

**MINUTES
HORRY COUNTY COUNCIL
REGULAR SESSION
February 1, 2005
6:00 pm**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Liz Gilland, Chairman; Harold Worley; Mark Lazarus; Marion Foxworth; Mike Ryan; Howard Barnard; Bob Grabowski; James Frazier; Carl Schwartzkopf; Paul Prince; Kevin Hardee; and John Boyd.

MEMBERS ABSENT:

OTHERS PRESENT: Danny Knight; Pat Hartley; John Weaver; Anne Wright; Paul Whitten; Steve Gosnell; Janet Carter; Beth Fryar; Westley Sawyer; Roland Meyer; and Lisa Bourcier.

In accordance with the FOIA, notices of the meeting were provided to the press stating the time, date, and place of the meeting.

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Gilland called the meeting to order at approximately 6:00 p.m.

INVOCATION: The Honorable Kevin Hardee gave the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: The Honorable Bob Grabowski led in the pledge.

PUBLIC INPUT:

1. George Edwards spoke on concrete plants and the Hard Rock Theme Park and use of taxpayer money.

Chairman Gilland closed public input.

CHANGES TO THE AGENDA:

Mr. Schwartzkopf **moved to defer Ordinance 10-05**, seconded by Mr. Prince. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Ryan **moved to defer Ordinance 19-05 to the next meeting**, seconded by Mr. Barnard. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Boyd **moved to add discussion on Pending Legislation to Old/New Business**, seconded by Mr. Frazier. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Hardee **moved to add the Appointment of Tom Anderson to the SWA by the League of Cities**, seconded by Mr. Ryan. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Ryan **moved to add discussion on Geese and Ducks under Old/New Business**, seconded by Mr. Barnard. The motion passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA CONTENTS: Mr. Barnard **moved to approve the agenda contents**, seconded by Mr. Schwartzkopf. The motion passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

January 18, 2005 Regular Session: Mr. Frazier **moved to approve the minutes as submitted**, seconded by Mr. Barnard. The motion passed unanimously.

MEMORIAL DEDICATION OF MEETING:

Mr. Frazier **moved that upon adjournment Council adjourn in memorial of Jeanette Wilma Vereen and Dr. W.R. Griffin**. Chairman Gilland **requested to adjourn in memorial of Michael Coats**. Mr. Foxworth **moved to adjourn in memorial of Connie Fowler**. Mr. Hardee **moved to adjourn in memorial of Evelyn Stevens**. Mr. Boyd **moved to adjourn in memorial of Rufus Skipper**. Mr. Lazarus **moved to adjourn in memorial of Connie Fowler and Fannie Mae Taylor**.

RESOLUTIONS/PRESENTATIONS:

Presentation on the South Strand Evacuation Route Study conducted by the Citizens Advocating Road Safety Committee. Mr. Coupe De Ville, chairman of the committee, presented recommendations for a new evacuation route from the South Strand area. Mr. Barnard suggested the recommendations be included in the review of the RIDE I and RIDE II projects. Chairman Gilland was to schedule a workshop to further review these projects.

Resolution R-12-05 to acknowledge and commend the actions of the Horry County Fire/Rescue Competition Team. Chief Alderman spoke briefly on the team. Captain Heith Scurfield spoke briefly on the team and presented photo slides of the trip. Mr. Whitten presented the resolution to the team. Mr. Boyd **moved to approve**, seconded by Mr. Frazier. The motion passed unanimously.

Resolution R-13-05 authorizing retroactive approval of a redistribution of the use of accommodations tax by the Little River Chamber of Commerce. Mr. Foxworth **moved to approve**, seconded by Mr. Ryan. The motion passed unanimously. Ms. Wright spoke briefly and introduced Mary Martin and Ronnie West from the Little River Chamber. Mr. West and Ms. Martin spoke briefly and thanked Council.

Resolution R-14-05 to approve the memorandum of agreement between the Friends of the Museum and the Horry County Museum. Mr. Frazier **moved to approve**, seconded by Mr. Boyd. The motion passed unanimously.

Resolution R-15-05 authorizing staff to conduct a study to identify implementation costs and issues associated with House Bill 4220 relating to the cut-off date for when real property improvements are first assessed. Mr. Foxworth **moved to approve**, seconded by Mr. Boyd. Mr. Mincey briefed Council on the Bill and requested a detail study on the implementation be conducted and the results reported to the Administration Committee in April. Mr. Foxworth suggested an earlier completion date than April in order for a meeting to be scheduled with the Delegation to review possible amendments. Mr. Barnard suggested that Mr. Foxworth and the members of the Administration Committee draft the proposed amendments. The motion passed unanimously.

Resolution R-16-05 approving acceptance of the new statewide voting system. Mr. Grabowski **moved to approve**, seconded by Mr. Boyd. The motion passed unanimously.

Resolution R-17-05 to affirm the zoning on property owned by Clemson University. Mr. Grabowski **moved to approve**, seconded by Mr. Hardee. Mr. Ryan questioned why a resolution format was being used rather than a three-reading ordinance. Ms. Janet Carter, Planning Director, explained that either format could be used but the timing for an ordinance could interfere with the sale of the property. She further explained that the entire 285-acre tract had been incorrectly zoned Highway Commercial in 1997 and Clemson University wanted assurances that this classification would prevail. The zoning classification was contingent on the sale of the property to The Jackson Companies. Messrs. Steve Alger and Dennis Wade from The Jackson Companies made assurances that the property would be developed under the HC zoning. Mr. Stanson Thompson, from Clemson University, reiterated the importance of the current zoning to the sale of the property. Mr. Hardee **moved to call for the question**, seconded by Mr. Grabowski. The motion to approve passed. The vote was as follows:

<u>In favor</u>	<u>Opposed</u>
Worley	Ryan
Lazarus	
Foxworth	
Barnard	
Grabowski	
Frazier	
Schwartzkopf	
Prince	
Hardee	
Boyd	
Gilland	

READING OF ORDINANCES:

Third reading and public review of **Ordinance 138-04** to amend the zoning ordinance pertaining to the establishment of new commercial and agricultural zoning districts. Mr. Hardee **moved to approve**, seconded by Mr. Worley. There was no public review. The motion passed unanimously.

Third reading and public review of the following ordinances to approve requests to amend the official zoning maps: **01-05** Fred Fleming, agent for Glenwood LLC; **02-05** Robert Bellamy & Assoc., agent for American Mining Company; **03-05** Palmetto Holdings Group LLC; **04-05** Frostie Gayle Royals Doyle; **05-05** Venture Engineering, agent for Conrad Gore; **06-05** Joseph D. Spivey; **07-05** Gene & Lora Merritt; **08-05** Debora King, agent for Earl & Mary King; and **09-05** Pamela Hardee, agent for Larue Royals. Mr. Prince **moved to approve**, seconded by Mr. Hardee. The following people spoke during public review: Miriam Carroll spoke in opposition to Ordinance 01-05. Glen Fleming spoke in favor of Ordinance 01-05. Chairman Gilland separated Ordinance 01-05 from the list and called for the vote. The previous motion to approve passed unanimously. There being no further public review, Chairman Gilland called for the vote on the previous motion to approve Third Reading of the remaining ordinances. The motion passed unanimously.

Chairman Gilland called a recess at 8:05 p.m. The meeting reconvened at 8:20 p.m.

Third reading and public review of **Ordinance 12-05** to amend the zoning ordinance allowing non-commercial personal use buildings on properties as a principal structure. Mr. Boyd **moved to approve**, seconded by Mr. Barnard. There was no public review. The motion passed unanimously.

Third reading and public review of **Ordinance 13-05** authorizing the administrator to execute a quitclaim deed to L&L Enterprises for excess road right-of-way adjacent to its property on Chapel Lane. Mr. Barnard **moved to approve**, seconded by Mr. Hardee. There was no public review. The motion passed unanimously.

Third reading and public review of **Ordinance 14-05** to establish a steering committee for the purpose of guiding the 2005 Horry County Comprehensive Plan Update. Mr. Barnard **moved to approve**, seconded by Mr. Foxworth. There was no public review. Chairman Gilland requested that regarding Council appointments, the Council look for representatives that were not in the realty, development or homebuilding business. Mr. Grabowski moved to amend that Council's appointees not be from realty, development or homebuilding business, seconded by Mr. Barnard. The motion to amend passed unanimously. Mr. Weaver stated the appointee had to be a Horry County resident. The main motion as amended passed unanimously.

Second reading and public review of the following ordinances to approve the requests to amend the official zoning maps: **16-05** Alice & Merlin Woodward, Jr.; **17-05** John & Denise Anderson; **18-05** James M. Wooten, agent for Alford & Isaac Properties; **20-05** TEG LLC; **21-05** Mark Greene, agent for Blanchard Machinery Co.; **23-05** Billy D. Gore, Trustee; **24-05** Olease Cannon; and **25-05** Horry County Planning, agent for Willa Bell, Hazel Milligan & Daisy Hardee. Mr. Hardee **moved to approve**, seconded by Mr. Prince. There was no public review. The motion passed unanimously.

Second reading and public review of **Ordinance 22-05** to approve the request to amend the official zoning maps for Robert Lazarus, agent for Harold Wayne Stanley. Mr. Hardee **moved to approve**, seconded by Mr. Prince. Mr. Lazarus recused himself from discussion and voting. There was no public review. The motion passed unanimously.

Second reading and public review of **Ordinance 26-05** to amend the FY 2005 budget so as to approve the purchase of 8 vehicles for beach patrol. Mr. Boyd **moved to approve**, seconded by Mr. Hardee. There was no public review. The motion passed unanimously.

First reading of the following ordinances to approve the request to amend the official zoning maps: **135-04** Larry Williams and **15-05** Dean Mayer. Mr. Grabowski **moved to approve**, seconded by Mr. Foxworth. The motion passed unanimously.

First reading of **Ordinance 140-04** to enact an updated personnel policy and to repeal the existing personnel policy. Mr. Boyd **moved to approve**, seconded by Mr. Hardee. The motion passed unanimously.

OLD/NEW BUSINESS:

Discussion on Fireworks Legislation. Mr. Boyd reported the Public Safety Committee was reviewing the state legislation relating to the discharge of fireworks and would be drafting a proposed county ordinance to correspond with the requirements of the state law.

Pending Legislation. Mr. Boyd reported the Public Safety Committee would begin reviewing pending state legislation related to public safety issues and forwarding recommendations to the Delegation.

Appointment to the Solid Waste Authority Board of Directors. Mr. Frazier **moved to approve the appointment of Tom Anderson as the League of Cities representative**, seconded by Mr. Boyd. The motion passed unanimously.

Geese and Ducks. Chairman Gilland spoke on a Goose Buster system which golf courses and communities could use to reduce waste from geese and ducks. She also spoke on a Gator Guard that could be used to reduce fowl.

March Meeting Dates. Chairman Gilland stated due to the Council Budget Retreat, the March meeting dates had been tentatively changed to March 8th and 22nd and would be firmed up by the first of next week. There would also be a workshop on Roads on March 1st at 6:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m. in memorial of Jeanette Wilma Vereen; Dr. W.R. Griffin; Michael Coats; Connie Fowler; Evelyn Stevens; Rufus Skipper; and Fannie Mae Taylor.

