

**DILLON COUNTY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
AUGUST 28, 2013
4:00 PM**

The Dillon County Council held a regular meeting on August 28, 2013 at 4:00 pm in the County Council Chambers, 109 S 3rd Ave, Dillon SC. Present were: Randy Goings, T.F. Finklea, Archie Scott, Joe Johnson, Harold Moody, Bobby Moody and Andrew Graves. Also present were: Clay Young (County Administrator), Ken DuBose (County Attorney), Betsy Finklea (The Dillon Herald) (*arrived late as noted), and Lisa Gray (Clerk to Council).

The following were notified of the meeting and provided an agenda: By e-mail – Charles Curry, Randy Grimsley (Dillon County EMS), The Dillon Herald, Susan Norton (Perdue), Tim Ammons (Attorney), Tonny McNeil (Dillon County Economic Development), Yolanda McCormick (Dillon County Librarian), Gabriel Salmon (PDCAA), Larry Abraham (Chief Deputy), Les Jackson (County Deputy), Terry Morris, Alvin Nobles, Dillon County Planning/Code Enforcement Office, WMBF News, Sheriff Major Hulon, Jerry Rivers, Dan Gruszka, Bobby Holland (SCANA), Jamie Estes (Dillon County Treasurer), Dillon County Finance, Sonny McRae (Dillon County E911), Alan Lane, Steve Johnson and Randy Rouse (Hometown TV), Manufactured Housing Institute of SC, Ron Bartley and Cathy Pelfrey (NETC), Jamie Rogers (Morning News), Karl McCollester (Agenda Repository), Haywood Proctor, Frank Brockington, Bo McInnis, Johnnie Luehrs (Chamber of Commerce), Ty'on Jones (RALI) and; By fax – Farm Bureau and Pee Dee Electric.

Chairman Archie Scott presided over the meeting.

INVOCATION

Invocation was given by Joe Johnson.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Chairman Scott asked that Item 4E. Independent Audit Report Request be moved to after Executive Session. **Harold Moody motioned to approve the agenda. Andrew Graves seconded and all were in favor.**

APPROVAL OF MINUTES –07/24/13 & 08/01/13

Andrew Graves motioned to approve the minutes. Randy Goings seconded and all were in favor.

NEW BUSINESS

TY'ON JONES – RURAL AREA LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE (RALI)

Mr. Jones gave a presentation to Council. He told that he is the new coordinator for Dillon County Community Development. He stated that RALI had joined the SC Healthy Initiative which helps address health issues in our County. He asked for office space and any other assistance Council could offer. Mr. Young stated he would work with him on the request. (*Betsy Finklea arrived)

BIDS - COURTHOUSE REPAIR

Mr. Young told that the bids were opened after 3:00 today. Mr. DuBose told that four bids were received and Carolina Construction out of Cheraw SC was the lowest responsive bidder. Staff

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reviewed the bids and recommended awarding to Carolina Construction (Base bid \$26,550). **T. F. Finklea motioned to accept the bid from Carolina Construction. Bobby Moody seconded and all were in favor.** Mr. Young noted that the insurance would pay for some of the cost as it relates to the earthquake damage repair.

DILLON COUNTY PUBLIC PRIVATE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PARTNERSHIP REQUEST

Heywood Proctor spoke about the need for seed money for funding to move forward on the private side. Tonny McNeil shared information on the Board's proposed budget. He stated that the money spent would be approved by Council. T.F. Finklea stated that he would like Council to meet with Mr. McNeil and Mr. Proctor to discuss the request before taking any action. **T.F. Finklea motioned to table the matter until a meeting is held to discuss. Andrew Graves seconded the motioned. All except Archie Scott and Randy Goings voted to table the matter. Motion carried.**

RECREATION REQUESTS

Harold Moody motioned to approve the following requests: \$50.00 payable to Dillon Dixie Darlings 8U for trip to Louisiana for World Series from T.F. Finklea's recreation; \$65.00 payable to Barnhill's Pumping & Port-a-john Service for a port-a-john for the community event at Riverdale park held on August 24, 2013 from Archie Scott's recreation; \$100.00 payable to TZK Karate for donation to offset costs at the community event at Riverdale park held on August 24, 2013 from Archie Scott's recreation; \$150.00 payable to Dillon Wildcat Booster Club for ad in the football program from Harold Moody's, Joe Johnson's, Archie Scott's, Randy Goings', and Andrew Graves' (\$21.43 each) and T. F. Finklea's, Bobby Moody's (\$21.42 each) recreation accounts; \$175.00 payable to AK Promotions (Johnny Davis) for First Annual IKF East Coast Classic Kickbox Tournament to be held on October 18 – 20, 2013 at South of the Border from Randy Goings and Archie Scott's (\$50.00 each) and Harold Moody, TF Finklea and Bobby Moody's (\$25.00 each) recreation accounts. Randy Goings seconded and all were in favor.

INDEPENDENT AUDIT REPORT REQUEST

Chairman Scott told that he was not comfortable moving this item as noted at the beginning of the meeting. **Harold Moody motioned to have the independent audit request provided Council meets in a workshop to discuss what we want audited.** He also pointed out that we already have an independent audit performed by CPA Chris Clark. He told that he wanted to discuss this in executive session and noted that he has full confidence in our finance system, Clay Young and Jamie Estes. Chairman Scott told that the reason it is needed is to be fair to the new finance director, Richard Gaddy, as he is just coming on staff. Mr. Finklea and Mr. Johnson agreed. Chairman Scott also stated this will assure citizens that Council is doing as it should to remove any doubts. Mr. Goings asked that Council consider the cost of the audit. Chairman Scott told that we can use the same auditor (Chris Clark). Mr. Young told that Mr. Clark had indicated that he had sent council an offer to meet with them to discuss any concerns they may have. **Harold Moody clarified his motion to state Council to meet with Chris Clark to instruct him on areas of the books to audit. Joe Johnson seconded. All except Bobby Moody voted in favor. Motion carried.**

OLD BUSINESS

BIDS – AMBULANCE REMOUNTS (2)

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Mr. Young told that Randy Grimsley had reviewed the bids (opened at the July 24, 2013 meeting) and recommends the lowest responsive bid on the two remounts (custom comprehensive type I) be accepted at \$63,505 each from Peach State Ambulance Inc. Mr. Young told that this would be a part of the purchases from the general obligation bond. **Randy Goings motioned to accept the low bid (\$63,505 each for two remounts). Andrew Graves seconded and all were in favor.**

FINANCE REPORT

Mr. Young introduced the new finance director, Richard Gaddy. Mr. Gaddy told Council that the monthly report (July 2013) furnished to Council showed the general fund reflects we received \$99,572.15 more than was spent. He stated he is comfortable with the system the County has and told that he has found the County to be conservative in their spending. He told that we are in the process of bringing the payroll functions to the finance department to comply with the auditor's report. Chairman Scott asked Mr. Young to date the report (check register) when it is signed before giving it to Council.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mr. Young told that the Administration Committee had met (on August 23).

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Mr. Young told that the Harbor Freight project work was being done. He stated that the contractor, Cherokee, had been approved by S.C. Department of Commerce and that work should be completed by November 2013. He told of meeting with Robin Cooley, EDA, and learned that Dillon County did not receive the funds requested. However, he was asked to reapply for the next funding round to be approved in October 2013. Mr. Young thanked the Congressmen's and Senator's offices for their assistance.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT

None

ORDINANCE READINGS

THIRD READING - ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING FEE-IN-LIEU AND CERTAIN CREDITS FOR "PROJECT TOOL SHED"

Tabled.

SECOND READING – ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE #11-09 AUTHORIZING DILLON COUNTY FEE IN LIEU AGREEMENTS

Tabled. Mr. Young told that he is working with the attorney to complete the details.

RESOLUTIONS

WASTE DISPOSAL AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN DILLON COUNTY AND LEE COUNTY LANDFILL, SC, LLC

Mr. DuBose explained that as the present contract expires December 31, 2016 Council has expressed their desire to pursue a long term contract. He told that Council was furnished with a lined version of the proposed contract with small items not agreed upon. He stated that Council can pass the resolution and send to Lee County Landfill for them to respond. **Harold Moody motioned to pass the resolution with the understanding that non substantive procedural changes may be approved by the County Administrator and County Attorney.**

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APPOINTMENTS

**DILLON COUNTY PUBLIC-PRIVATE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PARTNERSHIP
BOARD – REPLACEMENT OF DOUG MILLER**

Mr. Johnson asked to table the appointment.

**DILLON COUNTY ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS – REPLACEMENT OF RICHARD
D. GADDY**

Mr. Finklea asked to table the appointment.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT MATTERS

Andrew Graves motioned to go into executive session. Harold Moody seconded and all were in favor.

Bobby Moody motioned to come out of executive session, followed by a second from TF Finklea. All voted in favor.

RESULTS OF EXECUTIVE SESSION

None

ADJOURNMENT

Bobby Moody motioned to adjourn. Harold Moody seconded the motion to adjourn and all were in favor.

Robert Archie Scott, Chairman

Lisa B. Gray, Clerk to Council

Date approved _____