

**MINUTES
HORRY COUNTY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
March 17, 2009
6:00 p.m.**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Liz Gilland, Chairman; Harold Worley; Brent Schulz; Marion Foxworth; Gary Loftus; Howard Barnard; Bob Grabowski; Carl Schwartzkopf; Paul Prince; Jody Prince; and Al Allen.

MEMBERS ABSENT: James Frazier

OTHERS PRESENT: Danny Knight; Pat Hartley; John Weaver; Anne Wright; Steve Gosnell; Paul Whitten; Janet Carter; Westley Sawyer; and Lisa Bourcier.

In accordance with the FOIA, notices of the meeting were provided to the press stating the time, date, and place of the meeting.

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Gilland called the meeting to order at approximately 6:02 p.m.

INVOCATION: Mr. Loftus gave the invocation.

PLEDGE: Mr. J. Prince led the pledge.

PUBLIC INPUT:

1. Gary Hardee was to speak on utility companies but was absent.
2. Amelia Wood spoke on flow control.
3. Dee Wolfe spoke on flow control.
4. Ken Dipple spoke on Dolly Lane.
5. Kimber Fowler was to speak on Dolly Lane but was absent.
6. Eugene Fowler spoke on Dolly Lane.
7. Sherry Garrison spoke on Eagle Trace Subdivision.

Chairman Gilland closed public input at 6:30 p.m.

CHANGES TO THE AGENDA:

Mr. Allen requested to add under Announcements a distribution of recreation funds in the amount of \$1,800 to the Senior Citizens and Parks and Recreation.

Mr. Foxworth requested to remove Ordinance 17-09 from the Consent Agenda.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA CONTENTS: Mr. P. Prince moved to approve the agenda as amended, seconded by Mr. Grabowski. The motion passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Regular Meeting March 3, 2009: Mr. Worley moved to approve the minutes as submitted, seconded by Mr. Grabowski. The motion passed unanimously.

MEMORIAL DEDICATION: It was requested that upon adjournment, Council adjourn in memorial of the following individuals:

Al Pirozzi
Edward Henry
William Alston
Dawsey Conner
David Barnes
Willie Taylor
Bobby Hickman
Mildred Prince
Velma Strickland
James Harris, Sr.
Mildred Graham

CHARACTERISTIC OF THE MONTH: Sincerity: Eagerness to do what is right with transparent motives.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA: Mr. P. Prince moved to approve the Consent Agenda, seconded by Mr. Grabowski. The Consent Agenda consisted of the following:

Third reading of the following ordinances to approve the request to amend the official zoning maps: **18-09** Queens Harbour, Tract 5A, PDD; **19-09** Sheila & Milton Wayne Goff; **20-09** Jerry Boyd, agent for James Earl Todd; **21-09** Richard McNamara; **22-09** Steve Powell, agent for Jack Martin and **23-09** Galloway Minor PDD.

First reading of the following ordinances to approve the request to amend the official zoning maps: **28-09** Johnnie Mae Blackwell, Cynthia Branton, Thomas A. Johnson- Branton Minor PDD; **29-09** Robert Guyton, agent for Partners of Cypress Plantation, LLC; **30-09** Mark Wolfe and **31-09** Kimberly J. Russell & Beverly J. Williams.

Reappointment of Ari Pieniek to the Library Board of Trustees, District 6.

The motion passed unanimously. (Mr. Frazier was absent.)

RESOLUTIONS/PRESENTATIONS:

Presentation on the Horry County Strategic Plan for Economic Development. Blake Lanford, Program Director, gave a brief presentation on the plan.

Presentation by Coast RTA Citizens Advisory Board. Pam Creech gave a presentation and presented a petition requesting that Council continue to fund Coast RTA.

Resolution R-36-09 and Public Hearing to approve the permit to locate a guyed telecommunications tower on a parcel located on Church Road in the Green Sea section of Horry County. **Mr. Schwartzkopf moved to approve, seconded by Mr. J. Prince.** No one came forward to speak at the public hearing. **The motion passed with Mr. Schulz voting no. (Mr. Frazier was absent.)**

Resolution R-34-09 to provide guidance and instructions to the county administrator regarding the issuance of temporary vending permits for 2009. **Mr. Worley moved to approve, seconded by Mr. Barnard.** Mr. Weaver pointed out a scribes error: "South of Highway 544 – 114 permits." **It should read "104 permits".** Mr. Weaver stated it would be corrected in the resolution. **Mr. Worley moved to amend to round up the permits (next percentage), seconded by Mr. Grabowski.** Chairman Gilland stated they were going to leave it as is and let staff deal with it and give verbal instructions. **Mr. Worley moved to amend that all numbers shall be calculated to two decimals, fractions can be combined if authorized by owners up to maximum number of permits, seconded by Mr. Grabowski.** **The motion failed. The vote was as follows:**

| <u>In favor</u> | <u>Opposed</u> | <u>Absent</u> |
|------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|
| Grabowski | Barnard | Frazier |
| Worley | Schulz | |
| Foxworth | Allen | |
| P. Prince | Schwartzkopf | |
| Gilland | Loftus | |
| | J. Prince | |

Mr. Schulz moved to approve Resolution R-34-09 as it was originally presented, seconded by Mr. Barnard. The motion passed unanimously. (Mr. Frazier was absent.)

Resolution R-35-09 recognizing Sara F. Johnson as 2009 Rural Lady of the Year. **Mr. J. Prince moved to approve, seconded by Mr. Schwartzkopf.** Mr. J. Prince presented the resolution to Ms. Johnson. Ms. Johnson thanked Council for the recognition. **The motion passed unanimously. (Mr. Frazier was absent.)**

Resolution R-37-09 declaring April as Autism Awareness Month. **Mr. Grabowski moved to approve, seconded by Mr. Schwartzkopf.** Mr. Whitten spoke on the resolution and introduced Cheryl Bowers. Ms. Bowers spoke briefly on Autism and Project Lifesaver. Mr. Gordon Harris spoke on various fundraisers. Kevin Sutterfield with Jersey Mikes spoke briefly. **The motion passed unanimously. (Mr. Frazier was absent.)**

Resolution R-38-09 regarding EMS line of duty deaths. **Mr. Grabowski moved to approve, seconded by Mr. Allen. The motion passed unanimously. (Mr. Frazier was absent.)**

Resolution R-39-09 regarding EMS tax exemptions. **Mr. Grabowski moved to approve, seconded by Mr. Allen. The motion passed unanimously. (Mr. Frazier was absent.)**

Resolution R-40-09 authorizing the use of funds and grants received from the federal aviation administration under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA) for the design and construction of improvements at Horry County's Airport. **Mr. Allen moved to approve, seconded by Mr. Grabowski. The motion passed with Mr. Foxworth voting nay. (Mr. Frazier was absent.)**

READING OF ORDINANCES:

Third reading and public review of **Ordinance 138-08** approving the conveyance of 66' right-of-way of Mancini Drive, beginning at 10th Avenue North, to the City of Myrtle Beach and authorizing the county administrator to execute a quit claim deed. **Mr. Schwartzkopf moved to approve, seconded by Mr. Foxworth. There was no public review. The motion passed unanimously. (Mr. Frazier was absent.)**

Third reading of **Ordinance 02-09** regulating the county-wide collection and disposal of solid waste generated with Horry County and for the prohibition of the disposal of solid waste materials in any manner except as set forth herein, and providing penalties for violation thereof. **Mr. Schulz moved to approve, seconded by Mr. Worley. The motion passed with Mr. J. Prince voting nay. (Mr. Frazier was absent.)**

Third reading and public review of **Ordinance 14-09** to add the following cemeteries to the Horry County Historic Property Register as individual historic properties: Rogers Cemetery, Stevenson Cemetery, Johnson Cemetery, Stroud Cemetery, Elliott Cemetery, Royals Cemetery, St. Peter AME Church Cemetery, St. Matthews Missionary Baptist Church Cemetery, Centenary United Methodist Church Cemetery, Sweetwater Baptist Church Cemetery, Socastee United Methodist Church Cemetery, Hughes Cemetery, Daniel Chestnut Cemetery, Barnhill/Martin Cemetery, Hamilton Cemetery, True Vine Missionary Baptist Church Cemetery, Ridgefield Baptist Church Cemetery, Noie Blanton Graveyard, Harrelson/Mills Cemetery, McCracken Cemetery, and the Waller Burying Ground. **Mr. Foxworth moved to approve, seconded by Mr. Schwartzkopf. There was no public review. The motion passed unanimously. (Mr. Frazier was absent.)**

Second reading and unadvertised public review of **Ordinance 24-09** to amend the index map of the official map ordinance for Horry County adding the realigned and widened right-of-way for SC Hwy 707 from SC Highway 544 south to the Horry County line. **Mr. Schwartzkopf moved to approve, seconded by Mr. Grabowski. Dee Wolfe spoke. The motion passed unanimously. (Mr. Frazier was absent.)**

Second reading and unadvertised public review of **Ordinance 25-09** to adopt Zoning Appendix B, Article VII, Section 723.13 of the Horry County Code of Ordinances pertaining to the adoption of the Restaurant Row Overlay Zone. **Mr. Schwartzkopf moved to approve, seconded by Mr. Barnard. There was no public review. The motion passed with Mr. Foxworth and Mr. P. Prince voting nay. (Mr. Frazier and Mr. Grabowski were absent.)**

Second reading and unadvertised public review of **Ordinance 26-09** to amend the Zoning Ordinance, Appendix B, Article V, Section 526.2 pertaining to temporary use permits for adult entertainment. **Mr. Barnard moved to approve, seconded by Mr. Schwartzkopf.** There was no public review. **The motion passed unanimously. (Mr. Frazier and Mr. Grabowski were absent.)**

Second reading of **Ordinance 27-09** authorizing the refinancing of the hospitality obligation bonds in the amount of \$19,905,000. **Mr. Schwartzkopf moved to approve, seconded by Mr. Schulz. The motion passed unanimously. (Mr. Frazier and Mr. Grabowski were absent.)**

Third reading of **Ordinance 17-09** to modify the list of qualifying public infrastructure to be funded through the intergovernmental agreement with the SC Jobs-Economic Development Authority. **Mr. Foxworth moved to approve, seconded by Mr. Schulz. The motion passed unanimously. (Mr. Frazier was absent.)**

OLD/NEW BUSINESS:

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Announcement of \$1,800 distribution of recreation funds from Mr. Allen to Senior Citizens and Parks and Recreation.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Personnel Issue (Administration Division) **Mr. Schwartzkopf moved to go into executive session, seconded by Mr. Schulz. The motion passed unanimously. (Mr. Frazier was absent.) The Executive Session began at 7:55 p.m. At 8:25 p.m., Mr. Barnard moved to come out of executive session. There was no second. No vote was taken.** Chairman Gilland stated that while they were in executive session, a personnel issue was discussed. No votes were taken and no decisions were made.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m. in memorial of Al Pirozzi; Edward Henry; William Alston; Dawsey Conner; David Barnes; Willie Taylor; Bobby Hickman; Mildred Prince; Velma Strickland; James Harris, Sr. and Mildred Graham.