

ANDERSON COUNTY COUNCIL
ANDERSON, SOUTH CAROLINA

Regular Meeting - July 18, 2000 - 6:00 p.m.

Linda N. Gilstrap, Clerk to Council

M I N U T E S

All area newspapers, radio stations and television stations were informed of this meeting in compliance with guidelines set forth in the *Freedom of Information Act*.

P R E S E N T

G. Fred Tolly - District #1
Gracie S. Floyd - District #2
Larry E. Greer - District #3
Vice Chairman Clint Wright - District #4
Chairman Mike Holden - District #5
Joey Preston - Administrator
Tom Martin - County Attorney
Linda N. Gilstrap - Clerk to Council

The official meeting of the Anderson County Council convened in the Council Chambers of the Historic Courthouse on Tuesday, July 18, 2000 at 6:00 p.m.

Mr. Larry Greer gave the invocation and everyone stood and pledged allegiance the flag.

On the motion of Mr. Greer, seconded by Mr. Wright, Council voted unanimously to approve the May 29, 2000 minutes as mailed.

Public Comments:

Mr. Rufus Gleason of 711 Trail Road, Anderson stated that Council voted a hopelessly flawed zoning ordinance. He said zoning had destroyed years of

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efforts and good will and community cooperation. Mr. Wayne Owens of 311 Lockaby Road in the Piercetown Fire area stated that he was concerned with EMS coverage in the northern part of Anderson County. He urged Council to work for a better EMS coverage - not less. Mr. Duane Rogers of 614 Willingham Road spoke in support of the rescue squads and has operated in their communities for years. He said a well managed, non-profit organization could operate cheaper than a private company and is in full support of a full EMS services committee. Mr. Phillip Clardy of Williamston talked about the Williamston Rescue Squad and would other squads adequately service the service area. Mr. Chester Cap of 708 Wooddale Road stated that the County had an acute oversight in proposed list of single-family residential zoning classifications. What is needed is a RH classification is similar to the R-20 and that Council had a moral duty to establish a classification as explained. Council received all remarks as information.

County Council presented Resolution #R2000-035 - a resolution honoring and recognizing Mr. J.R. (Jim) McClure for his many years of public service to Anderson County and the Anderson County Department of Public Works. Mr. McClure retired officially June 30.

Mr. Michael Cunningham presented Ms. Mary Ann Martin as Employee of the Month for June, 2000. She was presented an Employee of the Month T-shirt, coffee mug, plaque, and a gift certificate to an area restaurant. Council commended Ms. Martin for a job well done.

Mr. R.H. Patterson with Prevent Alcohol Problems, Association presented Council with information concerning alcohol problems that counties deal with. A packet of information was presented to each member with information on alcohol problems in relation to the number of crimes, arrests, and etc. He explained that the ABC Commission consistently issues alcohol and beer licenses without consideration as to the increase in crimes, wrecks, and etc. They requested that Council examine the conditions in Anderson and maybe consider a similar resolution. Council received as information.

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On the motion of Mr. Wright, seconded by Mr. Tolly, Council voted unanimously to approve second reading of Ordinance #2000-031 - an ordinance amending Ordinance #99-003, the Anderson County Comprehensive Plan - 1999, as adopted April 20, 1999, by amending Land Use Figure 1, Projected Future Land Use Figure, to include Planning Area V, Future Plan Use.

On the motion of Mr. Wright, seconded by Mr. Tolly, Council voted unanimously to approve second reading of ordinance #2000-035 - an ordinance to consider a rezoning request of 2 acres of property north of Anderson at the northeast corner of Harris Bridge Road and Liberty Highway/Us 178 from I-2 to C-1 (C.B. Mart, Inc.)

On the motion of Mr. Tolly, seconded by Ms. Floyd, Council voted unanimously to approve second reading of Ordinance #2000-042 - an ordinance authorizing the transfer and sale of certain Anderson County Real Property located at the Anderson County Airport Business Park; authorizing the execution and delivery of a real property deed related to the same; and other matters related thereto.

Mr. Martin presented first reading of Ordinance #2000-030 - an ordinance to consider a rezoning request of one acre of property located in the Five Forks Voting precinct @ 118 Jolly Acres Road, just off Manse Jolly road north of Anderson from R-20 (single family residential) be changed to C-2 (highway Commercial - Judson Monroe White, Jr. - applicant). A public hearing was conducted and no comments were heard. Mr. Wright moved to adopted Ordinance #2000-030 and Mr. Holden seconded. The Planning Commission has recommended denial of the rezoning request. Vote was zero in favor and five opposed. Motion failed.

A public hearing was held (no reading was considered) concerning Ordinance #2000-036 - an ordinance amending Ordinance #99-004, the Anderson County Zoning Ordinance, as adopted July 20, 1999, by amending the Anderson County Official Zoning Map to adopt a zoning map in the Edgewood B Voting Precinct. The following individuals spoke at the public hearing: Mr. Lou Rotola of Arcadia Drive said that as a community they are collectively opposed to zoning classifications on

Brown Road namely the RM-7 classifications proposed for the property bordered by Sams, Brown Road and Arcadia Drive also known as the Christmas Tree farm. Also he is opposed to other classifications in the area. Mr. Otta Haugland of 145 Towne Creek Trail recommended that the zoning classification on Brown Road be changed from RM7 and C1 be changed to R20. He also talked about the traffic problem on Brown Road. Mr. Charles Holland of 200 Arcadia Drive stated his opposition to the zoning classification of property on Brown Road. of 210 Arcadia Drive stated that his position on the zoning classification of Brown Road is the same as the two previous speakers. Said that Brown Road should be widened before anything is done because there are numerous accidents on the road is dangerous. The last thing the community needs is more development in that area therefore he would request that Council denial any zoning request. Mr. Bill Works agreed with what was said about the traffic and wrecks on Brown Road. He urged Council to go out to the area and take a look at it. Mr. Carl Lane stated that he and his wife were opposed to zoning ordinance changes mainly because of the drop in property values because of the proposed construction of apartments and mobile homes will have a detrimental effect on their home value and also the congestion problems already on Brown Road will be greatly increased. Mr. Tolly asked for a point of personal privilege. He stated that he wanted to advise the Planning Staff that any additional traffic on Brown Road is absolutely out of the question. The Council cannot allow any type of zoning, any category that of any caliber will increase by one car the travel on that road is absolutely dangerous. The road is over used now by the people of Anderson County and hopes that the Planning staff will keep that in mind. Council was challenged by a citizen to physically come out to the site and walk the area in question and envision what the community will look like with what is being proposed. Ms. Floyd said that she was fully familiar with the area. No further comments the public hearing was declared closed.

On the motion of Mr. Tolly, seconded by Mr. Greer, Council voted unanimously to approve a proclamation proclaiming August 20-26, 2000 as SMALL BUSINESS WEEK in Anderson County and urges all residents to salute the small businesses and their employees for their many positive contributions to the community. The Proclamation was presented to Mr. Al Traveras, representatives of the Small Business Committee for the Chamber of Commerce.

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On the motion of Mr. Tolly, seconded by Mr. Wright, Council voted unanimously to approve an appropriation of \$30,000 for the paving of the YMCA parking lot from District #1 paving funds.

On the motion of Mr. Tolly, seconded by Mr. Greer, Council voted unanimously to approve an appropriation of \$3,000 to the Caroline Civic Center formerly known as the Williamston Action Community Club from District #1 Recreation Funds.

On the motion of Mr. Wright, seconded by Mr. Tolly, Council voted unanimously to approve the resurfacing of Innisbrook Drive (C-2-21A) estimated at \$11,970. Funds will come from District #4 paving account. This is a tar and gravel road in dire need of repair.

Mr. Preston announced that at the last meeting Council approved the Med-Shore Contract and has the EMS plan for Council's consideration tonight. He said that staff would recommend approval of the plan and understands that Council needs to go into executive session to discuss contractual issues. Mr. Wright moved to go into executive session at 7:25 p.m. to receive legal advise and Mr. Greer seconded. Vote was unanimous.

On the motion of Mr. Wright, seconded by Mr. Greer, Council voted unanimous to come out of executive session back into regular session at 9:10 p.m.

Mr. Martin, County Attorney, stated that Council received legal advise on the EMS contract. No action was taken in executive session.

Mr. Wright moved to adopt the EMS agreement as written, Mr. Tolly seconded. Council discussed. Mr. Wright amended the motion to adopt the plan as written with the revised contract. Vote on the amendment was four in favor and one opposed (Holden). Vote on the original motion was unanimous.

Mr. Greer recommended the following individuals to the District #3 Zoning Appeals Board. Mr. James W. Branyon of Honea Path, Mr. George Haynie of Belton and Mr. Michael w. Gambrell of Honea Path. Mr. Greer moved that the appointments be approved and Mr. Tolly seconded. Vote was unanimous.

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On the motion of Mr. Greer, seconded by Mr. Wright, Council voted unanimously to appoint Dr. Jimmy Smith (P.O. Box 265, Honea Path) to the EMS Commission to represent District #3. The appointment to be effective through December 31, 2000 at which time all new board appointments will be made.

Mr. Tolly moved to appoint Frances Vandiver of 537 Drayton Circle, Anderson to the EMS Commission to represent District #1. District #2, #4, & #5 deferred their appointments until another meeting. Mr. Wright seconded and vote was unanimous.

Ms. Floyd asked Mr. Preston to convey to Ms. Kim Cheslak Council's pride and appreciation for the work that she does.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:

- (a) Letters of Appreciation: For: Ms. Kim Cheslak-9-1-1 Dispatcher From: Mr. Scott F. Hall
- (b) Minutes: Airport Advisory Committee Meeting
- (c) Reports:
 - 1. Road Maintenance Litter Report of June 5-23, 2000
 - 2. Road Maintenance Litter Report of June 26-July 7, 2000
 - 3. Public Safety Communications Call Report for June 1-June 30, 2000.
 - 4. Detention Center Litter Report - June 26-June 30, 2000
 - 5. Detention Center Litter Report - July 3-7, 2000
- (d) "All American Rhythm & Blues Festival" coming to Anderson Sports and Entertainment Center - Labor Day Weekend
- (e) Omega Project - Circle News

There being no further business, Council adjourned at 9:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda N. Gilstrap, Clerk
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