

**DILLON COUNTY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
OCTOBER 22, 2014
4:00 PM**

The Dillon County Council held a regular meeting on October 22, 2014 at 4:00 pm in the County Council Chambers, 109 S 3rd Ave, Dillon SC. Present were: Randy Goings, T.F. Finklea, Harold Moody, Bobby Moody, Joe Johnson, Archie Scott and Andrew Graves. Also present were: Clay Young (County Administrator), Ken DuBose (County Attorney), Richard Gaddy (Finance Director), Betsy Finklea (The Dillon Herald), Lisa Gray and Jamie Sue Stephens (Clerk to Council).

The following were notified of the meeting and provided an agenda: By e-mail – Charles Curry, Randy Grimsley (Dillon County EMS), The Dillon Herald, Susan Norton (Perdue), Tim Ammons (Attorney), Tonny McNeil (Dillon County Economic Development), Yolanda McCormick (Dillon County Librarian), Gabriel Salmon (PDCAA), Larry Abraham (Chief Deputy), Les Jackson (County Deputy), Terry Morris, Alvin Nobles, Dillon County Planning/Code Enforcement Office, WMBF News, Sheriff Major Hulon, Jerry Rivers, Dan Gruszka, Bobby Holland (SCANA), Jamie Estes (Dillon County Treasurer), Dillon County Finance, Sonny McRae (Dillon County E911), Alan Lane, Steve Johnson and Randy Rouse (Hometown TV), Manufactured Housing Institute of SC, Ron Bartley and Cathy Pelfrey (NETC), Karl McCollester (Agenda Repository), Haywood Proctor, Bo McInnis, Helen & Carley Wiggins, Alexia McKoy (Nurse Practitioner Student), Danny Holder (Dillon County IT), Matt Petrillo (WBTW TV13), Morning News, Mike Burns, Brandon Norris, and Kathy Dawson (McNair Law Firm), Sharon Brown and Mitchell Carter (SCDOT), Charlie Bailey (Fire Chief – Station One), Anna Berger (SCAC); By fax – Farm Bureau and Pee Dee Electric.

Chairman Andrew Graves presided over the meeting. Chairman Graves stated that he appreciates the support given by Council, Mr. Young, Mr. Dubose and all involved in supporting the Wyman-Gordon project coming to Dillon County.

INVOCATION

Invocation was given by Randy Goings.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Archie Scott asked to add to the agenda an Administrator's section after Committee Reports. Mr. Young also asked to add a Disaster Preparedness Grant under New Business. **Joe Johnson motioned to approve the agenda with the changes. Archie Scott seconded and all were in favor,**

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – 09/24/14, 09/29/14 (Called) & 10/13/14 (Called)

Harold Moody motioned to approve the minutes. Randy Goings seconded and all were in favor.

PUBLIC HEARING

AN ORDINANCE OF DILLON COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA APPROVING AN AGREEMENT FOR DEVELOPMENT OF JOINT-COUNTY INDUSTRIAL PARK BY AND BETWEEN DILLON COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA, AND MARION COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA; AND OTHER MATTERS RELATED TO THE FOREGOING

Mr. DuBose explained that the ordinance relates to adding property to the joint industrial park, Wyman Gordon as well as other potential industries. There was no public input. The public hearing was properly noticed in the September 30, 2014 edition of The Dillon Herald.

AN ORDINANCE OF DILLON COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA, AUTHORIZING AND PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE OF SPECIAL SOURCE REVENUE BONDS OF DILLON COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA; PRESCRIBING THE FORM OF BONDS; LIMITING THE PAYMENT OF THE BONDS SOLELY TO THE PLEDGED REVENUES RECEIVED AND RETAINED BY THE COUNTY FROM THE PAYMENT OF FEES IN LIEU OF TAXES FROM CERTAIN JOINT COUNTY INDUSTRIAL AND BUSINESS PARKS

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AND PLEDGING THE PLEDGED REVENUES TO SUCH PAYMENT; CREATING CERTAIN FUNDS, INCLUDING AN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUND, AND PROVIDING FOR PAYMENTS INTO SUCH FUNDS; AND MAKING OTHER COVENANTS AND AGREEMENTS IN CONNECTION WITH THE FOREGOING

Mr. DuBose told that this provides that the revenue stream paid will allow Dillon County to recoup investments made (Economic Development Fund). There was no public input. The public hearing was properly noticed in the September 30, 2014 edition of The Dillon Herald.

A FIRST SUPPLEMENTAL ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF A NOT EXCEEDING \$900,000 SPECIAL SOURCE REVENUE BOND, SERIES 2014, OF DILLON COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA; PRESCRIBING THE FORM AND DETAILS OF SUCH BOND; PROVIDING FOR THE PAYMENT OF THE BOND AND THE DISPOSITION OF THE PROCEEDS THEREOF; AND OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO

Mr. DuBose explained the bonds will be issued and repayment made by certain dedicated fee streams. There was no public input. The public hearing was properly noticed in the September 30, 2014 edition of The Dillon Herald.

NEW BUSINESS

ABANDONED CEMETERY REQUEST – SINCLAIR CEMETERY (DISTRICT SIX)

Mr. Young told that this had been requested and was found to meet the criteria. **Bobby Moody motioned to approve/accept the request.** Archie Scott asked Mr. DuBose how Judge Birch's order stands under State statute. Mr. DuBose told that Judge Birch's order is valid. **Archie Scott seconded and all were in favor.**

SC DOT SNOW AND ICE REMOVAL AGREEMENT

Mr. Young explained this is the same agreement as Council approved last year and recommended Council approve. **Bobby Moody motioned to approve the agreement. T.F. Finklea seconded and all were in favor.**

FIRE TANKER PURCHASE (USED) – DILLON COUNTY FIRE STATION ONE

Mr. Young told that the Public Safety Committee had met prior to the Council meeting to discuss this. He told that the motor is blown in the current tanker (1983 Mack), which is owned by the State Forestry Commission, and will cost around \$11,000 to repair. Charlie Bailey, Fire Chief, requests purchasing a used tanker for \$18,500 (from Best Used Trucks of Pennsylvania, Inc). Mr. Young recommended Council approve this purchase. Councilman Finklea told of the committee's discussion and recommendation to purchase the used tanker, a 1997 International 8100. Winna Miller told that it has a 2,500 gallon tank. **T.F. Finklea motioned to purchase the 1997 International 8100 at \$18,500. Joe Johnson seconded and all were in favor.**

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS GRANT

Moses Heyward, Director, told that FEMA offers grants for mitigation and that he would like to apply for two portable generators (one each to be housed at Fire Station One and Fire Station Nine). He told that they can be transferred for use at the EMS and other Fire Departments, if needed. He stated that the total cost is estimated to be \$101,353.71 with the grant to fund 75% and the County 25% (\$25,338.43). Also, the IT Department is applying for a permanent generator for the Courthouse at an estimated cost of \$108,000 with the grant to fund 75% and the County 25% (\$27,000.00). The total County matching funds will be around \$52,000 - \$55,000. He told that this includes a trailer and fence for each one (except for the IT Department generator). Discussion was held concerning possible theft of the generators. Mr. Young told that funds were in the budget under different line items. **T. F. Finklea motioned to approve applying for the grant. Joe Johnson seconded and all were in favor.**

OLD BUSINESS

JUDICIAL CENTER – CHANGE ORDER (COMPLETION DATE 12/15/14)

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Councilman Goings asked Winna Miller to tell of findings discussed with the Building Committee. Ms. Miller told of a change order request for an additional 30 days (new completion date December 14, 2014 per FBI change order) to complete the project due to site issues. This is at no cost to the County. **Bobby Moody motioned to approve the 30 day extension. Archie Scott seconded and all were in favor.**

Also, a change order for S&ME in the amount of \$3,000 for performing additional work is requested. Councilman Goings told that the Building Committee recommends paying this as S&ME is working for Dillon County directly, not for the contractor. **Bobby Moody motioned to approve the additional \$3,000.00. Archie Scott seconded and all were in favor.**

JUDICIAL CENTER – PEWS BID

Winna Miller told that the Building Committee opened the bids as follows: Carolina Furniture \$21,060 and Herald Office \$35,564 and recommends Carolina Furniture as the lowest responsive bidder. **Bobby Moody motioned to accept the Carolina Furniture bid of \$21,060. Archie Scott seconded and all were in favor.**

JUDICIAL CENTER – FURNITURE BID

Winna Miller told that the Building Committee opened the bids as follows: Carolina Furniture \$116,679.04 and Herald Office \$132,309.89. She told that Carolina Furniture failed to furnish warranties but that she found information on line stating the warranty is five years and also contacted a vendor who stated this brand, OfficeSource, was not the same quality as the HON brand. She and the Committee recommends going with the most responsive bidder which is Herald Office. **Joe Johnson motioned to accept the Herald Office bid (\$132,309.89). T.F. Finklea seconded and all were in favor.**

JUDICIAL CENTER – BLINDS BID

Winna Miller told that the Building Committee opened the bids as follows: Carolina Furniture \$10,807.09 and Herald Office \$8,796.00. She and the Committee recommends Herald Office as the lowest responsive bidder. **Joe Johnson motioned to accept the Herald Office bid (\$8,796.00). Archie Scott seconded and all were in favor.**

LANDFILL PROPERTY (C&D) PURCHASE – MASON PROPERTY

Mr. DuBose told that the deeds have been sent out for signatures and are expected back anytime. He told that Council has discussed the purchase in the past and the price is \$11,000.00. **Archie Scott motioned to approve the purchase. Harold Moody seconded and all were in favor.**

FINANCE REPORT

Mr. Gaddy told that the September finance report shows \$465,907.24 revenues over expenses. He told that the revenue stream is looking better than average and that department heads are doing a good job.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mr. Young told that these were already discussed.

ADMINISTRATOR

Archie Scott questioned Council not knowing about a law suit filed against the County by Betty Johnson. Mr. DuBose told that that was a personnel issue but gave the facts of the matter. He told that it was turned over to the County's insurance for handling by their attorney. Discussion was held concerning elected officials' employees as to whether they are County employees or not.

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ORDINANCE READINGS

SECOND READING – ORDINANCE ADOPTING AND APPROVING CHANGES TO DILLON COUNTY ZONING RELATING TO FAMILY CHILD CARE HOMES IN RU-RURAL/AGRICULTURE DISTRICT USES AND RS-1 SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT USES

Chairman Graves read the ordinance title. **Joe Johnson motioned to have second reading by title only (as set for in the agenda) and waive the actual reading. Archie Scott seconded and all voted in favor.**

RESOLUTIONS

LOCAL GOVERNMENT FUND

Mr. Young told that the SC Association of Counties sent a memo to all Counties asking for Council to approve and send copies to the local delegation. He gave a brief explanation of the fund. **Archie Scott motioned to approve the resolution. Bobby Moody seconded and all voted in favor.**

APPROVING EXCAVATION (BORROW PIT) AGREEMENT WITH JIM AND ELIZABETH KING

Mr. Young told that Richard Gaddy and Mr. DuBose has worked on this. Mr. Gaddy told that this is a five acre borrow pit located above Floydale and is needed for obtaining sand for the road crew. The cost is \$2,000 per acre for a total of \$10,000 and is for a period of ten years. He told that the soil has been tested by Sabine & Waters (Environmental Land Management Consultants). **Bobby Moody motioned to approve the resolution for the borrow pit. Randy Goings seconded and all, except T. F. Finklea, voted in favor.** Discussion was held concerning Mr. Finklea's vote. He stated he had offered to give five acres at no cost. **Archie Scott motioned to reconsider the purchase of the sand pit. Randy Goings seconded. Voting in favor were Randy Goings and Archie Scott. Opposed were Bobby Moody, Harold Moody, Joe Johnson, and Andrew Graves. T.F. Finklea did not vote. The motion failed.** Harold Moody noted that we can have more than one borrow pit operating at the same time.

ADJOURNMENT

Harold Moody motioned to adjourn. Randy Goings seconded and all voted in favor.

Andrew Graves, Chairman or Harold Moody, Vice-chairman

Jamie Sue Stephens, Clerk to Council

Date approved _____