

ANDERSON COUNTY COUNCIL
ANDERSON, SOUTH CAROLINA

Regular Meeting - May 15, 1984 - 7:00 p.m.
Linda N. Gilstrap, Clerk

M I N U T E S

T A P E U N C L E A R

PRESENT: Fred G. Alexander, District #1
Prue L. Gilreath, District #2
Robert L. Wiles, District #3 - Chairman
Dan Rhodes, District #4
Al Lynch, District #5
Billy D. O'Neal, Administrator

Mr. Wiles called the meeting to order and then gave the invocation. Everyone stood and pledged allegiance to the flag.

Mr. Alexander moved that the April 27, and May 1, 1984 minutes be approved. Mr. Lynch seconded the motion. Mr. Gilreath moved that the minutes be amended as follows: April 27, 1984: The second paragraph should read Three parks are planned. One for Anderson, one for Columbia, and one for Charleston. (2) May 1, 1984 minutes: Third paragraph delete the sentence: "Because of lack of funding the Human Resources Commission's going out of business." Correction #3 - May 1 minutes: add: \$80.00 was collected for the Good Neighbor Cupboard. The Clerk regrets the errors and the amended minutes will be mailed for your approval. All corrections have been made. Mr. Alexander seconded the motion. Vote was unanimous. Vote on the original motion as amended was 5-0.

Mr. O'Neal gave the road maintenance activity report for the period April 30, 1984 thru May 11, 1984. The County received 354 work orders and completed 344. The Council was presented a list of man hours spent in each district. Mr. O'Neal asked for approval to transfer \$18,000 within the road maintenance department. This would go into account #310.57 pipes and signs, coming from 310.32 (hardware & building material) in the amount of \$14,000 and account #310.62 (insurance) in the amount of \$4,000. On the motion of Mr. Alexander, seconded by Mr. Lynch, Council voted 5-0 to approve the transfer as requested.

Mr. Wiles told the council that the County Attorney was on vacation and unable to attend.

Mr. Gary Holcombe presented the Council a letter that requested the Council to hire a full-time manager for the Airport to oversee the airport's day-to-day activities. This request would be \$25,000, \$15,000 for the full-time manager and the \$10,000 for related material. He said that this full-time manager could bring back commuter services to Anderson, (2) better security is needed at the Airport (3) help provide for round-the-clock surveillance. Council received as information. Mr. Wiles moved that Mr. Marchant Lesley be appointed to fill Mr. Jim Ivey's position on the Airport Commission who had recently resigned. Mr. Rhodes asked that this be placed on the June 5 Council agenda to allow for study. Mr. Wiles withdrew his motion and asked the clerk place on the agenda.

Mr. Wiles presented first reading of Ordinance #136 (Airport Commission's Rules & Regulations). He moved that this be adopted. Mr. Alexander seconded the motion. Vote was 4 infavor and 1 opposed. Mr. Rhodes opposed the ordinance. He requested that the fixed base operators be given a copy before Council's approval. Mr. Wiles, Mr. Lynch

Mr. Gilreath and Mr. Alexander voted in favor.

Mr. Alexander discussed long-range goals and objectives for Anderson County. These goals and objectives would allow the county to continue to professionalize its departments and governmental administration by hiring professional staff as rapidly as economically feasible, and that the County favors a gradual reduction of its dependence on prison labor by the systematic replacement of inmates with County employees, and that the County intends to move toward the centralization of its internal functions such as vehicle maintenance, personnel administration, financial administration, and public works administration. He moved that these be adopted. Mr. Lynch seconded the motion. Vote was 5-0.

Mr. Rhodes read ordinance #134 which is to establish the Anderson County Farmers Market Board to prescribe the composition, term and manner of appointment of members to board, to prescribe the powers and duties of the board, and to prescribe the manner of appeals from decisions of the board. He moved that this be approved. Mr. Lynch seconded, Vote was unanimous. The members will be appointed at the next meeting.

Mr. O'Neal explained that the first public hearing and reading of the 1984-85 fy budget was scheduled and asked Council to postpone until May 22 to give Council & the administrator time to discuss the 5% raise for employees. Mr. Lynch moved that this be done. Mr. Rhodes seconded. Mr. Lynch amended his motion to hold the meeting at 5:00 p.m. on May 22. Mr. Rhodes seconded, vote was 5-0.

Mr. Rhodes read a letter from the chairman of the Election Commission, Frank Floyd informing council that the Loblolly Pines Special Election scheduled for July 17 could not be held at that time. The reason being no polling place. Centerville Elementary School would be having asbestos removed and would not be completed until the latter part of August, 1984. Mr. Rhodes made a motion that the election be held on November 6 (general election). Mr. Lynch seconded. Vote was 5-0.

Mr. Lynch asked what the Council intended to do about locking the ladies restroom on the first floor. Mr. Lynch moved that the restroom be unlocked and remain unlocked, Mr. Rhodes seconded the motion. Mr. Gilreath moved that the motion be tabled until further discussion. The motion died from lack of a second. Vote on the motion was four in favor and one abstaining. Mr. Wiles, Mr. Rhodes, Mr. Lynch and Mr. Alexander voted in favor. Mr. Gilreath abstained.

Council heard a request from Mr. Siegel asking for \$150,000 budget request for the Anderson County Mental Health Center. Council heard from other concerned citizens at this time.

On the motion of Mr. Lynch, seconded by Mr. Alexander, Council voted unanimously to adjourn at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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