

ANDERSON COUNTY COUNCIL
ANDERSON, SOUTH CAROLINA

Regular Meeting - November 6, 1984 - 9:00 a.m.
Linda N. Gilstrap, Clerk

M I N U T E S

A REGULAR MEETING OF THE ANDERSON COUNTY COUNCIL WAS HELD ON NOVEMBER 6, 1984 AT 9:00 A.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, ROOM 109 WITH ROBERT L. WILES PRESIDING.

PRESENT

Fred G. Alexander, District #1
Prue L. Gilreath, District #2
Robert L. Wiles, Chairman, District #3
Daniel A. Rhodes, District #4
A.M. "Al" Lynch, District #5
Billy D. O'Neal, Administrator
Joseph G. Wright, III, Attorney

Mr. Wiles called the meeting to order and then gave the invocation. Everyone stood and pledged allegiance to the flag.

Mr. Alexander moved that the October 16 and October 24 minutes be approved. Mr. Lynch seconded. Mr. Gilreath amended the motion that the October 16 minutes include the Indigent Health Care figures that was presented. Mr. Lynch seconded. This is on page 2, 5th paragraph. Vote on the amendment was unanimous. Vote on the original motion as amended was unanimous. The clerk regrets the error and has made the change. Copies will be mailed for approval.

Mr. O'Neal gave the road maintenance activity report for the period October 12-31, 1984. The county completed 273 of the 280 work orders received during the period. The county crews were working putting in driveway pipe and aprons. Mr. O'Neal reported that during the 1983-84 fiscal year the resurfacing project completed approximately 29.3 miles of road. Twenty-six (26) was asphalt at a cost of \$898,422. The county was unable to spend that much this fiscal year. The county has been programed to spend \$650,000 on resurfacing this fiscal year (1984-85). Mr. O'Neal reported that the County had increased the miles of roads resurfaced and decreased the amount of money spent by 28% during this fiscal year.

Mr. O'Neal told Council that money had to be appropriated to enforce the Animal Control Ordinance #140 to be effective January 1, 1985, therefore, he recommended that the Council provide \$7,500 for an animal control officer effective January 1, 1985. Mr. Lynch moved that this be approved. Mr. Rhodes seconded. Mr. Lynch amended the motion that the animal control officer be hired December 15, 1984 and the money coming out of the contingency fund. Mr. Gilreath seconded the amendment. Vote on the amendment was three (3) in favor (Gilreath, Rhodes, Lynch) and two (2) abstaining (Wiles, Alexander). Motion carried. Vote on the original motion as amended was three (3) in favor (Gilreath, Rhodes, Lynch) and two against (Wiles, Alexander). Motion carried.

Mr. O'Neal informed Council of the condition of the Tolley Street Senior Citizens building. The estimated cost of repair would be \$3,200 - \$3,500, and asked for permission to take bids for the repairs. Mr. Rhodes moved that bids be sent out and the building be fixed. Mr. Lynch seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Mr. Watson presented a request from the EMS to purchase 16 - Motorola portable radios at \$836.85 each and 40 pocket pagers at \$353.85 (state pricing) for a total of \$27,543.60 which are budgeted items. Mr. Lynch moved that the request be purchased as recommended. Mr. Alexander seconded. Vote was unanimous. Mr. Lynch asked about the County having to pay taxes. The attorney found that the county had to pay state taxes after researching the issue.

Mr. O'Neal conducted a public hearing for written or oral comments on leasing county farm property. There were no comments. Mr. Watson opened and read the only bid from W.M. Bolt, II for \$10.00 per acre for the farm property and a request to rent the land for 3 to 5 years so it could be limed. Mr. Gilreath moved that the Council accept the bid of \$10 per acre for one year only. Mr. Alexander seconded. Vote was 5-0.

Mr. O'Neal said he had a claim and turned it over to the county attorney for him to check it out. Council did not wish to discuss in executive session.

Mr. John D. Jones and other residents of Partridge Lane appeared before Council complaining of condominiums being built substandard and too dense off Kings Road at the end of Henry Drive (Franklin Place Development). He asked Council what could be done to stop construction of these condominiums. Mr. Jones said a petition was being prepared and would be delivered to County Council at their next meeting. Mr. Wiles reminded Mr. Jones that the County had no zoning or subdivision regulations to regulate the building. Council received as information.

Mr. Gilreath presented Ordinance #148, providing for an equitable distribution to the municipalities in Anderson County of State-shared revenue derived from state taxes on gasoline sales received by Anderson County, for approval on first reading. Mr. Gilreath read and discussed section three (Additional Funding). Mr. Gilreath then moved that the ordinance be approved on first reading. Mr. Alexander seconded. Mr. Lynch discussed the reasons he opposed the ordinance. Mr. Rhodes moved that the ordinance be tabled. Mr. Lynch seconded. Vote was two (2) in favor (Lynch, Rhodes) and three (3) opposed (Gilreath, Wiles, Alexander). Vote on the original motion was three (3) in favor (Gilreath, Wiles, Alexander) and two (2) opposed (Lynch, Rhodes) passing the ordinance (#148) on first reading. Mr. O'Neal stated he did not approve of the ordinance because the money should not be split up; it should be divided according to the need based on the comparable analysis if it is split up.

Mr. Gilreath said that he had received good comments from various people about the PBM Contract, custodial firm, who clean five (5) Anderson County Buildings. He then asked Mr. O'Neal to up-date the council on the contract. He said the firm has been satisfactory. Mr. Gilreath reminded the Council that at the time the PBM contract was approved, Mr. O'Neal was directed to discontinue the use of one crew (5 prisoners & 1 guard) immediately and maintain one crew for a period of 60 days and then asked Mr. O'Neal the status on that project. Mr. O'Neal said that the crew was gone; but the other crew was being used for painting and maintaining the building and would probably be needed for some time. Council discussed the use of prison labor. Mr. Rhodes moved that Mr. O'Neal see what it would cost and an alternative to prison labor and report back at the next meeting. This would

be to replace all prisoners, building maintenance and road maintenance. Also, Mr. O'Neal was asked to give an estimate to contract the maintenance out. Mr. Lynch seconded the motion. Vote was 5-0.

Mr. Gilreath proposed a job description for the position of county administrator and moved that it be approved. Mr. Alexander seconded. Vote was three (3) in favor (Wiles, Alexander, Gilreath) and two (2) opposed (Lynch, Rhodes) adopting this job description.

Mr. Gilreath said the City had agreed to do all the work involved with replacing the sidewalks around the courthouse with the County providing the funds and asked when the project would begin. Mr. Lynch moved that Mr. Gilreath and the Administrator talk with the City Engineer and Richard Woodruff and get the project started. Mr. Rhodes seconded. Vote was unanimous. The county will provide the money/or labor to have the sidewalk hauled off.

✓ Mr. Lynch said that the proposed ordinance for designating unfit dwellings was incorporated into the proposed Building Code Ordinance (#149) and would not be necessary. He then presented the Building Code Ordinance for Council's approval on first reading. Mr. Lynch moved that the ordinance receive first reading approval. Mr. Alexander seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Mr. Alexander asked for Council's approval on first reading of Ordinance #150 (junkyard & open storage regulations). Mr. Alexander moved that it be approved. Mr. Lynch seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Mr. Alexander moved that Ordinance #151 (Residential Subdivision Regulations) be approved on first reading. Mr. Lynch seconded. Council discussed the proposed ordinance. A work session with the developers will be held prior to third reading. Vote was four (4) in favor (Wiles, Gilreath, Alexander, Lynch) and one (1) opposed (Rhodes) to adopting the ordinance on first reading.

Mr. Wiles moved that the County continue to maintain a dead end road off secondary 184, South of Iva, as done in the past. The County has the right-of-ways. Mr. Rhodes seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Mr. Gilreath asked for maintenance of a road off 252 near McCoys crossroads. This would help an elderly lady get in and out. Mr. O'Neal was asked to look at the road and advise Council.

Council heard from concerned citizens.

Mr. Lynch moved that the administrator ask the Treasurer for a list of 1981 tax defaulters by the next council meeting. Mr. Rhodes seconded. Vote was four (4) in favor and one (1) abstention. Mr. Alexander abstained.

On the motion of Mr. Alexander, seconded by Mr. Rhodes, Council voted unanimously to adjourn at 11:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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