

**DILLON COUNTY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
AUGUST 24, 2011
4:00 PM**

The Dillon County Council held a regular meeting on August 24, 2011 at 4:00 pm in the County Council Chambers, 109 S 3rd Ave, Dillon SC. Present were: Macio Williamson, Aron Gandy, Harold Moody, Andrew Graves, Joe Johnson, and Archie Scott. Not present was Bobby Moody. Also present were: Clay Young (County Administrator), Ken Dubose (County Attorney), Lisa Gray (Clerk to Council) and Betsy Finklea (The Dillon Herald).

The following were notified of the meeting and provided an agenda: By e-mail – Gerald Poss, Consulting, Yolanda McCormick (Librarian), Susan Norton (Perdue), The Dillon Herald, Dillon County Development Board Office, Jamie Estes (Treasurer), Manufactured Housing Institute of SC, Dan Gruszka, Charles Curry, Terry Morris, Jerry Rivers, Alan Lane (all citizens' request), Tim Ammons (Attorney), Steve Johnson, Randy Rouse (Hometown TV), WMBF News, Dillon County Planning/ Code Enforcement Office, Bobby Holland (SCANA), Larry Abraham (Chief Deputy), Ken Dubose (County Attorney), Harold Moody, Joe Johnson, Jamie Rogers (Morning News), Gabriel Salmon (PDCAA), Randy Grimsley (Dillon County EMS), Ron Bartley & Cathy Pelfrey (NETC), Wanda Selph (Pee Dee Regional Council of Gov), Sheriff Major Hulon, Danny Holder (Dillon County IT) and Frank Brockington; By fax – Dillon County E911, Farm Bureau and Pee Dee Electric.

Chairman Archie Scott presided over the meeting.

INVOCATION

Invocation was given by Andrew Graves.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Andrew Graves motioned to approve the agenda. Joe Johnson seconded and all were in favor.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – 07/27/11

Harold Moody motioned to approve the minutes. Joe Johnson seconded and all were in favor.

PUBLIC HEARING

SHERIFF'S JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT

Sheriff Hulon told that his department was awarded a JAG grant in the amount of \$26,570 to be used to purchase radio equipment necessary to meet the federal mandate. There was no public input therefore the public hearing was closed. (The public hearing was properly noticed by the Dillon County Sheriff's Office)

NEW BUSINESS

DR. RON BARTLEY – NORTHEASTERN TECH EXPANSION UPDATE

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Dr. Bartley told that this expansion will enable the college to offer full associate degree programs. He stated the dedication will be held on September 21, 2011 at 11:00 am and all were invited.

BIDS - SHERIFF'S EVIDENCE SOFTWARE

Sheriff Hulon explained that their evidence program had stopped functioning due to the current software company going out of business. He told that he sent out a request for bids from four companies (IMS, Ace Property Service, PMI & Tracker Products LLC) and received two responses (from Tracker Products LLC for \$13,631.40 & PMI for \$9,282.00). Sheriff Hulon recommended the Tracker Products because they house and maintain the software and they are able to quickly move their data. He told that this was not budgeted and needs Council's approval to purchase. Mr. Young told that this higher bid could be awarded due to it being a sole source provider of what is in current use. He also recommended it be funded from the computer services budget line item. **Joe Johnson motioned to accept the bid of \$13,631.40 with an annual renewal cost of \$1,400.00 from Tracker Products. Harold Moody seconded and all were in favor.**

NEW SERVERS PROPOSAL

Mr. Young told that a quote was requested from CSI for State Contract Pricing for 2 (two) servers. He told that this will help with upgrading our phone system. The quote of \$139,420.42 includes a five year warranty/maintenance plan. He told that there is \$225,000 budgeted this year. **Harold Moody motioned to accept the proposal, stating that the administrative committee had agreed to this. Aron Gandy seconded and all were in favor.**

RECREATION REQUESTS

Andrew Graves motioned to approve the following: \$100.00 payable to Barnhill's Pumping & Port-a-John Service for two port-a-johns used at the Minturn Reunion on August 20, 2011 from Andrew Graves' recreation and \$140.40 payable to Family Sports Center from Bobby Moody's recreation for Invoice #4002 for two dozen softballs for Fork Softball. Macio Williamson seconded and all were in favor.

LANDFILL TRAILER BIDS

Mr. Young asked Lisa Gray to open the bids. She did so and read the bid results as follows: Florence Truck Center Inc - \$57,283; Hale Trailer - \$63,500; Carolina International Trucks - \$66,631; and Piedmont International - \$67,121. Charlie Brown was asked to review the bids and report back. He did so and returned with the affirmation that Florence Truck Center was the low bid. Mr. Young told that \$55,000 was budgeted for this trailer which hauls our waste to Lee County. Mr. Brown told that the trailer is need due to additional tonnage being hauled and the fact that three other trailers are getting worn out. **Macio Williamson motioned to approve the purchase and accept the bid from Florence Truck Center. Aron Gandy seconded and all were in favor.**

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MANUFACTURING EQUIPMENT (OLD MOHAWK BLDG) BIDS

Mr. Young told that Tonny McNeil has been meeting with bidders to show the equipment, etc. Lisa Gray opened the bids and Tonny McNeil read them as follows: Miller Plumbing & Electric Co. \$24,001; Hodge Demolition & Recycling Inc. \$21,686; Diversified Plastics \$.55 cents per piston unit (cans) only; Renfrow Brothers Inc & RBI Equipment Sales & Surplus (Dillon County Pays RBI-ESS) \$5,967; Robert George \$.55 cents per drum and \$18,000 for equipment; Bycom Surplus \$15,575. Mr. McNeil told that all bidders were given a scope document. Mr. Dubose suggested Mr. McNeil review the bids and report back. He did so and returned with the affirmation that Miller Plumbing & Electric Co. is the high bid at \$24,001. **Macio Williamson motioned to approve and accept the high bid from Miller Plumbing & Electric Co. Harold Moody seconded and all were in favor.**

COUNTY AIRPORT BUILDINGS

Mr. Young told that the Council Building Committee (Johnson, H Moody & Graves) had looked at the buildings around the airport. He told that two trailers (formerly used by Carl & Lucile Price) have been vandalized and recommends disposing of them, stating they are not suitable for use. He told that someone may remove them, possibly at no cost to the County, or we can remove them ourselves. He reported that the FAA has us back on the \$150,000 entitlement since 2008 and this can be used to redo the runway and taxiway. He also told that we are in the process of taking down trees around the flight zone, as requested by the SC Aeronautics Commission. He stated he will obtain assistance from Wilbur Smith Assoc. to apply for a grant and submit a five year plan. Mr. Young stated he had asked the SC Aeronautics Commission for help with the grass on the runway and repainting this year. Chairman Scott said that Council will take this as recommendation from the Building Committee.

CONVENIENCE SITES – HWY 34 (I-95) & HWY 301 S (SMITH RD)

Mr. Young told that the Council Building Committee discussed possibly closing the sites. One reason was the proximity to the airport and to the Tri-county Industrial Park entrance. He asked if Council wants to do anything. Tonny McNeil said that from an economic development standpoint, he would like to see it moved. Mr. Graves noted that we would need to decide whether to relocate somewhere else or not. Harold Moody suggested that the Solid Waste (Public Works) Committee should discuss this. Mr. Gandy suggested moving the site to Hwy 57 North beside Fire Station Five.

OLD BUSINESS

LEASE APPROVALS – SALLEY MCINTYRE & GUARDIAN AD LITEM OFFICE

Mr. Dubose asked Council to discuss this in executive session as a contractual matter.

BIDS – CITY-COUNTY BUILDING DUCT WORK

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Mr. Young told that staff and the Building Committee have reviewed the bids and recommend awarding Clean Aire Inc. the bid in the amount of \$17,300 based on their evaluation. Mr. Young told that the low bid did not meet the requirements. **Joe Johnson motioned to approve and award the bid to Clean Aire Inc. Harold Moody seconded and all were in favor.**

EXTENSION OF FARLEY ROAD (HARBOR FREIGHT) - ENGINEERING SERVICES

Mr. Young told that this needs to be discussed by the Tri-County Industrial Park Committee and the other two Counties need to agree. He told that a 100 foot right of way and how the road is designed will make a difference. Chairman Scott tabled the matter.

FINANCE DIRECTOR POSITION

Mr. Young asked Council for final approval of the position (as discussed during the budget process). He told that he has already advertised the position and conducted interviews. He noted that the Administration (Finance) Committee had given him a salary range. **Aron Gandy motioned to approve the position. Joe Johnson seconded and all were in favor.**

TIMBER PROPOSAL (LATTA IND PARK) – EARL DUTTON

Mr. Young gave Council a map of the area and told that Mr. Dutton suggests that we bid out to clear cut it, then replant in pine trees. This is property in and surrounding the area to be deeded to SCDOT for the I-73 Project. He told that he will get a proposal back and move ahead if ok with Council.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mr. Young told that the Building Committee had met but this information has already been covered in prior agenda items.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

RECYCLING PROGRAM (COUNTY)

Mr. Young told of discussing with Charlie Brown the plan to start by putting eight yard boxes at the five major convenience sites for recycling. He said the recycling will be co-mingled and we can haul it ourselves to a processor and report back to Council the volume handled.

AIRPORT RUNWAY & TAXIWAY GRANT

Mr. Young told that between now and December 31st he will apply for funding for FAA providing 95%, State of SC providing 2.5%, and Dillon County providing 2.5% of cost.

SPEC BUILDING

Mr. Young told that the Tri-County Park Committee would meet Monday, August 29 at 2:00pm. He told that hopefully we can secure the funding.

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FINANCE REPORT

Mr. Young told that we are still receiving funds from the state and some expenses are outstanding from last fiscal year, then he will have a financial report for Council. Discussion was held concerning the justification for hiring a finance director.

ORDINANCE READINGS

**THIRD READING – DILLON COUNTY ROAD ACCEPTANCE & MAINTENANCE
ORDINANCE**

Mr. Gandy asked that Council table this until they have gone over the map. Mr. Dubose told that it is important to have an accurate list. **Council tabled the reading.**

REDISTRICTING DISCUSSION

Mr. Williamson asked Mr. Dubose the status of redistricting submission to the Justice Department. Mr. Dubose told that information was being gathered and anticipated having it all in the next week, and then the pre-clearance letter would be submitted.

**THIRD READING – ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING DILLON COUNTY FEE IN LIEU
AGREEMENTS**

Mr. Young told that this was worked on by McNair Law Firm, Tonny McNeil and Ken Dubose and that it enables us to issue special source revenue bonds and accumulate funds, approximately \$80,000, from approximately six percent fee in lieu that may be used for economic development projects. **Harold Moody motioned to approve the third reading as set forth in the agenda and approve the ordinance. Joe Johnson seconded and all were in favor.** Harold Moody asked for clarification on spending. Mr. Young told that Council will have control and have to approve that.

**THIRD READING – ORDINANCE AMENDING THE AGREEMENT OF JOINT
COUNTY INDUSTRIAL PARK**

Mr. Young told that this pertains to the Hwy 917 & Hwy 38 property. He asked Council to approve putting it in the current multi-county park agreement with Marion County with Dillon County getting 99% and Marion County getting 1%. **Aron Gandy motioned to approve the third reading as set forth in the agenda and approve the ordinance. Joe Johnson seconded and all were in favor.**

**SECOND READING – ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CONVEYANCE OF
PROPERTY AND EXECUTION OF THE DEED TO CONVEY REAL PROPERTY TO
THE SC DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

Mr. Dubose explained that this is the property for a frontage road pertaining to the SC DOT I-73 project. Mr. Gandy questioned the road name referenced on the layout of the area. Mr. Dubose told that could be corrected if needed and asked that the Dillon County GIS department check on it for clarification. **Aron Gandy motioned to approve the reading by title only as set forth in**

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the agenda with the necessary change if needed. Harold Moody seconded and all were in favor.

SECOND READING - ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING MULTI-COUNTY PARK AGREEMENT BETWEEN DILLON AND MARION COUNTIES TO CREATE AND GOVERN A MULTI-COUNTY BUSINESS PARK TO BE LOCATED IN DILLON COUNTY

Mr. Young told that he has had discussions with McNair Law Firm and they recommend this be a separate Multi-county park agreement in order to give more opportunities to market the building (Old Mohawk). Harold Moody stated he would like to see other documents before third reading is held. **Joe Johnson motioned to approve the reading by title only as set forth in the agenda. Aron Gandy seconded and all were in favor.**

SECOND READING - ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING INCENTIVE AGREEMENTS WITH "PROJECT HANDLE" TO PROVIDE FEE IN LIEU OF TAXES AND PROJECT INFRASTRUCTURE GRANT; PROVIDE FOR INCLUSION OF THE PROJECT IN A MULTI-COUNTY BUSINESS PARK; PROVIDE FOR SPECIAL SOURCE REVENUE CREDITS; AND ENTER INTO ANY OTHER NECESSARY AGREEMENT TO EFFECT THE INTENT OF THIS ORDINANCE

Mr. Young told that he and Tonny McNeil wanted to give Council an overview of this in executive session.

SECOND READING – ORDINANCE TO AMEND DILLON COUNTY PROCUREMENT CODE

Lisa Gray explained that a review of a recent CDBG grant, administered by Pee Dee Regional Council of Governments, had revealed a concern that our procurement procedures need a provision encouraging minority or women owned business participation. **Macio Williamson motioned to approve the reading by title only as set forth in the agenda. Joe Johnson seconded and all were in favor.**

EXECUTIVE SESSION – ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (PROJECT HANDLE), CONTRACTUAL (WASTE DISPOSAL AGREEMENT & AGENDA ITEM 6A LEASE DISCUSSION) & LEGAL (CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE FINDINGS) MATTERS

Mr. Dubose told that two additional items to be discussed were concerning the office lease agreement with Salley McIntyre & Guardian Ad-Litem and the findings concerning controlled substances (bath salts) discussed at the last meeting.

Joe Johnson motioned to go into executive session. Aron Gandy seconded and all were in favor.

Aron Gandy motioned to come out of executive session, followed by a second from Harold Moody. All voted in favor.

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RESULTS OF EXECUTIVE SESSION

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Mr. Dubose told of the changes discussed in executive session concerning taxes, insurance, redefine utility services, include entire premises & redefine improvements (limited). **Macio Williamson motioned to approve the lease agreement with the noted changes. Harold Moody seconded and all were in favor.**

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Joe Johnson motioned to approve the reading by title only as set forth in the agenda. Aron Gandy seconded and all were in favor.

ADJOURNMENT

Aron Gandy motioned to adjourn. Macio Williamson seconded and all were in favor.

Archie Scott, Chairman

Lisa B. Gray, Clerk to Council

Date approved _____