

ANDERSON COUNTY COUNCIL
ANDERSON, SOUTH CAROLINA

ORIGINAL

Regular Meeting - September 19, 1989 - 7:00 p.m.
Linda N. Gilstrap, Clerk

M I N U T E S

A regular meeting of the Anderson County Council was held on September 19, 1989 at 7:00 p.m. in the Anderson County Council Chambers - Room 109. Chairman James M. "Jimmy" Cox, Jr. presided.

PRESENT

James M. "Jimmy" Cox, Jr. - District #1
David L. Hooper - District #2
Harvie E. Banister - District #3
Elise C. Cahaly - District #4
Mike Holden - District #5
David Watson - County Administrator
David Standeffer - County Attorney
W. Rusty Burns - Asst. Administrator
Jacky Hunter - Finance Director
Linda N. Gilstrap - Clerk

Chairman Cox called the meeting to order and Ms. Elise Cahaly gave the invocation. Everyone stood and pledged allegiance to the flag.

Mr. Jason Gertson introduced Mr. James Budd, his replacement at the Independent Mail to County Council as requested by Chairman Cox.

Mr. Mike Holden apologized for his actions at the last Council meeting and said that personal feelings will be set aside from County business in the future. Mr. Cox also agreed that personalities should not interfere in Council work.

Mr. Holden moved to approve the September 5, 1989 minutes as mailed. Ms. Cahaly seconded and vote was unanimous.

Mr. David Standeffer, County Attorney, opened the floor for a public hearing concerning Ordinance #283 dealing with amendments to the Land Use ordinance. There were no comments therefore the public hearing was declared closed.

Mr. Hooper moved to approve Ordinance #283 on third reading as presented. Mr. Banister seconded and vote was 5-0.

Mr. Standeffer presented third reading of Ordinance #287 consenting to the transfer of the rights and obligations under a franchise for the construction, ownership, operation and maintenance of a Cable Television System (PCI) in Anderson County to Cencom Cable Income Partners II, L.P. He opened the floor for a public hearing prior to action by Council. Ms. Jane Sears asked several questions concerning the requirement of converters. Others complained of the service by PCI. The public hearing was declared closed. Mr. Cox stated for the record that he will abstain on third reading of the ordinance because

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he has been obtained by PCI to represent them on a legal matter. Ms. Cahaly moved to approve on third reading and Mr. Hooper seconded. Vote was four in favor and one abstention (Cox).

Mr. Standeffer presented third and final reading of Ordinance #288 amending the 1989-1990 fiscal year budget to provide for \$325,000 additional funds for department salary increases. A public hearing was conducted for comments. Mr. Cox moved to adopt the ordinance on third reading and Ms. Cahaly seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Mr. Standeffer presented third and final reading of Ordinance #289. He explained the two amendments which changes the number of cars which constitutes an automobile graveyard from THREE to ONE and changes the distance a junkyard shall be permitted to locate from the nearest edge of the right of way of any county, private, or other road and from the nearest residence (1000'). A public hearing was conducted concerning the amendments. Several people spoke. Council discussed the changing from three to one car constituting a junkyard. Council discussed the Subdivision Ordinance and junk cars. Ms. Cahaly moved to approve on third reading and Mr. Holden seconded. Mr. Banister moved to amend the ordinance to delete amendment #1 ONE or more such vehicles will constitute an automobile graveyard. The section will remain as in the original ordinance (THREE). Mr. Hooper seconded the amendment to delete. Mr. Jackson explained to Council the reason for the change. Vote on the amendment was unanimous. Vote on the original motion as amended was unanimous.

Mr. Stephen Crawford was unable to attend therefore Mr. David Watson presented the following request. The Parks and Recreation Department would ask that Council approve the expenditure of \$5,725 for construction of tennis courts at the Pendleton Community Club. The money is in the Parks and Recreation's budget. Ms. Cahaly moved to approve and Mr. Hooper seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Mr. Cox talked about Pendleton's 200th Birthday to be celebrated next year. He moved that the Council appropriate \$10,000 to the Town of Pendleton to help with the celebration from the Contingency Fund. Mr. Hooper seconded and vote was unanimous.

Mr. Rusty Burns explained that the north side branch of the YMCA came up \$500 short needed for football uniforms in the Pendleton area. Ms. Cahaly moved to appropriate the \$500 and Mr. Hooper seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Mr. Hooper talked about leasing land near Anderson Gardens to provide some type recreation for the children in that area. Council discussed the land being private property. Some type plan will be worked out and presented to Council in a couple months.

Mr. Carl Gross asked for Council's approval of a grant request from the S.C. Aeronautics Commission to help reconstruct a ramp at the Airport in the amount of \$138,000. The money has already been appropriated and

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is in the Airport's budget. Mr. Banister moved to approve and Mr. Hooper seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Mr. Gross also explained that the County could obtain a F-105 Fighter plane to be located at the Anderson County Airport. Mr. Banister moved to send a letter approving the plane to be located at the Airport. Mr. Hooper seconded and vote was unanimous.

Mr. Cox asked Mr. Gross about the B-25 pulled from Lake Greenwood. Mr. Burns reported that the plane is about two months away from being restored. The plane will first be offered to the State Museum in Columbia. Mr. Cox moved to go on record authorizing the Airport Administrator to make a formal request to receive it. Ms. Cahaly seconded and vote was 5-0.

Mr. Clinton King came before Council with a request that Solid Waste start manning the ten portable landfills in Anderson County. He explained the damage to the landfills and the cost to maintain the landfills. He presented a budget transfer request which would provide the funds. Council discussed the proposal and shortening the hours. Council agreed that additional time was needed to study the proposal and asked Mr. King to come back in two meetings.

Ms. Carol Burdette presented Resolution #511 supporting the Keep America Beautiful system as developed by Keep America Beautiful and establishing the Keep America Beautiful of Anderson County. Mr. Standeffer read the Resolution. Mr. Hooper moved to approve and Ms. Cahaly seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Mr. David Watson presented a request from Three & Twenty Fire Department to transfer property into their name. He recommended the approval of a Quit Claim Deed. Ms. Cahaly moved to approve the execution of a Quit Claim Deed and Mr. Cox seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Mr. Watson presented a request from the Appalachian Council of Governments to appoint two members of Council with an additional two as alternates to serve on a steering committee to help develop a solution to the water quality problem of Eighteen Mile Creek. Mr. Cox appointed Ms. Cahaly and himself to the committee and Mr. Hooper and Mr. Holden as alternates. Mr. Banister was also appointed as a one man committee to make sure that the two alternates make it.

Mr. Watson reported that Mr. Johnny Meehan's position on the Assessment Appeals Board had expired. Mr. Tom King, Assessor, has recommended reappointment of Mr. Meehan. Mr. Hooper moved to reappoint Mr. Meehan and Mr. Banister seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Mr. Watson presented a request from the Computer Department for a purchase request of \$4,160 for telephone cable at the Detention Center and Law Enforcement Center. Mr. Cox moved to approve the purchase and Mr. Banister seconded. Vote was unanimous.

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Mr. Cox discussed the purchase of two mobile phones. He moved to direct the Administrator to purchase the two mobile phones (one for Administrator and one for chairman of County Council). The price is \$250 per phone with monthly rates of \$12.95 with 30 free minutes of air time and 27¢ per minute over 30. Mr. Hooper seconded the motion and Council discussed. Vote was four in favor and one opposed (Holden). Motion carried.

Mr. Burns asked Council to approve Resolution #512 naming certain roads in Anderson County for the purpose of implementing E911. Mr. Cox asked about Red Bird Road. Council discussed. Mr. Hooper moved to approve the list with the exception of Red Bird. Mr. Banister seconded and vote was 5-0.

Mr. Holden moved to go into executive session to discuss industrial development matters, contractual arrangements and personnel. Mr. Banister seconded and vote was unanimous. (time: 8:40 p.m.)

Ms. Cahaly moved to come out of executive session back into regular session at 9:45 p.m. Mr. Holden seconded and vote was unanimous.

Mr. Cox moved to authorize the Administrator to spend up to \$3,300 to resolve a legal matter. Mr. Hooper seconded and vote was unanimous.

Mr. Cox moved to authorize the County Attorney to enter into a lease agreement for a county building to house the Probation and Parole Office. Terms are \$1,000 per month for the first year's lease and an option to be negotiated for the second year. Ms. Cahaly seconded and vote was unanimous.

Mr. Cox moved to allow the Administrator to look into the purchase of land concerning Solid Waste. Ms. Cahaly seconded and vote was unanimous.

Mr. Cox moved to issue a Resolution indicating Anderson County's willingness to participate in a grant up to \$66,000 for the purpose of purchasing a set of standardized hand guns for the Sheriff's Department. Mr. Hooper seconded and vote was unanimous.

Mr. Cox moved to authorize the Administrator to locate temporary building facilities for the Building and Codes Department. Mr. Hooper seconded and vote was unanimous.

Mr. Hooper moved to extend the hotel proposals for an additional 20 days. Mr. Banister seconded. Mr. Cox said that the County could lose the hotel if the Council continues to drag it out. Vote was four in favor and one opposed (Cox).

Mr. Cox moved to authorize the appropriation of approximately \$10,000 for sewage treatment facilities in the Honea Path area for economic development. Mr. Banister seconded and vote was unanimous.

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Mr. Cox moved to authorize the Anderson County Airport to proceed with the processing of a grant which is a 95%-5% match. Five percent (5%) from the County would be approximately \$67,500 and would be spread over two budget years. Mr. Hooper seconded and vote was unanimous.

Mr. Cox moved to approve \$15,000 for water funds for an economic development project to come from the Planning and Development Board's budget. Mr. Holden seconded and vote was unanimous.

Mr. Cox moved to authorize the expenditure out of next year's budget in the sum of \$25,000 for educational purposes in connection with industrial recruitment. Ms. Cahaly seconded and vote was unanimous.

Mr. Cox moved to authorize the Planning & Development Board to apply for and receive a grant for economic development purposes in the amount of \$450,000. Mr. Banister seconded and vote was unanimous. The grant would not require no monies from the County.

Mr. Cox moved to grant permission to accept a road into the County system for economic development purposes. Mr. Holden seconded and vote was unanimous.

Mr. Cox moved to allow the County to move the location an existing County road and replace it with a better road and accept a grant allowing the County to do this at no expense to the County. Mr. Hooper seconded and vote was unanimous.

Council gave verbal authorization to allow the Sewer Authority to explore a sewer upgrade.

Mr. Cox said that after looking further at Long View Drive he would move to name the road Long View Drive as requested by more than 51% of the residents. Mr. Hooper seconded and vote was unanimous.

Council heard from concerned citizens at this time. Mr. Carl Johnson and Mr. Jerry Nunn spoke.

There being no further business, Council adjourned at 10:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Linda N. Gilstrap, Clerk
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