

**CHESTERFIELD COUNTY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
COUNTY COUNCIL MULTI-PURPOSE BUILDING
May 6, 20159:00 A.M.**

PRESENT: Chairman J. Matthew Rivers, Vice-Chair Lenora V. Powe, Council Members: Kenneth A. Johnson, G. Franklin Plyler, Bruce E. Rivers, Robert G. Cole, Gerald L. Miller, and Mary Anderson.

ABSENT: Council Member Douglas Curtis.

OTHERS PRESENT: Denise Douglass – Administrator; Susie Boswell – Clerk to Council; Michelle Stanley – Finance Director; C. Heath Ruffner – County Attorney; Lisa Gainey – Human Resource Director; Tim Eubanks – Public Works; Coroner Kip Kiser; Arthur Bays, Gail Ingram, Probate Judge, Rebecca Burch and Brenda Branson – Director of Chesterfield County Library System. There were others attending the meeting who did not sign the sign-in-sheet.

CALL TO ORDER AND PRAYER

Chairman J. Matthew Rivers welcomed everyone and Council Member Miller opened the meeting with prayer.

SPECIAL RECOGNITION

a. **Brenda Branson, County Library Director**

Council recognized Ms. Brenda Branson, County Library Director for her years of service to the Chesterfield County Library System.

Brenda Branson: It's been a pleasure working with County Council and with staff and I have had the honor to serve the people of Chesterfield County and I appreciate your support and your continued support for the Library.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Council Member Johnson made a motion to adopt the May 6, 2015 meeting agenda with any amendments approved by Council. Council Member Miller seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a. **April 1, 2015 – Regular Meeting**

Council Member Johnson made a motion to approve the April 1, 2015 Regular Meeting Minutes. Council Member Miller seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous.

b. April 22, 2015 – Budget Retreat Minutes

Council Member Johnson made a motion to approve the April 22, 2015 Budget Retreat Minutes. Council Member Miller seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous.

SIGNING OF BONDS, PAYROLL, AND AUTHORIZATIONS

None

APPOINTMENTS

None

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

PUBLIC HEARINGS

a. Coroner Fee Schedule Ordinance – Public Hearing

Council Member Miller made a motion to open public hearing. Council Member Plyler seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. There were no oral comments from the public made nor were any written comments received.

Council Member Johnson made a motion to close public hearing. Council Member Plyler seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous.

b. Wal-Mart Fee-in-Lieu Ordinance Amendment - Public Hearing

Council Member Bruce E. Rivers made a motion to open public hearing. Council Member Miller seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. There were no oral comments from the public made nor were any written comments received.

Council Member Miller made a motion to close public hearing. Council Member Johnson seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous.

ORDINANCE READINGS AND RESOLUTIONS

a. Coroner Fee Schedule Ordinance– 3rd Reading

Council Member Anderson made a motion to pass 3rd Reading. Council Member Plyler seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

b. Wal-Mart FILOT Ordinance Amendment – 3rd Reading

Council Member Bruce E. Rivers made a motion to pass 3rd Reading. Council Member Miller seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

c. 2015-2016 Alligator RFD Budget Ordinance –2nd Reading

Council Member Plyler made a motion to pass 2nd Reading. Council Member Cole seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

d. 2015-2016 Cash RFD Budget Ordinance – 2nd Reading

Council Member Plyler made a motion to pass 2nd Reading. Council Member Cole seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

e. 2015-2016 Harris Creek RFD Budget Ordinance – 2nd Reading

Council Member Plyler made a motion to pass 2nd Reading. Council Member Cole seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

f. 2015/2016 General Fund Budget Ordinance – 2nd Reading

Council Member Johnson: I thought we would go ahead and have 2nd Reading. I make a motion that we have 2nd Reading on the budget as it was last year, the same budget it was last year. Council Member Bruce E. Rivers seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

g. Purchase of Property from Lynches River Co-op Ordinance – 2nd Reading

Council Member Bruce E. Rivers made a motion to pass 2nd Reading. Council Member Miller seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

h. Duke Energy Progress Easement Ordinance – 1st Reading, title only

Council Member Plyler made a motion to pass 1st Reading, *by title only*. Council Member Cole seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

i. Multi-County Park Master Agreement Ordinance (Lancaster County) – 1st Reading, title only

Council Member Bruce E. Rivers made a motion to pass 1st Reading, *by title only*. Council Member Miller seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

j. Multi-County Park Master Agreement Ordinance (Kershaw County) – 1st Reading, title only

Council Member Bruce E. Rivers made a motion to pass 1st Reading, *by title only*. Council Member Miller seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

k. Project Pellet Ordinance – 1st Reading, title only

Council Member Johnson made a motion to pass 1st Reading, *by title only*. Council Member Bruce E. Rivers seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

l. Multi-Jurisdictional Agreement Ordinance – 1st Reading, by title only

Council Member Bruce E. Rivers made a motion to pass First Reading, *by title only*. Council Member Miller seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

m. Peace Officers Memorial Day Proclamation

Council Member Bruce E. Rivers made a motion to declare May 15, 2015 as Peace Officers' Memorial Day. Council Member Miller seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

n. National Women's Lung Health Week Proclamation

Council Member Bruce E. Rivers made a motion to declare the second week of May (Sunday, May 10 through Sunday, May 17) as National Women's Lung Health Week. Council Member Miller seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

o. 2015 Tax Anticipation Note Ordinance – 1st Reading, title only

Council Member Plyler made a motion to pass 1st Reading, *by title only*. Council Member Cole seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

a. Finance Committee – Committee Chair Johnson

1. Magistrate Request from Senator Sheheen

We met on this, it was a request from Senator Sheheen to move a part-time Magistrate to a full time Magistrate and we agreed that this should happen.

Council Member Johnson made a motion to move a part-time Magistrate to a full time Magistrate. Council Member Miller seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

2. Medshore Ambulance Service Franchise Application

Council Member Johnson advised that the Finance Committee felt that Council needed to wait until the June 3 meeting to vote on the Medhsore Ambulance Service Franchise Application. He stated that there was going to be some other meetings going on that Heath needs to attend and so the Finance Committee recommends that it be postponed until the next month.

Chairman Rivers: Okay, we will table that.

ITEMS SUBMITTED BY COUNCIL

None

ITEMS SUBMITTED BY STAFF

a. Economic Development Board Appointment – Douglass (*information only*)

Advised Council that the Greater Chesterfield Chamber of Commerce has appointed Mr. John Douglas to serve on the Chesterfield County Economic Development Board.

b. Animal Shelter 5K Fundraiser – Douglass (information only)

Presented Council with information regarding the First Annual 5K Run/Walk Fundraiser (Walk the Dawgs 5K Run/Walk). This event will be held June 20 at the corner of Crescent Drive and Magnolia Terrace in Chesterfield, SC. Sponsorships for this event are being solicited and will be listed on the back of the participants t-shirts. Awards will be given out to the top male and female finishers in seven different age groups. All proceeds benefit the Chesterfield County Animal Shelter.

c. Letter of Support Request (Pee Dee Healthy Start) - Doulgass

A letter was received from Madie Robinson, Executive Director of the Pee Dee Healthy Start, Inc. requesting a letter of support be sent to the congressional members asking them to restore funds for services to the target women and children in Chesterfield County and the Pee Dee Region. Federal funding was not awarded to Pee Dee Healthy Start Inc. for 2015.

A motion was made by Vice-Chair Powe to send a letter of support to the congressional members. Council Member Anderson seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

d. SCDOT transfers from State Secondary System (S-191 & S-739) – Ruffner

A copy of an email received from Kent Wagner was included in Council's packet regarding two roads that are near the river in Cheraw near the boat landing. These are roads that at some point were taken into the State Highway System and the Statute that is attached. S.C. Code §57-5-80 provides that the Department can turn those roads over to the adjoining property owners but prior to doing that they have to give the County or Municipality the first right of refusal to accept those roads into their system. Council can vote to deny that first right of refusal and then it would be up to the town and the highway department to decide what further to do with these roads.

Chairman Rivers: So do we have a motion to deny that right, to reject that right, unless yall want to adopt some State highways.

A motion was made by Council Member Anderson to send a written refusal to SCDOT from the County to accept S-191 and S-739. Council Member Cole seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

e. Standing Rules Amendment – Ruffner

This is a product of our discussion in our last Council meeting. I think it is self-explanatory. This would be an addition to the Council Standing Rules. If Council wishes to adopt it as it is written here, it would just take a majority vote. If there are any proposed changes to it and they wanted to be adopted at this meeting it would take a two-thirds vote under the Standing Rules.

A motion was made by Council Member Anderson to approve adding Item 38. Procedure for Addressing Duties and Functions of Administrator to the Standing Rules – effective May 6,

2015. Council Member Johnson seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

None

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Council Member Johnson

None

Council Member Plyler

None

Council Member Anderson

Friday is the last day to sign up for the canoe float that's going to be May, the middle of May. I'll have to look up the date but the gentlemen came to us and talked about this being an opportunity for us to promote Chesterfield County and the resources of the river. I just wanted to remind everyone that Friday is the deadline for that. They need to know how many kayaks and canoes to put in the water that morning. I told you at last month's meeting that May 1st is going to be day one for McLeod and that has been pushed to June 1 so there is going to be a celebration for McLeod's Hospital purchasing the Chesterfield General Hospital on June 1 rather than May 1.

Council Member Cole

None

Council Member Bruce E. Rivers

Thanked each of the fellow Council members for the phone calls, cards and the prayers in the recent weeks with the problems he has been having with his health. He stated that he appreciated it and thanked the staff as well and stated that it was a wonderful feeling to know that people are thinking about you and that they have best wishes for you.

Council Member Miller:

None

Council Vice-Chair Powe

None

Council Chair J. Matthew Rivers

None

Administrator Denise Douglass

None

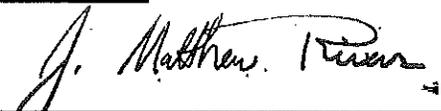
EXECUTIVE SESSION

Council did not enter Executive Session.

ADJOURN

Council Member Johnson made a motion to adjourn. Council Member Miller seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous.

APPROVED:



J. Matthew Rivers, Chairman

Date: June 3, 2015

ATTEST:



Susie Boswell, Clerk to Council