Manager
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Mr. Cox called the meeting to order and everyone said the Lord's Prayer together. Everyone stood and pledged allegiance to the flag.

On the motion of Mr. Wiles, seconded by Mr. Garrison, Council voted unanimously to approve the minutes from the September 15, 1987 meeting as mailed.

Mr. Watson presented pins to Diane Hanley and Hoyt Brooks in recognition of their professionalism in their field in the Assessor's office. Mr. Tom King received his award earlier as the Real Property Senior Appraiser. He was on vacation and unable to attend.

Mr. Watson read a letter from Margaret Herron asking to be allowed to panel and upgrade her office in the Agriculture Building with volunteer help and donations. This would be in accordance with Council's guidelines of any modifications to any County Buildings be approved by Council. Mr. Hooper moved that this request be granted and Mr. Cox seconded. Mrs. Herron asked that this permission be put in writing. Mr. Hooper amended the motion that this be put in writing and Mr. Cox seconded. Vote on the amendment was 5-0. Vote on the original motion as amended was 5-0.

Mr. Hurley Badders said that the Courthouse Commission voted to submit three (3) names as information to County Council for their consideration as the new Courthouse site. Ranking by priority is #1 the Western Square Site, #2 Eastern Square site, and #3 the 300 Block of South Main Street. Mr. Holden presented the following prepared statement which was seconded by Mr. Hooper.

"I move that we conditionally accept the recommendation of the Courthouse Commission to the Western Square location for the courthouse. I also move that our next step shall be to instruct the County Attorney and the Executive Director of the Planning and Development Board to research as completely as possible all cost associated with acquiring the site in question and preparing a written report containing this information to Council. I also endorse the proposed action to be taken by the Courthouse Commission next week in beginning the selection process for architects/engineers. After the architect/engineer selection is made, I move that this firm be charged with examining the site in detail for its suitability. I move that these specific items be examined in this study: traffic flow, vehicular and pedestrian needs for the next thirty years, lot size requirements and construction suitability."

Vote on the above motion was four in favor and none opposed. Mr. Garrison abstained from voting on the issue.

Mr. Hooper moved not to renew the option on the Wells Property and Mr. Wiles seconded. Vote was four in favor and none opposed. Mr. Garrison abstained from voting.

Mr. Hooper discussed pipe needed by the City for the new Jail. He moved to approve \$900 for this pipe and Mr. Cox seconded. Mr. Hooper explained that the money needed would come from his asphalt paving account. Vote was unanimous.

Mr. Tony Cirelli asked that two roads in Deerfield Subdivision be accepted into the County System. They are Deerfield Drive and Bucktree Drive and have been inspected and meet County specifications. Mr. Wiles said he would like to see these new roads be placed in the state system under the Beltline and Spur Act. Mr. Cox moved to accept these two recommended and in addition instruct the Planning & Development Board to advise Council what roads, if any, as they come into the system, would be eligible for the Beltline and Spur Act. Mr. Garrison seconded and vote was 5-0.

Mr. Garrison discussed a letter from the Town of Pendleton Mayor requesting additional playground equipment for the park area that the County is helping the Town of Pendleton develop. The amount needed is \$3,500 and approximately \$700 for an overrun on paving of the parking lot. He moved that no more than \$4,500 be appropriated from his special projects account to cover these items. Mr. Cox seconded and vote was 5-0.

Mr. Garrison presented Resolution #416 designating October 18-24, 1987 as Textile Week. He then moved that the Resolution be approved and Mr. Hooper seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Mr. Stephen Crawford informed Council of an appropriation of funds approved by the Recreation Commission which would also require Council's approval. One is the appropriation of \$4,000 to match \$4,000 from the Town of Williamston to resurface their tennis courts. Mr. Cox moved that the appropriation be approved and Mr. Holden seconded. Vote was 5-0. These funds will come from the Recreation Commission's general funds. Another is the appropriation of \$2,000 for the Johnson Broadway Community Organization to help match a \$5,000 rural improvement fund grant. Mr. Hooper moved that this be approved also and Mr. Wiles seconded. These funds are to be used to purchase recreational equipment. Vote was 5-0.

Mr. Holden explained an appropriation of \$6,250 from his District #5 Special Project Fund to construct a dirt track at Westside High School. The \$6,250 represents the low bid from John Lynch and Company. He moved that this be approved and Mr. Hooper seconded. Vote was unanimous. Mr. Crawford explained that the Recreational Commission will pick up the cost for lighting of the track.

Mr. Wiles said the Community Summer Recreation Program in School District #3 has requested \$3,000 for this summer program and moved that this request be granted through the Recreation Commission to go to School District #3 out of Council District #3 Special Project Funds. Mr. Cox seconded and vote was 5-0.

Mr. Cox said he had a request from the Mayor of Pelzer for \$1,200 for improvements to the Town of Pelzer Ballpark. He moved that the needed funds be appropriated from District #1 Special Projects Account for ballpark improvements. Mr. Wiles seconded. Vote was 5-0.

Mr. Cox explained that the Town of Williamston had renovated the old school into a City Hall Complex and have requested a city street to be constructed out front of the complex. He moved that this be approved and to be treated as a special project but the funds needed to come from District #1 asphalt paving account. Mr. Hooper seconded and vote was 5-0. The amount approved for the project was \$11,500.

Mr. Holden asked that the Centerville and Townville Parking Lots be paved and treated as a special project but the funds to come out of his District #5 asphalt paving account. Mr. Wiles seconded and vote was unanimous.

Mr. Hooper explained that during the budget workshops the Council set aside \$2,500 to match a city grant for the Anderson Swim Club. This money was put in the Recreation Commission's budget under special supplies but never earmarked as Swim Club money. He moved that \$2,500 of the Commission's money (special supplies account) be designated for the Swim Club. Mr. Cox seconded and vote was 5-0.

Mr. Robert King explained that Dr. Vines position on the EMS commission needed to be filled and asked that Council appoint the position of Medical Control Physician instead of naming the physician. Council discussed the need to amend the original ordinance to provide for the request. Mr. Cox moved that Council give first reading approval of Ordinance #233 amending the EMS Commission to create a Medical Control Physician position. Mr. Wiles seconded. Mr. Wiles amended the motion to have Dr. James E. Brigtenburg serve as member until this ordinance has been approved. Mr. Cox seconded and vote was 5-0. Vote on the original motion as amended was 5-0.

Mr. Cox asked Mr. Mullinax to report on the fees owed Anderson County by Westpel Cable TV. He said that based on the ordinance which existed by Westpel they were entitled to credit for taxes levied by Anderson County and based on the Purchasing Manager's calculation there are no fees owed by Westpel pursuant to the provisions of the ordinance and asked that Council rescind previous action for payment of \$20,000 and to approve the transfer of Westpel to PCI. Mr. Cox moved that Council go into executive session to discuss contractual matters and receive legal advise on this matter. Mr. Wiles seconded and vote was 5-0. (Time: 5:15 p.m.) Mr. Cox called the meeting back to order at 5:45 p.m. and explained that Council discussed contractual matters with Anderson County and Westpel Cable TV. He then

moved that Council act on the information received by directing the Purchasing Manager to collect from Westpel Cable TV such franchise fees as are due under Section 15 of the County's contract with Westpel, giving them all credit that they are lawfully due by verture of taxes levied by Anderson County pursuant to Section 15. Mr. Wiles seconded and vote was 5-0.

Mr. Garrison passed out folders from Mrs. Annie Ruth Morse and thanked Council on her behalf for their support.

Mr. Cox nominated Mr. Johnny Caldwell of Route 10 Ashley Downs, Anderson to the Aiport Commission. Mr. Holden seconded and vote was 5-0. This appointment would be to replace Mr. Don Rice who recently resigned.

Mr. Cox appointed Mr. Leon Allen of 114 Davis Street, Williamston to the Anderson County Traffic Safety Commission to represent District #1.

Mr. Wiles appointed Mr. Terry Cooley of Honea Path to the Recreation Commission to represent District #3.

Mr. Robert Sanford came before Council with questions he would like answered concerning County owned buildings. He read the questions and then told Council about his recent arrest by the City Police. Mr. Wiles moved that the County Attorney look at his questions and give Mr. Sanford some answers. Mr. Cox seconded and vote was 5-0.

Mr. Mullinax presented Resolution & Assistance Agreement (#417) authorizing the execution and delivery of an assistance agreement for Industrial Revenue Bonds for Colam Industries, Inc. in the amount of \$2,000,000. Mr. Cox moved that the resolution & agreement be approved. Mr. Garrison seconded and vote was 5-0.

Mr. Mullinax presented Resolution #418 calling for a public hearing for Western Carolina Sewer Authority at the next meeting scheduled for October 20 at 7 p.m. Council discussed another function scheduled at the same time and day at Tri-County. On the motion of Mr. Hooper, seconded by Mr. Garrison, Council voted unanimously to changed the time of the next scheduled meeting from 7 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. and to approve the resolution calling for the public hearing to that time also.

Mr. Mullinax presented Resolution #419 calling for the expenditure of interest to be earned from the investment of the proceeds of the Nine Million Dollar General Obligation Bonds. Mr. Cox moved to approve the resolution and Mr. Wiles seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Mr. Mullinax presented Resolution #420 calling for the expenditure of interest to be earned from the investment of the proceeds of the Ten Million Dollar General Obligation Bonds. Mr. Cox moved that the resolution be approved and Mr. Wiles seconded. Vote was 5-0.

Mr. Mullinax said there were certain requirements by the Governor's office on grant funds being obtained for the I-85 Highway Project and WCI Project. It was required that an engineer be advertised for and proposals received. The Sewer Authority and the Planning & Development Board advertised for engineers, received and interviewed engineers today. The unanimous recommendation of the Sewer Authority was that the firm of Russell and Axon Engineers be employed as engineers for these

projects and asked that County Council ratify these actions. Mr. Cox moved to ratify these actions and Mr. Hooper seconded. Vote was 5-0.

Mr. Mullinax explained that the Six & Twenty Sewer Plant will be on line in a few weeks and one requirement of DHEC is to adopt a pre-treatment ordinance for the waste being treated by this plant. He presented first reading of the Ordinance (#234) for Council's consideration. Mr. Cox moved that the ordinance be approved and Mr. Wiles seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Mr. Watson distributed the Road Maintenance and Finance Report for Council's information.

He presented the following budget transfers:

Solid Waste - \$4,479 from Account #708-125-036 (Fuel and Oil) to
Account #708-155-065 (Special Departmental Supplies)

Mr. Wiles moved to approve the transfer and Mr. Hooper seconded. Vote was 5-0.

Mr. Watson explained an overrun in Mr. Holden's district for \$10,000 on contract paving on Martin Road for strip patching. He recommended a budget transfer of \$10,000 from the Contract Paving Account to the Routine asphalt account. Mr. Holden moved to approve and Mr. Cox seconded. Vote was 5-0.

Mr. Watson reported on the Sunset Community Project. Mr. Mattison continues to follow up on the work being done in the community.

Mr. Crowe presented the following bids for Council's consideration.

Recommend the purchase of 4 - Defibrillators for Emergency Preparedness from Physio Control at \$16,400.

Recommend the purchase of 1 - Engineering Copier (Xerox) Joint project with the Planning & Development and Assessor for \$5,322.45 from Xerox.

Recommend the purchase 1 - Cannon Fax 220 machine from MOM at \$2,089 for the Emergency Preparedness.

Recommend the Demolition of 2 old county buildings at the cost of \$1,392.36 from G & S Services at the Anderson County Airport.

Recommend a change order for Hopewell Bridge for one pile driver rental and additional piles. The County's cost will be \$206.28.

Recommend the rebuilding of wheels on Rex-3-55 Landfill Compactor (Solid Waste- at \$9,200 from Van Lott, Inc.

Mr. Cox moved to approve all recommendations as listed above by Mr. Crowe. Mr. Hooper seconded and vote was 5-0.

Mr. Crowe explained the low bid for asphalt surface treatment for all five districts was by Sloan Construction Company. The prices vary depending upon the district. Mr. Crowe recommended that the low bid be accepted and asked that Mr. McClure and Council members make a determination on final road paving list by Council district as soon as possible. Mr. Hooper moved that the recommendation be approved and Mr. Garrison seconded. Vote was 5-0.

Mr. Burns asked that Resolution #421 for the E911 road naming system be approved. Mr. Garrison moved that the Resolution be approved and Mr. Wiles seconded. Vote was 5-0.

Council heard from concerned citizens at this time.

Respectfully submitted,

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