

PUBLIC HEARING:

- 1) A resolution (07-13) providing for the expenditure of Title III Funds for FY 06-07. Hearing no comment, Chairman Gunnells closed the public hearing.
- 2) An ordinance (07-07) to sell a one (1) acre (more or less) tract of land identified by tax map number 154-00-00-028 to Paul Campbell. Hearing no comment, Chairman Gunnells closed the public hearing.
- 3) An ordinance (07-08) to amend the Abbeville County Official Zoning Map for a 4.95 acre tract of land located off of South Carolina Highway 81 and identified by tax map number 064-00-00-014 from Forest/Agricultural (FA) to General Commercial (GC). Hearing no comment, Chairman Gunnells closed the public hearing.
- 4) An ordinance (07-09) to amend the Abbeville County Official Zoning Map for a 208 acre tract of land located off Jets Landing Road and identified by tax map number 054-00-00-172, 173 from Forest/Agricultural (FA) to Restricted Residential (R-8). Hearing no comment, Chairman Gunnells closed the public hearing.

**ABBEVILLE COUNTY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
APRIL 23, 2007
AMENDED MINUTES**

PRESENT: Chairman Gunnells, Vice Chairman Norris, Councilman Simpson, Councilman Davis, Councilman Thomas, Councilman Calhoun and Councilman McClain.

ABSENT: None

CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Gunnells called the meeting to order at 7:36 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Chairman Gunnells led the Pledge of Allegiance.

INVOCATION:

Councilman McClain gave the invocation.

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT:

Chairman Gunnells stated for the record that both the Press and Banner and the Index Journal were notified of the meeting and that the meeting was posted on County Buildings as required by the Freedom of Information Act.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Councilman Simpson made a motion to approve the minutes of the April 9, 2007, regular county council meeting. Councilman McClain seconded the motion. The motion carried 6-0-0.

PUBLIC COMMENT (Agenda Items):

Mr. Art Cook of 200 Whitney Street in Elberton Georgia informed Council that he was there to answer any questions on ordinance 07-09, a rezoning issue for 208 acres.

PRESENTATIONS: None

OLD BUSINESS:

- a) Third reading of ordinance (07-05) to repeal Ordinance 02-05 for guidelines for County Boards and Commissions. Vice Chairman Norris made a motion to approve third reading. Councilman Davis seconded the motion. The motion carried 6-0-0.
- b) Third reading of ordinance (07-06) to amend the Abbeville County Official Zoning Map for a six (6) acre tract of land located at 454 Highway 71 and identified by tax map number 108-00-00-099 from General Residential (GR) to Forest/Agricultural (FA). Councilman McClain made a motion to approve second reading. Vice Chairman Norris seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-1-0 with Councilman Thomas opposed.
- c) Second reading of an ordinance (07-07) to sell a one (1) acre (more or less) tract of land identified by tax map number 154-00-00-028 to Paul Campbell. Councilman Davis made a motion to approve second reading. Councilman Simpson seconded the motion. The motion carried 6-0-0.
- d) Second reading of an ordinance (07-08) to amend the Abbeville County Official Zoning Map for a 4.95 acre tract of land located off of South Carolina Highway 81 and identified by tax map number 064-00-00-014 from Forest/Agricultural (FA) to General Commercial (GC). Councilman Davis made a motion to approve second reading. Councilman Simpson seconded the motion. The motion died due to 3-3-0 vote with Chairman Gunnells, Councilmen Davis and Simpson for and Vice Chairman Norris, Councilmen Thomas and McClain against.

- e) Second reading of an ordinance (07-09) to amend the Abbeville County Official Zoning Map for a 208 acre tract of land located off Jets Landing Road and identified by tax map number 054-00-00-172, 173 from Forest/Agricultural (FA) to Restricted Residential (R-8). Vice Chairman Norris made a motion to approve second reading. Councilman Simpson seconded the motion. The motion carried 6-0-0.

NEW BUSINESS:

Chairman Gunnells stated that the May 28, 2007 meeting is the same day as the Memorial Day holiday for the County employees. Councilman McClain made a motion to cancel the May 28, 2007 County Council meeting. Vice Chairman Norris seconded the motion. The motion carried 6-0-0.

- a) First Readings: New Policy – All first readings are read into the record by the Chairman, and a vote is not necessary.
 - 1) An ordinance (07-10) to amend the County Road System, Ordinance 2000-5, Index of Roads Maintained by Abbeville County, South Carolina by adding Rusty Burns Lane, Maggie Lane, Edwards Lane and removing Moore Lane.
- b) Resolutions:
 - 1) A resolution (07-13) providing for the expenditure of Title III Funds for FY 06-07. Councilman Thomas made a motion to approve this resolution. Vice Chairman Norris seconded the motion. The motion carried 6-0-0.
 - 2) A resolution (07-14) to authorize the transfer of \$28,729.67 from the Local Option Sales Tax Account to the General Fund. Councilman Simpson made a motion to approve this resolution. Vice Chairman Norris seconded the motion. The motion carried 6-0-0.
 - 3) A resolution (07-15) recognizing and honoring Mr. L. Tracy Carter Jr. for his dedicated years of service to public education in Abbeville County, South Carolina. Councilman McClain made a motion to approve this resolution. Councilman Thomas seconded the motion. The motion carried 6-0-0.
 - 4) A resolution (07-16) authorizing the County Director to enter into a contractual relationship with Southeastern Environmental Waste Equipment Co. 951 Hampton Hill Road; Columbia, S.C. in the amount of \$7,425.00 for a Fibrex 275 Gallon Gas/Oil Collection Tank. Councilman Thomas made a motion to approve this resolution. Councilman Davis seconded the motion. The motion carried 6-0-0.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT: None

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- a) Finance Committee—Ray Gunnells, Claude Thomas and Billy Norris. No report was given.
- b) Personnel and Administration—Bryan McClain, Jeff Simpson and Claude Thomas. No report was given.
- c) Public Works—Jeff Simpson, Claude Thomas and Billy Norris. No report was given.
- d) Intergovernmental Relations—Billy Norris, Mike Davis and John Calhoun. The committee made a recommendation to Council to reappoint Mr. John Morton to the Board of Assessment Appeals. Councilman Thomas seconded the recommendation. The recommendation carried 6-0-0. The committee made a recommendation to reappoint Mr. Charles Henry to the USCOG Board of Directors. Councilman Davis seconded the recommendation. The recommendation carried 6-0-0. Councilman Calhoun arrived. The committee made a recommendation to reappoint Mr. Thomas Suttles to the Development Board. Councilman McClain seconded the recommendation. The recommendation carried 7-0-0. The committee made a recommendation to reappoint Horace Brownlee to the Development Board. Councilman Calhoun seconded the recommendation. The recommendation carried 7-0-0. The committee made a recommendation to reappoint Ms. June Prince to the Commission on Alcohol and Drug Abuse. Councilman Simpson seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0-0. The committee made a recommendation to reappoint Ms. Lula Clinkscapes to the Board of Assessment Appeals. Councilman McClain seconded the recommendation. The recommendation carried 7-0-0. The committee made a recommendation to reappoint Mr. Luther Bowman to the Board of Assessment Appeals. Councilman Simpson seconded the recommendation. The recommendation carried 7-0-0. The committee made a recommendation to appoint Mr. Tom Turner to the Development Board to represent District #1. Councilman Simpson seconded the recommendation. The recommendation carried 7-0-0.
- e) Planning and Industrial Development—Claude Thomas, Ray Gunnells and John Calhoun. Councilman Thomas requested that Council consider May 1st or May 9th for a Zoning Ordinance Workshop (mass email will be sent out).
- f) Education, Recreation, Health and Welfare—John Calhoun, Bryan McClain and Jeff Simpson. No report was given.
- g) Public Safety—Mike Davis, John Calhoun and Billy Norris. No report was given.

A motion was made by Councilman Simpson to go into Executive Session to discuss contractual matters for the GIS and Donalds-Due West Water Authority. Councilman Thomas seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0-0.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Chairman Gunnells reconvened the meeting following executive session and announced that one action needed Council’s attention. Chairman Gunnells made a motion for the County Director to sign the agreement on the GIS data. Vice Chairman Norris seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0-0.

Vice Chairman Norris informed Council that Mr. Luther Bowman was brought to them in error and his recommendation was removed. Mr. Bowman was serving on the Zoning Board of Appeals and could not serve on two (2) boards.

PUBLIC COMMENT (Non-Agenda Items): None

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further items of discussion Vice Chairman Norris made a motion to adjourn. Councilman McClain seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0-0.

The meeting adjourned at 8:49 pm.

Done this _____ day of _____, 2007

Abbeville County Council

By: _____
Ernest Gunnells, Chairman

ATTEST:

By: _____
Lynn Sopolosky, Clerk to Council