

ANDERSON COUNTY COUNCIL
ANDERSON, SOUTH CAROLINA

Called Meeting - January 25, 1996 - 7:00 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, David Watson, 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.

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
Linda N. Gilstrap, Clerk

ABSENT

David Watson, Interim Administrator
Jack McIntosh, County Attorney

A called meeting of the Anderson County Council convened in the Council Chambers of the Historic Courthouse on Thursday, January 25, 1996 at 7:00 p.m.

The Chairman called the meeting to order, welcomed the group, and Mr. Tolly gave the invocation. Everyone stood and pledged allegiance to the flag.

Mr. Garrison said that there was one item that needed to be talked about and that was the information on applicants for position of County Administrator. In the advertisement the applicants were assured that their names would be held in confidence and it was not. It was allowed to get into the media therefore jeopardizing someone's job and the Council's ability to get good people to apply for position of Administrator. At the last meeting all members of Council and the Clerk had the opportunity to make the statement that they did not leak the information and they did. He gave Mr. Floyd, who was absent at that meeting, the same opportunity.

Mr. Floyd said that he had no evidence to the contrary that he leaked any information and said that he unequivocally did not, would not, and has not leaked any information to the media.

Mr. Garrison said that Council had requests for copies of tapes of the Council meetings and in his opinion meeting tapes are made for the purpose of making sure that Council's minutes are proper and correct. Mr. Banister moved that the policy of the Council would be not to make the tapes available to the public and Mr. Gerrard seconded. Vote was three in favor (Gerrard, Banister, Garrison) and two opposed (Tolly, Floyd). Mr. Tolly and Mr. Floyd both expressed strong opposition against the motion.

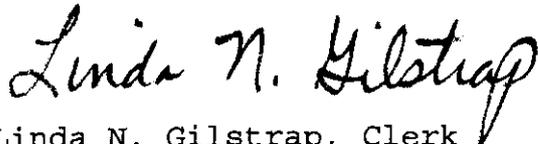
Chairman Garrison explained that the Clerk's typewriter was broken and unable to be repaired. Mr. Gerrard moved to appropriate \$800 from the Consulting account to purchase a new typewriter. Mr. Banister seconded and vote was 5-0.

On the motion of Mr. Gerrard, seconded by Mr. Banister, Council voted unanimously to go into executive session at 7:25 p.m. to discuss personnel.

On the motion of Mr. Banister, seconded by Mr. Tolly, Council voted unanimously to come out of executive session at 9:25 p.m.

On the motion of Mr. Gerrard, seconded by Mr. Tolly, Council voted unanimously to adjourn at 9:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Linda N. Gilstrap, Clerk
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