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ANDERSON COUNTY COUNCIL
COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING
SEPTEMBER 15, 2015

IN ATTENDANCE:
TOMMY DUNN, CHAIRMAN
KEN WATERS
FRANCIS CROWDER
GRACIE FLOYD
MITCHELL COLE
TOM ALLEN
M. CINDY WILSON

ALSO PRESENT:
RUSTY BURNS
LEON HARMON
RITA DAVIS
KIM POULIN

1 TOMMY DUNN: At this time I'd like to
2 call our regular meeting of September the 15th to
3 order. And at this time I'd like to ask Councilman
4 Francis Crowder if he'd lead us in the Invocation and
5 Pledge of Allegiance. If we'd all please rise.

6 **(INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
7 **BY FRANCIS CROWDER)**

8 TOMMY DUNN: At this time we'll ask for
9 approval of the minutes of the September 1st, 2015
10 meeting. Are there any corrections to be made to
11 those minutes? Mr. Crowder?

12 FRANCIS CROWDER: ???

13 TOMMY DUNN: Are you on, Mr. Crowder?

14 FRANCIS CROWDER: Thank you. Appreciate it.
15 All right. On page 13 of the minutes, line 10, insert
16 the word safe, S-A-F-E. On page 14, line 23, insert
17 the word questions. These both have to do with blank
18 spaces. On page 16 -- on page 14, line 23 insert the
19 word questions. Thank you, sir. That's all.

20 TOMMY DUNN: You get that, Kim? Hearing
21 those, be anything else? Hearing none, Mr. Crowder
22 puts that in the form of a motion. We have a second?

23 KEN WATERS: Second.

24 TOMMY DUNN: Second Mr. Waters. Motion
25 to accept the minutes with those corrections by Mr.
26 Crowder and seconded by Mr. Waters. Hearing any
27 discussion?

28 CINDY WILSON: Mr. Chairman?

29 TOMMY DUNN: Oh, Ms. Wilson, I'm sorry.

30 CINDY WILSON: I was not here so I
31 shouldn't ...

32 TOMMY DUNN: Okay. All in favor of the
33 motion show of hands. All opposed like sign. Show it
34 was unanimous with Ms. Wilson abstaining because she
35 was not present at the last meeting. Thank y'all very
36 much.

37 We'll be moving on now to number 4, Citizens
38 Comments. Mr. Harmon.

39 LEON HARMON: Mr. Chairman, there are no
40 citizens signed up tonight.

41 TOMMY DUNN: Thank you, Mr. Harmon.

42 Number 5, Approval of CEDS Report from the
43 South Carolina Appalachian Council of Governments. We
44 talked -- he was representative from Appalachian --
45 ACOG was here last meeting night presenting this and
46 told you to look over it and we'd vote on it the next
47 Council meeting. So does anybody have a motion?

48 CINDY WILSON: So moved.

49 FRANCIS CROWDER: I make a motion we approve.
50 Now she's going to make ---

1 CINDY WILSON: Second.
2 TOMMY DUNN: Ms. Floyd -- I mean, I'm
3 sorry. Mr. Crowder makes the motion to accept; Ms.
4 Wilson seconds it. Any discussion?
5 CINDY WILSON: Yes, Mr. Chairman.
6 TOMMY DUNN: Go to Ms. Wilson and I'll
7 come to you. Okay?
8 CINDY WILSON: Okay. Thank you. I
9 apologize I missed the COG meeting and then I missed
10 last week. But I went through this and I found a few
11 things that we need to add in. On the first page
12 under the Economic Profile, under Rail Providers, we
13 need to be sure to add Greenville Western Railroad.
14 On page 35 where we ---
15 TOMMY DUNN: Excuse me just a minute,
16 Ms. Wilson. One minute. Okay. One second, please.
17 It's the book we had last week. Now whether you
18 brought it or not, I don't know. It's the report that
19 ACOG give us last week. I'm sorry. Go ahead.
20 CINDY WILSON: Oh, I'm sorry. On page 35
21 where it notes the widening of I-85 from two lanes in
22 Anderson County, we need to add, to the Georgia line.
23 On page 44 where it's referring to workforce
24 development initiatives, we need to be assured that
25 the Quick Jobs Center at Tri-County Tech is added in
26 the Anderson campus. And -- by the way, as I go
27 through these, I'll make sure I call Mr. Shellhorse
28 tomorrow to point these out. And, let's see, there's
29 on page 56 under Tourism, where it refers to centuries
30 old Cherokee Indian sites, that should be s-i-t-e-s.
31 On page 57, where it's referring to the Tourism
32 aspects, it was important that we add a section to
33 recognize the Upstate's Equine Industry as both a
34 substantial economic and quality of life contributor
35 with a large diverse equine population offering most
36 sports disciplines and providing competition and
37 pleasure venues across the region. Most notable is
38 the Clemson University Senator T. Ed Garrison
39 Livestock Arena in Anderson County and the adjoining
40 almost eight thousand acres of Clemson University
41 School of Forestry land which has over forty miles of
42 mapped and marked trails available for riding, hiking
43 and mountain biking. And other trail and show
44 facilities such as Greenville County's Riverbend Park,
45 Clemson University Isaqueena North Forest in Pickens
46 County and private foundations offering public access
47 such as the Parker Bowie Farm in Anderson County. And
48 then on page 62 under the heading of Resilience
49 through Diversity and referring to the local Clemson
50 University, the line starts Institution is driving

1 innovation, and we need to be sure to add agriculture
2 along with automotive advance materials, energy,
3 bioscience, aerospace and so on.

4 And if I might put that in the form of a
5 motion and point out that if we don't put these things
6 in, if grants come available through any federal
7 opportunity, it helps to have these things noted.
8 Thank you.

9 TOMMY DUNN: We have a motion. We have
10 a second?

11 FRANCIS CROWDER: Well, I -- can I make the
12 motion and then second this one?

13 TOMMY DUNN: We have to second. We
14 already got the motion on the floor, and I'd rather
15 get this -- get her amendment. She's a ---

16 FRANCIS CROWDER: Okay. I second her
17 amendment.

18 TOMMY DUNN: Second. Now, I mean you
19 make a motion to change -- to accept this with those
20 changes and you seconded it. Ms. Floyd asked for the
21 floor next, and I'll come to you, Mr. Crowder. Ms.
22 Floyd?

23 GRACIE FLOYD: ????

24 TOMMY DUNN: Guy was here last week. He
25 went over everything. We said we'd look at it, we'd
26 bring it back up for a vote. That's the reason we
27 didn't vote on it last meeting night. Give people a
28 chance to digest it.

29 GRACIE FLOYD: ???

30 TOMMY DUNN: Okay. Thank you. Now, Mr.
31 Crowder?

32 FRANCIS CROWDER: Oh, I have the pleasure
33 being on the committee that helped develop the CEDS,
34 along with six, eight other people from other
35 counties, I feel like those are very appropriate
36 because keep in mind all those are as an outline of --
37 if grants were available, all the different areas that
38 we're interested in. So it's like a wish list.

39 TOMMY DUNN: Exactly. Anyone else?

40 Hearing none, all in favor of the motion with Ms.
41 Wilson's changes, show of hands. All opposed. All
42 abstentions. Show the motion carries, Mr. Waters, Mr.
43 Allen, Mr. Dunn, Mr. Cole, Mr. Crowder and Ms. Wilson
44 in favor. Ms. Floyd abstains. Thank you.

45 GRACIE FLOYD: May I say something?

46 TOMMY DUNN: Yes, ma'am.

47 GRACIE FLOYD: I am abstaining because I'm
48 -- I just don't remember any of this. The -- if it
49 were in my notebook -- was it in the notebook?

50 TOMMY DUNN: Last week it was.

1 GRACIE FLOYD: It was. Okay. And I
2 didn't even take the thing home to study it, so I'll
3 have to go over it on my own. And when I get to parts
4 I don't understand if it pleases the Chairman, I'd
5 rather call ACOG.
6 TOMMY DUNN: That'll be fine. Yes,
7 ma'am.
8 GRACIE FLOYD: And get my questions
9 answered.
10 TOMMY DUNN: Yes, ma'am.
11 GRACIE FLOYD: All right. Thank you.
12 TOMMY DUNN: And if the staff can help
13 you in any way, let us know. I'm sure they will. If
14 staff can help you in any way, I'm sure they will.
15 Thank you.
16 Moving on to Item number 6.
17 LEON HARMON: Mr. Chairman.
18 TOMMY DUNN: I'm sorry.
19 LEON HARMON: I believe you need to take
20 up the original motion ---
21 TOMMY DUNN: The original motion, I'm
22 sorry, I thought -- and I'll be glad to do it -- I
23 thought the original motion was Ms. Wilson's made that
24 original motion with -- well, she made the motion; her
25 motion was with these changes to start with. That's
26 the reason I didn't amend it. I mean, it wasn't an
27 amendment. She made the motion to accept this with
28 those changes to start with. You follow me?
29 LEON HARMON: Yes, sir. Okay.
30 TOMMY DUNN: I mean she made the motion,
31 her original -- she's the one who made the motion.
32 Her original motion was that with those changes. I
33 believe that's correct.
34 LEON HARMON: I'm sorry. I thought there
35 were two motions on the floor.
36 TOMMY DUNN: Don't you go crazy on me.
37 I got enough of that already now. Thanks.
38 Moving on to Item number 6, Paving Request
39 for Oak Hill Drive. Mr. Crowder.
40 FRANCIS CROWDER: Well, first of all, Mr.
41 Chairman, there's a typographical error. It's Oak
42 Island Drive. But if you look at all the
43 documentation ---
44 TOMMY DUNN: Excuse me. It's Oak
45 Island?
46 FRANCIS CROWDER: Oak Island.
47 TOMMY DUNN: Island.
48 FRANCIS CROWDER: It's over -- well, if you
49 look at the documentation on page 2 where the
50 photographs, it clearly shows a sign -- it shows a

1 sign and a car, Oak Island. This is in the Cobbs
2 Glenn area. If you read the request, the gentleman
3 actually contacted Roads and Bridges and told them --
4 asked them, hey, I'm fixing to build a house out here,
5 can you all pave this cul-de-sac because there was no
6 reason to build a cul -- I mean pave the back end cul-
7 de-sac because nobody was building in the cul-de-sac,
8 but they were building on the sides. Well, now this
9 man wanted to buy a lot in the cul-de-sac so he
10 contacted Roads and Bridges and they told him in June
11 that they thought this was something that could be
12 done. His name is Mark McConnell. Okay.

13 Anyway, later on the gentleman, Scott
14 Garland, contacted him back and the man said, well,
15 the ordinance has changed and I can't do it unless
16 County Council approves the paving. So my
17 recommendation is that -- to accept this road, this
18 cul-de-sac and you see the pictures of it. It's a
19 very small area. And also the entrance road needs a
20 lot of patching. If you look at the very first
21 picture page, you'll see the third picture on that --
22 second picture on that page is the road is really
23 degraded. The shoulders are crushed and all that kind
24 of good stuff. And if you're going to have multiple
25 houses back in there, of which there are already, you
26 know, it needs to be upgraded. I talked with our
27 distinguished Mr. Holt Hopkins and he said that he
28 thought that that would be an appropriate thing. So I
29 make the motion that we approve the paving of that Oak
30 Island.

31 TOMMY DUNN: Have a motion Mr. Crowder.
32 Have a second?

33 KEN WATERS: Second.

34 TOMMY DUNN: Second Mr. Crowder -- I
35 mean Mr. Allen. Now discussion? I just want to
36 clarify a few things. Really and truly the ordinance
37 hasn't changed. There wasn't no ordinance.
38 According, there was, or misunderstanding of
39 ordinance. And this come about in what you call it.
40 And this is exactly what it should come. It should
41 come before Council. And I'm a -- and Ms. Floyd's got
42 one next, too, on this. And I'm really against both
43 of these, but because of what the property owners were
44 told, led down that road, and I hope we can change
45 this, I'll be supporting this because I hate when
46 somebody tells somebody something and you don't follow
47 through with it. And that's the reason. Our roads
48 are in dire need. I just had a long conversation this
49 afternoon with somebody and go out here and start
50 fixing up dirt roads on -- making lots that not --

1 it's one thing to be a priority. I think you've got
2 to prioritize, you know, get to it. But like I said,
3 these people, my understanding, both folks were told
4 that this would be done by county staff unfortunately.
5 So I want to make sure that they don't get hoodwinked.
6 So I just wanted to say that and get it out because I
7 do feel very strongly about -- we only got so much
8 money and everyone that sits up here about road money
9 and road money about fixing roads, our roads in the
10 shape they in, then going out here and in some cases
11 fixing these road better than the roads people travel
12 on every day. So I do have a problem with that and
13 that's one reason this ordinance has come up. I sort
14 of fix this and get the word out there that you put a
15 house on a dirt road and just because the county's got
16 it, don't mean we're going to keep up with it. We've
17 got roads in this county that's -- even gravel that's
18 in better shape than some of our asphalt roads. And
19 here lately they was even put more gravel on them and
20 you got one property owner that owns that thing and
21 you have to cross a creek to get to the other side of
22 it. No good to nobody but somebody going from here --
23 from point A to point B to get something or other and
24 taxpayers are just really funding private roads. And
25 it sort of hurts me. But I rant and raved about that
26 enough and I won't say no more. But any more
27 discussion?

28 KEN WATERS: I've got one question to
29 ask.

30 TOMMY DUNN: Mr. Waters?

31 KEN WATERS: Will situations like this
32 be added into our paving fund? Because I know I have
33 somebody that asked me about the same situation about
34 three weeks ago. I haven't gotten them an answer yet
35 just because I haven't saw them since them.

36 TOMMY DUNN: In my understanding, and
37 I'll be stand to be corrected, this will come under
38 maintenance not our paving allotment. This comes
39 under road maintenance.

40 KEN WATERS: Okay. All right. So this
41 could happen again. So I guess my question ---

42 TOMMY DUNN: Well, it could happen
43 again, but I hope it will get out there where staff's
44 got a clearer ordinance now to go by if this situation
45 comes. If somebody comes up and tells me, they ain't
46 going to be automatically giving because you got so
47 many houses on the -- you know, if somebody goes there
48 and wants to start putting houses on a dirt road, they
49 need to understand, you know, it might get paved. You
50 better ask if county's going to accept it or maintain

1 it or not. It is a county road, but if the county's
2 going to spend the money to keep it up, before you
3 start putting houses on it.

4 KEN WATERS: Okay.

5 TOMMY DUNN: Ms. Wilson.

6 CINDY WILSON: Adding on to what you said,
7 Mr. Cole and I share a couple of situations where
8 there were flim-flam type developers in the past who
9 told people when they bought lots from them that as
10 soon as there were three or four or five dwellings on
11 the road, the county would come in and pave it. Well,
12 I don't know that that was ever true. But we have no
13 real way of doing that unless you create a special tax
14 district or something along those lines.
15 Unfortunately in the two cases that I know of, the
16 people are just dreadfully poor. It's very difficult
17 for emergency services vehicles to even get in there.
18 So it's a conundrum.

19 TOMMY DUNN: Keep in mind, don't mix
20 apples with oranges. I agree with you're saying. The
21 problem that you're talking about, each Council member
22 has those -- unfortunately, has got those in our
23 district. They're not county roads. Road Mr.
24 Crowder's talking about and ones in Ms. Floyd's
25 district are county -- they was took in years ago in
26 the old subdivision. Probably ??? or one of his folks
27 probably took it in. That's when these roads were ---

28 FRANCIS CROWDER: Yeah, that's Cobb's Glenn.

29 TOMMY DUNN: --- took in and everything
30 so you know they are -- they are county roads. But
31 that don't mean we got to -- you know, our thing is
32 priority. Keep that in mind. In my opinion.

33 FRANCIS CROWDER: I apologize for the use of
34 change of ordinance. Well, it's a new declaration.
35 Okay.

36 TOMMY DUNN: Any more discussion?
37 Hearing none, all in favor of the motion show of
38 hands. All opposed like sign. Show the motion
39 carries unanimously.

40 Be moving on now to Item number 7, Paving
41 Request for Lull Water Lane. Ms. Floyd.

42 GRACIE FLOYD: The paving request is made
43 for Oak Hill Drive. Now as long as I was here,
44 dealing with roads, I was always told that if we had
45 -- if we needed to pave a road, a road could not be
46 paved -- a county road could not be paved unless it
47 had three or four houses on it. That's a fact. All
48 right. It started, I was told this forty-three years
49 ago. And I was told this forty-three years ago in
50 November. And I know so specific because I had just

1 moved on to Ramona Drive in the Townsend Hill Division
2 -- Subdivision. And we were anxious to get the road
3 behind us paved. It was a bonafide road that the
4 county had come in and the county had scrapped it and
5 it was all in preparation. It was a dirt road; okay?
6 We were wanting to know when they were going to pave
7 that road. And we were told that the road could not
8 be paved until we had at least three or four houses
9 built already on that road. Then the county would
10 come in and they would pave the road. Okay. And I
11 want to say that the road maintenance person was J.R.
12 -- was it J.R. McClure at that time, Mr. -- I think it
13 was J.R. McClure who was the road paving person at
14 that time, forty-three years ago?

15 RUSTY BURNS: Mr. McClure. It might have
16 been Mack Waters; might.

17 GRACIE FLOYD: Okay. All right. But
18 anyway, we were told that and that was a fact. And
19 all of this time I'm thinking no one has said, no --
20 we changed -- we did some tweaking to the road
21 ordinance, I want to say in the early nineties. It
22 was Fred Tolly, it was Gracie Floyd, it was Larry
23 Greer, it was two other people -- Tom Holden, and we
24 sat around the table and we made some tweaks to it.
25 All right.

26 I've been told lately that some things were
27 dropped, some things were forgotten to be put in there
28 or just whatever. But today, I am asking that -- I
29 want to submit a paving request for Lull Water Lane
30 which is in the Homeland Park area, which is my area.
31 I put that in the form of a motion. This is same
32 thing that District 1 has just done, and in the form
33 of a motion.

34 TOMMY DUNN: Yes, ma'am. Have a second?

35 MITCHELL COLE: Second.

36 TOMMY DUNN: Second Mr. Cole. Any
37 further discussion? Comments? Go ahead, Mr. Waters.

38 KEN WATERS: This is the same type of
39 situation? It'll be taken care of in maintenance?

40 TOMMY DUNN: And this, again, this
41 gentleman was told it would be -- and that's the only
42 reason I'm voting for because I don't like it. Don't
43 think, and like I said, nobody's disputing what nobody
44 was told or I'm not, because I know what I was told by
45 the county road maintenance department, too. They was
46 told that that was the ordinance. But I asked the
47 attorney to check it and that wasn't the case.
48 Because I was told point blank that the -- just going
49 by what your ordinance says, so I wanted to know what
50 the ordinance says and I looked it up and that ain't

1 what it said. But that's water under the bridge. I
2 hope we got something in place now to correct these
3 things and moving on. Like I said somebody was told
4 ---

5 KEN WATERS: Just wanted to make sure
6 the situations are falling in the same category.

7 TOMMY DUNN: Same. As far the county
8 owned road, same thing. And they was both told, is my
9 understanding, that this would be took care of.

10 KEN WATERS: Okay. Thank you.

11 TOMMY DUNN: Any more discussion? All
12 in favor -- Mr. Cole, I'm sorry.

13 MITCHELL COLE: Big issue is we're setting
14 precedence for anything else that comes up. I will
15 support this.

16 GRACIE FLOYD: No.

17 TOMMY DUNN: Keep in mind, this is
18 still, though, this is county maintained roads, and
19 not -- not, you know, as Ms. Wilson alluded to a while
20 ago, I've got in my district, I'm sure Ms. Floyd does,
21 I know Tom Allen does, Mr. Water probably does. We've
22 got subdivisions that the developers developed that
23 the county never took those roads in. So this is
24 like, really an apple and an orange. It's not the
25 same thing. Because the county's already got these
26 roads. We don't -- but the other ones we don't have.
27 The fact the business, we've got a -- because believe
28 you me, I've got one road in my -- a particular road
29 in my district that's -- it's way before I got on
30 Council and I get at least a minimal of two or three
31 times a year, somebody different on that road, it's
32 like Ms. Wilson's talking about, they can't --
33 emergency vehicles cannot travel it. So I try to
34 every way under the sun to even look and see if there
35 was something we could do get emergency vehicles to
36 get on it. They showed me a letter that a judge -- an
37 order he had issued that they'd put me in jail if I
38 appropriated any money to put county equipment on that
39 road. That's what that -- where that comes from. We
40 got to keep that in mind. Ms. Floyd?

41 GRACIE FLOYD: I'm sorry. Thank you.
42 I'll have to look in your eyes. We aren't really
43 setting anything, because what we're doing, we're
44 going on what we were told what was done. What
45 happened was, something happened where that portion of
46 the ordinance that we were using was just left out or
47 just -- it's just not there anymore. During the time
48 that we changed that, maybe a part of it was dropped
49 or forgotten or just wasn't written in and here we now
50 we find ourselves wanting to do -- wanting to do this

1 because we could do it at one time, it was said we
2 could do it. But because we can't find it, we're
3 going back, we're going to go ahead and do like we've
4 been doing it until we can come up with an ordinance
5 that's going to straighten this out. Until we can
6 tell our Roads and Bridges people what the new thing
7 is that they have to do. We don't have anything in
8 place for it now.

9 TOMMY DUNN: Any more discussion? All
10 in favor of the motion show of hands. All opposed
11 like sign. Show the motion carries unanimously.

12 Moving on to Item number 8, third reading,
13 ordinance authorizing the execution of a lease
14 purchase agreement in an amount not to exceed five
15 point three million dollars relating to the
16 acquisition of certain vehicles and equipment by
17 Anderson County, South Carolina; authorizing the
18 execution and delivery of all other documents
19 necessary or appropriate to implement such lease
20 purchase agreement. Do we have a motion to move this
21 forward?

22 FRANCIS CROWDER: Make a motion we approve.

23 TOM ALLEN: Second.

24 TOMMY DUNN: Motion Mr. Crowder and
25 second by Mr. Allen. At this time I want to open the
26 floor for discussion and I want to make an amendment
27 to clean up some language per the attorney and I'm
28 going to let Mr. Harmon fill in the blank here what we
29 need to clean up some language on it. And y'all
30 follow along. Mr. Harmon.

31 LEON HARMON: Thank you, Mr. Chairman.
32 There was a blank at the bottom of the first page
33 regarding inserting the name of the winning bidder.
34 Since we're not at that point yet in the agenda, the
35 language should read the lessor under the lease
36 purchase agreement shall be a financial insti--

37 GRACIE FLOYD: Mr. Chairman, point of
38 order, please.

39 TOMMY DUNN: Yes, ma'am.

40 GRACIE FLOYD: Could you please ask the
41 attorney to tell us what page he's reading from or
42 where is it or what.

43 TOMMY DUNN: That's in the document
44 under the -- under Item number 8(a).

45 GRACIE FLOYD: Okay. Now, wait a minute.
46 Wait a minute. I didn't bring the book tonight.

47 TOMMY DUNN: It's in that. That's where
48 it's at.

49 GRACIE FLOYD: May I see your copy? Thank
50 you.

1 TOMMY DUNN: Go ahead Mr. Harmon.
2 LEON HARMON: It's at the bottom of the
3 first page of the ordinance. It's actually page 33 of
4 the agenda packet. The language should read the
5 lessor under the lease purchase agreement shall be a
6 financial institution selected by County Council. And
7 then later on the agenda, if you -- you will have an
8 opportunity under Item 12 to approve the financial
9 institution.
10 TOMMY DUNN: I make that in the form of
11 a motion to amend the original motion. Do I have a
12 second?
13 TOM ALLEN: Second.
14 TOMMY DUNN: Second Mr. Allen. Now any
15 discussion? Voting on the amendment, all in favor of
16 show of hands. Opposed like sign. Show the motion
17 carries unanimously.
18 Now, Mr. Harmon, we'll vote on the original
19 motion.
20 LEON HARMON: Yes, sir.
21 TOMMY DUNN: Any discussion on the
22 original motion? Hearing none, all in favor of the
23 motion show of hands. All opposed like sign. Show
24 the motion carries unanimously.
25 Moving on to Item number 9(a) Ordinance First
26 reading 2015-026 an ordinance amending section 2-35
27 (membership, terms) of the Anderson County Code as to
28 provide for terms of service at the pleasure of
29 council and to provide that the Accommodations Tax
30 Advisory Committee membership shall meet the
31 requirements of South Carolina Code section 6-4-25.
32 Put this in the form of a motion. And what this is in
33 a nutshell, you know, y'all can read it yourself ---
34 KEN WATERS: Second.
35 TOMMY DUNN: I'm sorry. Thank you.
36 KEN WATERS: You made a ----
37 TOMMY DUNN: Yeah, thank you, Mr.
38 Waters. Second. Now discussion. I'll just start off
39 saying, all this is in layman's terms and Mr. Harmon
40 wrote this it's just -- we got different -- all our
41 boards and commissions serve at different lengths --
42 different term limits, expires and we got to clean
43 things up, I think and I talk some Council members and
44 we've talked about this before, they ought to serve at
45 the Council's pleasure. That's what most -- that's
46 really what they do anyway. They're on there, and
47 they'll serve until we say otherwise or the next
48 Council or whatnot and that's what that is. And the
49 accommodations tax things is just cleaning up what we
50 done last meeting about saying the hotel people will

1 take care of that and everything. Certain criteria
2 that the state law says that we'll meet it. Any
3 discussion?

4 GRACIE FLOYD: Yes.

5 TOMMY DUNN: Ms. Floyd?

6 GRACIE FLOYD: Okay. Mr. Chairman, I
7 think that this may be a good time for us to go and
8 implement this same ordinance for all of them.

9 TOMMY DUNN: It is.

10 GRACIE FLOYD: Yeah.

11 TOMMY DUNN: This covers all of them.
12 Right, Mr. Harmon?

13 GRACIE FLOYD: Okay.

14 LEON HARMON: Mr. Chairman, it is for all
15 of them except specific boards and commissions that
16 are listed separately in our code.

17 GRACIE FLOYD: We have too many people now
18 that have been sitting on boards, some of them at
19 their inception; sixteen, seventeen, eighteen years.
20 I think that's too long. I think that when people
21 become involved in one thing and just one thing only
22 for years and years and years, they take -- I don't
23 know how to say it nicely -- they become a part of the
24 committee and they become the ownership -- the owners
25 of the committee. I think that we need to look at all
26 of them. Is that possible, Mr. Harmon?

27 LEON HARMON: Yes, it is. I will be
28 happy to take a look at those that are specifically
29 mentioned separately in our code. There are probably
30 a dozen that are mentioned separately.

31 GRACIE FLOYD: Now, you're going to go
32 back and you're going to see how long these people
33 have been sitting on the boards?

34 LEON HARMON: I have not done that.

35 GRACIE FLOYD: No, no, I ask you, are you
36 going to do that?

37 LEON HARMON: I can take a look at that,
38 yes, ma'am, and provide you with that information.

39 GRACIE FLOYD: Okay. All right. Also
40 could you just tell us, for example, if Susie Q has
41 been on a certain committee for three or four terms,
42 all right, and it specifically says that it's a two
43 term thing, all right, would you write up something
44 that would let us know that we might need to re- ah
45 re- not re-instate, but that we need to get someone
46 else to perform on that particular committee. Did I
47 ...

48 LEON HARMON: If that's the pleasure of
49 Council. The way I have this one drafted now, which
50 is, which is to any other committees that are not

1 specifically listed in our code, it's -- they serve at
2 the pleasure of Council. So you would -- if it was
3 your desire that someone who had been on there two or
4 three terms needed to be replaced, it could be done.

5 GRACIE FLOYD: Okay. But we need to go
6 ahead and get this part of it done first and then come
7 behind it and do the other part?

8 LEON HARMON: We can come behind it and
9 do the other part, yes, ma'am.

10 GRACIE FLOYD: Thank you.

11 FRANCIS CROWDER: Mr. Dunn?

12 TOMMY DUNN: Yes, sir, Mr. Crowder.

13 FRANCIS CROWDER: I believe when Ms. Poulin
14 first came on board, she actually compiled a list of
15 all the boards and sent them to each Council member.

16 TOMMY DUNN: I was going to say ---

17 FRANCIS CROWDER: That showed their terms,
18 because that triggered me to appoint two.

19 TOMMY DUNN: Kim got -- Ms. Poulin does,
20 and we can get this to everybody again. You can get
21 that so everybody will know. But I was -- I'm a
22 little bit -- now, this is my fault. But I was
23 thinking what Ms. Floyd's talking about, this
24 ordinance was going to take care of it. That's what I
25 -- that was my intent, to make sure that we -- not
26 just the accommodation tax -- go back and clean all
27 this up. All board members should serve as Council
28 members' pleasures instead of these terms, staggered
29 terms. So I'm with Ms. Floyd. This needs to be
30 looked at and go back on all of them; okay?

31 LEON HARMON: I will take a look at that
32 and have something for you at the next meeting, Mr.
33 Chairman.

34 TOMMY DUNN: Okay, thanks. Any more
35 discussion on this particular ordinance? Hearing
36 none, all in favor of the motion show of hands. All
37 opposed like sign. Show the motion carries
38 unanimously.

39 Moving on to Item number 9(b) 2015-028 an
40 ordinance amending section 2-606 of the Anderson
41 County Code as to allow for electronic/internet
42 bidding for the sale, transfer, and disposal of
43 surplus county personal property. Mr. Allen.

44 TOM ALLEN: Thank you, Mr. Chairman.
45 You want me to do it?

46 KEN WATERS: Second.

47 TOMMY DUNN: Yeah, I'm sorry. Mr. Allen
48 puts that in the form of a motion, I'm sure. And Mr.
49 Waters second it.

50 TOM ALLEN: What I was going to ask, do

1 you want me to read the entire thing and then put it
2 in the form of a motion?

3 TOMMY DUNN: That's up to you, Mr.
4 Allen.

5 TOM ALLEN: Let me do that because it's
6 relatively short and I think it needs to be on the
7 record.

8 TOMMY DUNN: Go right ahead. I'm sorry.
9 Go right ahead.

10 TOM ALLEN: Yeah. This is ---

11 TOMMY DUNN: That was my intent, anyway.
12 Mr. Waters jumped in.

13 TOM ALLEN: He heard the fish were
14 biting. He wants to hurry up and get home.

15 KEN WATERS: There's a good football
16 game on tonight.

17 TOM ALLEN: There is, that's right.
18 Just to reiterate. I want to read this into the
19 record and then I'll put it in the form of a motion.
20 This is Ordinance 2015-028, an Ordinance amending
21 section 2-606 of the Anderson County Code so as to
22 allow for electronic/internet bidding for the sale,
23 transfer, and disposal of surplus county personal
24 property; and other matters related thereto.

25 Whereas, the Anderson County Code does not
26 presently provide for electronic/internet bidding for
27 the sale, transfer, and disposal of surplus personal
28 county property; and

29 Whereas, the Anderson County Council desires
30 to amend Anderson County code Section 2-606 to allow
31 for electronic/internet bidding as an additional
32 method to dispose of surplus personal property.

33 Now, THEREFORE, be it ordained by the
34 Anderson County Council, in meeting duly assembled,
35 that:

36 1. Section 2-606 of the Anderson County Code
37 is amended to provide as follows:

38 Sec. 2-606 Sale of County Property.

39 Any items of personal property belonging to
40 the county which are declared by the county
41 administrator to be obsolete or surplus may be sold to
42 the highest responsible bidder. The purchasing
43 director shall ensure that the procedures described in
44 this section are followed, according to the estimated
45 dollar salvage value of the goods to be sold;
46 provided, however, that the administrator or designee
47 may order such goods to be sold at public auction
48 pursuant to proper public notice or by
49 electronic/internet bidding to the highest bidder in
50 lieu of sealed or written bids. In the event it is

1 determined by the purchasing director to be in the
2 economic interest of the county, surplus or used
3 equipment and property may be used for trade-in on
4 purchases of like-kind new equipment and properties
5 with approval of the administrator. The purchasing
6 director shall demonstrate these advantages to the
7 administrator and obtain his consent to proceeding
8 with the trade-in and purchase. Each separately
9 identifiable capital asset of the county, whether
10 attached to or added to some other county asset or
11 not, as reflected on each county department's annual
12 capital asset inventory, shall be treated as a
13 separate item of personal property for the purpose of
14 this section. Notwithstanding the foregoing and upon
15 request by a local government entity or a none for
16 profit organization which provides emergency services,
17 obsolete or surplus vehicles may be transferred to the
18 requesting entity provided the purchasing director
19 makes a determination any vehicle to be transferred is
20 of such little value that the economic interest of the
21 county will not be adversely affected; any such
22 transfer must be approved [by] the county
23 administrator or his/her designee. County council
24 shall be notified in advance and approve publically
25 all dispositions of county property made under this
26 section.

27 2. The remaining terms of this provision of
28 the Anderson County Code of Ordinances not revised or
29 affected hereby remain in full force and effect.

30 3. Should any part or provision of this
31 Ordinance be deemed unconstitutional or unenforceable
32 by any court of competent jurisdiction, such
33 determination shall not affect the rest and remainder
34 of this Ordinance, all of which is hereby deemed
35 separable.

36 4. All Ordinances, Orders, Resolutions and
37 actions of Anderson County Council inconsistent
38 herewith are, to the extent of such inconsistency
39 only, hereby repealed, revoked and rescinded.
40 This ordinance shall take effect and be in full force
41 upon the Third Reading and enactment by Anderson
42 County Council.

43 And I just wanted to get that read into the
44 record and I put that in the form of a motion.

45 KEN WATERS: Second.

46 TOMMY DUNN: Now, Mr. Waters.

47 KEN WATERS: Second. Second on my
48 second.

49 TOMMY DUNN: Now, any discussion? Mr.
50 Crowder.

1 FRANCIS CROWDER: All right. If you will
2 look on your computer, or whatever you have, it's been
3 a longstanding debate on Council, since I first came
4 on board, in fact that's one of the few early things I
5 remember is the need to allow more and more citizens
6 to have access to buying property. I realize that
7 gov.deal is in many states and in many counties. I
8 looked them up. I spent four or five hours through
9 time, I'm not telling you no truth -- lie -- and there
10 are many places. Some of the things I need to call to
11 your attention is, if you take a look at this sheet
12 that's got gov.deal and some pictures and it shows a
13 Honda Elantra Limited four door. Also has pictures of
14 a police vehicle and other vehicles, but I didn't want
15 to waste paper so one picture indicates it. But if
16 you'll notice several things about it, number one,
17 buyer premium five percent. Which means that the
18 buyer has to pay a premium to buy this item. Now, in
19 the discussion with the gentleman that -- who handles
20 the fleet, he said that it would cost more than to
21 have it bidded locally. Well, I'm not disputing that
22 because I do not have the experience, but what seems
23 to me is that if you're going to collect a fee of five
24 percent, say like on this vehicle, seven thousand five
25 hundred dollars so the bidder has got to pay three
26 hundred and seventy-five dollars to buy it. So if the
27 county collected three hundred and seventy-five
28 dollars it would pay for more than recover the cost of
29 administrating and getting that one item on -- you
30 know, out for sale. So that's one thing. My desire
31 to make sure local people have access.

32 Now the second myth that I would like for you
33 to consider is, the comment was made in the Finance
34 Committee, well, the site would be available so that
35 people could go to the computer and they could bid.
36 Well, I looked at the Home Page, not for govdeals.com,
37 because they're actually owned by a company called
38 Liquidators.com, located on 1920 L Street Northwest,
39 Washington, D.C., along with five or six other
40 companies, and on their disclaimer, they say that
41 these sites are for, quote, professional auction
42 bidders. That's their own term; not mine. And you
43 can go on their sites and look them up. Number three,
44 I did go to govdeal.com. I went through the process
45 as if I were going to register -- I just didn't hit
46 the button to register because you got to give a lot
47 of stuff -- but the more interesting thing was, when
48 you got down to where you were going to hit the button
49 to register because you got to register to be able to
50 bid, it said that you agreed to the terms and

1 conditions of this company. Well, it said, click
2 here, in low light print as if they didn't really want
3 you to see that, but it was there, so I pressed it. I
4 pressed it, I pressed it, and I pressed it and finally
5 it came up. And these are the terms and conditions to
6 be able to use that site by a bidder, buyer or a
7 seller. Well, you know, I'm not a lawyer, but I've
8 written lots of contracts and an attorney in
9 Greenville with the Haynsworth group told me one time
10 when I wrote my first contract that I was going to
11 give to a customer, that was going to spend about two
12 hundred fifty thousand dollars to me, he says that's
13 not a contract. I said, why? He said, well, you
14 protected yourself a hundred percent, but you've given
15 them no rights. Okay. So this is detail. Thirty-two
16 pages that somebody is agreeing to, if they just,
17 without thinking, press the I agree. Well, I started
18 looking at other things about complaints from the web
19 sites, and I prefer for you to look at those yourself
20 because I don't want somebody to quote that I said
21 this. Go look. Google govdeal.com or google
22 Liquidators.com and you'll see for yourself. So I'm
23 not negative; in fact I applaud my colleague about it,
24 you know. Mr. Allen, I really applaud you about it.

25 My only concern is, that what you are
26 proposing does give the county administrator the right
27 to select what goes on the bid site and what can be
28 bid differently; is that not true? So if somehow
29 the county administrator will have some options that
30 some things could be put up locally.

31 Now, I'll close by saying look at the amount
32 of information at the top of this page. You've got to
33 have a write-up describing what you want to sell, and
34 you've got to be very discreet about it. You've got
35 to put down the year, the make, the model, the VIN
36 serial number, the miles. You got -- if you want to
37 describe something about it, like bid as is or this
38 thing's got holes in the back trunk because we used to
39 have medical equipment in there or whatever. You've
40 got to describe -- you've got to have that in there
41 and then what category you want it put in. And then
42 they will then assign an inventory ID and then you
43 have to write up all this. Now my question is, if
44 somebody's got to do that on every item, that's a lot
45 of paperwork. So that kind of counteracts the fact we
46 wouldn't have to do -- you know, that it would take
47 more paperwork if we did it locally. Well, if you've
48 got to do all this, you've done all the paperwork.
49 That's all my points. But I congratulate you on your
50 thing. I just wanted to read it in the record so

1 nobody would say, we just sat there -- you know what I
2 mean?

3 CINDY WILSON: May I, Mr. Chairman?

4 TOMMY DUNN: Ms. Wilson?

5 CINDY WILSON: I think it's very important
6 to have multiple ways of providing the public with an
7 ability to bid and notifications. This, as proposed,
8 would not preclude the regular route of notifying;
9 would it, which would be paper, classified ads, that
10 sort of thing?

11 TOMMY DUNN: That's right.

12 CINDY WILSON: Okay.

13 TOMMY DUNN: Just gives us another tool
14 in the toolbox.

15 CINDY WILSON: Okay. And another quick
16 question, in seeing that it would be pretty costly to
17 go with a group like govdeals, is it feasible for the
18 county to have its own online bidding process? That
19 might take care of that problem; wouldn't it?

20 TOMMY DUNN: Can I answer that?

21 CINDY WILSON: Yes.

22 TOMMY DUNN: It's something to look
23 into, but you know, there's pros and cons in
24 everything. I would just take a second here, like
25 what Mr. Crowder was talking about, what gov.deals,
26 whatever, what they charge. Y'all got any idea what a
27 local auction company charges? Do y'all know what the
28 last auction company charged us, along the same lines,
29 about the bidder has to pay something? Got any idea
30 the paperwork you got to fill out when you go to an
31 auction? I mean, they hand you a stack -- you just
32 don't go up and buy -- get a car. You got to sign all
33 of that, knowing what the stipulations is, the paying
34 back and all this and that here. So you know, there's
35 pros and cons to everything but you do that to fill
36 out -- now, I grant you, you can sit at your computer,
37 like Mr. Crowder did and read all of that. When you
38 in line at an auction and it's a hundred degrees, how
39 many people are going to take time to read all of
40 these pages and go through that right there. But I
41 mean -- and the paperwork, you know, somebody on staff
42 might have mentioned paperwork. My thing ain't the
43 paperwork it took to do this to save. It was all the
44 man hours dragging all this equipment out there,
45 getting it ready on the auction line and going through
46 it and everything about this. I went to the last
47 auction. And when we had it, it was about a hundred
48 degrees out there. And fact of business, we had one
49 citizen, we were looking out for our citizens, he fell
50 out and we had to call the ambulance and take him to

1 the hospital, it was so hot and heat out there and
2 everything.

3 But you know, it disturbs me, when we got
4 equipment, in talking to our -- and somebody that's
5 over our shop that I trust very much -- this ain't
6 rocket science. When you take a piece of equipment,
7 and you drive it, we get rid of a dump truck and we
8 replace it. You drive this dump truck over here what
9 they call the bone yard. Well, it sits there because
10 you're not going to have equipment -- enough equipment
11 to have an auction every month. You know, we ain't
12 got that much, because we're not replacing equipment.
13 So it might take you three or four years to get enough
14 equipment. Well, in that three or four years time it
15 happens in our best of neighborhoods. You can imagine
16 out here in the county thing. The batteries we got
17 stole. The catalytic converters that got stole. So
18 that dump truck that drove out there no longer drives
19 after it sits there in the rust for a year or two
20 years six months, the value is decreasing. We need to
21 take this money and roll it back over. Now, if y'all
22 can get me a -- because I want everything I ever see,
23 you know, people go on line all the time and buy stuff
24 as far as -- I know we all know somebody that buys
25 this -- I find it hard to believe a citizens can't go
26 on there, well, I want that checked out, they can't go
27 on gov and buy something. I know it might say
28 professional bidders, but I'm sure open up to other
29 things. But my thing being is we've got to give us
30 another tool. What we got ain't working. This is
31 just a first reading of ordinance, and if anybody's
32 got any suggestions to improve the ordinance, I'm sure
33 everybody will look up. But what I got -- what we
34 doing, this has got to be a major improvement in my
35 opinion or give the option to the administrator to
36 come back with us to say, you know, it ain't like
37 you're going to auction something off and we not know
38 nothing about it. But it's -- we got to get a better
39 return on our money than what we getting. We can do
40 better. We losing -- we lose money. In the last
41 auction, I don't know, Mr. Carroll might want to speak
42 to this, because I don't want to quote and say nothing
43 about if he can remember the dollar figure, but there
44 was hundreds of man hours putting this auction
45 together for what we got out of it; I just didn't see
46 it. Then we got to go through the process of hiring
47 the auction company, which is going to be three or
48 four. And if y'all remember last time, we had a
49 brouhaha about what auction company we was going to go
50 through.

1 CINDY WILSON: May I?
2 TOMMY DUNN: Ms. Wilson's got the floor,
3 I'm sorry.
4 CINDY WILSON: One final question. Would
5 it be appropriate for us to do these type auctions in
6 a more timely manner instead of that truck sitting out
7 there for three or four years, maybe have some type of
8 ordinance or understanding that when equipment comes
9 in like that, it needs to be evaluated and put out
10 pretty quickly.
11 TOMMY DUNN: Well, that's what I just
12 touched on a minute ago. You ain't going to get an
13 auction company to come for two pieces of equipment.
14 We just placed three or four dump trucks. It takes a
15 little bit of time to build up an inventory on an
16 auction to get an auctioneer to come out there.
17 CINDY WILSON: But if we're doing it in-
18 house, we could do it quicker; couldn't we?
19 TOMMY DUNN: Yeah, but I though you was
20 talking about actually live -- go out and do an
21 auction auction.
22 CINDY WILSON: Well, if you've got an
23 internet or online type auction and you're probably --
24 you know, appropriately properly notified ---
25 TOMMY DUNN: Oh, yeah, as I say, if you
26 go online. I thought you was talking about going out
27 and doing an auction onsite doing it quicker.
28 CINDY WILSON: Oh, no, no, no.
29 TOMMY DUNN: But doing it the other way
30 is definitely something another we could be looked at.
31 Staff can look at before we come back next reading and
32 look at something or another. I think Mr. Allen's got
33 it, it's the best thing. Keep in mind there's forty-
34 six counties in the state, forty-one of them is using
35 some form of this right now. Now, I'm not saying just
36 because one jumps off the cliff we all do, but I mean,
37 forty-one counties is doing it, there's a reason for
38 it. And I don't want to see us -- no offense to any
39 county employees here -- but I don't want to see us
40 here myself have another layer of government built
41 into something or another trying to get something
42 another out. And we have another employee or take
43 something away from their job they could be doing.
44 I'm open to something. I'm just saying -- and I, too,
45 like Mr. Crowder, applaud Mr. Allen because what we
46 got needs to be improved on. I said that, you know,
47 we should have done something, in my opinion, a year
48 ago. If not sooner. We should have done something on
49 this. We got to get something going. Going back to
50 you, Ms. Wilson. Ms. Wilson's still got the floor,

1 I'm sorry.

2 CINDY WILSON: And thank you, Mr. Allen.
3 I'm just asking questions about the nuts and bolts.

4 TOMMY DUNN: You through, Mr. Crowder?

5 FRANCIS CROWDER: Well, my comments are kind
6 of like as following. I try to be as very careful as
7 I could in my presentation to give credit to moving
8 forward. In moving forward, I said that there was
9 certain goals that I would like to have and that is to
10 give Anderson County citizens, and knowing what you
11 have to go through to bid on an item, the average
12 Anderson County citizen is not going to be able to do
13 it. Talked to Burriss Nelson this morning and he was
14 setting in the Innovate Anderson meeting and he was
15 talking about the lack of skilled employees to fill
16 all these jobs that we already have.

17 GRACIE FLOYD: What jobs?

18 FRANCIS CROWDER: Well, the First Quality,
19 and over a hundred jobs with McLaughlin, and others
20 coming down the line. And he made this statement. He
21 says, when you talk to people that need to be
22 retrained, number one, the great majority of them were
23 afraid of the keyboard. And number two they didn't
24 want to have to worry about grasping that. So that
25 led me to believe that he demonstrates that people --
26 not all people can do it. And so I'm not negating,
27 you know, the need to ????. But, you know, I think Ms.
28 Wilson comment that, you know, auction site and take
29 your own pictures and put it on the internet. Or put
30 it in the paper, what have you. I do intend to vote
31 for it, but I wanted to re-discuss these items so that
32 everybody would be well aware of the fact it's not
33 going to reach any of our citizens -- oh, one point I
34 make, if we sell the vehicles to local people ----

35 TOMMY DUNN: Go ahead, Mr. Crowder, I'm
36 listening.

37 FRANCIS CROWDER: --- they will actually --
38 those vehicles will go on the tax books. Out of
39 state, we're not going to get a future dime at all for
40 it. But that's all. Thank you.

41 TOMMY DUNN: Ms. Floyd.

42 GRACIE FLOYD: Okay. Mr. Chair, thank
43 you. That gave me a little more time. I was trying
44 to sit here and understand something. Because first
45 of all, it was my understanding that this is a really
46 good idea and it came from Stoner.

47 TOMMY DUNN: Yes, ma'am.

48 GRACIE FLOYD: Stoner? Stone? And it
49 came from Stone, okay. And secondly, this govdeals
50 thing, I've been hearing about this and I can't

1 remember who first brought this thing to us and -- you
2 remember who did that? Who told us about gov. ---
3 TOMMY DUNN: Person I remember is Mr.
4 Stone. It could have been somebody else.
5 GRACIE FLOYD: No, no, govdeals.
6 TOMMY DUNN: I thought that was him.
7 I'm not sure. Or Mr. Carroll. I'm not sure.
8 GRACIE FLOYD: Is he here?
9 TOMMY DUNN: Yes, ma'am. He's at the
10 back.
11 GRACIE FLOYD: Okay. All right. Wait a
12 minute. Mr. Hopkins -- with your permission.
13 TOMMY DUNN: Yes, ma'am.
14 GRACIE FLOYD: Did you tell us about
15 govdeals some time ago when that thing was -- did you
16 bring that to the county?
17 HOLT HOPKINS: I don't remember if it was
18 me, but I remember having discussions several years
19 ago with Mr. Carroll, a few Council members, Mr.
20 Burns. I think it was shortly after that last
21 auction.
22 GRACIE FLOYD: Okay. All right. I knew
23 it sounded too familiar. And I knew it wasn't up
24 here. And like the -- don't sit down yet -- and with
25 the car thing. I know that was Mr. Stone's; right?
26 Okay. Okay. All right. Well, Mr. Chairman, I think
27 we ought to give Mr. Stone's credit and a round of
28 applause for bringing this to us and presenting it.
29 TOMMY DUNN: Okay. It might be
30 according to who you ask. They might want to stone
31 him.
32 GRACIE FLOYD: But let's pat him on the
33 back as well; okay? Great. I mean let's pat Mr.
34 Stone on the back as well as the govdeal things
35 because it was Mr. Hopkins who was trying to tell us
36 about it so that we could all use it because it was a
37 new thing coming to Anderson County and that's what I
38 wanted to get this thing clear in my head. But I'm
39 hearing it over and over and over again. But I thank
40 you, Mr. Chairman.
41 TOM ALLEN: Mr. Chair?
42 TOMMY DUNN: Mr. Allen?
43 TOM ALLEN: Darn it anyhow, Ms. Floyd,
44 I wanted all the glamor and the glory for this and you
45 took it all away. No. Mr. Stone can have all the
46 credit for that. He's doing a great job and he came
47 up with this idea and got us on the ball, along with
48 the Independent Mail and their little article about
49 weeds growing up in our trucks and so on down there.
50 But this may be, and I don't know, we don't have to

1 use this govdeals company. We can look around and see
2 what the best situation is out there. And it may be
3 that even if we only have one or two trucks we may be
4 able to run this on a continuous basis and not wait
5 until we have forty or fifty vehicles to be auctioned.
6 So we can move these things bang, bang, bang, down the
7 road. But these are all -- this is all preliminary,
8 and as has been stated many times, it's just another
9 tool that we can look at. We may use it, we may not
10 use it, but we're being dragged into the twenty-first
11 century here by computers, so it's something we may
12 want to look at. Thank you, Mr. Chair.

13 GRACIE FLOYD: Yes, we are, Mr. Allen.
14 And you get the credit the next time.

15 TOMMY DUNN: Mr. Waters.

16 KEN WATERS: What we could do is put it
17 on our new web site. I hear it's pretty easy to
18 operate; some people. So we might could just put it
19 on there.

20 TOMMY DUNN: As I said this is just
21 first reading. There's different things, get some
22 information, and get back and everything. But I just
23 think we need to get something out there and do. And
24 there's pros and cons for whatever you want to do.

25 FRANCIS CROWDER: I call for the question.

26 TOMMY DUNN: Mr. Crowder calls for the
27 question. So all in favor of calling for the question
28 show of hands. All opposed. So the calling for the
29 question is unanimously. Now all in favor of the
30 motion show of hands. All opposed like sign. Show
31 the motion carries unanimously. Can we have -- no
32 objections, have a five minute recess? I'm sorry.
33 Second to the question. Ms. Wilson called for second
34 to the question. Show that for the record.

35 And we're going to take a five minute --
36 thank you, Ms. Wilson.

37 **(BREAK FROM 7:30 TO 7:39 PM)**

38 TOMMY DUNN: If everybody's ready, we'll
39 get started back. At this time I'd like to call the
40 September 15th regular Council meeting back into
41 session.

42 We'll be moving on to Item number 10(a).
43 This will be resolutions. This will be resolution
44 10(a) 2015-049 a resolution authorizing the acceptance
45 of Shakleton Drive, Pategonia Road and Cringle Lane
46 within Hembree Station Subdivision into the county
47 road maintenance system. Ms. Poulin, how did I do?
48 Okay. They're working on my pronunciation during the
49 break there, getting tutored a little bit. I
50 appreciate that.

1 So this is coming from Mr. Hopkins. Do we have a
2 motion?
3 FRANCIS CROWDER: Make a motion.
4 KEN WATERS: Second.
5 TOMMY DUNN: Motion Mr. Crowder. I
6 believe this is in Mr. Crowder's district. And we
7 have a second by Mr. Waters. Any discussion? Ready
8 to vote? All in favor of the motion show of hands.
9 All opposed like sign. Show the motion carries
10 unanimously.
11 Moving on to Item 10(b) 2015-050 a resolution
12 authorizing the Anderson County Roads and Bridges
13 Department to perform maintenance on certain
14 identified county paved roads and gravel roads. Do we
15 have a -- coming from Mr. Hopkins. Do we have a
16 motion to move this forward?
17 CINDY WILSON: So moved.
18 TOMMY DUNN: Motion Ms. Wilson. Second
19 by Mr. Cole. Do we have any discussion?
20 CINDY WILSON: May I, Mr. Chairman?
21 TOMMY DUNN: Ms. Wilson.
22 CINDY WILSON: Just a real quick
23 correction on page 2 of 3, Hogg Road can come off.
24 It's already -- it was on the resurfacing list and
25 it's already been done.
26 TOMMY DUNN: What road was that, Ms.
27 Wilson?
28 CINDY WILSON: Hogg, H-o-g-g.
29 TOMMY DUNN: Hogg Road to come off the
30 list.
31 CINDY WILSON: Mr. Hopkins can confirm
32 that.
33 TOMMY DUNN: Do we have any more
34 discussion?
35 GRACIE FLOYD: Yes.
36 TOMMY DUNN: Ms. Floyd.
37 GRACIE FLOYD: The whatever District 7 was
38 talking about, do we need to discuss that or
39 something?
40 TOMMY DUNN: It's already been done.
41 The work's been done on it, so it don't need no work,
42 so it just got to come off. It would be redundant.
43 GRACIE FLOYD: Oh, okay. Listen, that was
44 number (b); right?
45 TOMMY DUNN: Yes, ma'am. We had a list
46 of the roads in our packet.
47 GRACIE FLOYD: How were we to know that?
48 TOMMY DUNN: Know what?
49 GRACIE FLOYD: That it had been done
50 already.

1 TOMMY DUNN: It's in her district and
2 Mr. Hopkins was nodding his head that it had been.

3 GRACIE FLOYD: Okay. We need to ---

4 TOMMY DUNN: Mr. Hopkins, you want to
5 elaborate?

6 HOLT HOPKINS: Mr. Chairman, this was --
7 on this list, it was one spot that we wanted to do a
8 strip patch over. But the paving supervisor forgot
9 that it was on Ms. Wilson's current paving contract.
10 The contractor's already done what this work is needed
11 to be done, so we should have had already closed this
12 request. And there's nothing to be done because it's
13 already been done. For Hogg Road.

14 GRACIE FLOYD: Yeah, well, see, my thing
15 is, if she had not spoken up, how would we have known
16 that? We wouldn't have known.

17 HOLT HOPKINS: We would not have done the
18 work because it's already been done. We just
19 accidentally left it on this list. But the work would
20 not have -- we wouldn't have went out and duplicated
21 because it was already done.

22 GRACIE FLOYD: But you understand my
23 point?

24 HOLT HOPKINS: Yes, ma'am.

25 GRACIE FLOYD: Yeah, we have so many
26 things now that we've lost, that's dropped, that's no
27 more, that we need to kind of like tighten up a little
28 bit. And -- but anyway, the thing is this, we need to
29 tighten up a little bit to make sure that we have the
30 information that's correct that we need here. Okay.
31 Just lucky us, because she brought it up and if she
32 had not -- thank you.

33 TOMMY DUNN: Anyone else? Hearing none,
34 all in favor of the motion show of hands. All opposed
35 like sign. Show the motion carries unanimously.

36 Now, moving on to Item 10(c) 2015-052 a
37 resolution establishing a procedure for approval of
38 grant applications for departments or divisions of
39 county government grant submission approval by
40 Administrator. Put that in the form of a motion.
41 Have a second?

42 CINDY WILSON: Second.

43 TOMMY DUNN: Second Ms. Wilson. Now,
44 before I open it up for discussion, I'm going to lead
45 off and say this is just another tool in our toolbox.
46 This is not taking nothing away, any ordinance that we
47 already have. This is just a procedure I think needs
48 to be put in place to save us maybe a step or
49 something or other. I'll let -- I talked to the
50 county attorney about this and he wrote this and I'll

1 let him bring it up. What this in a nutshell is
2 doing, anybody that's going to come up for grant
3 before it ever gets to -- goes through the proper
4 channels of Finance Committee and full Council, it has
5 to go through the Administrator first. Then if he
6 gives the thumbs up, then it goes through the process
7 before it ever -- we've had some things here lately
8 that slid through that there been grants already been
9 applied for before it ever got to Council approved the
10 thing. Could have saved us all a little heartache and
11 put this step out if the Administrator goes through it
12 and gives the okay, y'all apply for it instead of
13 going through this and we didn't -- something we ain't
14 wanting. And I'm sorry, Mr. Harmon.

15 LEON HARMON: Mr. Chairman, you did a
16 very good job of explaining that. It is simply a
17 procedure whereby county departments or elected
18 officials who want to apply for a grant, will come to
19 the Administrator and then the Administrator will
20 advise Council, bring the application -- or bring the
21 grant package to Council for approval. There's an
22 exception in this, however, for emergency situations,
23 or where time is a critical factor. For example, with
24 economic development projects. So this is just a
25 procedure, and as you explained it, a tool in the
26 toolbox to make sure that the Council stays informed
27 about grants that are being applied for within the
28 county.

29 TOMMY DUNN: Or save us a step, we might
30 not need to what you call it if the Administrator
31 deems that we don't -- it shouldn't be applied for.
32 He's our thing, day-to-day guy. He should get a
33 thumbs up if it should be applied for, my only intent
34 should or shouldn't be.

35 LEON HARMON: That's correct. Yes, sir.

36 TOMMY DUNN: Now, I hope he cleared that
37 up some. Now discussion? Mr. Crowder?

38 FRANCIS CROWDER: Well, there was just a
39 slight difference in what you said, which I fully
40 agreed with, and what he said. You said it would
41 still go through the Finance Committee ---

42 TOMMY DUNN: That's right.

43 FRANCIS CROWDER: --- and then to County
44 Council.

45 TOMMY DUNN: That's right.

46 FRANCIS CROWDER: And you just used the words
47 it would go from the Administrator to Council, but I
48 knew what you meant. But I just wanted to have it on
49 the record. Thank you. You did a wonderful job.
50 Thank you.

1 TOMMY DUNN: Ms. Wilson.

2 CINDY WILSON: Thank you. May I propose
3 just some clarifying language so we won't have any
4 confusion on the number one, going down to grant
5 application package and provide a recommendation to
6 County Council, that we stop there and maybe
7 substitute, in order to provide a more comprehensive
8 review process, the Administrator will ensure that all
9 vital back-up materials are made available to the
10 County Council for its Finance Committee's due
11 diligence and recommendations and then brought to the
12 entire Council for approval. Would that make it
13 clear?

14 TOMMY DUNN: Fine with me. I just want
15 to make sure, though, we don't have to -- my whole
16 thing is, the Administrator should have the authority.
17 If somebody under his thing, he doesn't think they
18 deserve -- a grant shouldn't be applied, it should
19 never get to us. Have that thing and save this thing.
20 So as long as it still says that, I got no thing about
21 getting make sure all the background information's
22 there, whatnot, he doesn't neither. I mean back-up
23 documentation for Council. Can you make that, make
24 that -- word that, Mr. Harmon? Does that make sense
25 what was just said?

26 LEON HARMON: Yes, sir. Yes. I
27 understand what the concept is.

28 TOMMY DUNN: Okay.

29 CINDY WILSON: Should I put that in the
30 form ---

31 TOMMY DUNN: Can you make -- can you
32 sort of -- can you sort of word that, Mr. Harmon and
33 get us a little bit. While he's working on that a
34 little bit, we'll give him time, does anybody else got
35 any comments or questions while we're working on that
36 or anything? Okay. See if this -- you ready, Mr.
37 Harmon?

38 LEON HARMON: Yes, Mr. Chairman. I think
39 what Ms. Wilson is suggesting is that we put a period
40 at the end of County Council on the next to last line
41 of Item number 1. And then add a sentence to say, in
42 order to provide a comprehensive review process the
43 submission would -- if a submission is made to County
44 Council, it will contain the necessary back-up
45 information with the application package.

46 CINDY WILSON: Thank you.

47 TOMMY DUNN: Thank you. Ms. Wilson, I
48 don't want to put words in your mouth, but you amend
49 the original motion to say that?

50 CINDY WILSON: Well, let my motion be as

1 Mr. Harmon has so stated.
2 TOMMY DUNN: Okay. Thank you. We have
3 a second on that?
4 FRANCIS CROWDER: Second.
5 TOMMY DUNN: Second Mr. Crowder. Now
6 any discussion on the amendment? Go ahead, Mr.
7 Allen.
8 TOM ALLEN: I was just wondering, I was
9 just thinking, if we looked at this and put after the
10 words Anderson County government, right in the middle
11 of the paragraph, comma, now I forget what I was going
12 to say, Department of Division of Anderson County
13 government, comma, with back-up documentation, comma,
14 prior to the submission of such grant application
15 package. I don't know if that would make it any
16 shorter. Or if that's not specific enough.
17 LEON HARMON: That would be another way
18 to do it, I believe, and would certainly accomplish
19 what Ms. Wilson was suggesting, as well.
20 TOMMY DUNN: And be shortening it up a
21 little bit wouldn't have to ---
22 TOM ALLEN: That would shorten it and
23 then that would have the back-up documentation when it
24 went to the ---
25 TOMMY DUNN: You go along with that?
26 CINDY WILSON: Say it again.
27 TOMMY DUNN: Say it again, Tom. Mr.
28 Allen, I'm sorry.
29 TOM ALLEN: Okay. After where it says
30 Anderson County government, comma, with -- we'd put in
31 there comma -- with back-up documentation, comma,
32 prior to submission of such grant application package.
33 CINDY WILSON: Back-up material.
34 TOM ALLEN: With back-up -- I said,
35 with back-up documentation, comma.
36 CINDY WILSON: Okay. And it will track
37 our normal ---
38 TOM ALLEN: I won't fight over it, it's
39 just a thought.
40 TOMMY DUNN: We got -- if we could, Ms.
41 Wilson, would you make that amendment?
42 CINDY WILSON: Yes, and as long as we know
43 that it will track the way it's been going, that will
44 be perfect.
45 TOMMY DUNN: That's right.
46 CINDY WILSON: Thank you.
47 TOMMY DUNN: Mr. Crowder still seconds
48 that?
49 FRANCIS CROWDER: I will second it.
50 TOMMY DUNN: So we're voting on the

1 amendment now. All in favor of the amendment show of
2 hands. All opposed. Show the motion carries
3 unanimously. Now original motion, all in favor show
4 of hands. All opposed like sign. Abstentions. You
5 in favor of it, Ms. Floyd? I didn't catch it.

6 GRACIE FLOYD: I did.

7 TOMMY DUNN: I'm sorry. Okay.

8 Unanimous in favor. Thank you.

9 Moving on now to Item 11, Report from the
10 Finance Committee of August 27, 2015. We had the
11 11(a) the shredding thing tabled, so if we could, ask
12 that it be pulled off the table.

13 FRANCIS CROWDER: Okay. Mr. Chairman, the
14 Finance Committee recommended the request by -- I
15 reckon it was the Administrator -- to allow shredding
16 of a massive amount of documents so as to clear the
17 basement downstairs and that -- one of the old
18 buildings so that it can be demolished. And I did
19 request that out of that long litany of things to be
20 shredded, I did ask that the 2007-2008 credit cards be
21 taken off of that list.

22 TOMMY DUNN: We, Mr. Harmon, correct me
23 if I'm wrong, we need to get a motion to bring it off
24 the table before we can do something.

25 FRANCIS CROWDER: Okay. I make a motion to
26 bring it off the table.

27 TOMMY DUNN: Motion to bring it off the
28 table, Mr. Crowder. We have a second?

29 CINDY WILSON: Second.

30 TOMMY DUNN: Second Ms. Wilson. All in
31 favor of the motion to bring it off the table and open
32 it up for discussion show of hands. Show the motion
33 carries unanimously. Now Mr. Crowder.

34 FRANCIS CROWDER: I'm sorry.

35 TOMMY DUNN: Go ahead.

36 FRANCIS CROWDER: As demonstrated, I don't
37 know procedures too well.

38 TOMMY DUNN: You're fine.

39 FRANCIS CROWDER: Anyway, so I'm in full
40 agreement, personally myself, with the list, with the
41 exception of the one item that I just talked about.

42 TOMMY DUNN: 2007-2008 credit cards?

43 FRANCIS CROWDER: Yep.

44 TOMMY DUNN: Anything else?

45 CINDY WILSON: May I?

46 TOMMY DUNN: Ms. Wilson.

47 CINDY WILSON: The '08-'09 Carolina First
48 Credit card, because that would still contain '08
49 credit.

50 TOMMY DUNN: Let me ask y'all this.

1 Help me out here, was this -- the two things we're
2 bringing up, 2007-2008 credit cards, 2008-2009, was
3 that the recommendation of Finance Committee?
4 FRANCIS CROWDER: Yeah.
5 CINDY WILSON: Yes.
6 TOMMY DUNN: Okay. Just wanted to make
7 sure.
8 CINDY WILSON: We're just narrowing down
9 the number of retained documents.
10 TOMMY DUNN: And that's -- so that's
11 that. We tabled this to give -- does anybody else
12 have any discussion?
13 GRACIE FLOYD: Yes.
14 TOMMY DUNN: Ms. Floyd.
15 GRACIE FLOYD: Okay. Mr. Chairman, it
16 was I who asked that we table this because they gave
17 this to us and they -- Finance Committee told us what
18 they thought that we ought to shred and what they
19 thought that we ought to keep. Well, I had not had a
20 chance to really look at it. And I'm sure that has
21 been the same way with other Council members because
22 I'm sure -- surely that you did get a chance to look
23 at it and I didn't. Anyway, I did get a chance to
24 look at it and there are several things on here that
25 should not be shredded. As you know, we've come
26 through a stormy period with a lot of he says, she
27 says, you say it going on as well as a lot of
28 references to the law as -- and lawsuits and things.
29 I'm looking at this and I really do think that because
30 of all that went on, especially with our receipts and
31 credit card receipts, I'm thinking that we need to
32 maybe hold on to these things. I know it's a seven
33 year period, but we have a big lawsuit still pending,
34 and before we get rid of all this information that we
35 may never need, but we never know. So it's better to
36 have and not need it than to need it and not have it.
37 So I don't think that we need to go down through the
38 whole thing and look at some -- I would just like to
39 make a motion that we just keep these until another
40 maybe two or three years until we can get this lawsuit
41 settled.
42 TOMMY DUNN: Okay. Ms. Floyd, you can
43 put that in the form of a motion, but ---
44 GRACIE FLOYD: I do. Form of a motion.
45 TOMMY DUNN: To keep everything; shred
46 nothing.
47 GRACIE FLOYD: Well, could you pick out
48 from what they gave you, here, could you pick out what
49 to shred? Like APFY 304? What's that?
50 TOMMY DUNN: Ms. Floyd, can I answer

1 that?

2 GRACIE FLOYD: Uh-huh (affirmative).

3 TOMMY DUNN: I'll be perfectly honest
4 with you. I can't -- don't -- I'd have to go back and
5 talk with staff, but in talking to staff before this,
6 if it was strictly up to me, I'd get rid of all of it.
7 I'm willing to look at some of it, we need the room,
8 we need the space, we've had -- Council has been
9 consulted on this stuff, I'm not saying I don't trust
10 them, but that's just my personal opinion. I want to
11 work, but we got to get rid of some of this stuff. We
12 got no room for it. We got to do something and some
13 of this is getting in foul shape where it's at over
14 yonder.

15 RUSTY BURNS: The courthouse storage unit
16 at the courthouse is almost filled up. Our other
17 logical place is to continue to put things down on
18 Tower Street. But if Council -- I mean, we're going
19 to have to find some place to put it, so if we're
20 going to keep everything, then we need to rent a
21 storage unit, seriously, and move it to that location,
22 because I think -- Rita, just for ---

23 TOMMY DUNN: Ms. Davis, if you would
24 pull the mike down.

25 RITA DAVIS: We're keeping all permanent
26 documents, such as bond related documents. I
27 personally am retaining all the capital project files,
28 even though there's only a three year retention on
29 those; just personally. These items are all the ones
30 that we were proposing to shred in accordance with the
31 state archives rules, record retention rules.

32 TOMMY DUNN: I mean, I've got no problem
33 if the Council wants to -- they feel like they need to
34 get with the staff, go through some of this, about,
35 you know, maybe keeping this, but we've got to get rid
36 of some of these documents. I mean, I don't think
37 this hasn't been done willy-nilly. This has been
38 looked at and we're keeping -- but we got to get rid
39 of some of this stuff to make room for it. I mean,
40 it's just ---

41 GRACIE FLOYD: Okay, Mr. Chairman, I still
42 have the floor. Mr. Chairman, I didn't say that it
43 was done willy-nilly. All I'm saying is that you may
44 be the Chair, you've been the Chair for two years now,
45 so you know more than the rest of us know, but being a
46 member of County Council, and having voted for some of
47 this stuff, I wouldn't know what to get rid of.
48 County Council member, Mr. Waters, could you tell me
49 what APFY 506 is?

50 KEN WATERS: I'm just like Mr. Dunn.

1 GRACIE FLOYD: No, I didn't ask you who
2 you were like. I said, can you please tell me what
3 APFY 506 is?
4 KEN WATERS: No, ma'am. I can't do
5 that.
6 GRACIE FLOYD: All right. Mr. Cole, do
7 you know what journal entries, excuse me, oh, 2012
8 delinquent foreclosure. Does that interest you at
9 all? Not at all.
10 MITCHELL COLE: Not at all.
11 GRACIE FLOYD: Okay. Well, good. Well,
12 you know, you are a good one, anyway.
13 KEN WATERS: I agree with Mr. Cole, as
14 well.
15 GRACIE FLOYD: Well, anyway, that's my
16 point. That's my point, Mr. Dunn. It's better to be
17 -- it's better to be have this stuff than to be sorry
18 about it. I took this thing home and I studied it.
19 TOMMY DUNN: What did you study?
20 GRACIE FLOYD: Quite a bit.
21 TOMMY DUNN: Do you know what all that
22 stuff is, then?
23 GRACIE FLOYD: No, that's my point. Thank
24 you.
25 TOMMY DUNN: Well, okay, that's what I'm
26 telling you. If it interested me, just like this
27 right here you brought out, APFY 04-05.
28 GRACIE FLOYD: What is that?
29 TOMMY DUNN: I would ask Mr. Carroll,
30 Mr. Burns or Kim to tell me what that is, if I was
31 interested. I asked the general question what this
32 was.
33 GRACIE FLOYD: One, two, three, four,
34 five, six, seven, eight, nine, ten, eleven, twelve,
35 thirteen, fourteen, fifteen, sixteen, seventeen,
36 eighteen, nineteen, twenty. How does anybody know
37 what all of this is?
38 TOMMY DUNN: Because they went through
39 it. They've been over there working in the Bailes
40 Building going through it.
41 GRACIE FLOYD: Who has?
42 TOMMY DUNN: The staff.
43 GRACIE FLOYD: Well, see, I'm not a staff,
44 I'm Council.
45 TOMMY DUNN: Exactly. But you said how
46 would anybody, and I'm just talking about they went
47 over there.
48 GRACIE FLOYD: Staff doesn't vote.
49 TOMMY DUNN: No, but ---
50 GRACIE FLOYD: I have to vote on this

1 stuff.

2 TOMMY DUNN: Yes, ma'am. And your
3 point's well taken.

4 GRACIE FLOYD: And I'm saying that what we
5 need to do is -- and especially because of the mess
6 we're going through with credit cards and all kinds of
7 stuff that's been dug up. Don't you think another two
8 or three years would hurt us?

9 TOMMY DUNN: Yes, ma'am. I think it
10 would. Because as he just said somebody's got ---

11 GRACIE FLOYD: Hurt us in what way?

12 TOMMY DUNN: Financially and staff and
13 everything. I just don't see no need in keeping it.
14 I mean we've kept it longer than what you call it.
15 And talking to the staff and the attorneys, they feel
16 good about the list. Like I said, everybody's got an
17 opinion. My opinion is get rid of all of it. If they
18 want to keep some of it, I'm willing to compromise.
19 But to keep everything, there's six other Council
20 members got a feelings, I just don't think it all
21 needs to be kept myself.

22 KEN WATERS: Mr. Chair.

23 CINDY WILSON: May I?

24 TOMMY DUNN: Ms. Floyd's got the floor.

25 GRACIE FLOYD: Thank you. Well, if it's
26 not keeping it all, which ones are the most important
27 things to keep, Ms. Davis? Could you help us with
28 that?

29 RITA DAVIS: Ma'am, we have gone through
30 these, and for us, personally, we don't desire to keep
31 any of it because, like I said, the general ledgers
32 and all the permanent documents are already over in
33 the new Courthouse basement. However, certain members
34 of Council would like to keep credit card boxes and
35 that's perfectly fine. Albeit those are copies but we
36 are more than happy to keep those.

37 GRACIE FLOYD: Okay. I see -- I think I
38 saw two or three credit card things over here. Okay.
39 Let's say that we keep credit cards. Let's say that
40 we do that; okay? There's one -- okay. What about
41 the deposits and receipts books?

42 RITA DAVIS: Three year retention,
43 ma'am, on those. And we have exceeded the three
44 years.

45 GRACIE FLOYD: Okay. What about Jana
46 Pressley revenues, invoices and encumbrances?

47 RITA DAVIS: Again, those are items that
48 according to Archives they can be destroyed.

49 GRACIE FLOYD: Well, tell me what it is
50 first.

1 RITA DAVIS: The encumbrances where she
2 balances -- three years ago we used to roll
3 encumbrances forward to the future year. This was her
4 reconciliation process to make sure that we balanced
5 when we rolled those encumbrances over. We no longer
6 do that ---
7 GRACIE FLOYD: Okay. And what's GES? I
8 see a lot of GESs on here.
9 RITA DAVIS: That's journal entries.
10 Those are journal entries that are made to the general
11 ledger. It's a three year retention on those, as
12 well. And we keep those three years downstairs in the
13 finance office.
14 GRACIE FLOYD: Okay. Sewer, Broadway and
15 ECU deposits.
16 RITA DAVIS: Just deposits that we have
17 received from the water company.
18 GRACIE FLOYD: What's ECU deposits?
19 RUSTY BURNS: Electric City ---
20 GRACIE FLOYD: Thank you. All right.
21 Sewer adjustments.
22 RITA DAVIS: Yes, ma'am. That's just
23 adjustments to sewer customers' billing in the normal
24 course of business.
25 GRACIE FLOYD: All right. Age listing.
26 RITA DAVIS: Accounts receivable listing
27 for sewer customers that still owe us money.
28 GRACIE FLOYD: Okay. Delinquent
29 foreclosure.
30 RITA DAVIS: That is an inappropriate
31 thing. That apparently was a Master in Equity box.
32 It should not even have been on there. We don't have
33 that. So that's what I was asking them was we went
34 back and verified that after the Finance Committee
35 meeting. And that's the one item that should not even
36 have been on there.
37 GRACIE FLOYD: But it was.
38 RITA DAVIS: Yes, ma'am.
39 GRACIE FLOYD: But it was. And were we
40 getting ready to throw that away, as well?
41 TOMMY DUNN: They don't have it to throw
42 away.
43 RITA DAVIS: That's not my jurisdiction,
44 ma'am. That would be Judge -- I assume that's Judge
45 Drew's.
46 GRACIE FLOYD: All right. Now there's an
47 Alpha Technology CDBG, what is that?
48 RITA DAVIS: That was just a grant.
49 CDBG grant that that industry received.
50 TOMMY DUNN: I'm sorry, but time's

1 expired on this. Anybody want to extend the time? If
2 not, Ms. Floyd's got a motion on the floor. You make
3 a motion to extend for three minutes? Okay, Ms.
4 Wilson makes a motion to extend for three minutes.
5 Anybody want to second that? Dies for lack of second.
6 So we'll vote on Ms. Floyd -- Ms. Floyd's got a motion
7 on the floor to keep everything. And I should have
8 done done this, but we went to talking, do we have a
9 second for Ms. Floyd's motion?
10 GRACIE FLOYD: Okay. My motion. My
11 motion was not to keep everything.
12 TOMMY DUNN: I'm sorry. Go ahead and
13 state your motion and we'll get a second.
14 GRACIE FLOYD: My motion was to let's not
15 throw anything away for at least two years until we
16 get these lawsuits settled because we don't know what
17 we're going to need for that.
18 TOMMY DUNN: Okay. That's your motion.
19 Motion is to keep all of this what's on this list for
20 two years, then. Is that correct? We have a second?
21 GRACIE FLOYD: Second. I can't second it,
22 can I?
23 TOMMY DUNN: No, ma'am. You made the
24 motion. No second. Dies for lack of a second. Go
25 back to the original motion.
26 CINDY WILSON: Mr. Chairman.
27 TOMMY DUNN: Time's expired, so we'll be
28 voting on this.
29 CINDY WILSON: A quick addition. The
30 credit cards that we've already spoken about ---
31 TOMMY DUNN: All we can do now, time's
32 expired, we've got a motion on the floor, so what
33 we're going to vote on is what the Finance Committee
34 recommendation was. So if you got a correction on
35 what the Finance Committee recommendation was, go
36 ahead. Other than that, no time.
37 CINDY WILSON: Yes, because Mr. Crowder
38 had already winnowed it down further, but it would be
39 appropriate for us to retain the paid invoices or the
40 accounts payable records for fiscal years '96-'08.
41 TOMMY DUNN: The motion will be -- can
42 we get this -- coming from the Finance Committee from
43 last meeting, that's what the motion will be.
44 Whatever it was last week, from the Finance Committee,
45 that's what the motion -- time's run out. You got it.
46 MITCHELL COLE: Call for the question, Mr.
47 Chairman.
48 TOMMY DUNN: Time's run out, we ain't
49 going to call for the question. It's over with. I
50 mean, what it is, is the motion to be what come off

1 the table what it was, not the -- motion that comes
2 from the Finance Committee or whatnot, but that's what
3 it is now. Time's out. Yes, ma'am, Ms. Wilson. Go
4 ahead.

5 CINDY WILSON: I'm sorry. I'm confused.
6 When we had our Finance Committee meeting, we had a
7 list of items that we felt should be retained. It was
8 tabled.

9 TOMMY DUNN: And it was brought up. It
10 was tabled. And that's what we're voting on.

11 CINDY WILSON: And off the table ---

12 TOMMY DUNN: No, when it come off --
13 what come off the table, not what Mr. Crowder -- that
14 what he said, is what was tabled the last meeting.
15 That's what come off the table. What the Finance
16 Committee recommendation was. That's what come off
17 the table.

18 CINDY WILSON: So the items that we
19 outlined ---

20 TOMMY DUNN: What come from the Finance
21 Committee.

22 CINDY WILSON: That more than amply covers
23 what ---

24 TOMMY DUNN: That's what we voting on.
25 All in favor of the motion show of hands. All opposed
26 like sign. Show the motion carries with Mr. Waters,
27 Mr. Allen, Mr. Dunn, Mr. Cole, Mr. Crowder and Ms.
28 Wilson in favor, Ms. Floyd opposes.

29 Moving on. Report -- let's see Approval of
30 Lease Purchase Agreement Financial Institution for
31 five point three million dollars. Ms. Davis, you want
32 to step up and give us -- I know all of us had the
33 back-up and got the information what staff recommends.

34 RITA DAVIS: Yes, sir, Mr. Chairman. As
35 you know the Purchasing Department put out the bid and
36 forty-nine financial institutions received the packet.
37 Ten responded. The low bid is one point five four
38 percent from Santander Bank North America. And the
39 financial advisor and staff are recommending awarding
40 the bid to that institution.

41 TOMMY DUNN: Where they from?

42 RITA DAVIS: They're headquartered in
43 Boston, Massachusetts. They have a Northeast
44 footprint. They also have an office in Arizona, so
45 they're trying to expand their equipment leasing
46 program nationwide.

47 TOMMY DUNN: Home office in Boston,
48 Massachusetts.

49 RITA DAVIS: Yes, sir. They employ
50 about nine thousand people in the US. They're the

1 fifth largest bank world-wide behind Wells Fargo, Bank
2 of America, Citicorp and JPMorgan, Chase Morgan.
3 TOMMY DUNN: Okay. Anybody got any
4 questions for Ms. Wilson, I mean Ms. Davis, I'm sorry.
5 FRANCIS CROWDER: I just want to make the
6 comment, they are a Spanish company.
7 RITA DAVIS: That was their origin 158
8 years ago. That's correct.
9 FRANCIS CROWDER: They're a Spanish company.
10 Of course, I raised the question, you know, that I
11 realize that -- again, I like to do things locally, by
12 now y'all are tired of hearing that. But if you've
13 only got point zero one or point zero two percentage
14 points to be able to do something locally. But I know
15 that you all have done due diligence and you're
16 financial advisor, so I'm going to support what they
17 recommend.
18 RITA DAVIS: Thank you.
19 TOM ALLEN: Mr. Chair.
20 TOMMY DUNN: Mr. Allen?
21 TOM ALLEN: Could you repeat the name
22 of the company, again, please?
23 RITA DAVIS: Santander.
24 TOM ALLEN: Santander. How do you
25 spell that?
26 RITA DAVIS: They bought Sovereign Bank.
27 TOM ALLEN: How did you spell it? Is
28 it Santana?
29 RITA DAVIS: S-a-n-t-a-n-d-e-r.
30 TOMMY DUNN: It's on the book there. We
31 have a motion to put this on the table?
32 CINDY WILSON: So moved.
33 TOMMY DUNN: Motion Ms. Wilson. We have
34 a second? Second Mr. Cole. Now, discussion. Any
35 more? Questions for Ms. Davis or any comments?
36 Hearing none all in favor -- you got any questions,
37 comments?
38 FRANCIS CROWDER: Did you say it was to be
39 tabled?
40 TOMMY DUNN: No, we making the motion --
41 I said to move forward, to get it on the table, now
42 it's time for discussion.
43 FRANCIS CROWDER: Oh, yeah, I make a motion.
44 TOMMY DUNN: We got that, Ms. Wilson got
45 that and Mr. Cole second it. So, now we're up for
46 discussion on it. Anybody got any discussion? More
47 discussion or comments or questions for Ms. Davis?
48 CINDY WILSON: May we make a quick note
49 that there are no prepayment penalties after the first
50 year, which is good.

1 TOMMY DUNN: Yeah. Exactly right. All
2 in favor of -- hearing none. Mr Crowder, you got ---
3 FRANCIS CROWDER: No.
4 TOMMY DUNN: Okay. All in favor of the
5 motion show of hands. All opposed like sign. Show
6 the motion carries unanimously. Thank you, Ms. Davis.
7 Appreciate it. All y'all's work.
8 Moving on to number 13, requests by Council
9 members. Mr. Waters. Anything?
10 KEN WATERS: ???
11 TOMMY DUNN: Thank you, Mr. Waters. Mr.
12 Allen?
13 TOM ALLEN: None at this time.
14 TOMMY DUNN: Thank you. Ms. Floyd, you
15 have any?
16 GRACIE FLOYD: I have one. I have one.
17 It's from the Broadway Fire Department. They're
18 asking that we, Anderson County Council -- let me read
19 the letter to you. I, Chief Dave Burnett, of the
20 Broadway Volunteer Fire Department am requesting
21 consideration of approval for the addition of one
22 Motorola APX 7000 handheld radio to the Palmetto 800
23 network. The radio is a multi-band unit and will be
24 compliant with the guidelines set forth by the Federal
25 Emergency Management. The radio will be used for
26 command on individual as well as multi-agency
27 incidents. Due to the radio having an 800 megahertz
28 capability action of approval by a Anderson County
29 Council is needed for the radio to be added to the
30 existing Palmetto 800 network. Purchase of the radio
31 has been made available through FEMA, AFG, Assistance
32 to Firefighters grant in which we have recently been
33 awarded. I am seeking Council's consideration to help
34 us reach a favorable outcome with this request.
35 I put it in a motion that we allow the five
36 Broadway fire department to -- that we approve for the
37 addition of the Motorola handheld radio to the
38 Palmetto 800 network. That's in the form of a motion.
39 TOMMY DUNN: Second Mr. Allen. Now
40 discussion. I just want to --
41 FRANCIS CROWDER: Question.
42 TOMMY DUNN: Can I?
43 FRANCIS CROWDER: Oh, you go to it.
44 TOMMY DUNN: Ms. Floyd, this is a bit
45 unusual to bring this up at this time. You know, if
46 Council don't have objection we'll let it slide, but
47 I'll ask Council not to do this again. Because this
48 ain't -- wasn't on the agenda and this ain't coming
49 out of -- y'all understand -- and correct me if I'm
50 wrong, Ms. Floyd, this ain't coming out of your

1 account. This will be all Council coming out of it.
2 Is that correct?
3 GRACIE FLOYD: Mr. Chairman.
4 TOMMY DUNN: Yes, ma'am.
5 GRACIE FLOYD: I will be more than happy
6 to remove this off the thing tonight and bring it up
7 again the next time when I have it in the form that
8 you all would like to have it.
9 TOMMY DUNN: No, it's fine. If nobody
10 has objections, I just want to make sure everybody
11 understands this is coming out of -- coming out of --
12 it's not coming out of her paving or recreation
13 accounts, this is coming out -- this will be Council
14 coming out of regular funds. And the way we've
15 generally done this in the past, is it goes through
16 and comes up to the full Council and it's on the
17 agenda and whatnot.
18 GRACIE FLOYD: Well, we get these all the
19 time ---
20 TOMMY DUNN: Yes, ma'am.
21 GRACIE FLOYD: --- and they have been
22 approved all the time. It has never been not approved
23 before.
24 TOMMY DUNN: Yes, ma'am. Some have been
25 not approved.
26 GRACIE FLOYD: I beg your pardon.
27 TOMMY DUNN: Some have been not
28 approved. Yes, ma'am.
29 GRACIE FLOYD: When?
30 TOMMY DUNN: I'd have to go back and
31 look, Ms. Floyd. I'm very up to this situation about
32 it because this is an ongoing expense and we got some
33 stations have got nine, some stations have got ten,
34 and it's getting to the point ---
35 GRACIE FLOYD: I have never known this has
36 happened since the onset of the 800 megahertz when it
37 was first brought into the Council, when it was the
38 first fight by some folks didn't want it and some
39 folks did; okay, but I will be more than happy to
40 bring it up at the next Council meeting when it's in
41 the form that you would like it.
42 TOMMY DUNN: Not what I like, I'm just
43 going by rules, but like I said, if nobody's got no
44 objection, I'm trying to help you here. But I'm
45 saying, it's putting in a awkward thing to go through
46 this -- I wouldn't like to see us become a habit where
47 everybody have a chance to go through the procedures
48 and vote and think about it because this is -- we've
49 got to make a decision sometime or another and I --
50 about any station -- there's twenty-seven fire

1 stations in Anderson County in the county fire system
2 not counting our municipality such as Williamston,
3 Honea Path, Belton, and we've got to keep -- this is
4 an ongoing liability of so much a month per station so
5 we just got to keep this in mind, keep this in check
6 and everything. Yes, ma'am, Ms. Floyd.

7 GRACIE FLOYD: Mr. Chairman, please, I
8 have already said that I would bring it back at the
9 next meeting. I would rather you not run my fire
10 station down as if they had done something wrong.

11 TOMMY DUNN: They haven't, Ms. Floyd.

12 GRACIE FLOYD: I will bring it up at the
13 next meeting. And if there's a fault, or an error,
14 the error is mine.

15 TOMMY DUNN: Okay. You're taking it
16 off, then. Is that what you're doing, taking it off?
17 Okay. Just let the record show that I wasn't running
18 the fire station down or -- cause they didn't bring it
19 up. But I'll have the same questions and comments at
20 the next -- when it comes up the thing about it. I'm
21 not saying I'm voting against it or nothing, I'm just
22 saying this is something for Council to be aware of.
23 Moving on. Anything else, Ms. Floyd?

24 GRACIE FLOYD: Oh, no, not yet.

25 TOMMY DUNN: Mr. Cole?

26 MITCHELL COLE: Not at this time.

27 TOMMY DUNN: Mr. Crowder?

28 FRANCIS CROWDER: No, sir. Thank you.

29 TOMMY DUNN: Ms. Wilson?

30 CINDY WILSON: Yes, thank you. The town
31 of West Pelzer has requested some recreational funds
32 and I would like to appropriate twenty-five hundred
33 from the District 7 rec account for the town of West
34 Pelzer's rec.

35 TOMMY DUNN: Have a motion Ms. Wilson?
36 Have a second?

37 TOM ALLEN: Second.

38 TOMMY DUNN: Second Mr. Allen. Any
39 discussion? All in favor of the motion show of hands.
40 All opposed like sign. Show the motion carries
41 unanimously. District 5 has none.

42 Moving on to number Item 14, Administrator's
43 report.

44 RUSTY BURNS: Nothing at this time, Mr.
45 Chairman.

46 TOMMY DUNN: Nothing at this time.
47 Moving on to Item number 15. Citizens
48 Comments.

49 LEON HARMON: Mr. Chairman, no citizens
50 are signed up to speak.

1 TOMMY DUNN: Thank you.
2 Moving on to remarks from Council members.
3 Ms. Wilson.
4 CINDY WILSON: Thank you. I have none at
5 the moment but to thank everybody for the hard work in
6 all the public meetings that we have had with a lot of
7 assistance from our staff. It's been very helpful.
8 Thank you.
9 TOMMY DUNN: Thank you. Mr. Crowder.
10 FRANCIS CROWDER: No, sir. Thank you.
11 TOMMY DUNN: Mr. Cole.
12 MITCHELL COLE: Nothing.
13 TOMMY DUNN: Thank you. Ms. Floyd.
14 GRACIE FLOYD: Yes, I have something.
15 It's something that I don't think anyone knows about
16 it because it's well kept away. I found out about it
17 this week. You all know that I am the Council member
18 for District 2. I've worked very, very hard for
19 District 2 over the last sixteen years. I am --
20 anything that I can do to promote it, I have done it.
21 District 2 has I call it the red-hair stepchild. It
22 gets nothing. It gets very little. I found out this
23 week that we were able -- we were going to get
24 something down in District 2. Mr. Freeman, you live
25 in District 2? Okay. All right. We were going to
26 get something brand new in District 2 that we haven't
27 gotten it for -- other folks have gotten it. We're
28 going to get some new houses built down there.
29 Beautiful houses. I have been in it. Absolutely
30 wonderful houses. And got a phone call from an
31 architect. I think he's an architect or a developer
32 or something he is. And he was telling me about some
33 problems that was going on down there that I had no
34 knowledge of it. No one told me anything. But the
35 work -- his work down there had been stopped because
36 somebody came down there and told them to stop the
37 work being done on it. So I was just trying to figure
38 out what could I do to keep people from going to other
39 folks about problems in my district.
40 So, I have decided I am going to -- I am
41 having some little maps made of District 2 and I want
42 you to take the maps that I give you, District 2, and
43 I want you to put it up on your wall, your office,
44 your bedroom wall, somewhere, because I don't want you
45 in my district anymore. I don't want you to do that
46 anymore. I don't meddle in yours and I don't want you
47 to meddle in mine. Luckily I was able to get things
48 on the tracks again. We're going to have the
49 buildings, the houses, in District 2.
50 Not only that, I've got an old warehouse that

1 was going to be torn down, if I can get this architect
2 back on the tracks again to go ahead and tear the
3 place down and build some more houses and some shops.
4 Because there was talk of lawsuits being involved in
5 this. But I just think that when we have -- when
6 we're doing something in each of the districts, I
7 think we ought to just stay out of it. Now, your
8 constituents have called me a lot to do things for
9 them. Because they say you won't answer the telephone
10 or that you won't call back or you won't help them.
11 In that case, I have always told them to call the
12 county administrator, hoping that he will give your
13 constituents the hands that you need. I don't go into
14 your districts. If it's a bad problem, I will call
15 you and tell you what's happening in your district so
16 that you can do something. Want you to know,
17 employees were mistreated and I was mad. So I'm just
18 going to leave it at that. You will be getting a copy
19 of District 2. You can do with it what you want. But
20 you will know where District 2 is.

21 Another thing that is -- that we are going to
22 get rid of papers and anybody knows that if you are
23 tied up in litigation, that you always keep hold on
24 your important papers, especially the credit cards.
25 Now, if I had not looked at the paper, if I had not
26 laid it on the table so I can look at the paper, we
27 would have had one going out that you needed. It just
28 so happened that because I went back and looked at it,
29 you saw one in there that shouldn't go out. How many
30 more are we going to find like that, that should not
31 have gone out, that we should have held on to?

32 But, you know, some of you here discuss what
33 football game to watch. But I'm here for the long
34 run. You can say what you want about me, I could care
35 less. But I do know this, we'd better start doing our
36 jobs. We'd better start paying attention. We had
37 better get connected to what's going on because we're
38 going to miss a lot of stuff. I'm through. And I
39 thank you.

40 TOMMY DUNN: Mr. Allen.

41 TOM ALLEN: Yeah, just very quickly.
42 I'd like to give a couple of thanks. And that's --
43 one's to Angie Stringer and the staff that did such a
44 great job on Celebrate Anderson. And I know that they
45 worked very hard on that. Mr. Burns worked very hard
46 on it. People looked pretty well beat up by the end
47 of Sunday night. But they did a superb job and
48 certainly deserve a thanks for that. The bike races
49 were awesome. They even added some additional things
50 to it this year that I had never seen before. Kind of

1 a cross country bike racing. Over all it was very
2 interesting. I'd also like to thank Kelly Jo and all
3 the folks over at the Brown Senior Center for the
4 luncheon that they had the other day in support of all
5 the seniors that are over there. And we were able to
6 pass out a few checks over there that we hand out
7 annually to those folks, to the different senior
8 citizens. And they, too, are doing a really great
9 job. And I wanted to thank them for their work.

10 And that's all I have, Mr. Chair.

11 TOMMY DUNN: Thank you, Mr. Allen. Mr.
12 Waters?

13 KEN WATERS: I'm good.

14 TOMMY DUNN: Thanks. I also want to
15 just echo the hard work everybody put in on Celebrate
16 Anderson. Hopeful it's going to get bigger and better
17 in coming years. Also hope to -- got a Bluegrass
18 Festival coming up at the Civic Center at the
19 amphitheater. Hope it goes real well and gets some
20 things on that. Appreciate the hard work everybody's
21 done and Council members. That's what it's all about,
22 is debate and try again. I know everybody's trying to
23 get the best. Just want to clear up one quick thing
24 right quick. Ms. Floyd was talking about me. I went
25 down there. No secret. I've apologized to her. Made
26 a slip -- made a slip thing that didn't realize that
27 was her district, what you call it. But I'd do the
28 same thing over again, no matter whose district
29 because simple reason, wasn't no ordinance and I want
30 any county employee to come that says I talked down to
31 them. Tommy Dunn don't do that. Has never done it.
32 Never will do it. And I've got -- hope each and all
33 of us can say that looking in the mirror because ?? in
34 this Council. But I will not take a back seat when
35 taxpayers' money's not being and people don't know
36 ordinances. Going to get ??? the county has no lines.
37 It ain't just this right here, what -- District has no
38 lines about what's best for the taxpayers' money and
39 our road money and our roads in the shape they in, and
40 I stand by that and continue to stand by it. I feel
41 very passionate about that. What we've done about our
42 roads here and what we had here tonight and I hope it
43 don't happen again about this stuff coming up. We
44 need to take care of the roads that we've got instead
45 of adding on roads that people's got in subdivisions
46 we making people developing their own private roads --
47 giving them their own roads and everything. And as
48 far as that district business goes, we all need to
49 look at a map because I think some people's meddled in
50 my district time or two and I just looked the other

1 way. This meeting will be adjourned.

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(MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:30 PM)