

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE FLORENCE COUNTY COUNCIL,
THURSDAY, AUGUST 16, 2012 9:00 A.M., COUNCIL CHAMBERS
ROOM 803, CITY-COUNTY COMPLEX, 180 N. IRBY STREET,
FLORENCE, 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
Alphonso Bradley, Council Member
James T. Schofield, Council Member
Roger M. Poston, Council Member
Thomas B. Robinson, County Administrator
D. Malloy McEachin, Jr., County Attorney
Connie Y. Haselden, Clerk to Council

ALSO PRESENT:

Kevin V. Yokim, Finance Director
Ryon Watkins, EMS Director
Andrew Stout, Museum Director
Ray McBride, Library Director
Sheriff Kenney Boone
Keith Lutcken, Lieutenant/Forensics Sheriff's Office
John Crouse, Captain Sheriff's Office
Barbara Coker, Administrative Manager Sheriff's Office
John Sweeney, Morning News

A notice of the regular meeting of the Florence County Council appeared in the August 15, 2012 edition of the **MORNING NEWS**. In compliance with the Freedom of Information Act, copies of the Meeting Agenda and Proposed Additions to the Agenda were provided to members of the media, members of the public requesting copies, and posted in the lobby of the City-County Complex, the Doctors Bruce and Lee Foundation Public Library and all branch libraries, and on the County's website (www.florenceco.org).

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

Chairman Smith, Vice Chairman Mumford and Councilman Kirby commended the Clerk for recently being installed as President of the South Carolina Clerks to Council Association.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Councilman Anderson made a motion Council Approve The Minutes Of The July 19, 2012 Regular Meeting Of County Council. Councilman Culberson seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

The Clerk published the titles and Chairman Smith opened Public Hearing for the following:

RESOLUTION NO. 04-2012/13

A Resolution In Support Of The Issuance By The South Carolina Jobs-Economic Development Authority Of Its Economic Development Revenue Refunding Bonds (All Saints' Episcopal Day School Project) Series 2012, Pursuant To The Provisions Of Title 41, Chapter 43, Of The Code Of Laws Of South Carolina 1976, As Amended, In The Aggregate Principal Amount Of Not Exceeding \$3,800,000.

ORDINANCE NO. 31-2011/12

An Ordinance Authorizing The Execution And Delivery Of A Fee In Lieu Of Taxes Agreement By And Between Florence County, South Carolina And Project Wood, And Other Matters Related Thereto.

ORDINANCE NO. 03-2012/13

An Ordinance To Amend The Florence County Comprehensive Plan Land Use Map For Properties In Florence County Located In The City Of Johnsonville On S. Georgetown Highway, More Specifically Shown On Tax Map Numbers 00433-05-002, 00433-05-003, 00433-05-004, 00433-05-176, 50007-04-011 And 50007-06-001 From Transitional Growth And Preservation To Public Facility And On Jasmine Street, More Specifically Shown On Tax Map Number 00440-05-093 From Rural Preservation To Suburban Development; And Other Matters Related Thereto.

ORDINANCE NO. 07-2012/13

An Ordinance To Declare As Surplus Real Property Owned By Florence County Located At 132 East Main Street, Pamplico, South Carolina And Designated As Tax Map Number 60006-03-014; And To Authorize The Conveyance Thereof To The Town Of Pamplico; And Other Matters Relating Thereto.

APPEARANCES:

RAY MCBRIDE, DIRECTOR – LIBRARY SYSTEM

Mr. McBride Appeared Before Council To Present The Florence County Library System Annual Report. Recent studies indicated that for every \$1 the County invested in the Library System it saw an approximately \$5.02 return on the investment through services to residents. Members of Council commended Mr. McBride for his outstanding service. Vice Chairman Mumford requested that Mr. McBride prepare a submission for the J. Mitchell Graham Award at the 2013 SCAC Annual Conference.

RECOGNITION OF OFFICIALS:

Chairman Smith recognized several officials in attendance at the meeting: Sheriff Boone, Councilman Glynn Willis – City of Florence, Mayor Steve Dukes – City of Johnsonville, Marshall Yarborough – Historical Commission Chair, Rudy Hughes – Voters Registration/Election Commission Chair, and Keith Lutcken – candidate for Coroner.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

ADMINISTRATION & FINANCE

Chairman Smith announced that the Committee met prior to the regular meeting of Council to discuss matters relating to the Voters Registration/Election personnel matter. Councilman Mumford made a motion Council change the job classification of two (2) employees of the Florence County Voters Registration/Election Commission; one from a Grade 13 to a Grade 14 and one from a Grade 11 to a Grade 12. Councilman Culberson seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

RESOLUTIONS/PROCLAMATIONS:

RESOLUTION NO. 03-2012/13

The Clerk published Resolution No. 03-2012/13 in its entirety: A Resolution Declaring August 17th “County Heritage Day” And Other Matters Relating Thereto. Councilman Poston made a motion Council approve the Resolution as presented. Councilman Anderson seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

There being no signatures on the sign-in sheets, the Chairman closed the Public Hearing segment of the meeting. (The sign-in sheets are attached and incorporated by reference.)

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RESOLUTION NO. 05-2012/13

The Clerk published the title of Resolution No. 05-2012/13: A Resolution To Authorize An Addition To The County Fleet By Acceptance Of A 1990 Front Line Rescue Truck, Model 31SS-100, VIN #4S7BT9L09LC002797 From Olanta Fire Department. Councilman Schofield made a motion Council approve the Resolution as presented. Councilman Anderson seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

ORDINANCES IN POSITION:

ORDINANCE NO. 21-2011/12 – THIRD READING DEFERRED

The Chairman stated third reading of Ordinance No. 21-2011/12 would be deferred: An Ordinance To Declare As Surplus Real Property Owned By Florence County Located At 124 Epps Street, Lake City, South Carolina And Designated As Tax Map Number 80008-12-008: And To Authorize The Conveyance Thereof To Florence School District Three; And Other Matters Relating Thereto.

ORDINANCE NO. 33-2011/12 – THIRD READING

The Clerk published the title of Ordinance No. 33-2011/12: An Ordinance To Provide For A Barricade Of Salem Road At Or Near Its Intersection With The Darlington County, South Carolina Boundary Line With Florence County, South Carolina And To Further Provide For The Appropriate Signage And Structure(s) To Be Installed; And Other Matters Related Thereto. Councilman Kirby made a motion Council approve third reading of the Ordinance. Councilman Anderson seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

ORDINANCE NO. 27-2011/12 – SECOND READING DEFERRED

The Chairman stated second reading of Ordinance No. 27-2011/12 would be deferred: An Ordinance To Zone Property Located On Pisgah Road, Enterprise Drive, Florence Park Drive, Mechanicsville Road, Prosperity Way, Range Way, Success Way And Cecil Road, Florence, SC, As Shown On Florence County Tax Map No. 00120, Block 01, Parcels 001-003, 022, 025, 034, 039-040, 052, 058-059, 061-063, 065, 073, 075, 077-082, 085-086, 088-090, 092-093; Florence County Tax Map No. 00145, Block 01, Parcels 076-077, 085-089, 093, 095, 100, 103-104; Consisting Of 773.14 Acres To B-6, Industrial District, Consistent With The Land Use Element And Map Of The Florence County Comprehensive Plan; And Other Matters Related Thereto.

ORDINANCE NO. 31-2011/12 – SECOND READING

The Clerk published the title of Ordinance No. 31-2011/12: An Ordinance Authorizing The Execution And Delivery Of A Fee In Lieu Of Taxes Agreement By And Between Florence County, South Carolina And Project Wood, And Other Matters Related Thereto. Councilman Culberson recused himself from voting on this issue; he had done work for the company. Councilman Mumford made a motion Council approve second reading of the Ordinance. Councilman Kirby seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously by the voting members. (Councilman Culberson did not vote.)

ORDINANCE NO. 32-2011/12 – SECOND READING DEFERRED

The Chairman stated second reading of Ordinance No. 32-2011/12 would be deferred: An Ordinance To Zone Properties Inclusive Of All Unzoned Properties In Council District Three East Of I-95 To R-3A; Consistent With The Land Use Element And Map Of The Florence County Comprehensive Plan; And Other Matters Related Thereto.

ORDINANCE NO. 02-2012/13 – SECOND READING

The Clerk published the title of Ordinance No. 02-2012/13: An Ordinance To Amend Florence County Code, Chapter 30, Zoning Ordinance, Article V, Sign Regulations; Section 30-202, Signs On Private Property; Table VII, Regulations Of Signs By Type, Characteristics And Zoning Districts, And Section 30-207, Development Standards; And Other Matters Related Thereto. Councilman Schofield made a motion Council approve second reading of the Ordinance. Councilman Poston seconded the motion. Councilman Kirby asked the County Administrator to clarify the changes proposed by the Ordinance. The County Administrator stated the Planning Director would need to provide the clarification and he would ensure the information was provided prior to third reading at the next meeting. Second reading of the Ordinance was approved unanimously.

ORDINANCE NO. 03-2012/13 – SECOND READING

The Clerk published the title of Ordinance No. 03-2012/13: An Ordinance To Amend The Florence County Comprehensive Plan Land Use Map For Properties In Florence County Located In The City Of Johnsonville On S. Georgetown Highway, More Specifically Shown On Tax Map Numbers 00433-05-002, 00433-05-003, 00433-05-004, 00433-05-176, 5007-04-011 And 50007-06-001 From Transitional Growth And Preservation To Public Facility And On Jasmine Street, More Specifically Shown On Tax Map Number 00440-05-093 From Rural Preservation To Suburban Development; And Other Matters Related Thereto. Councilman Poston made a motion Council approve second reading of the Ordinance. Councilman Anderson seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

ORDINANCE NO. 04-2012/13 – SECOND READING

The Clerk published the title of Ordinance No. 04-2012/13: An Ordinance To Rezone Properties Owned By Property Owners As Shown On Attachment “A” Located At 12, 137, 259, 269 And 309 South Georgetown Highway And 171 Jasmine Street, Johnsonville As Shown On Florence County Tax Map No. 00433, Block 05, Parcels 002-004, 176 And Florence County Tax Map No. 50007, Block 04, Parcel 011 And Block 06, Parcel 001; Florence County Tax Map No. 00440, Block 05, Parcel 093; Consisting Of Approximately 6.24 Acres From Unzoned And R-3, Single-Family Residential District To R-3A, Single-Family Residential District; And Other Matters Related Thereto. Councilman Poston made a motion Council approve second reading of the Ordinance. Councilman Anderson seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

ORDINANCE NO. 05-2012/13 – SECOND READING

The Clerk published the title of Ordinance No. 05-2012/13: An Ordinance To Rezone Property Owned By William C.B. Eaddy Located Off Of Laron Street, Scranton As Shown On Florence County Tax Map No. 00194, Block 31, Parcel 128; Consisting Of Approximately 8.51 Acres From R-5, Residential Multi-Family District And Unzoned To PD, Planned Development District; And Other Matters Related Thereto. Councilman Mumford made a motion Council approve second reading of the Ordinance. Councilman Culberson seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

ORDINANCE NO. 06-2012/13 – SECOND READING

The Clerk published the title of Ordinance No. 06-2012/13: An Ordinance To Amend Florence County Code, Chapter 30, Zoning Ordinance, Section 30-267, Certificates Of Zoning Compliance And Section 30-268, Repair Permits; And Other Matters Related Thereto. Councilman Schofield made a motion Council approve second reading of the Ordinance. Councilman Bradley seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

ORDINANCE NO. 07-2012/13 – SECOND READING

The Clerk published the title of Ordinance No. 07-2012/13: An Ordinance To Declare As Surplus Real Property Owned By Florence County Located At 132 East Main Street, Pamplico, South Carolina And Designated As Tax Map Number 60006-03-014; And To Authorize The Conveyance Thereof To The Town Of Pamplico; And Other Matters Relating Thereto. Councilman Poston made a motion Council approve second reading of the Ordinance. Councilman Anderson seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS:

WEST FLORENCE RURAL VOLUNTEER FIRE DISTRICT

Council Unanimously Approved The Recommendation Of The West Florence Rural Volunteer Fire District To Appoint Dustin Fails For Seat 4 On The West Florence Rural Volunteer Fire District Board Of Fire Control, To Complete The Unexpired Term Of Mr. Ken Porter, Who Moved Out Of The District.

REPORTS TO COUNCIL:

ADMINISTRATION

VOLUNTARY CLEANUP CONTRACT

Councilman Schofield made a motion Council Approve The Execution Of Voluntary Cleanup Contract (VCC) 12-61050NRP With South Carolina Department Of Health And Environmental Control (SCDHEC) For TMP#80015-02-010 And TMP#80015-02-009 Currently Owned By The City Of Lake City And To Be Deeded To Florence County As Part Of The Lake City Park Project. Councilman Culberson seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

LIBRARY/PROCUREMENT

AWARD OF BID #14-11/12

Councilman Mumford made a motion Council Approve The Award Of Bid #14-11/12 For Asbestos Removal And Demolition Of Existing Structure At 419 S. Dargan Street To International Public Works, LLC, N. Charleston, SC, In The Amount Of \$19,975 To Be Funded From Previously Approved Funds. Councilman Anderson seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

DECLARATION OF SURPLUS PROPERTY

Councilman Anderson made a motion Council Declare Various Computer Equipment As Surplus Property And Authorize Disposal By Global Investment Recovery, Inc. In An Estimated Amount Of \$125 To Be Funded From Previously Budgeted Funds. Councilman Bradley seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

PROCUREMENT

DECLARATION OF SURPLUS PROPERTY

Councilman Culberson made a motion Council Declare Various Office Furniture As Surplus Property For Disposal In The Manner Most Advantageous To The County. Councilman Kirby seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

RFQ PANEL APPOINTMENT

Chairman Smith stated he would Serve On The Review Panel For RFQ #02-12/13 EMS And Fire Services Consulting Services.

SHERIFF'S OFFICE

CONTRACTUAL AGREEMENT – TOWN OF PAMPLICO

Councilman Anderson made a motion Council Approve A Contractual Agreement With The Town Of Pamplico To Provide Victim Services. Councilman Poston seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

TRANSFER POSITION

Councilman Anderson made a motion Council Approve The Request To Transfer The Process Manager Position From Sheriff's Office Grant Fund DSS Funds To The Sheriff's Office General Fund Departmental Budget As Requested By The Sheriff. Councilman Culberson seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

SHERIFF'S OFFICE/GRANTS

GRANT AWARD – US DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Councilman Anderson made a motion Council Accept A FY2012 USDOJ Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Grant (JAG) Program Local Solicitation In The Amount Of \$30,257 To Provide Capital/Replacement Equipment For The Florence County Sheriff's Office. Councilman Culberson seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

The following were Additions to the Agenda:

CITY OF FLORENCE

Councilman Bradley made a motion Council Approve The Expenditure Of Up To \$36,000 From Council District 3 Utility Funding Allocation To Assist The City Of Florence With The Installation Of Approximately 575 Linear Feet Of New 6" Water Line On Sumter Street From The Intersection Of North Cashua Drive. Councilman Anderson seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

CITY OF LAKE CITY/FLORENCE COUNTY MUSEUM

Councilman Anderson made a motion Council Approve The Expenditure Of Up To \$2,000 From Council District 1 Infrastructure Funding Allocation To Assist The City Of Lake City And The Florence County Museum With Moving A Historical Building From A Site In The City Of Lake City For Use By The Museum. Councilman Culberson seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

REVISED 2012 CALENDAR OF MEETING DATES AND HOLIDAYS

Councilman Culberson made a motion Council Approve The Revised 2012 Calendar Of Meeting Dates And Holidays To Change The Date Of The September Meeting (Which Is In Lake City) From September 20th To September 13th. Councilman Anderson seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Councilman Mumford made a motion Council Enter Executive Session, Pursuant To Section 30-4-70 Of The South Carolina Code Of Laws 1976, As Amended, To Discuss A Real Estate/Legal Matter And Personnel Matters. Councilman Kirby seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

Council entered executive session at 9:34 a.m. Council reconvened at 10:44 a.m.

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 10:44 A.M.