

ANDERSON COUNTY COUNCIL  
ANDERSON, SOUTH CAROLINA

Regular Meeting - February 2, 1982 - 9:00 a.m.

Linda N. Gilstrap, Clerk

M I N U T E S

PRESENT:

Chairman - C. Edward Poore  
Members - Joseph G. Wright, III  
Fred H. Bratcher  
Curtis Kinley  
David L. Hooper  
Daniel A. Rhodes

Mr. Poore called the meeting to order and Councilman Wright gave the invocation.

Mr. Wright explained that he was scheduled for court and asked that item #10 (budget transfers) be placed first on the agenda. On the motion of Mr. Hooper, seconded by Mr. Wright, Council voted unanimously to change the order of business.

On the motion of Mr. Bratcher, seconded by Mr. Hooper, Council voted unanimously to approve the following budget transfers within each budget.

	<u>FROM ACCOUNT</u>	<u>CODE</u>	<u>AMOUNT OF TRANSFER</u>	<u>TO ACCOUNT</u>	<u>CODE</u>
Supervisor	#131	#10	\$ 80.03	#131	#26
Sheriff	#210	#41	400.00	#212	#41
"	#210	#01	2,000.00	#210	#21
Jail	#212	#01	1,000.00	#212	#27
Jail	#212	#36	50.00	#212	#15
Sheriff	#210	#01	16,000.00	#210	#85
Sheriff	#210	#01	1,000.00	#210	#71
Farm	#350	#32	1,000.00	#350	#28
Farm	#350	#48	3,000.00	#350	#17

Mr. Watson discussed a summary of apparent/requested departmental budget needs for the balance of FY 1981-82 for Council's consideration totalling \$266,361 and explained the apparent sources for funds available for reappropriation for the same amount.

A motion by Mr. Wright, seconded by Mr. Bratcher, to transfer \$25,000 from account #410.01 to Road Maintenance account #310.35 was amended by Mr. Hooper, seconded by Mr. Rhodes, to transfer \$15,000 from account #155.65 to #310.35 to be used for patching only. Motion passed by unanimous vote. On the motion of Mr. Rhodes, seconded by Mr. Kinley, Council voted unanimously to transfer from account #930.65 to bring the Litter Officer in line with "Level 9" of the Sheriff's Department. Council agreed to look at the other requests after they receive other information. Complaints were heard from several residents about the bad shape of County roads.

Mr. William Smith, Resource Manager for Hartwell Lake, discussed closing certain parks in Anderson County. On the motion of Mr. Hooper, seconded by Mr. Bratcher, Council voted unanimously to receive as information.

Mr. Bill Holland with the S.C. Commission for the Blind, presented a proposal for the

snack bar area in the new Anderson County Office Building. On the motion of Mr. Hooper, seconded by Mr. Kinley, Council voted unanimously to accept the proposal.

Mr. Watson presented a request from Russell & Axon regarding installing antifreeze in the HVAX System in the Anderson County Office Building to eliminate the risk of damage due to extreme cold weather. On the motion of Mr. Bratcher, seconded by Mr. Kinley, Council voted unanimously to allow the request with the understanding that this would increase the contractor's price by \$575.00.

Mr. Robert King asked Council for additional funding for EMS training. Council received as information.

Mr. Watson presented bids for new automobiles. Fifteen (15) for the sheriff's department and one for the Supervisor. Mr. Watson proposed buying the vehicles through State Purchasing and stated that the County could save approximately \$ 22,000. On the motion of Mr. Bratcher, seconded by Mr. Hooper, Council voted unanimously to purchase from the State.

Mr. Rhodes presented Ordinance #73 (Crime Watch Signs) for approval on first reading. On the motion of Mr. Hooper, seconded by Mr. Rhodes, Council voted unanimously to adopt on first reading.

Mr. Rhodes presented a resolution authorizing the issuance of \$2500 as reward money to any person who provides information that results in the arrest and conviction of the person or persons who killed Ms. Junie Rider. On the motion of Mr. Hooper, seconded by Mr. Kinley, Council voted unanimously to adopt resolution #142.

Mr. Rhodes presented a cost estimate to pave the parking area at Smith's Mill and to install two security lights. The cost would be approximately \$11,638.20 to be provided from the Wildlife money available to the county. On the motion of Mr. Rhodes, seconded by Mr. Kinley, Council voted unanimously to approve the project.

Mr. Poore suggested that the County contract with GLEAMS to administer the \$125,000 block grant. On the motion of Mr. Hooper, seconded by Mr. Bratcher, Council voted unanimously to apply to GLEAM.

Mr. Cox spoke on the Nuclear Ordinance and asked Council to consider passing the originally proposed ordinance if the impediment of that Federal regulation is removed. Council received as information.

Council adjourned at 11:00 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

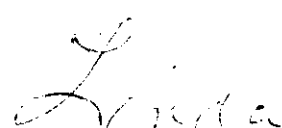
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Nuclear Presentation by Mr. Cox

"I won't take too much of your time this morning. I'm here by myself, I didn't bring or ask any of these other concerned citizens to come. I just wanted to tell you that this issue of our ordinance is far from being dead. A federal judge in New York has granted a ten day injunction against the Federal Government, against this impediment of the federal regulations that was to take effect February 1. He has, at least on a temporary basis, up-held a New York Ordinance that reads much the way our Ordinance does. There are three suits pending in the Federal Courts against this regulation. We feel that it's gonna fall. Also Percy Proxmire Bill that is now before the United State Senate would remove this regulation from the Federal Register and remove the impediments that this County feels it has for passing our ordinance. I want you to remember what's been said before this Council-that radioactive waste is the most lethal and toxic substance known to man. Dr. Carl Morgan has expressed the opinion to us. He is the Health Physics from Atlanta. He has noted in his field, he has expressed the opinion to us that these cast that will be carrying this waste while they carry high level radioactive waste inside them, will emit low level radioactive radiation from the cast. This is dramatically demonstrated by a cast that fell off a truck in Oil City, PA about two weeks ago. A motorist found the cast and he reported it to the authorities. They told him do not touch that cast, if you do you can be seriously injured or killed. That shows you that the cast emit radiation. Dr. Carl Morgan has also said through his writings that radiation of this sort is cumulative in human bodies, ok, and if you listened to Dr. David Deholl when he stood here in front of you-he said that medical science now knows that it takes two things to cause cancer in human beings. One (1) is a susceptible cell, & (2) you need a trigger. Radiation is a known trigger and there is no safe minimum exposure that can be had. Now I'm no doctor, but it is beginning to sound like to me like just a mere operation of this plant in Anderson County may cause deaths. Just a mere operation absent any accidents. I don't have to remind you of the horrible spector of an accidental spillage of what's contained in those cast. But Dan Rhodes told me the other night that people opposed automobiles, opposed airplanes when they were first introduced because they posed a threat to human lives. I'm glad he brought that up because I have to pose then a question, let's skip over automobiles let's go to airplane crashes. They killed more people at one time than most any other accident you could be exposed to. I would have to ask a question - what airplane crash killed thousands and thousands of people like a spillage of radioactive waste can do and also what airplane crash could cause \$200 million to clean up. We've been flying airplanes now for along time - 60-70 years, and we've developed their technology to a high level and still airplanes crash and kill people and the figures tell us that flying in airplanes is the safest form of travel. I would remind you that these shipments would be traveling over the less safe routes of our highways and from what I've heard this morning some of our County roads and highways are not in to good a shape. Unless you believe that man is truly infallible and that we've reached a state of perfection you must realize that it is inevitable that an accident will occur. I want to remind you of what a very smart man, I think, Dr. Robin said here in front of you a few weeks ago, that is that the first person to be effected by radiation is unborn children, the next people to be effected would be infants and so on. The last people to be effected would be adults. What we're talking about is the risk of children being killed first and if I don't convince you to protect yourselves I would at least convince you to protect your children. I want you to think about that. If you don't act to protect the citizens of this County there's going to be some people whose faces you're gonna have to see and in whose faces you're gonna have to look and come up with some answers to some very hard questions. If the plant's built and these trucks are running up and down our roads then I have a child born with a birth defeat after that plant is in operations the first place I'd look for a probable

cause would be exposure. Dr. David Deholl said that expectant mothers are x-rayed only when absolutely necessary and this is out of fear for possible damage to the fetus, but in this case you have these trucks running up and down our County roads emitting radiation continuously with a cumulative effect in expectant mothers and all other human beings. How will you be able to face the parents of a maim baby and say we didn't think we should act at that point? Another group of faces that you might have to look into would be the faces of the friends and relatives of the people who might be killed by a spillage you are talking about a possibility of thousands of people dying. Explain to them why you didn't act. And lastly, God forbid that this should happen, what if one of your own children was stricken. You can play with percentages all day long, but if it's one of the members of your own family for you it is a 100%. How will you explain your lack of action to that child? Now you may say that I'm trying to make an emotional appeal, and that may work with some, but to me the issue of children and babies being maim, cripple or killed is an emotional issue. Now some of you ask me why don't we go to our state representatives and ask them to act, you don't want the responsibility you think the state should take it over. We're only concerned with Anderson County, nor are we so broadly based as to think that we could go outside of Anderson County and besides that some other County may want a plant like this. If so that is fine, but as far as our State Legislatures in Columbia inacting that law protecting us how could they say - you can poison any other County in South Carolina but leave Anderson County alone? Not only would they not, they can't-special legislation. This is not a responsibility you can shirk, nor is it one that you pass the buck. The responsibility protecting Anderson County citizens rest squarely on your shoulders. The action that I'm proposing you take is this-I am not asking for a resolution or any kind of vote this morning. I'm just asking that you consider this - Once the impediment of that Federal regulation is removed either judically or legislatively and it's under fire from both grounds. I ask that you then pass our ordinance as was originally proposed. I want you to remember that the eyes of the County are on you and I don't have to remind you that each one of you is handed a report card at the polls each election, but I sincerely hope that each one of you receive passing marks on your next report card. I'll leave you with just one thought. This fight is far from over and a great deal more will be said and done because the stakes are so high. I just pray that you will act with a good sense that I believe that each one of you has in this issue. Thank You!"

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