

**DILLON COUNTY COUNCIL
CALLED MEETING
OCTOBER 16, 2012
4:00 PM**

The Dillon County Council held a called meeting on October 16, 2012 at 4:00 pm in the County Council Chambers, 109 S 3rd Ave, Dillon SC. Present were: Aron Gandy, Andrew Graves, Joe Johnson, Bobby Moody, and Harold Moody. Also present were: Clay Young (County Administrator), Lisa Gray (Clerk to Council, and Betsy Finklea (The Dillon Herald). Not present was Archie Scott and Ken DuBose (County Attorney),

The following were notified of the meeting and provided an agenda: By e-mail – Charles Curry, Randy Grimsley (Dillon County EMS), Harold Moody, The Dillon Herald, Susan Norton (Perdue), Tim Ammons (Attorney), Tonny McNeil (Dillon County Economic Development), Yolanda McCormick (Dillon County Librarian), Randy Rouse (Hometown TV), Gabriel Salmon (PDCAA), Larry Abraham (Chief Deputy), Ken Dubose (County Attorney), Joe Johnson, Les Jackson (County Deputy), Terry Morris, Alvin Nobles, Dillon County Planning/Code Enforcement Office, WMBF News, Sheriff Major Hulon, Jerry Rivers, Dan Gruszka, Bobby Holland (SCANANA), Jamie Estes (Dillon County Treasurer), Dillon County Finance, Sonny McRae (Dillon County E911), Alan Lane, Steve Johnson (Hometown TV), Manufactured Housing Institute of SC, Ron Bartley (NETC), Jamie Rogers (Morning News), Karl McCollester (Agenda Repository), Archie Scott, Moses Heyward, Mike Burns, Dan McLeod, Brad Norris, Lisa Morris, & Kathy Dawson (McNair Law Firm); By fax – Farm Bureau and Pee Dee Electric; By phone – Michael Grice.

INVOCATION

Invocation was given by Andrew Graves.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Andrew Graves motioned to approve the agenda. Harold Moody seconded and all were in favor.

OLD BUSINESS

LATTA COMMERCE PARK – LAND OPTION AGREEMENT

Tonny McNeil explained the agreement, stating that parcels one, two and three are listed at \$25,000 per acre and that parcels 4(a) and 4(b) are listed at \$150,000 per acre. He told that this involved no cost to the County. **Bobby Moody motioned to approve the agreement followed by a second from Andrew Graves. Voting in favor were: Aron Gandy, Bobby Moody and Andrew Graves. Voting against were Joe Johnson and Harold Moody. The motion carried.**

LATTA COMMERCE PARK - ENGINEERING EXPENSE

Mr. Johnson asked Mr. McNeil to confirm there is no cost to the County. Mr. McNeil stated that 75% of funding would come from the SC Department of Commerce and 25% of funding would come from Progress Energy (Duke Power). He stated the County will have to pay the invoices and be reimbursed from the two funding sources. **Bobby Moody motioned to approve the expenses (Alliance invoices totaling \$59,000) followed by a second from Andrew Graves. Voting in favor were: Aron Gandy, Bobby Moody and Andrew Graves. Voting against were Joe Johnson and Harold Moody. The motion carried.**

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COMMITTEE REPORTS

ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE

SOLICITOR REQUEST

Mr. Young and Ms. Gray explained that as a result of a civil action filed against Lending Tree by the Solicitor's office, two settlement checks were received for Dillon County (based on number of loans closed in the county). The first check dated 12/15/11 was in the amount of \$2,410.10 and second check dated 07/11/2012 was in the amount of \$3,517.39. Will Rogers, Solicitor, has requested that one-half of the second check be given to his office and told that he gave the same request and was granted the funds in the other counties involved. **Bobby Moody motioned to approve one-half of the \$3,517.39 second check (equaling \$1,758.70), to be given to the Solicitor's (Fourth Judicial Circuit) office. Harold Moody seconded and all were in favor.**

DILLON VETERAN AND YOUTH TRAINING CENTER

Mr. Young asked Council to table this matter until more information is received concerning the award of the grant for that program.

DILLON COUNTY HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN EXPENSE

Mr. Young explained that Johnny Brown, Director of Pee Dee Regional Council of Governments, has requested an additional \$8,433.57 for work done on the Dillon County Hazard Mitigation Plan. **Harold Moody motioned to approve the additional expense. Joe Johnson seconded and all were in favor.**

HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR RETIREES

Mr. Young explained that this concerns GASB 45 issues. He and Ms. Gray explained that going with another Medicare supplement would reduce the cost by approximately \$100 per month per retiree for both the County and retiree and still have the same type of benefits. Mr. Young told that if Council approves staff can move forward with obtaining new policy information (premiums, etc.) and bring that back before Council for approval. **Bobby Moody motioned to approve the change in coverage. Joe Johnson seconded and all were in favor.**

SOIL CONSERVATION DISTRICT POSITION

Mr. Young explained that this is in the budget but wanted to make sure Council was okay with filling the vacancy since the prior employee has retired. He told that the vacancy has been advertised and that if Council takes no action he will proceed with allowing the position to be filled. No action was taken.

ORDINANCE READINGS

SECOND READING – ORDINANCE APPROVING AN AMENDED AND RESTATED AGREEMENT FOR DEVELOPMENT OF JOINT-COUNTY INDUSTRIAL PARK BY AND AMONG DILLON, MARION, AND MARLBORO COUNTIES AND OTHER MATTERS RELATED TO THE FOREGOING

Harold Moody motioned to have the reading by title only as set forth in the agenda and waive the actual reading. Joe Johnson seconded and all were in favor.

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RESOLUTIONS

AMENDING DILLON COUNTY PERSONNEL AND PROCEDURE MANUAL

Joe Johnson motioned to approve the resolution as discussed above under the Committee Reports, Administration Committee - Health Insurance Coverage for Retirees. Andrew Graves seconded and all were in favor.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT MATTER

Bobby Moody motioned to go into executive session. Joe Johnson seconded and all were in favor.

Joe Johnson motioned to come out of executive session, followed by a second from Andrew Graves. All voted in favor.

RESULTS OF EXECUTIVE SESSION

None

ADJOURNMENT

Joe Johnson motioned to adjourn. Andrew Graves seconded and all were in favor.

Aron Gandy, Chairman

Lisa B. Gray, Clerk to Council

Date approved _____