

ANDERSON COUNTY COUNCIL  
ANDERSON, SOUTH CAROLINA

Regular Meeting - September 5, 1995 - 4:30 P.M.  
Linda N. Gilstrap, Clerk

M I N U T E S

PURSUANT TO SECTION 30-4-80 OF THE STATE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT THE FOLLOWING PERSONS/ORGANIZATIONS WERE NOTIFIED BY MAIL AND/OR FAX OF THIS MEETING: G. Fred Tolly, Jr., William Floyd, Harvie Banister, Ernie Garrison, Bruce Gerrard, Gary A. Smoak, Jack McIntosh, INDEPENDENT MAIL, GREENVILLE NEWS, WYFF - CHANNEL 4 TELEVISION, WSPA - CHANNEL 7 TELEVISION, WLOS - CHANNEL 13 TELEVISION, CATV (AND. CABLE), CENCOM CABLE TV, EASLEY PROGRESS, Matt Phillips- WRIX RADIO, Bill Meade-THE JOURNAL, Roy Ethridge - AND. MONITOR, WAIM RADIO, WCCP RADIO, Joe Newton-COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS, Rosemary Garrick- SENIOR REFLECTIONS, Brantley Jordan.

A regular meeting of the Anderson County Council was held on September 5, 1995 at 4:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers - Old Courthouse - Second Floor.

PRESENT

Chairman Ernie Garrison, District #4  
G. Fred Tolly, Jr. - District #1  
William A. Floyd - District #2  
Harvie E. Banister - District #3  
Bruce Gerrard - District #5  
Gary A. Smoak, Administrator  
Jack McIntosh, County Attorney  
Linda N. Gilstrap, Clerk

The official meeting of the Anderson County Council convened in the Council Chambers of the Historic Courthouse on Tuesday, September 5, at 4:30 p.m.

The Chairman called the meeting to order and welcomed the group. He then called on Administrator Gary Smoak to open the meeting with prayer. Everyone stood and pledged allegiance to the flag.

Mr. Banister moved to approve the minutes from the August 15, 1995 as mailed with one change. On page 5, last paragraph - change "if" to "of"; typographical error. Mr. Gerrard seconded the amendment and vote was unanimous.

Chairman Garrison announced that Anderson County had qualified for United States Small Business Administration loans because of the flooded area. A news release will go out as soon as possible.

Mr. Mark Hendricks explained a drainage problem in Lakewood Subdivision, where he lives. He said the County installed the ditch which dumps water onto his property. Several photographs were shown. He presented an estimate of \$5,346.10 from Steve Phillips to correct the situation. Council received as information.

Chairman Garrison presented third and final reading of Ordinance #95-018 - an ordinance to create a Special Tax District in the Sedgewood Community; to define the boundaries of the District and the purposes for which it is created; to establish the Sedgewood Community Tax District Commission; and to impose sufficient millage to have street lights installed and maintained annually on all taxable property located within the district. Mr. Tolly moved to approve and Mr. Gerrard seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Chairman Garrison presented second reading of Ordinance #95-020 - an ordinance revoking, repealing, and rescinding section 2-492 (1) (f) of the Anderson County Code to amend the membership of the Economic Advisory Board. Mr. Tolly moved to approve on second reading and Mr. Banister seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Chairman Garrison presented first reading of Ordinance #95-021 - an ordinance creating the position of Internal Auditor. Mr. Gerrard moved to approve on first reading with a work session to work out the complete job description and Mr. Banister seconded. Vote was four in favor (Tolly, Banister, Gerrard, Garrison) and one opposed (Floyd). Motion carried.

Mr. Garrison nominated Mr. Ellison Long, Jr., of 1902 Sheldon Drive to serve on the ANMED Health Resources Board (formerly known as the Hospital Foundation). Mr. Gerrard moved to approve and Mr. Banister seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Mr. Banister moved to reappoint Mr. E.J. Wright to the Board of Assessment Appeals. Mr. Gerrard seconded, and vote was unanimous.

Mr. Gerrard moved to appoint Ann Dixon to the Parks & Recreation Advisory Committee, appoint Nick White to the Anderson County Economic Advisory Board, appoint Cheryl McAdams to the EMS Board, and reappoint Donald Bridges to the Library Board. Mr. Banister seconded and vote was unanimous.

Mr. Tolly moved to reappoint Ken Walker to the Assessment Appeals Board and Ralph Hardin to the Planning Commission. Mr. Gerrard seconded the motion, and vote was unanimous.

Mr. Smoak presented a proposed change order for the Lone Oak/Broadview/Johnson Sewer project to move the sewer lines from the edge of the streets to the center of the street. The cost is \$6,600. Mr. Floyd moved to approve the change order and Mr. Tolly seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Mr. Smoak reported that the contractor (Williams Plastering) who received the contract for the ceiling installation at the Agriculture Building was not a General Contractor. The state requires a General Contractor for contracts over \$30,000. He said that Williams Plastering will work under a General Contractor's license. Council accepted as information.

Mr. Tolly presented a request for a reconfiguration of the entrance to T.L. Hanna High School for a total cost of \$6,199. These funds will come from District #1 paving fund. Mr. Floyd seconded and vote was unanimous.

Mr. Tolly moved to paving the basketball courts in Pelzer for a cost of \$3,360. Funds will come from District #1 paving. Mr. Floyd seconded and vote was unanimous.

Mr. Smoak presented a Transfer of Funds for Dispatch Certification training required for all PSAP (Public Safety Answer Point) dispatchers for 9-1-1. A transfer of \$15,400 is required to train 20 dispatchers at the Sheriff's department, twelve (12) at the City of Anderson, four (4) each at the Honea Path, Belton and Williamston PSAP. Mr. Gerrard moved to approve and Mr. Tolly seconded. Council discussed. Mr. Banister moved to table. Mr. Banister withdrew his motion to table. Mr. Banister said that some of the municipalities needed more than four. Mr. Banister amended the motion that the County send up to 80 (\$28,000). Some may be exempt after taking the test. Mr. Gerrard seconded and vote was unanimous. Vote on the amended motion was unanimous.

Mr. Floyd asked that he may be allowed to bring up a transfer that was not on the agenda. He moved that the Council transfer \$58,470 from the Contingency Fund for equipment for 19 new cars for the Sheriff. Council didn't fund enough to equipment the new cars. Mr. Garrison said he would have to reject the request to be on the agenda because the Sheriff withdrew his original request to be on the agenda to bring before Council and at this time he will not allow this to be brought up.

Mr. Mike Freeman, Assessor, gave Council an update on the 1996 reassessment. Council received as information.

Mr. Smoak explained that Congress had cut military construction funds and the National Guard would be unable to continue with their plans to build a new armory at the Anderson County Airport. The Federal government has requested that the Nation Guard be allowed to continue at the present rate of \$1 per year through September 30, 1996. This would be an amendment to the present lease agreement to add one year lease extension. Mr. Tolly moved to approve and Mr. Floyd seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Mr. Smoak announced that the County had received a Used Tire Grant in the amount of \$9,000. He asked that residents be allowed to bring in their old tires (up to 10) at no charge. This amnesty period would be for 90 days (September, October and November). Mr. Floyd moved to approve the months of September, October and November as the period to dispose of the used tires. Mr. Gerrard seconded and vote was unanimous.

Mr. Smoak presented a request that Booth American Cable Communications Company be allow to transfer their cable franchise to Booth Communications Carolinas, Inc. Mr. Banister moved to approve and Mr. Gerrard seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Mr. Smoak presented a request to abandon an overgrown roadway on Fields Avenue (C-4-60). Mr. Gerrard moved to grant the request and Mr. Banister seconded. Vote was 5-0.

Mr. Smoak presented a request by William Meredith for an encroachment permit in order to make repairs on Cherokee Trail (C-09-294B). After three residents are living on the upgraded road, the County will consider acceptance for maintenance under the County provisions. Mr. Gerrard moved to allow the encroachment permit and Mr. Banister seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Mr. Smoak presented a request from Mr. Maxie Agnew requesting maintenance be resumed on Agnew Road (C-17-72). A portion of this old road has not been maintained for quite a few years due to lack of need or priority. Mr. Banister moved to approve and Mr. Gerrard seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Mr. Smoak asked for permission to approach the Delegation to request the use of Water Recreational Resource Funds for rip-rap on both sides of the ramp at Hurricane Creek and Brown Road boat ramps. Mr. Banister moved to approve and Mr. Tolly seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Mr. Smoak asked that the County's Solid Waste Plan be amended. This amends the plan by adding the proposed construction of the Tri-County Landfill. Mr. Banister moved to approve, and Mr. Tolly seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Mr. Smoak presented a plan for a cost-of-living increase for regular part-time employees. This would be a prorated share of the \$750 raise that was given to the other full-time employees. Mr. Banister moved to approve the increase and Mr. Gerrard seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Mr. Smoak asked that the County be given permission to lease a county-owned house at Broadway Lake for \$300 per month, plus \$300 deposit and one month's rent. Mr. Floyd moved to approve and Mr. Tolly seconded. Vote was unanimous.

The next item on the agenda (Project Manager) was deferred until after the executive session.

Mr. Smoak said that in January, Council froze all positions that were not currently filled. He asked if the freeze still involved a Planning position. Mr. Floyd moved that to end the freeze and Mr. Tolly seconded. Vote was two in favor (Floyd, Tolly) and three opposed (Gerrard, Garrison, Banister). Motion failed.

Mr. Floyd moved to go into executive session at 5:30 p.m. and Mr. Gerrard seconded. Vote was unanimous.

On the motion of Mr. Floyd, seconded by Mr. Gerrard, Council voted unanimously to hold a work session at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, September 11, 1995 to discuss the Assessor's Office and the Detention Center.

On the motion of Mr. Floyd, seconded by Mr. Gerrard, Council voted unanimously to come out of executive session at 8:00 p.m.

On the motion of Mr. Tolly, seconded by Mr. Floyd, Council voted unanimously to change the time of the September 19th meeting to 4 p.m.

Mr. Tolly moved to approve up to \$6,000 as an incentive package for Sekido, and Mr. Floyd seconded. Vote was 5-0.

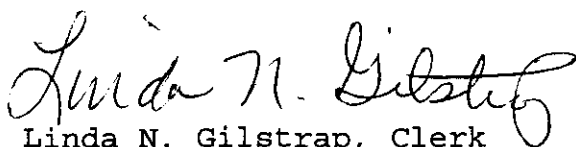
Mr. Tolly moved to reject the bid in the amount of \$145,559 received for Lloyd Drive for plant expansion by Mr. Barney Darby. Mr. Floyd seconded and vote was unanimous.

Mr. Tolly moved that the County agree to work in conjunction with the City, along the lines explained in a letter from Gary Smoak dated September 1, 1995 and the County do certain items in-house to accommodate the relocation of Lloyd Drive. Mr. Floyd seconded and vote was unanimous.

Mr. Banister moved to allow the Belton Rescue Squad to trade in an old Life-Pack and purchase a new one. Mr. Gerrard seconded and vote was 5-0.

On the motion of Mr. Gerrard, seconded by Mr. Floyd, Council voted unanimously to adjourn at 8:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Linda N. Gilstrap, Clerk  
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