

ANDERSON COUNTY COUNCIL  
ANDERSON, SOUTH CAROLINA

Regular Meeting - July 6, 1999 - 6:00 p.m.

Linda N. Gilstrap, Clerk to Council

**AMENDED**

MINUTES

All area newspapers, radio stations and television stations were informed of this meeting in compliance with guidelines of the Freedom of Information Act.

PRESENT

G. Fred Tolly - District #1  
Larry E. Greer - District #3  
Chairman Clint Wright - District #4  
J. Mike Holden - District #5  
Joey Preston - Administrator  
Tom Martin - County Attorney  
Linda N. Gilstrap - Clerk to Council  
Stacey R. Russ - Assistant Clerk to Council

The official meeting of the Anderson County Council convened in the Council Chambers of the Historic Courthouse on Tuesday, July 6, 1999 at 6:00 p.m.

Mr. Fred Tolly gave the invocation and everyone stood and pledged allegiance to the flag.

On the motion of Mr. Holden, seconded by Mr. Tolly, Council voted unanimously to approve the minutes from the June 15, 1999 meeting as mailed.

Chairman Wright asked Mr. A.J. Treadway with the Ebenezer Fire Department to come forward for a presentation. Mr. Treadway asked Mr. Larry Greer to come down to the front for the presentation.

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Mr. Greer was presented a plaque from the Fire Department's First Responder Team as a token of appreciation for an appropriation he gave to the Fire Department which enabled them to purchase a defibrillator. Mr. Greer thanked the First Responder Group for the valuable service that they provide to the community.

Public Comments: Ms. Cindy Wilson - Ms. Wilson asked if the County received a Press Release as of July 1, 1999 from the Rocky River/Lake Succession Land Owners Association. She presented copies. Her group had already gotten possession of documents from DHEC indicating that the City's waste treatment plants (Rocky River, and Generostee Creek) have had massive serious discharge contamination violations since the early nineties. This obviously has been a major problem, she said and DHEC has recently had the City of Anderson and Design South representatives involved in an enforcement conference in Columbia. Nothing was published or printed and they are very concerned because a lot of money had been spent over the years on the plants and why is there contaminated discharge going into them. The County of Anderson owns capacity in these plants; therefore, she asked that the Council check into this to get it corrected. The GIS maps of the sewer lines show a big gap from the Cobb Glens line tying into nothing, she reported. Mr. Holden asked Ms. Wilson who paid for the campaign advertisement in the newsletter. She said their group did not do that. Mr. Holden said that type of information was inappropriate in his opinion.

Mr. Holden appointed Mr. Thomas Cox to the Airport Commission to replace Mr. Pete Hopkins who passed away. Mr. Tolly seconded the appointment and vote was 4 in favor.

Mr. Holden moved to appropriate \$5,000 for the Townville Fire Department to help with the purchase of a tanker. The funds to come from District #5 paving account. Also appropriate \$10,000 for the Center Rock Fire Department for assistance with the construction of a new fire department. These funds will come from District #5 Asphalt paving account. Mr. Tolly seconded the motions and vote was unanimous.

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Mr. Holden moved to add Riverlake Road (C-20-20A) to the existing paving contract estimated to cost \$6,986.24 for paving. Mr. Tolly seconded the motion and vote was unanimous.

Item # "2. (d) Upgrading of Airline Road in front of Flatrock/Bowen Fire Department (phase 1) - Mr. Larry Greer" was removed from the agenda for need of further information.

Chairman Wright presented second reading of Ordinance #99-014 - an ordinance granting the consent of Anderson County to the transfer of control/consent to assignment of the non-exclusive cable television franchise from HPI Acquisition Company, L.L.C. to Peachtree Cable TV, L.P. On the motion of Mr. Holden, seconded by Mr. Greer, Council voted unanimously to approve Ordinance #99-014 on second reading.

Chairman Wright presented first reading of Ordinance #99-016 - an ordinance authorizing the issuance of Anderson County, S.C. Industrial Revenue Bonds in one or more series through December 31, 2004, or through December 31, 2006, if an extension of time in which to complete the project is granted by the County, in an aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$400,000,000 for the purpose of financing certain costs of an expansion to or improvement of the manufacturing facilities of Beta Company in Anderson County, South Carolina consisting of the acquisition, construction, installation, expansion, improvement, design and engineering, in phases, of additional or improved machinery and equipment, buildings, improvements or fixtures, granting infrastructure tax credits to Beta Company; the execution of further documents providing for the sale and securing of the aforementioned industrial revenue bonds including, without limitation, a bond purchase agreement and a trust indenture, and other matters relating to the foregoing. Mr. Preston stated that Council had been briefed on the issue and recommends that Council proceed on with first reading of the ordinance (title only). Second reading will be scheduled at the next meeting. Mr. Tolly moved to approve on first reading in title only. Mr. Greer seconded the motion and vote was unanimous.

Chairman Wright presented resolution #R99-019 - a resolution accepting certain named roads into the Anderson County Road System; expressing intent to cease county maintenance and to seek and request judicial abandonment and closure of certain roads upon the occurrence of certain defined events and the meeting of certain defined conditions; granting an encroachment permit as to certain Anderson County Roads; and other matters related thereto. Mr. Preston stated that the resolution was required as a result of the state abandoning the roads and the county receiving the roads in order to be illegible for grant funds to improve the roads. He recommended approval. Mr. Tolly moved to approve Resolution #R99-019 and Mr. Greer seconded. Vote was unanimous.

**ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:**

- (a) Certificates and Training:
  - I. Mr. Jason Phillips, Finance - Government Finance Officers Association Examination
  - II. Ms. Linda Rook - IS-7 "A Citizens Guide to Disaster Assistance"
  - III. Mr. Samuel E. Ball, Jr. - IS-2 "Emergency Preparedness, USA"
  - IV. Ms. Laura L. Thoma - IS-1 "Emergency Program Manager" and completion of Nation Fire Academy Course
- (b) Employee Recognition:
  - I. Ms. Denise Amos - Telecommunicator
- (c) Minutes:
  - I. Anderson County Development Partnership
  - II. Economic Advisory Board
  - III. Public Works Safety Meeting
- (d) Reports:
  - I. Road Paving Report
  - II. Recreation Fund Account
  - III. Employee Training Report
  - IV. May 1999 Communications Center Activity Report
  - V. Progress Report - New Library
- (e) Color Photo of New Farmers Market

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- (f) County Growth/Population Estimates
- (g) Civic Center Events Schedule
- (h) Pelzer, West Pelzer, Williamston Community Meeting Summary
- (i) McCants School Deed

Mr. Holden asked Mr. Preston to look into the Farmers Market problem maybe removing the gates altogether.

There being no further business, Council adjourned at 6:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Linda N. Gilstrap, Clerk  
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