

MINUTES
LEXINGTON COUNTY COUNCIL
OCTOBER 11, 2005

Lexington County Council held its regular meeting on Tuesday, October 11, 2005 in Council Chambers, beginning at 4:30 p.m. Chairman Cullum presided; Ms. Summers gave the invocation; Mr. Derrick led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members attending: M. Todd Cullum James E. Kinard, Jr.
 William C. Billy Derrick George H. Smokey Davis
 Debra B. Summers Bobby C. Keisler
 Johnny W. Jeffcoat John W. Carrigg, Jr.
 Joseph W. Owens

Also attending: Art Brooks, County Administrator; Larry Porth; Finance Director/Assistant County Administrator; Katherine Doucett, Personnel Director/Assistant County Administrator; John Fechtler, Director of Public Works/Assistant County Administrator; Jeff Anderson, County Attorney; other staff members, citizens of the county and representatives of the media.

In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act, a copy of the agenda was sent to radio and TV stations, newspapers, and posted on the bulletin board located in the lobby of the County Administration Building.

Introduction of New Council Member - Chairman Cullum - Mr. Cullum introduced new Council member, James E. Kinard, Jr. (Jim) who was sworn in prior to today's Committee meetings. He will be representing District 1; Swansea, Gaston, and Pelion.

Employee Recognition - Art Brooks, County Administrator - Mr. Brooks recognized Ronnie Moore, HV/AC Assistant Tech II, Building Services for successfully completing the refrigerant training certification program for refrigerant recovery systems, heavy duty cylindrical, and basic cylinder locks.

The certification for refrigerant training is part of the Building Services program to keep the HV/AC staff compliant with the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) regulations and to protect the environment.

Resolutions - Angela Viney, Guerry K. Taylor, and Veterans of World War II and Vietnam War - A motion was made by Mr. Davis and seconded by Mr. Keisler that the resolutions be adopted.

Mr. Cullum opened the meeting for discussion; no discussion occurred.

In Favor: Mr. Cullum Mr. Davis
 Mr. Keisler Mr. Kinard

Mr. Derrick	Ms. Summers
Mr. Jeffcoat	Mr. Carrigg
Mr. Owens	

Appointments - Library Board - Ms. D. Joanne Clark - Mr. Kinard made a motion, seconded by Mr. Derrick to reappoint Ms. Joanne Clark to the Library Board.

Mr. Cullum opened the meeting for discussion; no discussion occurred.

In Favor:	Mr. Cullum	Mr. Kinard
	Mr. Derrick	Mr. Davis
	Ms. Summers	Mr. Keisler
	Mr. Jeffcoat	Mr. Carrigg
	Mr. Owens	

Accommodations Tax Advisory Board - Mr. Cullum announced the applications for Accommodations funding requests for FY06-07 budget will be mailed out Friday, October 14 and reminded Council that one vacancy remains unfilled in the lodging industry that must be filled. The vacancy is in District 8.

Children's Shelter - Ms. Summers asked for the reason why there are unfilled vacancies on the Children's Shelter and suggested that Council make the public aware of the need. She said it is a very important area and perhaps Council can get some of the County's citizens involved into serving on the Board. She said she would like to see those either reappointed or filled.

Midlands Workforce Development Board - Mr. Davis commented the Midlands Workforce Development Board has submitted several nominations to fill vacancies on that board and said he was prepared to move forward with a motion.

Mr. Derrick stated the list provided by Ms. Austin, Director of the Midlands Workforce Development Board, provides Council an "either/or" choice between two individuals for a certain sector.

Mr. Cullum asked staff to contact Ms. Bonnie Austin to identify for Council a list of those appointees that she would like appointed to the Board.

Regional Transit Authority (RTA) - Mr. Owens asked if any additional appointees could be from the County and offered to serve again, if an appointment can come from Council.

Mr. Cullum stated these are At-Large appointments and indicated he has an appointee to replace Mr. Lowell C. Spires, Jr. and will have the nomination form available for the October 25th meeting.

Mr. Cullum said Council has one representative on the Board and indicated he is currently serving as the Council representative.

Mr. Owens asked if that is our allocation.

Mr. Cullum stated there are a total of six (6) appointees.

Mr. Derrick commented he understands that Mr. Owens is making a point that some are from Council and some are citizen appointees.

Mr. Cullum stated the only person from Council is himself and stated the remaining positions are At-Large positions.

Bids/Purchases/RFPs - Mr. Cullum stated that item #6 (Tab O), Caterpillar Motorgrader Replacement/Sole Source Procurement for Public Works will be postponed until after Executive Session.

Mr. Owens made a motion, seconded by Mr. Kinard that the following bids/purchases/RFPs (J, K, L, M, N, P, Q,) be approved.

Function Three/Four Computer Hardware and Monitor Purchase - Information Services - Staff recommended the purchase of six (6) Dell computers and seven (7) monitors for Information Services. The requested computers and monitors are to replace existing equipment in four (4) County departments. The Dell computers will be purchased directly from the manufacturer, Dell, through State Contract Number 05-S6656-A11104 at a cost of \$6,287.81 including tax.

Quotes were solicited for the purchase of the monitors. Three (3) quotes were received. Staff recommended to purchase the monitors from Software House International as being the lowest responsible bidder. The cost of the monitors including tax is \$1,253.08. Total cost of computers and monitors is \$7,540.89.

T-1 Router Replacement - Information Services - Staff recommended the purchase of one (1) Cisco T-1 router replacement for Information Services. The replacement is necessary because the existing T-1 circuit is periodically maxing out due to the amount of traffic on it. This causes occasional failure of all or part of the particular online tax payment transactions and a lockup of transactions between Voter Registration and the State Election Commission mainframe computer.

The router will be purchased through A-3 Communications under State Contract Number 04-S6261-A10258. The installation will be provided by South Carolina Budget and Control Board as an intergovernmental agreement through Service Agreement Number 08-05-001-LC.

The cost of the Cisco T-1 router replacement including tax is \$4,937.48 and the cost of the installation including tax is \$260.00 for a total project cost of \$5,197.48.

Restoration and Reconstruction of the Leaphart/Harman House - Re-bid 2 - Museum - Bids were advertised and solicited from qualified contractors for the restoration and reconstruction of the Leaphart/Harman House. This 1800 house, which was relocated to the museum grounds in 2004, has received statewide recognition for its architectural and historical importance.

Three (3) bids and one (1) no bid were received. Staff recommended that the award be made to Cannon Associates, Incorporated as being the lowest responsive bidder. Total including tax is \$145,155.00. Funds of \$77,500.00 are available immediately for the project. The Friends of the Lexington County Museum have additional funds allocated for the project and will vote on how much to contribute at their monthly meeting on October 17, 2005. Staff recommended to proceed using the available funds of \$77,500.00 with the following - foundation piers and footing; footing for end chimney; interior chimney; reconstruction of rear porch, steps and rooms, replace exterior siding, boards and trim; installation of new standing seam roof; new gutters and downspouts; insulation underneath and in attic and cost of the performance bond. These items will help deter additional damage to the structure.

Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD) License and Expansion Packs - PS/Homeland Security - Sole Source Procurement - Staff recommended the purchase of one (1) CAD license and two (2) expansion packs for Public Safety/Homeland Security to the sole source provider, CML Emergency Service Integrators (ESI), Incorporated which provides the existing CAD 9-1-1 System for Communications and the Sheriff's Department under County Contract Number P99010-06/09/99H. The license will be installed on the computer for the part-time administrative assistant for County Communications who will input and update response data. Total cost of the CAD license and expansion packs including tax is \$7,490.08. Funding for the license and expansion packs is provided under the Homeland Security grant and requires no matching funds from the County.

15' Wide Bush Hog - Public Works - Staff recommended the purchase of one (1) 15' wide bush hog for Public Works from Greenwood Equipment & Repair through State Contract Number 03-S5826-A9579. Total cost including tax is \$11,033.54.

Fleet Fuel Tanker Replacement - Public Works - Staff recommended the purchase of one (1) new 2006 Sterling 50,000 LB cab and chassis fuel tanker for Public Works from Greenville Sterling Truck through State Contract Number 05-S6667-A11153. The new fuel tanker will replace an existing 1992 Ford fuel tanker. The cost of the fuel tanker is \$101,200 including tax.

Fleet Vehicle Replacements - Sheriff's Department - Staff recommended the purchase of thirty (30) new marked 2006 Chevrolet Impala 4-door patrol sedans and four (4) new unmarked 2006 Chevrolet Impala 4-door patrol sedans for the Sheriff's Department. The Chevrolet Impalas will be purchased from Herndon Chevrolet through State Contract Number 04-S6141-A10125. The Impalas will save on purchase and fuel costs. The vehicles will require emergency equipment and accessories to be installed from the existing vehicles. However, due to different body styles, the Impalas require a different mounting bracket for the light bars. A bid was obtained for the mounting brackets from West Chatham Warning Devices. The installation of the emergency equipment is on County Contract Number C02014-01/10/02B with Light-N-Up.

The cost for each marked Chevrolet Impala Sedan is \$18,484.87 including tax. Cost for each unmarked Chevrolet Impala Sedan is \$16,922.70 including tax. Total cost including tax is \$622,236.90. The cost of emergency equipment and accessories is \$973.08 including tax. The cost for installation of emergency equipment is \$8,160.00. Total cost including tax for thirty-four (34) vehicles \$631,369.98.

Mr. Cullum opened the meeting for discussion.

Mr. Keisler asked if the County had recently replaced a fleet fuel tanker or is this something entirely different.

Mr. Derrick replied this was an item that was discussed during the budget process for Public Works.

Mr. Cullum asked for further discussion.

Mr. Davis asked if the fleet vehicle replacement for the Sheriff's Department is within the department's normal budget.

Sheriff Metts replied, yes.

Mr. Cullum asked for further discussion; none occurred.

In Favor:	Mr. Cullum	Mr. Owens
	Mr. Kinard	Mr. Derrick
	Mr. Davis	Ms. Summers
	Mr. Keisler	Mr. Jeffcoat
	Mr. Carrigg	

Worthless Check Unit - The Honorable Donnie Myers, Eleventh Circuit Solicitor - Mr. Myers stated I'm from the government and I'm here to help you. You can imagine when we go around to merchants and victims in Lexington County and tell them we are from the Solicitor's Office, we are government, we are here not only to help you but get you some money. That's the Worthless Check program.

I appreciate all of your efforts and your cooperation on letting us establish this. We kicked it off in October 2003 and it has exceeded our wildest projections, expectations, estimates and anything else. Since that time we have helped several other counties and solicitors start a program. We just helped Barney Giese kick his off in Richland County, I think he wanted to use us as a "guinea pig" and then he came onboard. Some in the lower part of the state, some in the upper part of the state. But ours has been the model. As you know, we go out to merchants and victims who have received fraudulent checks, they send them to us and it doesn't cost them a dime. We try to get the restitution for the full amount of the check plus \$30.00. That goes to the victims at absolutely no cost to them. And then under the legislation by the General Assembly, fees and assessments, we get \$91.00 which goes into the Lexington County's public funds, or in your Treasury.

We had this thing going from October 2003 and in January of 2004, we were delighted to give you a check for \$11,601.51. We thought we had hit the mother lode and we came over here and gave that check to you, and of course the victims got more than that, and tonight I'm here to say I'm from the government and I'm here to give you some money, which is a bigger surprise. The last time we gave you some money was January of this year. We gave you a check for \$90,088.00. We gave you a check in May for \$90,106.00. I have two checks here for you tonight and it is from our check unit

to be deposited and is made out to Lexington County, both of them, in the amount of \$128,571.29, and I had better sign them before I give them to you. I forgot to do that and if they bounce I know where we can collect them. And when I hand this up to you, it is an attachment that outlines it. We got with Ken Prince, some of my folks spent about a hour or two with him last week, and he was amazed at the bookkeeping and how they had collected everything.

We are celebrating another milestone tonight because as of this month, we have now exceeded the million dollar mark in collecting and disbursing funds in Lexington County. That's why I told you it has exceeded our wildest imaginations. With these checks tonight, in an amount we have deposited in Lexington County totals \$439,562.26. When we make our next disbursement to you at the end of the year, we will have given into Lexington County more than half a million dollars. To victims and merchants in Lexington County we have disbursed \$685,846.96. That is the restitution for the full amount of the check plus the \$30.00 so that total is \$1,125,409.22 and this is being done with three fantastic ladies that run this program and one guy just to handle the computer. It is self-sustaining, it has been one of the best things that we've been associated with. One merchant, that I won't name, just on the \$30.00 fee we have given them over \$30,000.00. So what they were collecting before, trying to collect, they have kind of disbanded their department and just accept the money we give them and let us do the work, but it is well worth it. It has been a tremendous thing. I thank you for your cooperation and I look forward to coming back in December and crossing the half million dollar mark.

Mr. Owens asked, when was the program (Worthless Check Unit) started?

Mr. Myers replied, October 2003.

Mr. Owens replied, good job. Thank you.

Mr. Cullum thanked Mr. Myers for his presentation and the success of the Worthless Check program. He said Council had not anticipated the amount of funds generated through this program and commended Mr. Myers on his hard work and innovative ideas. It is good to know that you have put a program in front that the rest of the State is trying to follow.

Mr. Jeffcoat asked, how much has the Worthless Check Unit collected for the Treasurer's Office on fraudulent checks?

Mr. Myers replied, the Treasurer's Office, they've gotten an outside company, I'm told, to do their checks rather than us. We don't do any. Every other county in the state, every county in the state that we have helped set up programs, they do work for their local county treasurer. But the Treasurer's Office here, I've asked them several times and I'm going to ask them again to let us do their work for them because rather, and I think they have to pay somebody to collect their checks. They don't have to pay for us and every check we collect for them we put \$91.00 into Lexington County.

Mr. Jeffcoat asked that the Treasurer, Mr. Bill Rowell, appear before Council on October 25th to

report on the progress his office is making on collecting fraudulent checks by not using the Worthless Check program and how much is being spent to collect these checks.

Mr. Cullum asked staff to contact Mr. Rowell for a report to Council at the October 25th meeting.

Mr. Keisler thanked Mr. Myers for the success of the program and said he has received several positive comments from merchants.

Mr. Myers replied, I'm not doing it actually, the women in my office are doing it. They told me if I stay away from it, it would be successful. Debby Hester is the Unit Director and she is doing a fantastic job and it just shows you the severity of fraudulent checks in Lexington County and we are just scratching the surface right now.

Mr. Davis congratulated Debby and the Worthless Check team for the excellent job they are doing. He, too, said he has received several positive comments from merchants who are appreciative of the service they are receiving.

Delayed Item- Proposed Building to House South Region - Mr. Jeffcoat commented funding for the proposed South Region is from a grant that is in place and hopefully the County will be receiving an additional grant and is aware there are two possible locations. However, Sheriff Metts has indicated that the location in Pelion would be the best to serve the County and its citizens.

Mr. Jeffcoat made a motion, seconded by Mr. Keisler to approve the proposed South Region building.

Mr. Cullum opened the meeting for discussion.

Mr. Owens stated some of the funds have been spent and \$671,240 is not available.

Mr. Cullum asked staff to come forward to discuss current funding.

Mr. Ron Scott, Director of Community Development, stated those funds are still available. He said other funds were allocated out of the CDBG funding.

Mr. Owens asked if the \$671,240 is still available.

Mr. George Bistany, Community Development Administrator stated only \$4,000 from the CDBG funds were used for the Lloydwood Sewer System; therefore, \$671,240 less the \$4,000 is remaining.

Mr. Owens stated the original bid was for approximately \$800,000 plus for the construction of the building and asked where the additional \$100,000 would come from.

Mr. Derrick replied, it was the architect's budget.

Mr. Owens asked, the architect's budget was \$800,000?

Mr. Art Brooks, County Administrator, replied, it has not been designed yet.

Mr. Cullum stated in order to move forward with the proposed building for South Region it would have to go out for bid.

Mr. Derrick stated the architect would have to do the design prior to moving forward with the bid process.

Mr. Jeffcoat withdrew his motion; Mr. Keisler withdrew his second.

Mr. Jeffcoat made a motion, seconded by Mr. Keisler to allow the architect to move forward with a design for the proposed South Region building at the Pelion Airport.

Mr. Cullum asked if everyone was clear on the motion. He said the motion is send it out to the architect to prepare a set of plans for the building to be bid upon.

Mr. Cullum asked for further discussion.

Mr. Jeffcoat replied, as a footnote, the location will be in Pelion where Sheriff Metts has indicated that it would best serve the citizens of the County.

Mr. Cullum replied, it will be presumed, I would say at this point.

Mr. Jeffcoat replied, no, he said that.

Mr. Cullum replied, I know that's what he said, but what we are voting on now is to send this out to have a plan made. We are not voting on location.

Mr. Jeffcoat asked, do you not have to have a location if you are going to have plans?

Mr. Cullum replied, there is another offer on the table that we have entertained, some acreage that is available to the County and said let's put it in the motion, so we will know.

Mr. Jeffcoat replied, we have paid for land in two places. Paid for land in Gaston and paid for land in Pelion. The professional, Sheriff Metts, who knows how to cover the area security wise, is telling us it is best in Pelion so my motion would be to put the project out for architectural drawings for the Pelion site. Mr. Carrigg seconded the motion.

Mr. Cullum asked if everyone understood the motion.

Mr. Owens stated that he really does not have a problem with it, but the five acres that we have discussed being donated to the County is because they want some police presence there. If we are

to pull the police presence away, he is sure the offer of the free land will go away with it and is concerned the County can lose some acreage that the County could use just because we don't have the police presence there.

Mr. Keisler replied there have been some misunderstandings on this. But, as he understands it from discussions he has had in the past couple of days regarding the property in Gaston that if the County went ahead and did something at the Pelion Airport, it really wasn't that big of a problem. He said they hope if they purchase this property, which they have not purchased as of yet, that they can work with the Sheriff's Department in obtaining a small substation, etc. there and would still be willing to donate the five acres for a fire station, etc. and feels certain that the Sheriff would work with them in anyway he could. However, the County does not have the five acres yet, but if we move forward with this and later the Sheriff decides to put a substation, fire station, etc., they are still willing to offer the five acres.

Mr. Davis replied that he would yield to Sheriff Metts' expertise for the best location.

Mr. Jeffcoat asked that Sheriff Metts be allowed to address Council if he can have a presence in Gaston if he builds in Pelion.

James Metts, Sheriff of Lexington County. To answer your question Mr. Jeffcoat and Mr. Owens, yes, we would still maintain presence in Gaston and we have talked with the owners of that particular piece of property and we have told them about our plans to build a regional training facility and they have offered that property for a regional training facility so we can occupy the property and have presence there.

Mr. Derrick stated he has a couple of concerns about the South Region service center. He said it is probably a good location for the South region, however, there has been some discussion about the airport and how it is going to be utilized and whether some future owner, if not the County, would be interested in having this type of facility there. Second, it is a large facility that has been set up so it could be used primarily by the JET Team along with the regional officers. The JET Team, all expectations are that it is going to be a great thing and we are going to have three or four in the County in the next couple of years, but right now it is still unproven and I have concerns about it.

Mr. Cullum restated the motion for clarification. The motion is to move forward with the proposed South Region building and have the architect draw up plans to be let out for bid.

In Favor:	Mr. Cullum	Mr. Jeffcoat
	Mr. Keisler	Mr. Kinard
	Mr. Davis	Mr. Carrigg
	Mr. Owens	

Opposing:	Mr. Derrick	Ms. Summers
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Chairman's Report - Mr. Cullum reported he and many members of Council spent October 7, 8,

and 9 in Asheville at the Hospital Board of Directors' annual retreat and have been working on several economic development topics throughout the County.

Administrator's Report - No report.

Approval of Minutes - Meeting of September 13, 2005 - A motion was made by Mr. Derrick, seconded by Mr. Owens to approve the minutes of September 13, 2005 as submitted.

Mr. Cullum opened the meeting for discussion; no discussion occurred.

In Favor:	Mr. Cullum	Mr. Derrick
	Mr. Owens	Mr. Kinard
	Mr. Davis	Ms. Summers
	Mr. Keisler	Mr. Jeffcoat
	Mr. Carrigg	

Ordinance - Ordinance 05-06 - Authorizing Lexington County Rural Recreation District to Issue General Obligation Bonds in the Amount Not to Exceed \$17,000,000 and General Obligation Refunding Bonds in an Amount Not to Exceed \$17,000,000 - 3rd and Final Reading - Mr. Kinard made a motion, seconded by Mr. Keisler that Ordinance 05-06 be given third and final reading.

Mr. Cullum opened the meeting for discussion.

Mr. Owens stated when the process was started for the Lexington County Recreation and Aging Commission last year, they asked for the same three mils and they were given a mil and a half. Since that time a lot of things have happened, none of it good. Gas has gone to \$3.00 a gallon, we've got fuel oil and natural gas that is expected to go up 50 percent and probably, what's worse, I find myself in a strange position of buying into what the *State* Newspaper says, this is not needed at this point. That's the first time I have ever agreed with the paper. We also have reassessment that is going to hit people squarely in the pocketbook; it's going to hurt. So we've got a lot of things, for me, to vote in the negative, which I intend to do.

Mr. Davis stated he had several technical questions for staff of the Lexington Recreation and Aging Commission.

Mr. Davis stated in Ordinance 05-06 it discusses the \$7,300,000 that was borrowed in 1997 as being one of the bonds that we are going to pay back and that particular bond has been paid down to \$3,995,000 and to buy those back as prescribed in the bonds, we will pay a 102% premium.

Ms. Frannie Heizer, Bond Attorney, replied, yes sir.

Mr. Davis commented, now that is very clear in the document, but what's not clear is the \$9,900,000 that was borrowed in 1999; it talks about several maturities will be refunded but it does not give an

exact amount. Is that because of the interest rate review and what is the amount you anticipate paying back?

Ms. Heizer replied, we have financial advisors here with the numbers. The refunding of the 1999 bonds is a partial refunding, which means that we would not take all of the outstanding maturities and refund those.

Mr. Davis replied, but the word partial is not the exact number I'm looking for.

Mr. John Swift, Merchant Capital. The exact amount is \$10,480,000, would be the part amount of the bonds.

Mr. Davis replied, say that one more time.

Mr. Swift replied, \$10,480,000.

Mr. Davis replied, that would be the amount refunded.

Mr. Swift replied, yes sir.

Mr. Davis replied, total of the 1997 and 1999.

Mr. Swift replied, right. The total amount of bonds required.

Mr. Davis replied, you have broken it down in the document concerning the 1997, if that's \$39,000,000, I guess the other must be around \$6,000,000 of the \$9,000,000.

Mr. Swift replied, the 1997 is \$4,145,000, then the \$10,480,000 and then there is a small piece of \$4,145,000 that has a final maturity of 2010.

Mr. Davis replied, I'm real sorry, I'm not following you, please give it to me one more time.

Mr. Swift replied, the total amount of the \$32,060,000 would include the new money portion and the two series would be the \$10,480,000 and the \$4,145,000.

Mr. Davis asked, can you then tell me what the total debt of the Recreation Commission would be at the end of the procedure?

Mr. Swift asked, the total amount of the bonds?

Mr. Davis replied, you can give me the total now and then the total then, if you can, based on what would be paid back.

Mr. Swift asked, including new money or just the refunding piece?

Mr. Davis replied, including all the debts that they are asking for.

Mr. Swift replied, the \$32,060,000 for a total debt service of \$44,750,000.

Mr. Cullum asked, how much?

Mr. Swift replied, \$44,750,000 that includes interest. That would be the principal and interest.

Mr. Cullum asked, over what timeframe?

Mr. Swift replied, the final maturity is 2022.

Mr. Davis replied, Chairman and other Council members, I feel so strongly about what the Recreation Commission does for our community and the young people and the old people and everybody in between that facilitates themselves to the facilities and the coaches and the volunteers. I feel great about what they do, but I'm just scared of this amount of debt being laid on the citizens and if our discussion continues, which I hope it will, and if I'm persuaded to vote for it, I want every one of the individuals involved with the Recreation Commission to know this is the last time I'll ever vote for additional capital expenditures for a long, long time and I'll probably be voted out of office for voting for it, if I do, but it is an excruciating amount of debt.

Mr. Swift replied, I might point out that part of the debt is outstanding at the present time and the only reason for including it is because it saves close to half a million dollars, which at one time when we started out on this journey you saved close to \$800,000.

Mr. Davis replied, right. I know our delay has cost money as rates have changed. I also know they are going to take that savings and spend it instead of saving it.

Mr. Cullum asked, what is the cost again for the refinancing? What is the cost savings?

Mr. Swift replied, it's close to half a million.

Mr. Cullum replied, \$500,000 savings. With the current debt or with the additional that is added?

Mr. Swift replied, that is the amount that we are refunding so it is taking the old debt and refunding it. If you refund it, it will save approximately half a million.

Mr. Cullum replied, if we do nothing, we are going to spend half a million dollars more?

Mr. Swift replied, exactly in interest.

Mr. Cullum replied, I see equally where you are Mr. Davis, too, but I can't count the times and I think no department or elected official is exempt from standing at that very podium telling me about the growth of this County and how things are stretched so thin and the services that are required and

we've got to do this because of growth, growth, growth and all the problems that come before this body that we hear about from phone calls and formal presentations. Somehow when it comes the time where the youth of this County, of which I am a product of, of recreation use, I don't know if that's a good thing or bad thing. I am here before you today as your chairman, but there is an investment to be made for those people too. We've got \$16,000,000 or \$18,000,000; I don't even know what the figure is, I didn't have the opportunity to vote on it at that time in a structure that sits across from the one we are in now, our new courthouse. It is a 50 year or 30 year building and it has filled up almost. Matter of fact, it is probably filled up within 10 percent of use. But, I can go to recreation fields in this County and 600 kids are involved in one program at one field in April of one year and over the summer, lo and behold there are 900 kids involved in that same program. I'm not trying to play on your sympathy. I'm just giving you black and white facts.

I have the pleasure of representing an area that sent a ball team to another state to play in the World Series. A lot of people in this state really wished they had the opportunity to say, they had a community, that had a program that they could send their team to play in the World Series and Lexington has been fortunate that it has had numerous teams. These children and seniors alike have a quality of life that which we are building. Every decision we make, whether it be roads or South Region Sheriff's offices to serve the public, it is a quality of life issue and recreation is part of that circle; the quality of life. It's a lot of money, I agree. I agree with you wholeheartedly and when I look at it, it puts a lump in my throat, too; \$16,000,000 what it costs. We spend a lot of other money, too in this County for doing other things that affects much smaller percentage of the population than the percentage of population that this will go out and, again, I think that we have been able to derive that approximately \$6.00 on per \$100,000 of value of a home in this County is what you are going to get in increased value for recreation and new parks. And let's not forget there is a rising senior population in our County and these parks are not just soccer fields, they are not just baseball diamonds, they treat the entire population. With that being said, I do understand what you are saying and I do take it seriously, but that's how I feel about this.

Mr. Kinard replied, I'm not one that would normally vote for a tax increase for anything to be honest with you, but I look at this as an investment of our future; I really do. We are talking about \$6.00 on a \$100,000 house. Folks, these are our kids. I'm not one to vote for taxes on any other purpose, probably ever, when I'm in my future here, but I think this is a worthwhile cause, I really do.

Mr. Derrick replied, I find myself in the position probably being pretty much alone in this particular issue too, but I had made the conscientious decision after having dealt with the Recreation Board. I think it is inappropriate that the Recreation Board be appointed by our Legislative Delegation and then that same board has to make recommendations to this body for tax purposes. I made myself a promise several years ago that I wouldn't vote for anymore tax increases for that board until it became "really" Home Rule so that board, as our appointees being appointed to that board making recommendations to us. Our delegation has kind of gone hands-off on this whole particular issue, most of them, and we are going to vote apparently for a tax increase here tonight and our legislators are going to come back and tell our constituents how bad we did in keeping property taxes low. So, that's where I'm going to stand on this issue and whenever the delegation sees fit to make it truly a Home Rule body, then I'll base my decisions on the usage and the merit rather than other things.

Mr. Cullum asked if there were further discussions or comments.

Mr. Jeffcoat asked that he be allowed to make a statement after the vote is taken and stated, I'm not going to say anything now because I don't want to influence you one way or the other and that is what I have told Jay (Jay Criscione, Director of the Lexington Recreation Commission). I was not going to get in the way here but would like to make a statement after the vote is taken, if you would allow me.

Mr. Cullum commented, I am glad Mr. Derrick you brought that up and I do want to state publicly as it slipped my mind. In speaking to the delegation issue, I do want go out publicly and tell you for the press that is here or anybody else for that matter who is attending today that we did have two members of our delegation that did provide in writing their support of the Recreation Commission bond issue; Senator Jake Knotts and House Representative Ken Clark. Also let it be noted, too, that although maybe they don't have the responsibility for the tax increases that we may place upon the residents of this date and time, but, they also can be reminded, too, that when people are very pleased with the quality of life they have here and they can smile, I can tell you they can't look very close at that delegation to understand they are getting the support that they should be getting. I will say that. I think it is well known that this Council, this body, provides the funding and the very reason that we have any facilities we have in place right now is because of the funding that is available that we provide through our standing up and taking responsibility in voting.

Mr. Cullum asked if there were additional comments or questions.

Mr. Owens replied, absolutely. I think if hypocrisy reins supreme here, these people who will stand up from our delegation and say "they've never raised taxes in 15, 17, or 10 years" but they don't have any problem at all writing letters of support for us to raise taxes and if you commend them, more power to you. But, I see that being as hypocritical as anything I have ever dealt with.

Mr. Cullum replied, they stood up publicly and said it.

Mr. Owens replied, and they stood up publicly and said I haven't raised taxes in ten years, five years, seven years, whatever length of time they have been in delegation so, easy for them to do.

Ms. Summers replied, I hope that everyone at least here tonight realizes what a very difficult decision this is. I really appreciate the voice of all of the Councilmen because I learn something every time one of them is willing to be so bold as to voice their opinion. I want to go on record as saying that I have gotten so many letters and calls and just candid conversations out in the community of nothing but support and those people who have the children are those senior adults who use the facilities. It is their quality of life that is affected and they don't mind telling you that it is what they want and it is what they need. There are citizens out there who it affects in a financial way that isn't good and for that I'm very torn. But, I have to know that better facilities improve property values for everyone and makes their quality of life better, hopefully makes Sheriff Metts job a little bit easier because kids are doing good healthy things and not out on the streets and I mean it's just all encompassing as far it effects. It is a very difficult decision. Everyone up here has made valid points. Thank you.

Mr. Keisler replied, I am in support of it in District 5, which is Red Bank and Ballpark Road. Ballpark Road is probably about one of the worst ballfields I have been to. I'm sorry if I offend anybody. In Red Bank we are fortunate and Council is very good of helping me to get a recreation park and the property. If we are going to get the park, we need the money to put something out there and the people in Red Bank are very supportive of me in doing this and like the Chairman said, we can go out and spend \$10 - \$15,000,000 on other projects that our children and grandchildren won't ever get a chance to enjoy. I'm supporting it.

Mr. Cullum asked for further discussion; none occurred.

In Favor:	Mr. Cullum	Mr. Kinard
	Mr. Keisler	Mr. Davis
	Ms. Summers	Mr. Carrigg

Opposing:	Mr. Derrick	Mr. Jeffcoat
	Mr. Owens	

Mr. Cullum recognized Mr. Jeffcoat who had asked to be allowed to make a comment following the vote.

Mr. Jeffcoat stated, I agree with what has been said tonight about the children and the youth of our County. I think recreation is a lot more important than building jails. I think building ballparks are a lot more important. I have a little problem in that we have two recreation commissions in this County. One on this side, I was told by one individual that is in the legislature, that this is a definite investment in the youth of our County; this bond we just voted on tonight. On the other side, we have a similar situation, we have a referendum that is going to be held in November for \$23,000,000 on the other side and that's from the same person who tells me that is totally irresponsible to be spending money like that on the youth. I don't know if he said the youth or not, but it is totally irresponsible for the Irmo-Chapin Recreation Commission for them to have a \$23,000,000 request. I committed to Jay that I would not do anything to stop it, I would not lobby against him, I would not do any of that on this side at all. I would not be the fifth vote to pass it. I thought it was the responsibility of the people on this side. This is the first time I have ever done that and the reason is because I feel like it is an investment for the Chapin and Irmo people/youth also. And I think it is just as responsible over there as it is over here and quite honestly, I am a little bit offended by that and I think that the people in Irmo-Chapin are little bit offended by that, those people that are involved in the Recreation Commission and all of the activities. So not to offend any of my fellow council people here tonight, but I want you to understand why I took the position I took.

Mr. Carrigg commented, it is a lot of money and I live outside of the Lexington recreation district; I did vote for it. But, the reason I voted for it is because I had told Jay that I would not be the fifth vote to carry it either. I do not feel it is my place as someone who did not live in that district to be the single vote to carry a majority in that district, but that if the other council members in their wisdom and their contacts and their decision regarding that area did have a majority, and they did, that I would support it as well. I would hope that when the Irmo-Chapin Recreation Commission

does need something or does something, or want something that you show us the same courtesy as we have shown you. I know Johnny voted his conscience on it, but that to me is as good as what I did, which is I really didn't carry today, my vote really didn't make a difference one way or another and that is really how it should be.

Mr. Cullum replied that he wanted to address both comments from both of the council members who do represent an area of our County that have a special tax purpose district recreation. I hope that no one in your area is offended, Johnny, as I do believe there are some members on this same Council that have supported some initiatives for that area. I distinctively remember myself voting the last time we were asked to support the Irmo-Chapin Recreation district, I did vote in the affirmative and I respect your feelings in that and that is quite alright. We all have reasons why we vote yea or nay. Mr. Carrigg, thank you, too for your support, however, if anyone is feeling offended there, I am sure they are welcomed that they can join the entire County recreation district. I don't know how it would go about of disbanding Irmo-Chapin but we could all be one big happy family if that is the desires of that area, and I am sure it would have to be done through referendum or whatever that would be required legally. For that being said, I will let you know this chairman has supported the Irmo-Chapin Recreation district.

Mr. Owens replied, I too support the referendum for the Irmo-Chapin District. They are going to have another referendum real soon and I'm not a betting man, but I'll bet you that one fails miserably and if this one had been put to a referendum, it too, would have failed. So once that happens, either I will be right or wrong.

Ordinance 05-07 - Amend the Agreement for Development of Joint County Industrial Park Between Lexington County and Calhoun County - The Electric Controller and Manufacturing Company, LLC - 3rd and Final Reading - Mr. Jeffcoat made a motion, seconded by Mr. Derrick that Ordinance 05-07 be given third and final reading.

Mr. Cullum opened the meeting for discussion; no discussion occurred.

In Favor:	Mr. Cullum	Mr. Jeffcoat
	Mr. Derrick	Mr. Kinard
	Mr. Davis	Ms. Summers
	Mr. Keisler	Mr. Carrigg
	Mr. Owens	

Ordinance 05-09 - Approving the Conveyance of Real Estate (approximately 8 acres) to the Lexington County Recreation and Aging Commission in Exchange of Real Estate (approximately 2 acres) from the Lexington Recreation and Aging Commission to the County of Lexington - 2nd Reading - Mr. Keisler made a motion, seconded by Mr. Owens that Ordinance 05-09 be given second reading.

Mr. Cullum opened the meeting for discussion.

Mr. Derrick stated he was in favor of moving forward with second reading of Ordinance 05-09 at the October 25th meeting but would like to delay second reading tonight until Mr. Brooks has taken care of a procedural matter with South Congaree.

Mr. Cullum commented the Planning and Administration Committee voted in favor to report out to full Council a recommendation that will take care of the procedural matter with South Congaree.

Mr. Cullum asked for further discussion; none occurred.

In Favor: Mr. Cullum Mr. Keisler
 Mr. Owens Mr. Kinard
 Mr. Derrick Mr. Davis
 Ms. Summers Mr. Jeffcoat
 Mr. Carrigg

Ordinance 05-10 - Authorizing the Execution and Delivery of a First Amendment to the Fee Agreement Between Lexington County and SCE&G - 2nd Reading - Mr. Jeffcoat made a motion, seconded by Mr. Keisler that Ordinance 05-10 be given second reading.

Mr. Cullum opened the meeting for discussion; no discussion occurred.

In Favor: Mr. Cullum Mr. Jeffcoat
 Mr. Keisler Mr. Kinard
 Mr. Derrick Mr. Davis
 Ms. Summers Mr. Carrigg
 Mr. Owens

Ordinance 05-11 - Amend the Multi-County Industrial Park with Calhoun County to add Property - 2nd Reading - Mr. Jeffcoat made a motion, seconded by Mr. Keisler that Ordinance 05-11 be given second reading.

Mr. Cullum opened the meeting for discussion; no discussion occurred.

In Favor: Mr. Cullum Mr. Jeffcoat
 Mr. Keisler Mr. Kinard
 Mr. Derrick Mr. Davis
 Ms. Summers Mr. Carrigg
 Mr. Owens

Ordinance 05-12 - Approving the Amendment to, and Assignment of Certain Interests of Honeywell Nylon LLC in, the FILOT Lease Agreement, Inducement Agreement and Millage Rate Agreement, and Memorandum of Lease Agreement - 2nd Reading - Mr. Jeffcoat made a motion, seconded by Mr. Derrick that Ordinance 05-12 be given seconded reading.

Mr. Cullum opened the meeting for discussion; no discussion occurred.

In Favor:	Mr. Cullum	Mr. Jeffcoat
	Mr. Derrick	Mr. Kinard
	Mr. Davis	Ms. Summers
	Mr. Keisler	Mr. Carrigg
	Mr. Owens	

Committee Reports - Planning & Administration, J. Owens, Chairman - Zoning Map Amendment M05-07 - 2nd Reading - Mr. Owens stated the Planning and Administration Committee convened on Tuesday, September 27, 2005 to discuss Zoning Map Amendment M05-07. The applicant, Donovan Harrison, requested that 2261 North Lake Drive (TMS# 2696-02-006) be reclassified from Neighborhood Commercial (C1) to General Commercial (C2).

Mr. Donovan indicated on the submitted application that “we are going to cook barbeque on a charcoal cooker and need to construct a building to house the cooker under DHEC regulations. Currently zoning will not allow expansion of activity since it is not allowed in C1 zoning.”

A public hearing was held on August 23, 2005, at which time no one spoke in opposition to the request.

The Planning Commission considered the application on September 15, 2005 and voted unanimously to recommend that the request be approved.

It is the recommendation of the Planning and Administration Committee that Council proceed with second reading of Zoning Map Amendment M05-07.

Mr. Owens made a motion, seconded by Mr. Keisler that Zoning Map Amendment M05-07 be given second reading.

Mr. Cullum opened the meeting for discussion; no discussion occurred.

In Favor:	Mr. Cullum	Mr. Owens
	Mr. Keisler	Mr. Kinard
	Mr. Derrick	Mr. Davis
	Ms. Summers	Mr. Jeffcoat
	Mr. Carrigg	

Special Exception Request to House the South Congaree Library - Mr. Owens reported that his committee met during the afternoon to discuss a special exception request application that is required by the Town of South Congaree to rezone the property on Sunset Street that is planned for the new South Congaree library from R-1 to commercial.

Mr. Owens made a motion, seconded by Mr. Keisler that the Chairman be authorized to execute the special exception request application that is required by the Town of South Congaree for the South Congaree library.

Mr. Cullum opened the meeting for discussion; no discussion occurred.

In Favor:	Mr. Cullum	Mr. Owens
	Mr. Keisler	Mr. Kinard
	Mr. Derrick	Mr. Davis
	Ms. Summers	Mr. Jeffcoat
	Mr. Carrigg	

Justice, S. Davis, Chairman - Code Enforcement Officers - Animal Control - Mr. Davis reported that during the afternoon meeting, his committee met to discuss a request by Mr. Joe Mergo, III, Director of Animal Services for five (5) additional Animal Service Code Enforcement Officers. Currently there are two Animal Service Code Enforcement Officers, Joe Mergo, III and John McGee. The additional Code Enforcement Officers are: Chris Folsom, Johnny Blackman, James Hill, Doug Reed, and Dave Dewey, for a total of seven. In addition, the committee recommended eliminating all previous commissioned Code Enforcement Officers with the exception of Joe Mergo, III and John McGee.

Mr. Davis made a motion, seconded by Mr. Owens to approve staff's request.

Mr. Cullum opened the meeting for discussion; no discussion occurred.

In Favor:	Mr. Cullum	Mr. Davis
	Mr. Owens	Mr. Kinard
	Mr. Derrick	Ms. Summers
	Mr. Keisler	Mr. Jeffcoat
	Mr. Carrigg	

Reorganization and Reclassification - Sheriff's Department - Mr. Davis reported during the afternoon Justice Committee meeting, Sheriff Metts made a presentation regarding reorganization and reclassification in the Sheriff's Department that he would be implementing of which he has full authority.

Mr. Derrick asked that Council move forward with a vote since this is a classification and compensation issue.

Mr. Derrick made a motion, seconded by Mr. Owens to approve the reorganization and reclassification that Sheriff Metts will be implementing in the Sheriff's Department.

Mr. Cullum opened the meeting for discussion.

Mr. Davis asked, since the Sheriff does have full authority over the Sheriff's Department, why would Council need to approve the reorganization and reclassification but would pose that question to Council at a later time.

Mr. Cullum asked for further discussion; none occurred.

In Favor:	Mr. Cullum	Mr. Derrick
	Mr. Owens	Mr. Kinard
	Mr. Davis	Ms. Summers
	Mr. Keisler	Mr. Jeffcoat
	Mr. Carrigg	

A BAR was distributed in the amount of \$19,512 for the transfer of funds for the reorganization and reclassification in the Sheriff's Department.

Economic Development, J. Jeffcoat, Chairman - Walter P. Rawl & Sons, Inc. - Fire Hydrants

- Mr. Jeffcoat stated members of the Economic Development Committee convened on Tuesday, September 27, 2005 to discuss the possibility of assisting Walter P. Rawl & Sons, Inc. with costs associated with the installation of two (2) fire hydrants at 824 Fairview Road, Pelion, South Carolina 29123.

Mr. Ashley Rawl, Director of Sales, said Walter P. Rawl & Sons, Inc. is a major grower and packer of fresh vegetables that was started over 75 years ago by Ernestine and Walter P. Rawl. He said the company will be constructing a 78,000 square foot building that will be used for the processing and warehousing of fresh vegetables and will require the additional hydrants as part of the expansion process. The expansion will result in 25 new jobs.

Mr. Rawl submitted a proposal of \$24,475 for materials only from Fitts & Goodwin, a general contractor. The proposal includes the following materials:

<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Item</u>	<u>Material Cost</u>
1,260 LF	8" PVC C900 Pipe	\$10,458
1 EA	Backflow Preventer	2,675
1 EA	Backflow Preventer Pit	6,000
2 EA	Mueller 5 1/4 Hydrant	2,210
LS	Fittings	1,882
LS	Concrete	750
1 Set	Hydrant Protection	500
	TOTAL COST	\$24,475

The Committee voted to recommend that full Council approve the material cost of \$24,475 proposed by Fitts & Goodwin for the installation of two (2) fire hydrants at Walter P. Rawl & Sons, Inc. Funding will be provided from the Economic Development account.

Mr. Jeffcoat made a motion, seconded by Mr. Davis to approve \$24,475 for materials only proposed by Fitts & Goodwin for the installation of two fire hydrants at Walter P. Rawl & Sons, Inc.

Mr. Cullum opened the meeting for discussion; no discussion occurred.

In Favor:	Mr. Cullum	Mr. Jeffcoat
	Mr. Davis	Mr. Kinard
	Mr. Derrick	Ms. Summers
	Mr. Keisler	Mr. Carrigg
	Mr. Owens	

Contract for Purchase of Property - Mr. Jeffcoat reported during the afternoon meeting, his committee discussed a contract to purchase 28.82 acres from the Dreher family for Economic Development purposes and to authorize the Chairman to execute the contract documents.

Mr. Jeffcoat made a motion, seconded by Mr. Owens to approve the contract to purchase 28.82 acres from the Dreher family and authorize the Chairman to execute the contract documents.

Mr. Cullum opened the meeting for discussion.

Mr. Davis stated that the funds for the 28.82 acres is part of a grant from the County's local co-op.

In Favor:	Mr. Cullum	Mr. Jeffcoat
	Mr. Owens	Mr. Kinard
	Mr. Derrick	Mr. Davis
	Ms. Summers	Mr. Keisler
	Mr. Carrigg	

Memorandum of Agreement - Economic Development - Mr. Jeffcoat reported during the afternoon Economic Development committee meeting, his committee discussed a memorandum of agreement between Newberry County and Lexington County to establish a multi-county industrial park.

Mr. Jeffcoat made a motion, seconded by Mr. Owens to adopt the Memorandum of Agreement, authorize the Chairman to properly execute the agreement, and authorize \$5,000 for legal expenses.

Mr. Cullum opened the meeting for discussion.

Mr. Davis commented that he is totally in agreement with the \$5,000 expenditure but under Item 6, "each County shall contribute additional funds as needed based on a recommendation by the Committee."

Mr. Jeffcoat interjected, those would have to be approved by the Councils.

Mr. Davis replied, they would? Good, I feel comfortable with that.

In Favor: Mr. Cullum Mr. Jeffcoat
 Mr. Owens Mr. Kinard
 Mr. Derrick Mr. Davis
 Ms. Summers Mr. Keisler
 Mr. Carrigg

Committee of the Whole, T. Cullum, Chairman - Ordinance 05-02-B - An Ordinance Adopting a Supplemental Appropriation for Fiscal Year 2004-05 - 3rd and Final Reading - Mr. Cullum stated the Committee of the Whole met during the afternoon to discuss Ordinance 05-02-B which is a \$2,000,000 appropriation for certain building and space needs for the relocation and additions to the libraries.

Mr. Jeffcoat made a motion, seconded by Mr. Keisler that Ordinance 05-02-B be given third and final reading.

Mr. Cullum opened the meeting for discussion; no discussion occurred.

In Favor: Mr. Cullum Mr. Jeffcoat
 Mr. Keisler Mr. Kinard
 Mr. Derrick Mr. Davis
 Ms. Summers Mr. Carrigg
 Mr. Owens

Budget Amendment Resolutions - The following BARs were distributed and signed:

An appropriation transfer in the amount of \$24,475 to provide the materials for the installation of two fire hydrants at Walter P. Rawl and Sons, Inc.

A supplemental appropriation decrease in the amount of \$3,781 to reduce appropriations down to actual amount awarded by DHEC for Emergency Medical Services.

A supplemental appropriation increase in the amount of \$20,500 to appropriate funds from the Lexington County Historical Society for the restoration of the Leaphart/Harman house.

Old/New Business - Renaming of the Judicial Center - Mr. Jeffcoat stated Lexington County recently lost a real friend with the passing of The Honorable Marc H. Westbrook, Judge of the Eleventh Judicial Circuit.

Mr. Jeffcoat made a motion, seconded by Mr. Carrigg to rename the Judicial Center to the Lexington County Marc H. Westbrook Judicial Center.

Mr. Cullum opened the meeting for discussion.

Mr. Owens commented that he would like to have Judge Westbrook's name first; Marc H. Westbrook Lexington County Judicial Center.

Mr. Jeffcoat amended his motion, seconded by Mr. Carrigg to rename the Judicial Center to the Marc H. Westbrook Lexington County Judicial Center.

Mr. Davis stated the renaming of the Judicial Center was an excellent motion, but would like to see what the County's policy has been concerning naming of buildings.

A motion was made by Mr. Davis and seconded by Mr. Derrick to table the motion.

Vote on motion to table:

In Favor:	Mr. Cullum	Mr. Davis
	Mr. Derrick	Mr. Kinard
	Ms. Summers	Mr. Keisler

Opposing:	Mr. Jeffcoat	Mr. Carrigg
	Mr. Owens	

Executive Session/Legal Briefing - A motion was made by Mr. Derrick and seconded by Mr. Davis that Council go into executive session to discuss contractual and personnel matters and receive the legal briefing.

In Favor:	Mr. Cullum	Mr. Derrick
	Mr. Davis	Mr. Kinard
	Ms. Summers	Mr. Keisler
	Mr. Jeffcoat	Mr. Carrigg
	Mr. Owens	

Mr. Cullum reconvened the meeting in open session.

Matters Requiring a Vote as a Result of Executive Session - Chairman Cullum reported Council received the legal briefing and discussed personnel and contractual matters and reported no motions were to be considered.

Caterpillar Motorgrader Replacement/Sole Source Procurement - Public Works - Mr. Derrick made a motion, seconded by Mr. Keisler to approve staff's recommendation for the purchase of one (1) New Caterpillar 12H Motorgrader with buy back and warranty for Public Works through the sole source provider, Blanchard Machinery Company. This has been deemed a sole source as they are the only factory authorized dealer for South Carolina. The new caterpillar will replace an existing 1998 motorgrader which has exceeded the hours that would require being re-built.

The cost of the motorgrader including tax is \$179,130.00. Blanchard Machinery Company has agreed to buy back this equipment for \$78,000.00 in ten (10) years.

Mr. Cullum opened the meeting for discussion; no discussion occurred.

In Favor:	Mr. Cullum	Mr. Derrick
	Mr. Keisler	Mr. Kinard
	Mr. Davis	Ms. Summers
	Mr. Jeffcoat	Mr. Carrigg
	Mr. Owens	

Clerk of Court - A motion was made by Mr. Jeffcoat, seconded by Mr. Derrick that the Clerk of Court's budget be restored.

Mr. Cullum opened the meeting for discussion.

Mr. Jeffcoat commented that Council is glad that the bank services issue has been resolved.

In Favor:	Mr. Cullum	Mr. Jeffcoat
	Mr. Derrick	Mr. Kinard
	Mr. Davis	Ms. Summers
	Mr. Keisler	Mr. Owens

Abstaining: Mr. Carrigg*

* Mr. Carrigg abstained as his wife is the Clerk of Court.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Diana W. Burnett
Clerk

M. Todd Cullum
Chairman