



JASPER COUNTY COUNCIL
358 THIRD AVENUE
RIDGELAND, SOUTH CAROLINA 29936

COUNCIL CHAMBERS
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2014
5:00 P.M.
MINUTES

OFFICIALS PRESENT: Chairwoman Barbara Clark, Vice Chairman L. Martin Sauls, IV, Councilman Henry Etheridge, Councilman Theodus Drayton, Councilman D. Thomas Johnson

STAFF PRESENT: Administrator Andrew Fulghum, Clerk to Council Judith Frank, Attorney Marvin Jones, Director of Engineering Services Dale Terry

In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act the electronic and print media were notified. During periods of discussion and/or presentations minutes are typically condensed and paraphrased.

Call to order- Chairwoman Clark called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - Councilman Drayton led the Pledge of Allegiance.

INVOCATION - Councilman Etheridge gave the Invocation.

MR. DALE TERRY - SOUTH HARDEEVILLE DRAINAGE OUTFALL STUDY – Mr. Terry said he met with Ward Edwards and Hardeeville to come up with a plan to resolve the water problem in Hardeeville. Mr. Terry explained that \$24,780 was needed to get the study that would cover a survey and outfall basin modeling and analysis, started on how to resolve the problem. Councilman Etheridge asked if a map that could be used for obtaining grants would be included. Mr. Terry said a map will be included to identify the problem and also to come up with a solution. Mr. Terry explained that the pump station flows down Hwy. 17 and there has been more water this year than before and the growth has not affected the amount of water. Vice Chairman Sauls commented that in July and August of this year, the Savannah River had been in the highest flood stage for several weeks causing major flooding and problems in the lower half of the County. Councilman Johnson added that Hardeeville is unusually wet this year. Mr. Moore, from Ward Edwards, responded that the water is going to New River, but looking for alternate routes. Vice Chairman Sauls said that something has to be done. Councilman Drayton asked if any other areas of the County are affected. Mr. Terry said Hardeeville is the worst area in the County. Councilman Drayton said if the survey would be helpful maybe other areas of the County should be included in the agreement. Councilman Etheridge said he wondered if more influx was due to the growth and there were a lot of ditches around the

County that needed to be cleaned. Councilman Etheridge asked if the County or Hardeeville will be paying for the study. Mr. Fulghum said that Hardeeville will be doing the pump station and he wanted to be sure it doesn't make any additional problems. Councilman Johnson asked if there were more impervious surfaces now. Paul Moore said there may be more, but not an outstanding amount. Chairwoman Clark thanked Mr. Terry and Mr. Moore. Chairwoman Clark said this has been a long time coming and it needed to be done. Chairwoman Clark said she hoped the County could get a grant to make the corrections where they are needed. Councilman Drayton moved and Councilman Etheridge seconded the motion to approve the South Hardeeville Drainage Outfall Study. The motion carried with all members present voting in favor. Mr. Fulghum said the funds from the road maintenance fee would be used to pay for the study and to rent the equipment to clean the ditches.

ADJOURN – Vice Chairman Sauls moved and Councilman Drayton seconded the motion to adjourn. The motion carried with all members present voting in favor.

The meeting ended at 5:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:

Approved by:

Judith M. Frank, ccc
Clerk to Council

Barbara B. Clark
Chairman