

**ANDERSON COUNTY COUNCIL
ANDERSON, SOUTH CAROLINA**

Regular Meeting – April 4, 2000 – 6:00 p.m.
Linda N. Gilstrap, Clerk

MINUTES

All area newspapers, radio stations and television stations were informed of this meeting in compliance with guidelines set forth in the *Freedom of Information Act*.

PRESENT

**G. Fred Tolly – District 1
Gracie S. Floyd – District 2
Larry E. Greer – District 3
Vice Chairman Clint Wright – District 4
Chairman Mike Holden – District 5
Tom Martin – County Attorney
Linda N. Gilstrap – Clerk to Council**

The official meeting of the Anderson County Council convened in the Council Chambers of the Historic Courthouse on Tuesday, April 4, 2000 at 6:00 p.m.

Mr. Fred Tolly gave the invocation and everyone stood and pledged allegiance to the flag.

On the motion of Mr. Wright, seconded by Mr. Tolly, Council voted unanimously to approve the minutes from the March 21, 2000 meeting as mailed.

Public Comments: Mr. Walter Trammell presented Council with a zoning petition for the Hopewell Precinct. Council received. Mr. Rufus Gleason discussed economic incentives and stated that taxpayers of Anderson County would like to have 40% off their taxes. Mr. Michael Deanhardt stated that he would like to see Council follow in the foot steps of our local Chamber of Commerce and the City Council to introduce a resolution to bring down the confederate flag to fly in the State Museum and to introduce a resolution supporting Dr. Martin Luther King's birthday holiday.

On the motion of Ms. Floyd, seconded by Mr. Tolly, Council voted unanimously to approve the temporary closure of Rogers Road for a clean-up day scheduled from 8 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. on April 10. The Hospice Center's employees will clean up the road.

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Mr. Jim Zieche, Chairman of Allied Waste, presented the Council with a check in the amount of \$5,000 for the Calvary's Home for Children. Council thanked Mr. Zieche for their generous contribution and for being a good community neighbor.

Mr. Joe Davenport reported that as a part of his Saint Patrick's Day celebration he had invited several students from Lakeside Middle School to perform. Congressman Jim Clyburn was so impressed by their performance that he invited them to perform at Allen University where the President of the United States was in attendance. Mr. Kevin McGuire and Mr. Kevin Vandiver performed a skit entitled "Dramatic Interpretation". Ms. Bailey Hanks sang the National Anthem. Council commended the students for their outstanding performances and for making our County, State, and Nation very proud. Council also thanked Dr. Don Saxton and Counselor Catherine Phillips of Lakeside Middle School. Mr. Joe Davenport stated that everyone should learn to live together regardless of color.

Mr. Martin presented second reading of Ordinance # 2000-014 – an ordinance adopting and providing organizational and procedural rules for the conduct of meetings of Anderson County Council; and other matters related thereto. A public hearing was held. Mr. Rufus Gleason spoke. He complained of the 3-minute time limit and asked that the public hearings be held on first readings of all ordinances. Mr. Martin explained that there had been one change since the last Council meeting of which is on the second page. The public hearing was declared closed. Mr. Martin explained the rules on public hearings governed by State law and the 3-minute rule, which applies only to the "Citizens Comments" section of the agenda. Mr. Tolly moved to approve on second reading and Mr. Greer seconded. Mr. Greer explained that he would like to propose the following amendments: page 8-paragraph H, under #1- where it basically states that an ordinance can be amended on third reading by a two-thirds consent or vote: amend to a "simple majority vote" instead of two-thirds vote. Also on page 12 under section 6: amendments: "Amendments to this ordinance must be approved by a two-thirds vote of the members: amend that this be reduced to a "simple majority". He moved to amend the ordinance as addressed above and Mr. Wright seconded. Vote on the amendments was unanimous. Vote on the original ordinance as amended was unanimous.

Mr. Martin, County Attorney, presented Ordinance #2000-015 for second reading. A public hearing was conducted; no comments were received. Mr. Tolly moved to approve second reading of Ordinance #2000-015 – an ordinance

adopting and enacting a recodified and republished Code for the County of Anderson; providing for the Repeal of Certain Ordinances not included therein; providing for the saving of other ordinances not included therein; providing a penalty for the violation thereof; providing for the manner of amending such code; and providing for the manner of amending such code; and providing when such code and this ordinance shall become effective. Ms. Floyd seconded. Mr. Greer stated that he had numerous questions for the County Attorney to answer and would suggest that he give the questions to him for answers prior to third reading because of the number of questions. Vote on second reading was unanimous.

On the motion of Mr. Wright, seconded by Mr. Greer, Council voted unanimously to approve second reading of Ordinance #2000-016 – an ordinance authorizing the waiver of applications fees and requesting expeditious processing for certain requests for rezoning in Anderson County; and other matters related thereto.

On the motion of Mr. Holden, seconded by Mr. Tolly, Council voted unanimously to approve first reading of Ordinance #2000-017 – an ordinance amending Ordinance #99-004, the Anderson County Zoning Ordinance, as adopted July 20, 1999, by amending the Anderson County Official Zoning Map to adopt a zoning map in the Rock Mill voting precinct.

On the motion of Mr. Holden, seconded by Mr. Tolly, Council voted unanimously to approve Resolution #R2000-012 – a resolution imposing a building permit moratorium in the Rock Mill Voting precinct, Anderson County, South Carolina; and other matters pertaining thereto. The referendum will be held on May 9, 2000.

On the motion of Mr. Wright, seconded by Mr. Holden, Council voted unanimously to approve Resolution #R2000-013 – abandonment of a portion of Lee Dobbins Road. Mr. Tolly asked the County Attorney if the County followed all the provisions of the County's Ordinance in order to close the road. Mr. Martin replied that this road was actually viewed as being "grandfathered" into the system. Mr. Tolly stated that he wanted the County to follow the ordinance to the letter of the law.

On the motion of Mr. Holden, seconded by Mr. Wright, Council voted unanimously to approve Resolution #R2000-014 – a resolution recognizing Mrs. Annie Frances Clark, Auditor who will retire from County employment.

On the motion of Mr. Wright, seconded by Mr. Tolly, Council voted unanimously to approve a Proclamation declaring April as “National Child Abuse Prevention” Month. Ms. Elizabeth Simmons addressed Council on the issue.

Ms. Gracie Floyd moved to make the following appointments to the Hammond School Precinct Zoning Board: Mr. Pat Vickery, Ms. Mary Harris Skeen, and Mr. Gannie McDavid. Mr. Tolly seconded and vote was unanimous.

Mr. Joey Preston presented the Anderson County Vision Statement developed during their February retreat. He asked Council to adopt the Vision Statement. Mr. Wright moved to adopt the goals and Mr. Tolly seconded. Mr. Greer asked that under #2 – Action needed: the statement “Coordinate with the city of Anderson on land use issues.” Be changed to include all municipalities instead of just the City of Anderson. Mr. Greer moved to amend the Vision Statement as discussed and Mr. Wright seconded. Vote on the amendment was unanimous. Vote on the original motion as amended was unanimous.

Mr. Preston provided Council a prepared packet of purposed upgrades to all the County’s Convenience Centers. Also there will be one placed on White Street and a new one for the Powdersville Community. This can be done by selling bonds to retire the two & one half million dollars over a period of time to be approved by Council.

On the motion of Mr. Holden, seconded by Mr. Tolly, Council voted unanimously to approve the construction of a walking track at Homeland Park Elementary School in the amount of \$4,977.00. The money will come from District 5 paving funds.

ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT:

(a) Certificates and Training:

- 1. Ms. Angela Bryant – Emergency Preparedness Disaster Assistance Workshop and Course for Radiological Monitors and Emergency Workers**
- 2. Mr. John Chambers – Emergency Preparedness Disaster Assistance Workshop**

(b) Letters of Appreciation:

- 1. For: Mr. Joey Preston’s reappointment to the S.C. Recycling Market Development Advisory Council From: Jim Miles, Secretary of State**
- 2. For: Mr. Joey Preston’s reappointment of the S.C. Recycling Market Development Advisory Council From: Governor Jim Hodges**
- 3. For: Anderson County Detention Center, Mr. Bob Daley and Staff From: Ms. Ressa Latimer, Community Based Outreach**

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- 4. For: Mr. Charles Wyatt and Employees of the Civic Center – From:
Ms. Margaret Herron, Good Neighbor Cupboard
- (c) Minutes:
 - 1. Department of Public Works Safety Meeting
 - 2. Airport Advisory committee Meeting
- (d) Denial for Request for Injunction – Pacific Homes
- (e) Reports:
 - 1. District paving Report
 - 2. Recreation Fund Report
 - 3. Litter Report March 20-24, 2000
- (f) E-mail Inspection Requests Availability
- (g) Third Quarter Newsletter – Anderson Regional Airport
- (h) Grant Award to S.C. Disabilities and Special Needs
- (i) Public Notice – Anderson County Community Planning
Meeting/Community Calendar
- (j) Department of Corrections Approval/Old County Home
- (k) Inmate Work Detail
- (l) Zoning of the Hammond School Precinct
- (m) Justice Department's Approval of Redistricting Plan
- (n) Civic Center Press Conference
- (o) 20 Point Litter Plan
- (p) Community Development Black Grant
- (q) 911 Training

There being no further business, Council adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Linda N. Gilstrap, Clerk
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