

ANDERSON COUNTY COUNCIL
ANDERSON, SOUTH CAROLINA

Regular Meeting - October 2, 1984 - 9:00 a.m.
Linda N. Gilstrap, Clerk

M I N U T E S

A REGULAR MEETING OF THE ANDERSON COUNTY COUNCIL WAS HELD ON OCTOBER 2, 1984 AT 9:00 A.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, ROOM 109, WITH ROBERT L. WILES PRESIDING.

PRESENT

Fred G. Alexander, District #1
Prue L. Gilreath, District #2
Robert L. Wiles, District #3 - Chairman
Daniel A. Rhodes, District #4
A.M. "Al" Lynch, District #5
Billy D. O'Neal, Administrator
Joseph G. Wright, III, County Attorney

Mr. Wiles called the meeting to order and Councilman Fred G. Alexander gave the invocation. Everyone stood and pledged allegiance to the flag.

County Council presented Marilyn B. Hursey a certificate of appreciation for 21 years of service to Anderson County. Ms. Hursey was Magistrate Whitfield's secretary and now has retired.

On the motion of Mr. Lynch, seconded by Mr. Rhodes, Council voted unanimously to approve the minutes from the September 18, 1984 meeting as mailed.

Mr. Alexander apologized to Mr. Lynch for a remark he made at the last meeting.

Mr. O'Neal presented the Road Maintenance Activity Report for the period September 14-27, 1984. The county received 229 work orders and completed 186. He also reported that the paving crews were 60% complete and the mowers are in and being installed. Mr. Gilreath asked about the population of the Stockade. He reported that the average was about 80 prisoners. The County is using one maintenance crew at the Agriculture Building. Mr. Gilreath asked Mr. O'Neal to check into contracting the repair work out.

Mr. Watson presented proposals for auctioneers. Moore Auction Company being the lowest for 4.99% of gross sales was recommended by Mr. Watson. Mr. Rhodes moved that this be accepted. Mr. Lynch seconded. Vote was 5-0. He stated the auction was scheduled for October 27, 1984.

Mr. Watson presented sealed bids for three (3) ambulances. He recommended the low (alternate) bid from Counts Rescue Equipment for a 1984 Ford w/460 engine for a grand total of \$29,475 each. He also recommended that a budget transfer from 460.85 (EMS) to 460.84 of \$4,425. Only \$84,000 was budgeted and the total bid was \$88,425. On the motion of Mr. Alexander, seconded by Mr. Gilreath, Council voted unanimously to purchase as recommended and to approve the budget transfer. These will go to the Honea Path, Williamston and Fork Squads.

Mr. O'Neal presented third and final reading of Ordinance #144 (amendment #1 to original ordinance #135 - 1984-85 budget) and then held a public hearing for written or oral comments. On the motion of Mr. Rhodes, seconded by Mr. Lynch, Council voted 5-0 to approve Ordinance #144 on third reading.

Mr. O'Neal said that the County had a problem with the lease agreement for the 25 vote tabulators from Airmac and informed Council that the County could purchase from Governmental Data Systems, another supplier. The County is waiting for their decision on whether the County could pay Governmental Data Systems \$20,000 down and pay the balance in July, 1985. They have agreed to sell the Vote tabulators for \$3,200 each. Council discussed the legality of purchasing the machines. Mr. Wiles moved that the Council purchase the number of machines that \$20,000 could buy. Mr. Gilreath seconded. Vote was 5-0 to purchase and the county must receive assistance and have machines delivered prior to the election in November.

Mr. Alexander said he had complaints from citizens about the County lines being busy and asked Mr. O'Neal to check into the problem to see if additional lines are needed.

Mr. Wiles asked that the agenda be amended to hear from some people from Iva; Mayor Protem Douglas Wakefield, Yvonne McGee and Louise McGill. Mr. Rhodes moved that the agenda be amended and Mr. Lynch seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Ms. Yvonne McGee told Council of their efforts on the "Great Town Program for Iva". Council received her remarks as information.

Mr. Larry Floyd with Farmers Home Administration asked Council to approve a Resolution (#248) authorizing them to administer grant monies for the Alco (White Street) Project for funding water and sewer systems extensions for the Alco Industries and explained the conditions of the grant. On the motion of Mr. Lynch, seconded by Mr. Alexander, Council voted unanimously to approve the resolution (#248) agreeing to the Grant Agreement for the Alco Industries Project. The funds (\$71,500) are provided through the Sewer Authority.

Mr. Trey Senn presented to Council the 1984 Land Use Update requested by Council a couple months ago and explained it briefly. Council received as information.

Council recessed for 5 minutes (10:20 a.m.).

Mr. Alexander moved that the agenda be amended for an update on the Easley Sewer Project. Mr. Gilreath seconded. Vote was 5-0.

Mr. Alexander read an article from the Easley Progress about the Easley Proposed Waste Treatment Plant. He then recognized Chip Moore, a Powdersville resident, to talk to Council. He said that he talked with Mr. Steve Hale of the Combined Utilities of Easley and was informed that the land was purchased and the funding was approved by EPA and the Project would go through as planned. Mr. Alexander moved that the County Attorney be authorized to start legal procedures for a restraining order against the construction of this waste treatment plant. Mr. Gilreath seconded. Vote was 5-0.

Mr. Jimmy King, Chairman of the Election Commission, asked Council to rescind previous action to purchase additional vote tabulators. He stated it was the unanimous decision of the Election Commission not to purchase additional equipment at this time. Mr. Wiles moved that the Council reconsider earlier action to purchase additional equipment for the Election Commission. Mr. Rhodes seconded. Vote was 5-0.

Mr. Wiles moved that the Council go with the wishes of the Election Commission to keep the \$20,000 in budget. Mr. Alexander seconded. Vote was 5-0.

Mr. Rhodes informed the Council of the Opinion received from the State Ethics Commission concerning whether an employee of the County Hospital may serve on the Hospital's Board of Directors. Dr. Jerry Neal was appointed and is the associate professor of family medicine of the Family Practice Residency Center. Mr. Rhodes moved that Dr. Neal be replaced by Mr. Ben B. Bleckley of 410 Summit Avenue, Anderson. Mr. Lynch seconded. Vote was three (3) in favor (Wiles, Rhodes, Lynch) and two (2) abstaining (Alexander, Gilreath).

Mr. Wright presented second reading of Ordinance #146 (amendment #1 to original ordinance #51 - Master-in-Equity). Mr. Rhodes moved that the ordinance be approved on second reading. Mr. Lynch seconded. Vote was 5-0.

Mr. Wright asked for approval of second reading of Ordinance #147 (Motorola) by title only. Mr. Lynch moved that this be approved and Mr. Gilreath seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Mr. Lynch asked to delay third reading of Ordinance #145 - Licensing of Coin-Operated Devices until the next scheduled meeting in order to receive additional information.

Mr. Alexander nominated Mr. James A. Cox of 208 Mills Street, West Pelzer to the Handicap Committee. Mr. Rhodes nominated Ms. Ellen Summey of West North Avenue, Mr. Gilreath nominated Mrs. Nelli Jordan of Bolt Drive. Vote on these nominations were unanimous.

Mr. Wiles read an agreement for maintenance and operations for selected recreation sites on Richard B. Russell Lake. This would include: Mountain View Park, Sanders Ferry and Greg Shores. The agreement would be between Anderson County and the S.C. Department of Parks, Recreation and Tourism. Mr. Wiles moved that the agreement be adopted for one year. Mr. Lynch seconded. Council discussed the Recreation Commission's responsibility for the maintenance of these parks. Vote was unanimous.

Mr. Crawford informed council of a Recreation Commission meeting scheduled for October 15 at 7:00 p.m.

Mr. Wiles read a petition from residents from Voyles Drive asking that the name be changed to Pine Ridge Drive near Iva. Mr. Wiles moved that the request be granted. Mr. Lynch seconded. Vote was unanimous. All appropriate signs should be put up.

Mr. Gilreath asked Mr. O'Neal about the progress being made on the beautification of the square. He reported that some of the things had been done and would give Council a report at the next meeting.

Council heard from concerned citizens at this time.

On the motion of Mr. Alexander, seconded by Mr. Wiles, Council voted unanimously to adjourn at 11:37 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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