

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE FLORENCE COUNTY COUNCIL,  
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2008, 9:00 A.M., LYNCHES RIVER  
COUNTY PARK, 1110 BEN GAUSE ROAD, COWARD, SOUTH  
CAROLINA**

**PRESENT:**

K. G. "Rusty" Smith, Jr., Chairman  
Waymon Mumford, Vice-Chairman  
H. Morris Anderson, Secretary-Chaplain  
Mitchell Kirby, Council Member  
Russell W. Culberson, Council Member  
J. Ken Ard, Council Member  
James T. Schofield, Council Member  
Richard A. Starks, County Administrator  
James C. Rushton, III, County Attorney  
Connie Y. Haselden, Clerk to Council

**ALSO PRESENT:**

Suzanne S. King, Administrative Services Director  
Kevin V. Yokim, Finance Director  
Joe Eason, Parks & Recreation Department Director  
Bonnita K. Andrews, Human Resources Director  
William H. Hoge, Planning & Building Department Director  
Ryon Watkins, EMS Director  
Ray McBride, Library Director  
Sheriff Kenney Boone  
Chuck Tomlinson, Morning News Staff Writer

**ABSENT:**

Johnnie D. Rodgers, Jr., Council Member  
Alphonso Bradley, Council Member

A notice of the regular meeting of the Florence County Council appeared in the December 10, 2008 edition of the **MORNING NEWS**. Copies of the agenda were faxed to members of the media and posted in the lobby of the City-County Complex, the Doctors Bruce and Lee Foundation Public Library and on the County's website ([www.florenceco.org](http://www.florenceco.org)).

Chairman Smith called the meeting to order. Secretary-Chaplain Anderson gave the invocation and Vice-Chairman Mumford led the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag. Chairman Smith welcomed everyone attending the meeting.

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**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Councilman Anderson made a motion Council approve the minutes of the November 20, 2008 regular meeting of County Council. Councilman Kirby seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS:**

There were no public hearings required or held.

**APPEARANCES:**

**CHRIS GOSSETT, P.E., PROGRAM MANAGER - SCDOT**

Mr. Gossett, Program Manager, Pee Dee Regional Production Group, South Carolina Department of Transportation, presented information for the Hwy. 76 five-lane widening project Main Street connection. Councilman Kirby made a motion Council proceed with the scope of the project as presented. Councilman Mumford seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SERVICES & COUNTY PLANNING**

**ORDINANCE NO. 07-2008/09 – SECOND READING**

Committee Chairman Schofield made a motion, based on the recommendation of the Committee, that Council approve second reading of Ordinance No. 07-2008/09: An Ordinance To Rezone Properties Owned By Cynthia T. Matthews And Jerry D. Taylor, Sr., And Sharon M. Taylor Located At 3434, 3435, 3465, 3501 James Turner Road, Effingham And 3 Parcels Located Off State Hwy. 35, Effingham From R-1, Single-Family Residential District To RU-1, Rural Community District, Shown On Florence County Tax Map No. 127, Block 1, Parcels 10, 11, 46, 72, 162, 273 And 274 Consisting Of 131 Acres.

**ORDINANCE NO. 34-2007/08**

Committee Chairman Schofield made a motion, based on the recommendation of the Committee, that Council table Ordinance No. 34-2007/08: An Ordinance To Rezone Properties Owned By Sharon M. And Jerry D. Taylor, Sr. Located At 3465 James Turner Road, Florence From R-1, Single-Family Residential District To R-3, Single-Family Residential District, Limited Shown On Florence County Tax Map No. 127, Block 1, Parcel 273 Consisting Of 1.56 Acres.

**RESOLUTIONS:**

**RESOLUTION NO. 07-2008/09**

The Chairman published the title of Resolution No. 07-2008/09: A Resolution To Establish A Policy Regarding The Surplus Of Vehicles And Motorized County Property And Defining Related Procedures For Disposal. Councilman Anderson made a motion Council approve the Resolution. Councilman Mumford seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

**RESOLUTION NO. 08-2008/09**

The Chairman published the title of Resolution No. 08-2008/09: A Resolution Requesting That The South Carolina General Assembly Continue To Support Recyclers In Recognition Of The Energy And Environmental Benefits Of Recycling To Our County, The State And The Nation. Councilman Mumford made a motion Council approve the Resolution. Councilman Anderson seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

**ORDINANCES IN POSITION:**

**ORDINANCE NO. 11-2008/09 – THIRD READING**

The Clerk published the title of Ordinance No. 11-2008/09: An Ordinance To Provide For The Issuance And Sale Of A Not Exceeding One Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollar (\$1,500,000) General Obligation Bond Of Florence County, South Carolina (Howe Springs Fire District), Series 2009, To Prescribe The Purposes For Which The Proceeds Of Said Bond Shall Be Expended, To Provide For The Payment Of Said Bond; And Other Matters Relating Thereto. Councilman Culberson made a motion Council approve third reading of the Ordinance. Councilman Anderson seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

**ORDINANCE NO. 12-2008/09 – THIRD READING**

The Clerk published the title of Ordinance No. 12-2008/09: An Ordinance Amending The Florence County Code To Remove Job Descriptions Maintained Officially In Human Resources, And Other Matters Relating Thereto. Councilman Anderson made a motion Council approve third reading of the Ordinance. Councilman Culberson seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

**ORDINANCE NO. 13-2008/09 – SECOND READING**

The Clerk published the title of Ordinance No. 13-2008/09: An Ordinance To Rezone Property Owned By Dorothy Ann Arzu Located At 2951 Whippoorwill Road, Florence From R-1, Single-Family Residential District To R-3, Single-Family Residential District Shown On Florence County Tax Map No. 00127, Block 1, Parcel 275 Consisting Of 1.00 Acre. Councilman Mumford made a motion Council approve second reading of the Ordinance. Councilman Schofield seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.



**ORDINANCE NO. 14-2008/09 – SECOND READING**

The Clerk published the title of Ordinance No. 14-2008/09: An Ordinance To Rezone Property Owned By Real Estate Asset Management Located At 1133 East Howe Springs Road, Florence From R-1, Single-Family Residential District To B-3, General Commercial District Shown On Florence County Tax Map No. 00180, Block 1, Parcel 202 Consisting Of 2.9 Acres. Councilman Culberson made a motion Council approve second reading of the Ordinance. Councilman Mumford seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

**ORDINANCE NO. 15-2008/09 – INTRODUCED**

The Clerk published the title of Ordinance No. 15-2008/09 and the Chairman declared the Ordinance introduced: An Ordinance To Rezone Property Owned By Ivan Hanna Located At 362 North Georgetown Highway, City Of Johnsonville From B-2, Convenience Business District To B-3, General Commercial District Shown On Florence County Tax Map No. 00440, Block 5, Parcel 36 Consisting Of .68 ± Acres.

**ORDINANCE NO. 16-2008/09 – INTRODUCED**

The Clerk published the title of Ordinance No. 16-2008/09 and the Chairman declared the Ordinance introduced: An Ordinance Authorizing The Postponement Of Reassessment For Tax Year 2009 Until Tax Year 2010 And All Other Matters Relating Thereto.

**COUNCILMAN MUMFORD - HOLIDAY**

Councilman Mumford made a motion Council approve a third day at Christmas as a holiday for County employees (Thursday through Friday, December 24 – 26, 2008). Council unanimously seconded and approved the motion.

**APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS:**

There were no appointments.

**REPORTS TO COUNCIL:**

**ADMINISTRATION**

**MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORTS**

Monthly Financial Reports Were Provided To Council For Fiscal Year 2009 Through October 31, 2008 As An Item For The Record.

**SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS**

Councilman Ard made a motion Council Approve The Schedule Of County Council Meeting Dates For 2009, As Well As The Official County Holidays For 2009. Councilman Anderson seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

## **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PARTNERSHIP**

### **CONTRACT AUTHORIZATION AND ACCEPTANCE OF RDA FUNDING**

Councilman Ard made a motion Council Authorize An Agreement With Progress Energy Carolinas, Inc. To Provide South Carolina Rural Development Act (RDA) Funding In The Amount Of \$100,000 For Infrastructure Improvements For Industrial Park Site Certification At The Britton-Bostic-Winona Site Located On East Old Marion Highway, Florence, And Authorize The County Administrator To Execute All Associated Documents. Councilman Anderson seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

### **GRANT AWARD SCANA SERVICES, INC.**

Councilman Anderson made a motion Council Accept The Grant From SCANA Services, Inc. In The Amount Of \$30,000 To Cover Infrastructure Costs Associated With The Monster Project Under Direction Of Florence County Economic Development Partnership. Councilman Mumford seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

## **EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT**

### **GRANT AWARD SC EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIVISION**

Councilman Schofield made a motion Council Accept A \$7,698 Grant Award From The South Carolina Emergency Management Division (SCEMD) For The Florence County Emergency Management Department To Conduct A HAZMAT Transportation/Commodity Flow Study And Develop, Print, And Distribute The Resulting 2009 County Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) Brochure/Pamphlet. Councilman Anderson seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

## **LIBRARY**

### **GRANT AWARD – SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**

Councilman Kirby made a motion Council Accept A Community Enrichment Grant From The Community Development Block Grant Program In The Amount Of \$118,747 To Provide Computer Equipment For The Olanta And Timmonsville Branch Libraries. Councilman Anderson seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

## **PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT**

### **EBENEZER PARK**

Councilman Anderson made a motion Council approve The Removal Of Overhead Utilities And The Installation Of Underground Lines By Progress Energy At The Intersection Of Pine Needles Road And Old Ebenezer Road (Ebenezer Park) And Approve The Expenditure Of Funds From Council District 9 Utility System Funding Allocations In An Amount Up To \$6,900; And Authorize The County Administrator To Execute All Necessary Agreements And Right-Of-Ways. Councilman Culberson seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

**LEASE AGREEMENT – TOWN OF PAMPLICO**

Councilman Ard made a motion Council Approve A Fifteen (15) Year Lease Agreement With The Town Of Pamplico For Property Located At 479 E. Sixth Avenue, TMP #376-01-099, Which Is Adjacent To Laverne Ard Park, For Future Football And Soccer Programs In The Amount Of \$15 (\$1 Per Year); And Authorize The County Administrator To Execute All Documents, Subject To Review By The County Attorney. Councilman Anderson seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

**PROCUREMENT DEPARTMENT**

**DECLARATION OF SURPLUS PROPERTY**

Councilman Mumford made a motion Council Declare 31 Vehicles And 1 Tractor As Surplus Property For Disposal Through Public Internet Auction Via GovDeals. Councilman Anderson seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously. (The list included in the December 11, 2008 agenda contained a few incorrect vehicle-model-years; therefore a corrected listing is attached hereto.)

**DONATION OF SURPLUS PROPERTY**

Councilman Kirby made a motion Council Declare Vehicle #1257 A 2001 Chevy Tahoe As Surplus Property And Authorize Donation Of Said Vehicle To The Timmons ville Rescue Squad. Councilman Mumford seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

**DONATION OF SURPLUS PROPERTY**

Councilman Anderson made a motion Council Declare Vehicle #941 a 2005 Crown Vic As Surplus Property And Authorize Donation Of Said Vehicle To The West Florence Fire Department. Councilman Culberson seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

**DONATION OF SURPLUS PROPERTY**

Councilman Culberson made a motion Council Declare Vehicle #874 a 2003 Crown Vic And Vehicle #942 a 2005 Crown Vic As Surplus Property And Authorize Donation Of Said Vehicle To The Windy Hill Fire Department. Councilman Anderson seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

**OTHER BUSINESS:**

**UTILITY SYSTEM FUND**

**PROSPECT FIELD WELL**

Councilman Ard made a motion Council Approve The Expenditure Of Funds From Council District 2 Utility System Funding Allocations In An Amount Up To \$8,800.00 To Provide Financial Assistance With The Drilling Of A 4” Well At Prospect Field. Councilman Schofield seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

Councilman Kirby requested the following items be added to the agenda for consideration.

**ROAD SYSTEM MAINTENANCE FEE (RSMF) FUND**

**HAM ROAD**

Councilman Kirby made a motion Council Approve The Expenditure Of Funds From Council District 4 RSMF Funding Allocation In An Amount Up To \$31,294.91 For MBC Stone And Crushed Asphalt For Ham Road. Councilman Culberson seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

**CUBIE ROAD**

Councilman Kirby made a motion Council Approve The Expenditure Of Funds From Council District 4 RSMF Funding Allocation In An Amount Up To \$17,286.43 For MBC Stone And Crushed Asphalt For A Portion Of Cubie Road From Top Of Hill To Clearbrook Road. Councilman Culberson seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

**UTILITY SYSTEM FUND:**

**BAPTIST DRIVE PROJECT**

Councilman Kirby made a motion Council Approve The Expenditure Of Funds From Council District 4 Utility System Funding Allocation For Approximately \$10,000.00 For The Baptist Drive Project. Councilman Mumford seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

**RECESS:**

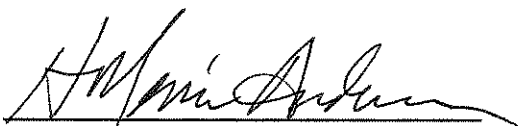
Council Recessed at 9:31 a.m. Council reconvened at 10:33 a.m.

**EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION:**

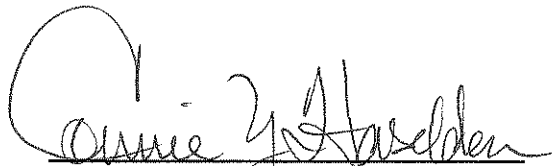
Council recognized County Employees who completed from five to thirty years of service with the County as of December 31, 2008 and one employee that retired with thirty-two years of service as of June 30, 2008.

There being no further business to come before Council, Councilman Mumford made a motion to adjourn. Councilman Anderson seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

**COUNCIL MEETING ADJOURNED AT 11:00 A.M.**



**H. MORRIS ANDERSON  
SECRETARY-CHAPLAIN**



**CONNIE Y. HASELDEN  
CLERK TO COUNTY COUNCIL**

**CORRECTED**

<u>UNIT</u>	<u>MAKE</u>	<u>MODEL</u>	<u>YEAR</u>	<u>CORRECT YEAR</u>	<u>MILEAGE</u>	<u>COMMENTS</u>
1	Chevy	S-10	1999		24,205	1GCC51440TK187022
2	Chevy	S-10	1999		25,664	1GCC51440TK187047
3	John Deere	Model 5510	1999		1519 hours	LV5510S153020
4	Ford	Crown Vic	2004	2005	142,266	2FAFP71W55X106329
5	Ford	Crown Vic	2004	2005	141,157	2FAFP71W75X106333
6	Ford	Crown Vic	2004	2005	119,060	2FAFP71W05X106335
7	Ford	Crown Vic	2004	2005	119,258	2FAFP71W45X106340
8	Ford	Crown Vic	2004	2005	137,312	2FAFP71W85X106342
9	Ford	Crown Vic	2004	2005	141,741	2FAFP71W35X106331
10	Ford	Crown Vic	2004	2005	145,632	2FAFP71W25X106336
11	Ford	Crown Vic	2004	2005	140,812	2FAFP71W65X106341
12	Chevy	Tahoe	2004	2005	75,697	1GNEC13Z25R142499
13	Nissan	Titian	2004	2005	107,609	1N6BA07A85N520460
14	Ford	Crown Vic	2002	2003	139,364	2FAFP71W73X142228
15	Ford	Crown Vic	2002	2003	155,593	2FAFP71W3X142241
16	Ford	Crown Vic	2002	2003	144,780	2FAFP71W03X142250
17	Ford	Crown Vic	2002	2003	154,464	2FAFP71W83X142237
18	Ford	Crown Vic	2002	2003	151,238	2FAFP71W43X142235
19	Dodge	Ram 2500	2003	2003	102,700	1D7KU28D33J628834
20	Dodge	Ram	2003	2003	82,856	1D7KU28D53J628835
21	Ford	Crown Vic	2003	2003	154,298	2FAHP71W73X186173
22	Ford	Crown Vic	2003	2003	128,114	2FAHP71W33X186171
23	Ford	Crown Vic	2003	2003	107,566	2FAF71W93X202185
24	Ford	F-150	2004	2004	104,834	2FTRF17W94CA82802
25	Ford	Crown Vic	2005	2005	108,107	2FAFP71W85X167447
26	Ford	Crown Vic	2005	2005	121,777	2FAFP71W25X167444
27	Ford	Crown Vic	2005	2005	132,749	2FAFP71W95X167439
28	Ford	Crown Vic	2005	2005	123,072	2FAFP71W05X143742
29	Ford	Crown Vic	2001	2001	112,753	2FAFP71W21X137578
30	Ford	Crown Vic	2001	2001	122,720	2FAFP71W51X192235
31	Ford	Crown Vic	2003	2003	138,247	2FAHP71W93X186174
32	Ford	Crown Vic	2002	2003	135,712	2FAFP71W43X142347

Correct Year= Original surplus list contained model year from door. Correct model year indicated in next column.