

**MINUTES
ORANGEBURG COUNTY COUNCIL
SPECIAL CALLED MEETING**

**December 29, 2014
5:30 P.M.**

**Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, the news media was notified and notice
was
posted on the bulletin board 24 hours prior to the meeting.**

MEMBERS PRESENT:

**Johnnie Wright, Sr.
Janie Cooper-Smith, Vice Chairman
Heyward H. Livingston
Willie B. Owens
Johnny Ravenell
Harry F. Wimberly
Clyde Livingston**

MEMBERS ABSENT:

OTHERS PRESENT:

**Harold M. Young, County Administrator
D'Anne Haydel, County Attorney
Angel Howell, Interim Clerk to Council**

CALL TO ORDER

Johnnie Wright, Sr., Chairman

MOMENT OF SILENCE

Moment of silence observed

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

December 15, 2014

Chairman Wright asked for a motion to approve the minutes. Councilwoman Cooper-Smith made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Councilman Ravenell. Motion carried. 7-0-0.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

AGENDA ITEMS

None

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OTHER MATTERS

None

1. APPROVAL OF SANTEE WATERPARK MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT

Chairman Wright asked Administrator Young to give a brief overview of the document. Mr. Young stated that this is an agreement similar to the agreement for the Orangeburg Aquatic Park which will allow the Santee Park to be managed by the YMCA. Chairman Wright asked if the agreement can be amended. Mr. Young answered yes. Councilman Clyde Livingston asked if the park would be a YMCA. Mr. Young answered that the decision would be up to the Town of Santee and the YMCA. Councilwoman Cooper-Smith asked what happens after the 4 year management term expires. Mr. Young stated that the County can manage it or renew the option.

Chairman Wright asked that a motion be made. Councilman Johnny Ravenell made a motion to approve the agreement with any necessary correction or amendments if need be. Councilwoman Janie Cooper-Smith seconded it. Motion carried. 7-0-0.

**2. AN OFFICIAL ACTION OF ORANGEBURG COUNTY COUNCIL
AUTHORIZING ORANGEBURG COUNTY TO PURCHASE REAL
PROPERTY**

Chairman Wright asked County Administrator Harold Young for a brief summary. Mr. Young stated that this is a piece of property that will be used in the future for a capital project. By purchasing this land, the capital asset can be utilized. Councilwoman Cooper-Smith stated that it is a great thing to purchase the land now as opposed to in the future because the price is sure to increase.

Councilman Johnnie Wright asked that a motion be made. Councilman Owens made a motion to approve the authorization of the purchase of the real property, seconded by Councilwoman Cooper-Smith. Motion Carried. Councilman Clyde Livingston abstained from voting. 6-0-1.

3. A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING (1) THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF A FEE IN LIEU OF TAX AND INCENTIVE AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN ORANGEBURG COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA (THE "COUNTY") AND A COMPANY IDENTIFIED FOR THE TIME BEING AS PROJECT BBU, ACTING FOR ITSELF, ONE OR MORE AFFILIATES OR OTHER PROJECT SPONSORS (THE "COMPANY"), PURSUANT TO WHICH THE COUNTY SHALL COVENANT TO ACCEPT CERTAIN NEGOTIATED FEES IN LIEU OF AD VALOREM TAXES WITH RESPECT TO THE ESTABLISHMENT AND/OR EXPANSION OF CERTAIN FACILITIES IN THE COUNTY (COLLECTIVELY, THE "PROJECT"); AND OTHER MATTERS RELATING THERETO

Chairman Wright asked County Administrator Harold Young for a brief summary. Mr. Young yielded the floor to Gregg Robinson, Director of Economic Development. Mr. Robinson stated this is an existing industry expansion that will make sure they qualify for statutory and discretionary incentives with the South Carolina Department of Commerce as well as Orangeburg County for the year 2015.

Councilman Johnnie Wright asked that a motion be made. A motion was made by Councilman Willie B. Owens and seconded by Councilman Clyde Livingston to pass the resolution as explained. Motion carried. 7-0-0.

4. A RESOLUTION CONSENTING TO AN ASSIGNMENT OF INTERESTS UNDER TWO FEE IN LIEU OF TAX AGREEMENTS WITH ORANGEBURG COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA BY ALBEMARLE CORPORATION TO SI GROUP, INC. AND OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO

Chairman Wright asked that County Administrator Harold Young give a brief summary. Mr. Young stated that County Council saw fit to give a fee in lieu to the Albemarle Corporation and hence then the company has changed to SI Group. Mr. Young explained the assignment given to Albemarle Corporation had to be given to SI Group by County Council, even though ownership transferred. Mr. Young turned the floor to Gregg Robinson for additional information. Mr. Robinson stated this is a transparent agreement, thus the company has agreed to the same terms and conditions as Albemarle Group.

A motion was made by Councilman Clyde Livingston and seconded by Councilman Heyward Livingston to pass the resolution as explained. Motion carried. 7-0-0.

5. ORDINANCE – THIRD AND FINAL READING

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING (1) THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF A FEE IN LIEU OF TAX AND INCENTIVE AGREEMENT BY AND AMONG ORANGEBURG COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA (THE "COUNTY") AND COX INDUSTRIES, INC., A COMPANY PREVIOUSLY IDENTIFIED AS PROJECT GREEN, ACTING FOR ITSELF, ONE OR MORE AFFILIATES OR OTHER PROJECT SPONSORS (THE "COMPANY"), WHEREBY THE COUNTY SHALL COVENANT TO ACCEPT CERTAIN NEGOTIATED FEES IN LIEU OF AD VALOREM TAXES WITH RESPECT TO THE ESTABLISHMENT AND/OR EXPANSION OF CERTAIN FACILITIES IN THE COUNTY (COLLECTIVELY, THE

“PROJECT”); (2) THE BENEFITS OF A MULTI-COUNTY INDUSTRIAL OR BUSINESS PARK TO BE MADE AVAILABLE TO THE COMPANY; (3) CERTAIN SPECIAL SOURCE REVENUE CREDITS IN CONNECTION WITH THE PROJECT; AND (4) OTHER MATTERS RELATING THERETO.

Councilman Clyde Livingston made a motion to approve the ordinance for third and final reading, seconded by Councilman Ravenell. Motion Carried. 7-0-0.

6. ORDINANCE – THIRD AND FINAL READING

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE EXISTING AMENDED AND RESTATED AGREEMENT FOR DEVELOPMENT OF JOINT COUNTY INDUSTRIAL PARK BY AND BETWEEN ORANGEBURG COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA AND DORCHESTER COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA TO ENLARGE THE BOUNDARIES OF THE INDUSTRIAL PARK TO INCLUDE CERTAIN PROPERTY LOCATED IN ORANGEBURG COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA NOW OR TO BE HEREAFTER OWNED AND/OR OPERATED BY COX INDUSTRIES, INC., A COMPANY PREVIOUSLY IDENTIFIED AS PROJECT GREEN, OR ONE OR MORE COMPANIES RELATED THERETO; AND AUTHORIZING OTHER RELATED MATTERS

Councilman Clyde Livingston made a motion to pass third and final reading of the ordinance and seconded by Councilman Owens. Motion Carried. 7-0-0.

7. APPOINTMENTS

(1) ORANGEBURG COUNTY FIRE SERVICES

Chairman Wright reappointed Mrs. Jeanie Davis-Capers for Orangeburg County District 1.

Motion made by Johnny Ravenell and seconded by Councilman Clyde Livingston to reappoint Mrs. Capers. Motion Carried. 7-0-0.

8. VOTE FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion made by Councilman Owens and seconded by Councilman Clyde Livingston to go into executive session for an economic development update. Motion Carried. 7-0-0.

Councilwoman Cooper-Smith announced the 50th anniversary for the Grand American Coon Hunt and noted the economic impact the event has on the County.

Councilman Ravenell corrected a statement made during the last meeting where he appointed someone to the Santee Fire Department. Councilman Ravenell stated Joseph instead of John T. Goodwin. The minutes from December 15, 2014 show the correction.

9. EXECUTIVE SESSION

(1) ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT UPDATE

10. VOTE FOR ADJOURNMENT

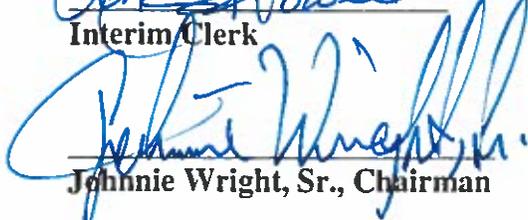
Motion made by Councilwoman Cooper-Smith and seconded by Councilman Ravenell to adjourn. 7-0-0.

11. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned.



Interim Clerk



Johnnie Wright, Sr., Chairman

