

MARLBORO COUNTY COUNCIL

MARIAN WRIGHT EDELMAN PUBLIC LIBRARY KINNEY MEETING ROOM

MONDAY, MAY 23, 2011

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CHAIRMAN

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COUNCIL:

JASON STEEN,  
RON MUNNERLYN,  
DR. CAROLYN PRINCE,  
STEVE BLACKMON, AND

WILLIE GLADDEN,  
CORRIE H. PLATO,  
KEN ALLEN,  
ANTHONY WOODS

INVOCATION – Mr. Anthony Woods

APPROVAL OF AGENDA ITEMS

Add item K. under new business – First Reading of Ordinance # 691 – Road Maintenance.

**Motion made by Mr. Steve Blackmon, seconded by Ms. Corrie Plato, to approve the agenda with the items as added and changed. Vote in favor. Unanimous. Motion carried.**

APPROVAL OF COUNCIL MINUTES - March 31, 2011, APRIL 12, 2011, & APRIL 22, 2011

March 31, 2011

**Motion made by Dr. Carolyn Prince, seconded by Mr. Anthony Woods, to approve the minutes of March 31, 2011. Vote in favor. Unanimous. Motion Carried.**

April 12, 2011

Correction to page 4 – Capitalize FEMA. Page 12 – under Administrator's Report, Dr. Carolyn Prince wanted clarification that the gymnasium would not be accessible to the county until 2012.

**Motion made by Dr. Carolyn Prince, seconded by Mr. Willie Gladden, to approve the minutes of April 12, 2011. Vote in favor. Unanimous. Motion Carried.**

April 22, 2011

**Motion made by Dr. Carolyn Prince, seconded by Ms. Corrie Plato, to approve the minutes of April 22, 2011. Vote in favor: Mr. Anthony Woods, Ms. Corrie Plato, Mr. Jason Steen, Mr. Willie Gladden, Mr. Ron Munnerlyn, Dr. Carolyn Prince, and Mr. Steve Blackmon. Abstain: Mr. Ken Allen. Vote: 7/0/1. Motion Carried.**

PUBLIC HEARING

ORDINANCE # 685 – AN ORDINANCE TO ADOPT THE ANNUAL BUDGET AND TO MAKE APPROPRIATION FOR MARLBORO COUNTY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2011 AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2012.

No comments were made.

PRESENTATIONS

Mr. Joshua Cohoon, President of Marlboro County Humane Society – addressed Marlboro County Council and the Public concerning issues and possible improvements to the current and future animal control department. He advised the Humane Society had been communicating by telephone for weeks with both the City and County. Mr. Cohoon made the following proposal on behalf of the Humane Society:

- The Humane Society take over shelter operations and care of the animals.
- The City and County Animal Control Officers remain in their current positions under the City and County.
- Current shelters will be closed and 3000 square foot shelter will be erected to house 75-175 animals per night. Cost of construction of new shelter is approximately \$125,000 - \$150,000. They are requesting a contribution from both the city and the county to help with the cost of construction. Any remaining funding for the building will come from fundraising and donations.
- New shelter will be equipped with separate intake and adoption areas, a bathing and exam area, and a euthanasia room.
- Plans are to employ a full time shelter director, full time kennel assistant and possibly one part-time kennel assistant.
- Shelter will be open Monday through Saturday with more hours open to the public for adoptions and volunteering.

- Proposal of a startup operating budget of \$200,000 which will include the salaries and benefits for both animal control officers, salaries for new employees, supplies, and to cover the overall cost of operating the shelter. They are requesting the county and city continue to fund the animal control department at its current budget, but increase it if they see fit.
- Plan to establish a successful adoption and rescue program, a spay/neuter program to decrease the number of animals received at the shelter, and an education program to teach the public about the importance of spaying and neutering.

OLD BUSINESS

ORDINANCE # 667A – AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE FOR A HOME DETENTION PROGRAM AND OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO. - SECOND READING.

**Motion made by Mr. Steve Blackmon, seconded by Mr. Willie Gladden, to approve the second reading of Ordinance # 667A – An Ordinance to provide for a Home Detention Program and other matters related thereto. Vote in favor. Unanimous. Motion carried.**

ORDINANCE # 683 – FLOOD PREVENTION ORDINANCE. - THIRD READING

**Motion made by Mr. Anthony Woods, seconded by Ms. Corrie Plato, to approve the third reading of Ordinance # 683 – Flood Prevention Ordinance. Vote in favor. Unanimous. Motion carried.**

ORDINANCE # 684 – OUTDOOR BURNING ORDINANCE – SECOND READING

**Motion made by Mr. Jason Steen, seconded by Mr. Willie Gladden to approve the second reading of Ordinance # 684 – Outdoor Burning Ordinance. Vote in favor. Unanimous. Motion carried.**

ORDINANCE # 685 – AN ORDINANCE TO ADOPT THE ANNUAL BUDGET AND TO MAKE APPROPRIATION FOR MARLBORO COUNTY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2011 AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2012. – SECOND READING.

Council was provided with two options of Ordinance # 685. Option A consisted of existing road maintenance fees of \$27.50 per vehicle and no millage increase. Option B consisted of an increase in road maintenance fees to \$30.00 per vehicle and a millage increase. After much discussion council members agreed to continue working with Option A at the present time.

**Motion made by Mr. Steve Blackmon, seconded by Ms. Corrie Plato, to approve the second reading of Ordinance # 685 (Option A) – An Ordinance to adopt the annual budget and to make appropriation for Marlboro County for the fiscal year beginning**

**July 1, 2011 and ending June 30, 2012. Vote in favor: Ms. Corrie Plato, Mr. Jason Steen, Mr. Willie Gladden, Mr. Ron Munnerlyn, Mr. Steve Blackmon, and Mr. Ken Allen. Abstain: Mr. Anthony Woods and Dr. Carolyn Prince. Vote: 6/0/2. Motion carried.**

ORDINANCE # 686 – AN ORDINANCE TO ADOPT THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN FOR MARLBORO COUNTY FOR THE PERIOD OF FY 2012 – FY 2016. - SECOND READING.

**Motion made by Mr. Anthony Woods, seconded by Dr. Carolyn Prince, to approve the second reading of Ordinance # 686 – An Ordinance to adopt the Capital Improvement Plan for Marlboro County for the period of FY . Vote in favor. Unanimous. Motion carried.**

ORDINANCE # 687 – AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF A FEE AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN MARLBORO COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA, AND PROJECT STEEN, ITS AFFILIATES AND ASSIGNS, TO PROVIDE FOR A FEE IN LIEU OF AD VALOREM TAXES INCENTIVE; TO PROVIDE FOR THE INCLUSION OF THE PROJECT IN A MULTI-COUNTY BUSINESS AND INDUSTRIAL PARK; AND OTHER MATTERS THERETO RELATED – SECOND READING.

Mr. Harry Easterling, Jr., County Attorney recommended tabling the second reading of Ordinance # 687.

**Motion made by Mr. Willie Gladden, seconded by Ms. Corrie Plato, to table the second reading of Ordinance # 687. Vote in favor. Unanimous. Motion carried.**

#### NEW BUSINESS

ORDINANCE # 688 – AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AN ALTERNATIVE ALLOCATION METHOD FOR THE DISTRIBUTION OF FEE-IN-LIEU OF AD VALOREM TAX PAYMENTS AMONG THE TAXING ENTITIES WITHIN MARLBORO COUNTY WHICH ARE PAID BY ONE OR MORE COMPANIES LOCATED WITHIN A MULTI-COUNTY INDUSTRIAL PARK; AND OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO. – FIRST READING.

**Motion made by Mr. Steve Blackmon, seconded by Mr. Anthony Woods, to approve the first reading of Ordinance # 688 - An Ordinance approving an Alternative allocation method for the Distribution of fee-in-lieu of AD VALOREM Tax Payments among the taxing entities within Marlboro County which are paid by one or more companies located within a Multi-County Industrial Park; and other matters related thereto. Vote in favor. Unanimous. Motion carried.**

ORDINANCE # 689 – AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING MARLBORO COUNTY TO CONTINUE AN AGREEMENT WITH THE MARLBORO COUNTY RESCUE SQUAD PROVIDING PARAMEDIC LEVEL EMERGENCY SERVICE AND TRANSFER SERVICE THROUGHOUT MARLBORO COUNTY. – FIRST READING.

Mr. Cecil Kimrey, County Administrator advised it is a continuation of the same contract already in effect.

**Motion made by Mr. Ken Allen, seconded by Mr. Willie Gladden, to approve the first reading of Ordinance # 689 – An Ordinance authorizing Marlboro County to continue an agreement with the Marlboro County Rescue Squad providing paramedic level emergency service and transfer service throughout Marlboro County. Vote in favor. Unanimous. Motion carried.**

ORDINANCE # 690 – AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE REQUEST OF WALLACE WATER COMPANY FOR AN ENCROACHMENT FOR THE INSTALLATION OF WATER LINES. – FIRST READING.

**Motion made by Mr. Anthony Woods, seconded by Mr. Ken Allen, to approve the first reading of Ordinance # 690 – An Ordinance approving the request of Wallace Water Company for an encroachment for the installation of water lines. Vote in favor. Unanimous. Motion carried.**

RESOLUTION # 05-11-01 – A RESOLUTION APPROVING TALBERT AND BRIGHT WORK AUTHORIZATION NO. 11-01, PROJECT NO. 3214-1101 FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AT THE MARLBORO COUNTY JETPORT – H.E. AVENT FIELD.

**Motion made by Mr. Jason Steen, seconded by Mr. Steve Blackmon, to approve Resolution # 05-11-01 – A Resolution approving Talbert & Bright work authorization No. 11-01. Project No. 3214-1101 for professional services at the Marlboro County Jetport – H.e. Avent Field. Vote in favor. Unanimous. Motion carried.**

PROCLAMATION – HONORING DR. LUNS C. RICHARDSON, PRESIDENT OF MORRIS COLLEGE.

Mr. Ron Munnerlyn, Chairman read the proclamation aloud honoring Dr. Luns C. Richardson.

**Motion made by Mr. Anthony Woods, seconded by Mr. Steve Blackmon, to approve the Proclamation – Honoring Dr. Luns C. Richardson, President of Morris College. Vote in favor. Unanimous. Motion carried.**

APPROVAL OF FIRST AMENDMENT TO THE DECLARATION OF COVENANTS, CONDITIONS AND RESTRICTIONS FOR THE I-95 GATEWAY INDUSTRIAL PARK AND ADJACENT COMMERCIAL PROPERTY DILLON, SOUTH CAROLINA.

**Motion made by Ms. Corrie Plato, seconded by Mr. Anthony Woods, to approve the first amendment to the declaration of covenants, conditions and restrictions for the I-95 Gateway Industrial Park and adjacent commercial property Dillon, South Carolina. Vote in favor. Unanimous. Motion carried.**

APPROVAL OF QS/1 COMPUTER SERVICES AGREEMENT FOR TAX PROCESSING AND SOFTWARE MAINTENANCE FOR FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2011 – JUNE 30, 2012.

**Motion made by Dr. Carolyn Prince, seconded by Mr. Steve Blackmon, to approve the QS/1 Computer Services Agreement for tax processing and software maintenance for fiscal year July 1, 2011 – June 30, 2012. Vote in favor. Unanimous. Motion carried.**

APPROVAL OF RECOMMENDATION TO THE MARLBORO COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE FOR THE PAVING OF HOOD ROAD IN BLENHEIM

The Public Service Committee recommended paving Hood Road.

**Motion made by Mr. Steve Blackmon, seconded by Mr. Ken Allen, to approve the recommendation to the Marlboro County Transportation Committee for the paving of Hood Road in Blenheim. Vote in favor. Unanimous. Motion carried.**

APPROVAL TO ACCEPT SEALED BIDS TO SELL OLD LIBRARY.

The Public Service Committee advised the old library was not in their opinion worth trying to save. They recommended selling it as is.

**Motion made by Mr. Ken Allen, seconded by Mr. Willie Gladden, to approve the acceptance of sealed bids to sell the old library. Vote in favor. Unanimous. Motion carried.**

TRANSFER OF FIRE TRUCK TO WALLACE FIRE DEPARTMENT

The truck was given to Wallace Fire Department by Marlboro Electric Cooperative even though the title was put in the county's name. The Fire Department requested the county transfer it to them.

**Motion made by Mr. Jason Steen, seconded by Mr. Willie Gladden, to approve the transfer of the Fire Truck to Wallace Fire Department. Vote in favor. Unanimous. Motion carried.**

ORDINANCE # 691 – ROAD MAINTENANCE (TITLE ONLY)

**Motion made by Mr. Willie Gladden, seconded by Mr. Jason Steen, to approve the first reading (Title Only) of Ordinance # 691 – Road Maintenance. Vote in favor. Unanimous. Motion carried.**

APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

Other Boards & Commissions

A letter was received from the Economic Development Partnership Board requesting the approval of Mr. Charles Paul Midgley as Chairman of the Partnership effective July 1, 2011.

**Motion made by Mr. Anthony Woods, seconded by Mr. Jason Steen approving the appointment of Mr. Charles Paul Midgley as Chairman of the Economic Development Partnership Board effective July 1, 2011. Vote in favor. Unanimous. Motion carried.**

Construction Board of Appeals

No appointments were made.

OPENING & ACCEPTANCE OF BIDS

**Clerk of Family Court Renovations** – Bids received were: **Boykin Contracting** (West Columbia, SC) - \$235,700.00; **Carolina Construction** (Cheraw, SC) - \$230,000.00; **Larry Carroway Construction** (Sumter, SC) - \$249,396.91; and **MSI Construction Co., Inc.** (Columbia, SC) - \$253,032.00.

**Motion made by Mr. Steve Blackmon, seconded by Dr. Carolyn Prince, to approve the bid as presented by Carolina Construction in the amount of \$230,000.00 for the Clerk of Family Court Renovations. Vote in favor. Unanimous. Motion carried.**

REPORTS

SOLID WASTE COLLECTION ALTERNATIVES AND OPTIONS

Mr. Cecil Kimrey, County Administrator presented County Council with four options for the collection of Solid Waste in Marlboro County:

- Option A – Continue Franchise with USA Waste & Recycling
- Option B - Use of Convenience Centers – would need three additional sites
- Option C – The County could operate a door to door household pick-up operation.
- Option D – Continue working with existing contractor and add a convenience center in Wallace. Go Green will pay \$25,000 of the City's \$50,000 past due balance – the county would match this payment to allow the company to use of the City's Transfer Station.

**Motion made by Mr. Jason Steen, seconded by Mr. Willie Gladden, to approve Option D to continue working with the existing contractor and add a convenience center in Wallace. The County will also match the \$25,000 past due balance to the city for a total of \$50,000. Vote in favor. Unanimous. Motion carried.**

COMMITTEE REPORTS

**Mr. Anthony Woods, Recreation** – advised the Brightsville project was coming along well and looked good. Mr. Woods stated they are looking to expand the recreation program to include individual sports such as archery. They will look at the needs of the children and go from there.

Mr. Woods advised he had met with Reverend Charles Malloy, Marlboro County CDC. Reverend Malloy's program had helped over 800 citizens in the community with their taxes, etc. They were requesting \$1,800 to help prevent laying employees off. It was agreed the item would be discussed under non agenda items.

**Dr. Carolyn Prince, Public Safety** – advised the committee had met with the Humane Society and heard their presentation. She stated the county was interested in partnering with the group under the right terms to help solve the problem with animal control in the county. They had also met with the Sheriff and Mr. Hood, Warden of the Detention Center to discuss their budget. It was evident the population at the Detention Center far exceeded the food expectancy budgeted for causing their department to go over budget. She stated they were also seeing the inmates held over increasing. She requested Mr. Kimrey check with the municipalities to find out why they are increasing.

Dr. Prince also advised the committee had come to a resolution for providing for safety of the inmates and public at the hospital at a cost of \$120,000 which would be included in the upcoming budget for providing security at the hospital.

ADMINISTRATIVE/FINANCIAL REPORT – CECIL KIMREY, COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

**Expenditures** - were at 76% of the budget through the end of April 2011 for the general fund budget. **Revenues** were at 78 % of the budget through the end of April 2011.

**Employee Recognition** – Employees with at least five years service through the end of April include: Dorothy Branyon (12 years), Teresa Burgess (9 years), Christopher Byers (7), Rhett Calhoun (16 years), Carla Cloer (14 years), Lewis Cooper (16 years), William Freeman (13 years), Arthur Hamer (13 years), Warren McColl (5 years), Curtiss McDuffie (14 years), Ann Polson (14 years), Caesar Stevens (12 years) and Sharon Thomas (6 years).

**Library fence** – the cost for a fence at the Marian Wright Edelman Public Library was \$850.00 without a gate and \$925.00 with a gate. Council members were agreeable to adding the fence to the new parking area with the gate at a cost of \$925.00.

**Hazard Mitigation Plan** – the county will proceed with a required Hazard Mitigation Plan. The cost is \$15,000 with \$12,000 to be reimbursed by the state.

**HVAC** – construction had begun on replacing the HVAC units as proposed in the energy grant.

**Economic Development Projects included:**

- Mohawk - \$150,000 of \$300,000 has been paid to Mohawk.
- Bennettsville Printing - \$69,507.78 of \$150,000 has been spent. The Administrator has requested a schedule of job creations.
- ECAPS - \$67,233.43 of \$250,000 has been spent. The Administrator advised he did not pay a request for re-imbusement for payroll.

**Attorney Fees** – the March bill for Parker Poe was \$19,164.55.

**Wallace Water Project** – there were problems with wetlands on the project concerning Grant Road.

**Festival** – there was a children’s festival scheduled to be held on the grounds of the Murchison Building for June 4<sup>th</sup>.

**Outdoor Burning Ordinance** – the ordinance was sent to David Rogers, Chairman of the Fire Committee on April 22, 2011 for review. The requested changes were made before presenting to council for second reading.

**Detention Center** – the medical agreement and food services agreements will rollover unless council objects. No council members objected.

**Solicitor’s request** – the victim’s expense requested by Solicitor Rogers had been addressed per council directions.

RECOGNITION OF CITIZEN’S REQUEST BEFORE COUNCIL

**Mr. Al McLamb** – addressed council regarding the petition from his community opposing entry to the Church of God’s Cemetary through the Saddlebrook Community.

Mr. Teddy Alford – addressed council regarding Quail Run and Sunnydale. He questioned the status of paving the road. He advised there were eighteen (18) houses in the area and the citizens wanted the road paved.

RECOGNITION OF COUNCIL MEMBERS

**Anthony Woods** – advised they had spoken with the engineer with Pee Dee COG concerning Quail Run/ Sunnydale. He will try to get more information for the citizens.

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Mr. Woods also stated the road behind Bennett park was in bad shape and needed a courtesy drag.

**Ms. Corrie Plato** – questioned who would be responsible for placing a pole light at the intersection of 15/401 and Alpine Road. Mr. Kimrey advised he would look into it.

**Mr. Jason Steen** – advised there was a community meeting in Wallace the previous week which was positive. He stated there were approximately 100 participants with the largest complaint being “trash”.

**Mr. Willie Gladden** – advised he was appreciative of the people coming to council with their concerns about Saddlebrook. Mr. Gladden also stated the people in Brightsville were pleased with the park and wanted to thank council for their help. Mr. Gladden recognized Mr. Steve Blackmon for helping with the water lines and septic tank.

**Dr. Carolyn Prince** – advised the earlier budget meetings with department heads went well. It was good to see the department heads. She thanked council members for approving the fence with the gate at the new parking lot for the library. Dr. Prince also requested something be done with the dead shrubbery around the library.

**Mr. Steve Blackmon** – thanked everyone for working together.

**Mr. Ken Allen** – thanked everyone for working together.

**Ron Munnerlyn, Chairman** – advised the Lake Paul Wallace Committee met with DNR earlier to work out a few details.

NON-AGENDA ITEMS

**Motion made by Mr. Anthony Woods, seconded by Ms. Corrie Plato, to add an item to the agenda regarding a request of \$1,800 from the Marlboro County CDC. Vote in favor: Mr. Anthony Woods, Ms. Corrie Plato, Mr. Jason Steen, Mr. Willie Gladden, Mr. Ron Munnerlyn, Mr. Steve Blackmon, and Mr. Ken Allen. Abstain: Dr. Carolyn Prince. Vote: 7/0/1. Motion carried.**

**Motion made by Mr. Anthony Woods with no second to approve a request of \$1,800 for the Marlboro County CDC. The motion died due to lack of support.**

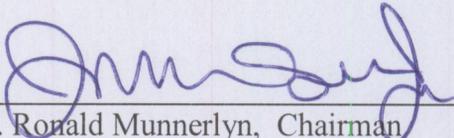
ADJOURN

No further discussion was heard. The meeting was adjourned

**Motion made by Dr. Carolyn Prince, seconded by Mr. Steve Blackmon, to adjourn the meeting. Vote in favor. Unanimous. Motion carried.**

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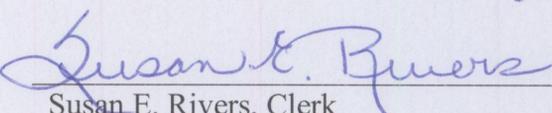
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J. Ronald Munnerlyn, Chairman  
Marlboro County Council

ATTEST:



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Susan E. Rivers, Clerk  
Marlboro County Council

Date Adopted: June 14, 2011