

ANDERSON COUNTY COUNCIL
ANDERSON, SOUTH CAROLINA

Regular Meeting - November 15, 1994 - 7:00 p.m.
Linda N. Gilstrap, Clerk

M I N U T E S

AMENDED

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PURSUANT TO SECTION 30-4-80 OF THE STATE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT THE FOLLOWING PERSONS/ORGANIZATIONS WERE NOTIFIED BY MAIL AND/OR FAX OF THIS MEETING:

G. Fred Tolly, Jr., William Floyd, Harvie Banister, Ed Allgood, Mike Hoyden, Tom Martin, INDEPENDENT MAIL, GREENVILLE NEWS, WYFF - CHANNEL 4 TELEVISION, WSPA - CHANNEL 7 TELEVISION, WLOS - CHANNEL 13 TELEVISION, CATV (AND. CABLE), CENCOM CABLE TV, EASLEY PROGRESS, Matt Phillips- WRIX RADIO, Bill Meade-THE JOURNAL, Roy Ethridge - AND. MONITOR, WAIM RADIO, WCCP RADIO, Joe Newton-COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS, Rosemary Garrick- SENIOR REFLECTIONS, Brantley Jordan (picked up and paid for).

A regular meeting of the Anderson County Council was held on November 15, 1994 at 7:00 p.m. in the Anderson County Council Chambers - Old Courthouse - Second Floor.

PRESENT

G. Fred Tolly, Jr. - District #1
William A. Floyd - District #2
Harvie E. Banister - District #3
Ed Allgood - District #4
Tom Martin - County Attorney
Gary A. Smoak - Administrator
Linda N. Gilstrap, Clerk

ABSENT

Mike Holden -District #5

Chairman Tolly called the meeting to order and Mr. Tom Martin, County Attorney, gave the invocation. The Minute Men Team from Whitehall Elementary School led the pledge of allegiance.

On the motion of Mr. Allgood, seconded by Mr. Banister, Council voted unanimously to approve the minutes from the November 1, 1994 meeting.

Chairman Tolly explained that Mr. Holden was away on business, a mandatory company trip in Ohio, and was unable to attend the meeting.

Chairman Tolly presented resolution #R94-034 - a resolution proclaiming November 13-19, 1994 as American Education Week in Anderson County. Mr. Tolly moved to approve the resolution as presented and Mr. Floyd seconded. Vote was 4-0. Ms. Robin Stringer, with School District #5, introduced Ms. Ann Hicks, Teacher of the Year for District #5. Ms. Hicks explained what the Education Flag means. A lapel pin was presented to the Council Members. County Council presented County pins to all Minute Men for their outstanding performance.

Boy Scout Troop 215 from First Presbyterian Church were recognized and presented lapel pins.

Council heard from concerned citizens at this time. Two gentlemen spoke on behalf of the Civic Air Patrol. They asked that Council reconsider the withdrawal of support for the Civic Air Patrol in the 94-95 fy budget. Council received as information.

Mr. Tolly presented second reading of Ordinance #94-029 - an ordinance authorizing the execution and delivery of not exceeding \$110,000,000 Principal amount Industrial Revenue Bonds - Glen Raven Mills, Inc. Project. Mr. Tolly moved to approve on second reading and Mr. Floyd seconded. Vote was 4-0.

Mr. Tolly presented Resolution #R94-032 - a resolution in support of the issuance by the South Carolina Jobs-Economic Development Authority of its Economic Development Revenue Bonds (Supreme Machined Projects Company, Inc. Project), pursuant to the provisions of Title 41, Chapter 43, of the Code of Laws of South Carolina, as amended, in the aggregate principal amount of not exceeding \$4,000,000. A public hearing was held. No comments were heard. The public hearing was declared closed. Mr. Floyd moved to approve the resolution as presented and Mr. Allgood seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Mr. Tolly presented Resolution #R94-033 - a resolution in support of the issuance by the S.C. Jobs. Economic Development Authority of its Economic Development Revenue Bonds or notes (Wellington Yarns Inc., Project) Series 1994, pursuant to the Chapter 43 (1976), as amended, in the principal amount of not exceeding \$7,000,000. A public hearing was held and Mr. Carl Johnson spoke. Mr. Banister moved to approve the resolution as approved and Mr. Floyd seconded. Vote was 4-0.

On the motion of Mr. Banister, seconded by Mr. Tolly, Council voted unanimously to reappoint Nadine Brock, Gail King and James McAdams to the Grievance Committee. Terms: Ms. Brock: three year term, Ms. King: one year term, and Mr. McAdams: two year term.

Mr. Banister appointed Robert N. Yarborough to the Alcohol & Drug Abuse Commission to replace David Dockins. Mr. Tolly moved to approve and Mr. Floyd seconded. Vote was 4-0.

Mr. Smoak presented the following appointment to the Human Relations Council for Mr. Holden - Herbert Campbell. Mr. Tolly moved to approve the appointment and Mr. Banister and Mr. Allgood seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Mr. Smoak talked about the Employee Incentive awards. The first Employee of the Quarter is Sherri Craft from the Solicitor's Office. Ms. Craft has demonstrated dedication above and beyond the call of duty by serving as Buck-A-Cup coordinator for the Solicitor's office and organized a barbecue supper that raised \$2,500 for handicapped children. She worked after hours and all day on the Saturday of the event to ensure success. She also developed a system of computerized forms for use in forfeiture cases that has greatly streamlined the process of seizing property used in drug transactions. The first Department of the Quarter is the Computer Services Department. They were selected because they just completed the project of rewriting the Vehicle Tax System to implement the Biennial License Program for the S.C. Department of Motor Vehicles. They had to rewrite approximately 400 programs and redesign around 10 data files, requiring conversion of the existing data records into the new format. Anderson County was chosen to be a test site. The reward is one day of annual leave. The above employees were all present and were recognized.

Mr. Smoak presented bids for drug and alcohol testing for all county employees. The bid from Puckett Lab. was recommended in the amount of \$16.00 for initial testing of more than 600 employees, \$18.00 regular, pre-employment and random testing, and \$28.00 per test for commercial driver license employees. Mr. Allgood moved to approve as presented and Mr. Banister seconded. Vote was 4-0.

Mr. Smoak presented two change orders for the Glen Raven Project. Change order - engineering services: This is to change the gravity sewer line at the 6 & 20 Wastewater Treatment Plant to a force main and also prepare a new site plan for the force main site. This change order will add \$1,125 to the Engineering service contract with Gray Engineering. Change order - amend construction contract - This change order will delete the gravity sewer line at the 6 & 20 Wastewater Treatment Plant and add the force main on the plant site. This change order will deduct \$15,203.50 from the Lump sum contract of H.A. Pickens and Sons. Mr. Tolly moved to approve the change orders and Mr. Floyd seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Mr. Tolly asked that the county transfer \$35,000 from Contingency for a major waterline loop for Anderson County. This first leg will assist Hammond and Big Creek Water District, Town of Williamston, and Powdersville. This is a vital link for infrastructure for Anderson County, he said. Mr. Tolly moved to transfer the amount needed from contingency to Debt service and Mr. Allgood seconded. Council discussed. Mr. Banister said he didn't like the idea of taking the money from Contingency. Mr.

Boggs, with Big Creek Water Company, explained that this line will serve the I-85 corridor to Hwy 8 (eventually), through Williamston and through the Big Creek system almost to the Town limits of Belton. Mr. Banister suggested that the Administrator search for the money, possibly shifting some around, to avoid taking it from contingency and looking like project money. This is in addition to the \$35,000 placed in the contingency for this waterline and is a commitment for Debt Service for the term of the Bond (could be 10 year bond). Mr. Banister said that he will not commit for 10 years (\$350,000) for the payment of the bonds. Mr. Floyd amended the motion that if Mr. Smoak cannot find the needed \$35,000; then it will be taken out of the contingency fund. Mr. Tolly seconded. Mr. Allgood said he thought it was a "special" service and should be paid for by its own users and will vote against it. Mr. Tolly withdrew his motion and Mr. Floyd withdrew his second and the amendment and the second were also withdrawn. Mr. Tolly then moved to approve, for one year, the \$35,000 from his paving account to facilitate this waterline and Mr. Banister seconded. Vote was 4-0.

Mr. Smoak presented a letter from Anderson College, requesting a dirt road (uncleared) in Farmington Development be taken into the system and then surfaced and maintained. The County cut the road but didn't maintain because of no houses built on it. Two other identical situations: a dirt road in Mountain Springs Subdivision and a dirt road - Rice Park Circle were also talked about. Item D - Scrap and gravel Warrior Trail and Cherokee Trail down only to a certain section. Mr. Tolly said that he had a problem with cutting, maintaining, and paving roads for developers which is absolutely against County policy and he cannot vote for something that will be classified as developing roads for developers to sell lots on. Mr. Floyd agreed. **Mr. Banister moved to approve the roads as presented. Motion died from lack of second.** Council discussed further. No motion was received to approve; therefore, Council continued to the next item on the agenda.

Mr. Smoak presented a request for Mr. Holden. He said that Mr. Holden had asked that the Council vote to pave the total project at Southwood Elementary School. Mr. Smoak said that the minutes will reflect that this was approved during the October 4, 1994 meeting and unless he didn't understand his request; no further action is required.

Mr. Smoak presented the following fee schedule for the Local Emergency Planning Commission (LEPC). \$50 for all retail gasoline dealers, \$20 per hazardous substance, plus \$60 per extremely hazardous substance. It is estimated to collect \$10,940 in revenue annually. Mr. Floyd moved to approve and Mr. Tolly seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Mr. Banister presented a request from the Town of Honea Path to assign a magistrate to do municipal judge papers; set fines and fees. The town who wishes to use a magistrate for their town

recorder duties may do so under certain conditions. 1. They must pass a resolution asking the County to work with them. The County has to pass the resolution agreeing to allow this to be done. This is then sent to the Court Administration Department of the State who funnels it on to the State Supreme Court Justice who issues an order that this be done. It then comes back to the Chief Magistrate who makes an appointment of a magistrate to perform the functions. All of the above is outlined in the agreement. Mr. Allgood moved to table until the next meeting for further study. Mr. Tolly seconded and vote was 4-0.

Mr. Smoak stated that with the adoption of the Personnel Policies, the County has several nepotism situations that need to be "grandfathered" that are against the current policy. The cases were presented. In the future no hiring will be done that violates the ordinance, Mr. Smoak said. Mr. Banister moved to allow the cases to be "grandfathered" in and Mr. Tolly seconded. Mr. Allgood said that there was one father-son situation and amended the motion that this one case be voted on separately. Mr. Floyd seconded the amendment. Council discussed. Mr. Banister said there had not been a problem in the last ten years that he knew of. Mr. Floyd withdrew his second. Mr. Tolly decided to second the amendment after Mr. Floyd withdrew his. Mr. Floyd asked if this applied to the Summer Food Program and Mr. Smoak replied that it did apply. Vote on the amendment was three in favor and one opposed (Banister). Amendment carried. Vote on all cases with the exception of the father-son was 4-0. Council discussed. Vote on the father-son situation was three in favor and one opposed (Allgood) to leave as is. Motion carried.

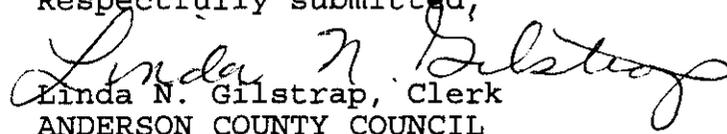
Mr. Smoak presented a charge of \$55 each from the remaining copies of the Anderson County Code. The charge for the Code without the binder will be \$36.00. Mr. Floyd moved to approved as recommended and Mr. Tolly seconded. Vote was 4-0.

Mr. Smoak presented a request for a proposal comparison of other counties regarding economic competitiveness to be done by the Strom Thurmond Institute for a cost of \$5,000. This was discussed and agreed upon at the County Council retreat in February. This study will determine why per capita income is less than other Counties in the State. Mr. Tolly moved to approve the study and the money to come from the Contingency Fund. Mr. Floyd seconded and vote was 4-0.

Council agreed to change the time of the December 6 meeting to 7:00 p.m. and the December 20 meeting to 4:30 p.m.

There being no further business, Mr. Tolly moved to adjourn and Mr. Floyd seconded. Vote was 4-0. Council adjourned at 9:05 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,


Linda N. Gilstrap, Clerk
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