

ANDERSON COUNTY COUNCIL
ANDERSON, SOUTH CAROLINA

Regular Meeting - April 7, 1987 - 4:30 p.m.
Linda N. Gilstrap, Clerk

M I N U T E S

A MEETING OF THE ANDERSON COUNTY COUNCIL WAS HELD ON APRIL 7, 1987 AT 4:30 P.M. IN THE ANDERSON COUNTY COUNCIL CHAMBERS - ROOM 109. CHAIRMAN JAMES M. "JIMMY" COX, JR. PRESIDED.

PRESENT

Chairman Jimmy Cox, District #1
David L. Hooper, District #2
Robert L. Wiles, District #3
Ernie Garrison, District #4
J. Mike Holden, District #5
David Watson, Administrator
Mike Mullinax, County Attorney
Jack Crowe, Purchasing Manager
Linda N. Gilstrap, Clerk

Mr. Cox called the meeting to order and Mr. David Watson gave the invocation. Everyone stood and pledged allegiance to the flag.

On the motion of Mr. Hooper, seconded by Mr. Wiles, Council voted unanimously to approve the March 17, 1987 minutes as mailed.

The Civic Center discussion was moved up on agenda with no objections.

Mr. Rusty Burns presented a request, on behalf of the Civic Center Authority, to issue \$10,000,000 General Obligation Bonds to construct a civic center for Anderson County. He also informed Council that the Executive Committee of the Courthouse Study Committee, is to report to the full committee to ask of the possibility of a criminal justice facility be included in the master plan for the county property. Council discussed both requests. Mr. Cox moved that the Civic Center bond be received as information, because of the large expenditures facing the County at this time, and would request that all figures are in hand before a final decision is made. Mr. Garrison seconded the motion. The Courthouse Committee will go right to work on the Courthouse cost projects. Vote was 5-0.

Mr. Hooper presented second reading of Ordinance #221, an ordinance to establish a commission to study traffic safety problems and to develop a plan to solve these problems and to seek funds to develop and implement this plan. Council discussed the ordinance. Mr. Gilreath reported on the implementation and the ordinance. Mr. Hooper moved that the ordinance be approved as presented on second reading. Mr. Wiles seconded. Mr. Mullinax stated he would recommend changes to the ordinance prior to third reading. Mr. Wiles called for the question. Vote was three in favor (Wiles, Hooper, Holden) and two (2) opposed. (Cox, Garrison).

Mr. J.R. McClure was asked to present a request from Mr. "Bull" Thompson. Mr. McClure stated that there was an old road bed deeded back to the County by the Highway Department. It is approximately 894' long and 73' off of Highway 24. The road is no longer being used by anyone. The surrounding property owners are Mr. Leonard Cheek, Mr. William Thompson and Mr. Harry Major. They will do all the advertising to close the road; therefore, Mr. McClure recommended that the County deed this road back to them. Mr. Holden asked that it be postponed until he can look at it. Mr. Cox moved that the Council receive as information to allow Mr. Holden to check the request out. Mr. Garrison seconded and vote was 5-0.

Mr. Burns presented a proposed road maintenance policy for first reading (ordinance #223) approval. Council discussed sections of the ordinance and certain needed changes. Mr. Cox moved to accept the ordinance as information to allow time for changes. Mr. Hooper seconded and vote was 5-0.

Mr. Burns presented Resolution #388 asking that certain roads without names be named for the implementation of E911. Mr. Hooper moved that the Resolution (#388) be approved and Mr. Cox seconded. Vote was 5-0.

Mr. Burns told Council about a request from a Boy Scout Troop for renovation of a facility on Broadway School Road which is an old school building presently owned by Anderson County. Mr. Steve McKinley, making the request, stated that the house has three acres of land with a chain link fence. They are presently working to make a scouting center for Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Brownies and Cub Scouts. The cost to restore the building would be approximately \$8,000. The facility has been deeded to the community. Mr. Cox moved to direct the County Administrator to include consideration of this project in the up-coming budget and report back with funding and source. Mr. Hooper seconded and vote was 5-0.

Council heard from Mr. Ben Bleckley on the Hospital. Mr. Watson was asked to check on Boards and Commissions making monthly reports to Council. Mr. Wiles moved to reappoint Mr. Tom Dudley, Mr. Roy H. Herron and Mr. Donnie Ray Cooley to the Planning & Development Board for another four year term. These terms will expire May, 1991. Mr. Hooper seconded and vote was 5-0.

Mr. Garrison appointed W. Roy Ellison of 409 Taylor Street to the Broadway Lake Commission. He will replace Mr. Thackston who resigned. Mr. Hooper seconded and vote was 5-0.

Mr. Mullinax presented Ordinance #225 amending Ordinance #125 changing the Broadway Lake Commission from 5 members to 7 members for Council's consideration on first reading. Mr. Hooper moved that the ordinance be approved on first reading. Mr. Wiles seconded and vote was 5-0.

Mr. Mullinax presented second reading of Ordinance #222 amending the cable TV franchise for Anderson Cable TV Company. Third reading would be pending a recommendation from the Planning & Development Board. Mr. Wiles moved that the ordinance be approved and Mr. Holden seconded. Vote was 5-0.

Mr. Mullinax presented a settlement of franchise fees by Westpel Cable TV. Westpel has agreed to pay \$20,000 for delinquent payment of franchise fees as stipulated in the agreement. Mr. Crowe recommended that the Council accept this offer. Mr. Cox moved that the compromise be accepted and Mr. Hooper seconded vote was 5-0.

The agenda was amended to hear from Mr. Holden without any objections.

Mr. Holden presented Resolution #389 declaring April 11-18 as National Community Development Week in Anderson County. He then moved that the resolution be approved and Mr. Cox seconded. Vote was 5-0.

Mr. Garrison reminded everyone of April 11 being Clean Up Anderson Day.

Mr. Hooper said that he will recognize Ms. Margaret Herron at the next meeting for receiving the Jefferson Award.

Mr. Watson presented the road maintenance and financial reports for Council's information.

Mr. Watson explained roads in Colony Estates Mobile Home Park and asked for formal action to abandon these roads to Colony Estates Mobile Home Park. Mr. Mullinax said that a public hearing must be advertised and held before action could be made. The Clerk was asked to advertise for the public hearing.

Mr. David Crenshaw asked for permission to purchase one cab & chassis, 10,500 GWV and one auto carrier body, 17'. This will make a skid wrecker for the department's use. Monies in the automobile budget are sufficient to cover the cost of the unit if no other automobiles are ordered. The Council approved the purchase of 14 new automobiles they only purchased 12 and would like to use the money left over for the other 2 for the purchase of this wrecker. Mr. Wiles moved that the Council receive as information at this time. Mr. Hooper seconded. Vote was 5-0. This will be looked at in the budget.

Mr. Crowe asked for permission to demolish two burned houses. One is on Fairhaven and one on Boston Street. The low bid is from G & S Services for \$2,000. Mr. Holden moved that the request be approved and Mr. Wiles seconded. Vote was 5-0.

Mr. Crowe asked for approval to purchase a air conditioner (condensing unit) for the Anderson County Courthouse from D & M Services at \$4,253.00. This will come from the current budget with no additional funding needed. Mr. Wiles moved to approve the request and Mr. Holden seconded. Vote was 5-0.

Mr. Cox appointed Mr. Ernie Garrison to the Five-Year Traffic Study Committee.

Mr. Watson reminded Council of a COG meeting at 8:00 a.m. Wednesday, April 8, 1987.

Council was reminded of a State Prayer Breakfast in Columbia on April 29 at 7:30 a.m.

Mr. Watson explained a letter requiring his signature along with the Postmaster concerning E911. Mr. Cox moved to instruct Mr. Watson to sign the letter. Mr. Wiles seconded and vote was 5-0.

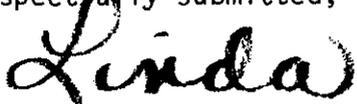
There were no objections to hear from Mr. Ed Hillhouse at this time. Mr. Hillhouse asked for a report on the junkyard on secondary 65. Mr. Mullinax stated that Mr. Kinley is still conducting an investigation and as of this time the investigation is not complete and no action can be taken until the report is complete. Mr. Wiles read the motion made at the last meeting.

"Mr. Wiles moved that the County Attorney get more involved, call the Sheriff, impose fines or whatever legal procedures are outlined in the Ordinance to bring this junkyard in compliance with the law. Mr. Cox seconded and vote was 5-0."

Mr. Wiles then moved to include in the motion that Mr. Curtis Kinley, through the Administrator, deal with this problem in the manner outlined in the minutes of the last meeting and report back at the next County Council meeting with a completed report. Mr. Cox seconded and vote was 5-0.

There being no further business, Council adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Linda N. Gilstrap, Clerk
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