

INTERNAL STAFF UPDATE*

Wednesday, September 9, 2015

Emergency Management

Tomorrow, Thursday at 2:00 p.m., there will be a bond hearing for the North Charleston police officer that shot Walter Scott. To prepare for any possible contingency, Charleston County has requested information from state agencies regarding assistance and support. If the county needs immediate assistance, then first responders from nearby jurisdictions will be called via mutual aid agreements. If additional assistance is needed, then the county may request National Guard support. The county has NOT requested state assets; the county has only requested information regarding the time and cost of state assets if needed.

Legal

The State Ethics Commission has agreed to put on its agenda for its meeting next Wednesday, September 16th at 9:30 a.m. our office's request for an advisory opinion regarding the USC Football Suite.

Legislative

Rep. Donna Hicks – Staff met with Rep. Donna Hicks today to discuss Planned Parenthood. She has been working with Americans United for Life and will be introducing legislation this session that will defund Planned Parenthood operations in South Carolina as well as legislation to require ultrasounds at abortion consultations. Staff will provide her the report from the investigation requested by our office that will be available September 15th. Rep. Hicks will continue to keep us informed on her efforts moving forward with members from the Legislative Oversight Committee and their investigation into HHS, DHEC, and DSS for abortion related services and funding.

Legislative Oversight (Executive Subcommittee – The Legislative Oversight Executive Subcommittee will meet this Thursday, September 10th at 10:00 a.m. to discuss the study of the Treasurer's Office and the Comptroller General's Office. Members are Rep. Joshua Putnam, Chair, and Reps. Funderburk, Newton, and Williams.

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