

Pickens County Council Meeting
Regular Meeting
 Items Before the Pickens County Council on

Monday, February 7, 2005
7:00 PM

Agenda

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County Council met in regular session, in the auditorium, County Administration Facility, with Chairman Jennifer H. Willis presiding. Agendas, bearing date, time and location of meeting, were mailed to Council members and local news media on February, 2, 2005.

Council Members in attendance:
 Jennifer H. Willis, Chairman
 G. Neil Smith, Vice Chairman
 James B. London, Vice Chairman Pro Tempore
 Tom E. Ponder
 Ben L. Trotter

Absent: C. Roy Collins

Staff: Alan M. Ours, County Administrator
 Donna F. Owen, Clerk to Council
 Ken Roper, County Attorney

Committee Reports

a. Administration and Finance

Item	Description	Referred	Action
146	<i>Ordinance to establish the Economic Development Alliance of Pickens County as a nonprofit corporation. Alliance Pickens is requesting approval to be established as a Section 501 ©(3) corporation.</i> <i>1st reading 12/06/04</i> <i>Retain on log</i> <i>01/03/05</i>	12/06/04	Committee recommends Ordinance to come out of committee and be presented to full Council for second reading. <u>Approved</u>

147	Consideration of Request by Dr. Mahanes, for a vehicle for the County Coroner office. Requested to be retained on log for discussion during the 01/03/05 Council Meeting	12/06/04 01/03/05	Coroner will look at various options and the Committee will review this request later in the year as the capital budget becomes more realistic. Committee took no action.
148	Consideration of a request from Sheriff Stone for approval to apply for a grant to fund a narcotics officer. The total amount needed in the first year is \$112,000 of which \$84,000 would be grant funds and \$28,000 would be county match funds. The match requirements would not be needed until fiscal year 2005/2006.	01/18/05	Committee recommends authorization for the Sheriff's Office to apply for the grant with the understanding that if grant is successful that matching funds would be budgeted in next fiscal years budget. >>approved as amended to state that successful grant approval would not obligate the FY 2005 budget to be increased by stated match amount. <u>Approved</u>
149	Procedures regarding public notice for the annual budget ordinance.	01/18/05	Committee discussed importance of public perception regarding making significant changes to ordinances after the public hearing, and also noted the Justice and Public Safety Committee would study this, as they were in the process of reviewing Council rules. Committee took no action.
150	Study the compensation study for County employees	01/18/05	Committee took no action.

MOTION PERIOD AND NEW BUSINESS:

The following was added to the agenda

- Personnel Issue for Executive Session.

Approved.

The following was approved for committee review:

- Road fees; study uses of the road fee and look at other issues.
- Study the process for using a millage rate versus a flat fee for fire districts.

Approved.

RECEIVE UPDATE FROM ROBERT STROTHER REGARDING THE ACTIVITIES OF THE APPALACHIAN COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS:

RECEIVE UPDATE FROM DR. BEN KISSAM REGARDING THE ACTIVITIES OF THE PICKENS COUNTY BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE:

CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. 05-02, HONORING CAPTAIN MARK STUBENHOFER:

Approved.

CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. 05-03, CONGRATULATING SOLID WASTE FOR RECEIVING THE OUTSTANDING SAFETY ACHIEVEMENT AWARD:

Approved.

SECOND READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 355 AUTHORIZING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ALLIANCE OF PICKENS COUNTY AS A NONPROFIT CORPORATION AND TO BE ESTABLISHED AS A SECTION 501 C (3) CORPORATION:

Approved.

CONSIDERATION OF A REQUEST FROM THE PICKENS COUNTY CHAPTER OF THE AMERICAN RED CROSS FOR A SURPLUS COUNTY VEHICLE TO BE USED IN RESPONSE TO SMALL AND LARGE SCALE DISASTERS. SARAH DOW, CHAPTER MANAGER, WILL APPEAR BEFORE COUNCIL TO MAKE THIS REQUEST AND TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS:

Sent to Administration and Finance Committee

CONSIDERATION TO SEND A LETTER TO STATE AND FEDERAL OFFICIALS REQUESTING THAT THEY FULLY CONSIDER THE PROGRESS OF THE CLEAN-UP OF THE SCHLUMBERGER SITE AND THE IMPACT OF THE CLEAN-UP ON PICKENS COUNTY RESIDENTS. AT A RECENT PUBLIC MEETING HELD IN CLEMSON, SOUTH CAROLINA OFFICIALS WITH USEPA STATED THAT CONTAMINANTS FROM THE SCHLUMBERGER SITE WERE STILL BEING RELEASED INTO THE GROUNDWATER. KEN ROPER, COUNTY ATTORNEY, WILL BRIEF COUNCIL ON THIS ISSUE:

Approved.

ADOPTION OF COUNCIL PRIORITIES FOR 2005. COUNTY COUNCIL MET ON JANUARY 15, 2005 TO DEVELOP PRIORITIES FOR 2005. APPROVAL OF THE PRIORITIES THAT WERE DEVELOPED IS RECOMMENDED:

Approved, also for goals to be included.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Approved.

a. Minutes of January 18, 2005

b. Consideration of options to dispose of Construction and Demolition Waste received by Pickens County. The current construction and demolition waste landfill (C&D Landfill) has approximately four years of remaining life. Consideration needs to be given to the construction of a future C&D Landfill or shipping the C&D waste to another landfill for disposal. It is requested that this matter be referred to the Public Service Committee.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Approved.

Appointments to Boards and Commissions

- Accommodations Tax Board. **Approved** for the re-appointment of Dot Yandle and Michael Owens
- Pumpkintown Fire District – **No action**

Personnel issue

ADJOURN:

Council stood adjourned at 9:40 PM.