

**PUBLIC HEARINGS:**

- a) An ordinance (05-6) to amend the official zoning map for Abbeville County, South Carolina on tax map 054, parcels 552, 551, 550, 547, 542 and 538 located on Camel Road from FA, Forest Agricultural to GR, General Residential. There were no comments, so Chairman Gunnells closed the public hearing.
  
- b) An ordinance (05-05) to amend the official zoning map for Abbeville County, South Carolina on an 8.66 acre tract of land located at the corner of Sharon Church Road and Highway 72 West, as shown as a portion of tax map parcel 145-00-00-046 from FA, Forest Agriculture to GR, General Residential. Mr. Gene Sartain of Greenwood asked to change the request from General Residential to R8, One (1) Family Residential. Mr. Dennis Harrison of 1107 Island Ford Road, Abbeville, wanted all applying for rezoning to be treated the same. Mr. Charles E. Williams of 2074 Highway 72 West, Abbeville, had no objection to the rezoning as long as no house trailers would be allowed. Mr. Sam Gilliam, Jr. of 1908 Highway 72, Abbeville, had no objection as long as the rural way of life was preserved. Chairman Gunnells added this to the agenda because the item had already been advertised in the local paper.

**ABBEVILLE COUNTY COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING  
MARCH 14, 2005  
MINUTES**

**PRESENT:** Chairman Gunnells, Vice-Chairman Forrester, Councilman Davis, Councilman Thomas, Councilman Calhoun (arrived late) and Councilman Norris.

**ABSENT:** Councilman Simpson

**CALL TO ORDER:**

Chairman Gunnells called the meeting to order at 7:40 p.m.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

The audience led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**INVOCATION:**

Councilman Thomas gave the invocation.

**FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT:**

Chairman Gunnells stated for the record that both the Press and Banner and the Index Journal were notified of the meeting and that the meeting agenda was posted on County Buildings as required by the Freedom of Information Act.

Councilman Norris made a motion to reconsider ordinance (05-05). Councilman Davis seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-1-0, with Councilman Thomas in opposition.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Councilman Thomas made a motion to approve the minutes of the February 28, 2005 county council meeting. Vice Chairman Forrester seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0-0.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** None

**PRESENTATIONS:** None

**OLD BUSINESS:**

- a) Third reading of an ordinance (05-06) to amend the official zoning map for Abbeville County, South Carolina on tax map 054, parcels 552, 551, 550, 547, 542 and 538 located on Camel Road from FA, Forest Agricultural to GR, General Residential. Vice Chairman Forrester made a motion to approve third reading. Councilman Norris seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0-0.
- b) Second reading of an ordinance (05-7) to amend the budget. Councilman Norris made a motion to approve first reading. Councilman Davis seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0-0.
- c) Second reading of an ordinance (05-8) to invoke the provisions of section 12-217(B) of the South Carolina Code of Laws, 1976, as amended to provide that reassessment of all property in Abbeville County, South Carolina subject to an ad valorem property tax be postponed for one (1) property tax year. Councilman Davis made a motion to approve second reading. Councilman Norris seconded the motion. The motion carried 6-0-0.
- d) Second reading of an ordinance (05-05) to amend the official zoning map for Abbeville County, South Carolina on an 8.66 acre tract of land at the corner of Sharon Church Road and Highway 72 West as shown as a portion of tax map parcel 145-00-00-046 from FA, Forest Agricultural to

GR, General Residential. Councilman Davis made a motion to amend the ordinance from GR, General Residential to R8, One (1) Family Residential. Councilman Norris seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-2-0, with Councilman Thomas and Councilman Calhoun in opposition. Councilman Norris made a motion to approve second reading as amended. Councilman Davis seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-2-0, with Councilman Thomas and Councilman Calhoun in opposition.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

- a) First reading of an ordinance (05-9) to establish operating and capital budgets for the operation of the County Government of Abbeville County for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2005. Councilman Thomas made a motion to approve first reading. Councilman Norris seconded the motion. The motion carried 6-0-0.
- b) First reading of an ordinance (05-10) to amend the FY 04-05 budget for Abbeville County by incorporating unexpected revenues and the expenditure thereof. Councilman Thomas made a motion to approve first reading. Councilman Calhoun seconded the motion. The motion carried 6-0-0.

**DIRECTOR'S REPORT:** None

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- a) Finance Committee—Ray Gunnells, Claude Thomas and Billy Norris. No report was given.
- b) Personnel and Administration—Mike Davis, Jeff Simpson and Claude Thomas. No report was given.
- c) Public Works—Jeff Simpson, Billy Norris and David Forrester. No report was given.
- d) Intergovernmental Relations—Billy Norris, Mike Davis and John Calhoun. No report was given.
- e) Planning and Industrial Development—Claude Thomas, Ray Gunnells and John Calhoun. No report was given.
- f) Education, Recreation, Health and Welfare—John Calhoun, Jeff Simpson and David Forrester. No report was given.

- g) Public Safety—David Forrester, John Calhoun and Billy Norris. No report was given.

A motion was made by Councilman Davis to go into Executive Session to discuss Personnel, Contractual or legal matters. Councilman Calhoun seconded the motion. The motion carried 6-0-0.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

Chairman Gunnells reconvened the meeting following executive session and announced that no action was needed following executive session.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further items of discussion Councilman Calhoun made a motion to Adjourn. Vice Chairman Forrester seconded the motion. The motion carried 6-0-0.

The meeting adjourned at 8:45 pm.

Done this 28th day of March, 2005.

**Abbeville County Council**

By:   
Ray Gunnells, Chairman

ATTEST:

By:   
Lynn Sopolosky, Clerk to Council