

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE FLORENCE COUNTY COUNCIL,  
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2012, 6:00 P.M., NATIONAL BEAN  
MARKET MUSEUM, 111 HENRY STREET, LAKE CITY, 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  
Suzanne S. King, Administrative Services Director  
D. Malloy McEachin, Jr., County Attorney  
Connie Y. Haselden, Clerk to Council

**ALSO PRESENT:**

Kevin V. Yokim, Finance Director  
Ryon Watkins, EMS Director  
Jonathan B. Graham, III, Planning Director  
Thomas F. Sullivan, Emergency Preparedness/Central Dispatch  
Ray McBride, Library Director  
Sheriff Kenney Boone  
Keith Lutcken, Lieutenant/Forensics 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 September 12, 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](http://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 and thanked the members of County Council for the foresight in providing a portion of the funding to preserve and enhance the National Bean Market Museum. He recognized Lake City Mayor Lovith Anderson, former Mayor and City Councilman Bill Sebnick and his wife, Lake City Councilmembers Gloria Tisdale and Jason Springs, Florence City Councilman Glynn Willis, Sheriff Boone and candidate for Coroner, Keith Lutcken.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Councilman Anderson made a motion Council Approve The Minutes Of The August 16, 2012 Regular Meeting Of County Council. Councilman Culberson seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS:**

There Were No Public Hearings Required Or Scheduled.

**APPEARANCES:**

**C.B. ANDERSON, DIRECTOR – PEE DEE AREA STAND DOWN**

Mr. Anderson Requested To Appear Before Council To Request \$2,500 Matching Funding For Its Annual Intervention Program For ‘Homeless Veterans.’ Mr. Anderson announced that due to donations/contributions from various individuals and organizations/agencies in the area, funding for the 2012 Stand Down event was covered and the organization would not request any additional funding from the City or the County for the 2012 event. Mr. Anderson provided Council with a summary of the 2011 event and provided Council with an update on the planned events for 2012. Members of Council commended Mr. Anderson and his organization for the wonderful job they do for our veterans.

**E.J. NEWBY, PRESIDENT – UNITED WAY OF FLORENCE COUNTY**

Mr. Newby And Les Echols Appeared Before Council To Promote Several New United Way Initiatives. Mr. Newby stated that the Johnson Controls Foundation provided a \$150,000 start-up grant for Project HOPE (Helping Our People Gain Employment) and Project 2-1-1, an emergency 24/7 call service for residents of Florence County. Mr. Echols presented Council with information on the projects.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

There were no Committee Reports.

**RESOLUTIONS/PROCLAMATIONS:**

**RESOLUTION NO. 06-2012/13**

The Chairman published the title of Resolution No. 06-2012/13: A Resolution Authorizing The Submission Of An Application By Florence County To The State Of South Carolina Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program. Councilman Anderson made a motion Council approve the Resolution as presented. Councilman Mumford seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

**RESOLUTION NO. 07-2012/13**

The Chairman published the title of Resolution No. 07-2012/13: A Resolution To Approve A Mutual Aid Agreement Requested By The Florence County Sheriff And Authorizing The County Administrator To Execute Said Agreement. Councilman Mumford made a motion Council approve the Resolution as presented. Councilman Anderson seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

**RESOLUTION NO. 08-2012/13**

The Chairman published the title of Resolution No. 08-2012/13: A Resolution To Approve An Inter-Agency Law Cooperation Agreement Requested By The Florence County Sheriff And Authorize The County Administrator To Execute Said Agreements. Councilman Culberson made a motion Council approve the Resolution as presented. Councilman Anderson seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

**RESOLUTION NO. 09-2012/13**

The Chairman published the title of Resolution No. 09-2012/13: A Resolution To Amend Section 4 Of Resolution No. 5-2009/10 In Order To Authorize The Inclusion Of An Additional Participant In The South Carolina Procurement Card Program, To Delete One Participant From The Program, And To Modify The Program In Order To Increase The Daily And Monthly Spending Limits For Three Existing Cardholders. Councilman Schofield made a motion Council approve the Resolution as presented. Councilman Poston seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

**RESOLUTION NO. 10-2012/13**

The Chairman published the title of Resolution No. 10-2012/13: A Resolution Authorizing The Addition Of Four (4) Vehicles To The County Fleet For The Florence County Sheriff's Office. Councilman Anderson made a motion Council approve the Resolution as presented. Councilman Schofield 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. 31-2011/12 – THIRD 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 RockTenn CP, LLC, And Other Matters Related Thereto. Councilman Culberson recused himself from voting on this issue. Councilman Mumford made a motion Council approve third reading of the Ordinance. Councilman Schofield seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously by the voting members. (Councilman Culberson did not vote; the Statement of Recusal is attached and incorporated by reference.)

### **ORDINANCE NO. 02-2012/13 – THIRD 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 third reading of the Ordinance. Councilman Culberson seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

### **ORDINANCE NO. 03-2012/13 – THIRD 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 third reading of the Ordinance. Councilman Culberson seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

### **ORDINANCE NO. 04-2012/13 – THIRD 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 127, 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 third reading of the Ordinance. Councilman Culberson seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

**ORDINANCE NO. 05-2012/13 – THIRD 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 Anderson made a motion Council approve third reading of the Ordinance. Councilman Mumford seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

**ORDINANCE NO. 06-2012/13 – THIRD 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 Anderson made a motion Council approve third reading of the Ordinance. Councilman Poston seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

**ORDINANCE NO. 07-2012/13 – THIRD 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 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~~ Otis 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. 32-2011/12 – SECOND READING**

The Clerk published the title of Ordinance No. 32-2011/12: 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. Councilman Bradley made a motion to amend the title and the Clerk published the title: An Ordinance To Zone Properties Inclusive Of All Of Unzoned Properties In Council District Three Bounded By Chase St., W. Lucas St., N. Cashua Dr. And W. Evans St., Florence, SC From Unzoned To The Following Zoning Designations Of R-3A, Single-Family Residential District, And RU-2, Rural Resource District, B-2, Convenience Business District, B-3, General Commercial District, B-5, Office And Light Industrial District, B-6, Industrial District; Consistent With The Land Use Element And Map Of The Florence County Comprehensive Plan; And Other Matters Related Thereto. Councilman Mumford seconded the motion to amend, which was approved unanimously. Councilman Bradley made a motion to approve second reading of the Ordinance as amended. Councilman Anderson seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

**ORDINANCE NO. 08-2012/13 – INTRODUCED**

The Clerk published the title and the Chairman declared Ordinance No. 08-2012/13 introduced: An Ordinance To Amend The Florence County Comprehensive Plan Land Use Map For Properties In Florence County Located On Pisgah Road, Enterprise Drive, Florence Park Drive, Mechanicsville Road, Prosperity Way, Otis Way, Success Way And Cecil Road, More Specifically Shown On Tax Map Numbers 00120, Block 1, Parcels 001-003, 022, 025, 034, 039-040, 052, 059, 061-063, 065, 073, 075, 077-082, 085-086, 088-090, 092-093; Florence County Tax Map No. 00145, Block 001, Parcels 076, 085-086, 089, 093, 095, 100, 103-104 To Industrial Growth And Preservation; And Other Matters Related Thereto.

**ORDINANCE NO. 09-2012/13 – INTRODUCED**

The Clerk published the title and the Chairman declared Ordinance No. 09-2012/13 introduced: An Ordinance To Amend The Text Of The Florence County Comprehensive Plan Land Use Element To Include Zoning Districts R-3A (Single-Family Residential District) And R-5A (Multi-Family Residential District) In Sections: Single And Multi-Family Residential, Commercial Sales And Service, Future Land Use Designations And Objectives And Zoning Districts Interpretations; And Other Matters Related Thereto.

**ORDINANCE NO. 10-2012/13 – INTRODUCED**

The Clerk published the title and the Chairman declared Ordinance No. 10-2012/13 introduced: An Ordinance To Amend The Florence County Code, Chapter 30, Zoning Ordinance, Section 30-1, Establishment Of Districts And Section 30-2, Purpose Of Districts To Include Zoning Districts R-3A (Single-Family Residential District) And R-5A (Multi-Family Residential District); And Other Matters Related Thereto.

## **APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS:**

### **HOWE SPRINGS FIRE DISTRICT BOARD OF FIRE CONTROL**

Council Unanimously Approved The Recommendation Of The Howe Springs Fire District Board And The Howe Springs Volunteer Fire Department To Appoint Jerry Yarborough, Jr. To Serve In Seat 4 On The Howe Springs Fire District Board Of Fire Control (To Replace Outgoing Board Member George Rhames) And Re-Appoint Billy Brown To Seat 5, With Appropriate Expiration Terms.

### **NATIONAL PILOT JOB TRAINING PROGRAM**

Chairman Smith appointed Kim Gardner as the designee to serve on the Department of Commerce National Pilot Job Training Program as the representative for Florence County through Pee Dee Regional Council of Governments.

## **REPORTS TO COUNCIL:**

### **PARKS & RECREATION**

#### **GREENWOOD ATHLETIC PARK**

Councilman Culberson made a motion Council Approve The Expenditure In An Amount Not To Exceed \$14,000 To Be Funded From Previously Allocated Bond Funds In Line Item 315-471-451-000-8607 To Replace HVAC Units In The Greenwood Athletic Park Concessions Building. Councilman Kirby seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

### **PARKS & RECREATION/GRANTS**

#### **GRANT AWARD**

Councilman Anderson made a motion Council Accept A Grant Award In The Amount Of \$3,000 From Waste Management For Plants And Other Materials To Create Rain Gardens At Lynches River County Park. Councilman Culberson seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously. Chairman Smith recognized Ms. Vickie Liebers with Waste Management and stated this was the second grant awarded to the Park from Waste Management for a total commitment of \$8,000.

## **PROCUREMENT**

### **DECLARATION OF SURPLUS PROPERTY**

Councilman Mumford made a motion Council Declare Surplus And Authorize The Sale Of A 2002 John Deere Gator 6x4, Serial #VG06X4X202547 To Florence County School District Two In The Amount Of \$750. Councilman Kirby seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

### **RFQ #02-12/13**

Councilman Mumford made a motion Council Approve RFQ #02-12/13 Panel Recommendation For EMS And Fire Consulting Services To Emergency Services Consulting International, Wilsonville, OR And Authorize The County Administrator To Negotiate And Execute A Contract With Said Company. Councilman Schofield seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously. Chairman Smith expressed appreciation to those involved in the process for their tireless efforts to facilitate the matter; Suzanne King - Administrative Services Director/Procurement, Ryon Watkins – EMS Director, and Sam Brockington – South Lynches Fire Chief. He stated initially EMS would be studied then all emergency services would be incorporated into the study. He stated he would like to provide a recommendation to Council at the October meeting if at all possible. The County was not looking for a quick fix but a long-term solution that the citizens could look back and appreciate the fact that Council had the foresight to address the issue and did so in the most economically feasible way possible and acted in the best interest of the people.

### **SHERIFF'S OFFICE/PROCUREMENT**

#### **DECLARATION OF SURPLUS PROPERTY**

Councilman Culberson made a motion Council Declare One (1) Glock 36 Handgun, Serial Number PEF143 And One (1) Remington 870 Handgun, Serial Number T223134V As Surplus Property For The Purpose Of Awarding To A Retiring Employee. Councilman Anderson seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

### **OTHER BUSINESS:**

#### **INFRASTRUCTURE**

##### **FLORENCE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE**

Councilman Kirby made a motion Council Approve The Expenditure Of Up To \$1,600 From Council District 4 Infrastructure Funding Allocation To Purchase Two (2) Redman Equipment Bags And XP Accessory Packs For The Florence County Sheriff's Office. Councilman Anderson seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

##### **SPAULDING HEIGHTS COMMUNITY PARK**

Councilman Mumford made a motion Council Approve The Expenditure Of Up To \$650 From Council District 7 Infrastructure Funding Allocation To Install Cabinets In The Warming Area At Spaulding Heights Community Park. Councilman Anderson seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

##### **SPAULDING HEIGHTS COMMUNITY PARK**

Councilman Mumford made a motion Council Approve The Expenditure Of Up To \$1,000 From Council District 7 Infrastructure Funding Allocation For Improvements To The Pond At Spaulding Heights Community Park. Councilman Kirby seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

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

### **MCLAURIN DRIVE**

Councilman Anderson made a motion Council Approve The Expenditure Of Up To \$7,560 From Council District 9 RSMF Funding Allocation To Pay For Additional Crushed Asphalt For McLaurin Drive. Councilman Mumford seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

## **UTILITY**

### **CITY OF FLORENCE**

Councilman Culberson made a motion Council Approve The Expenditure Of Up To \$24,007 From Council District 6 Utility Funding Allocation To Assist The City Of Florence With The Extension Of Water Service Along N. Emma Lane. Councilman Kirby seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

**The following were Additions to the Agenda:**

### **LAKE CITY PARK PROJECT**

Councilman Culberson made a motion Council Approve The Agreement With Fuss And O'Neill For Environmental Consulting Services Related To The Lake City Park Project In The Amount Of \$49,564 To Be Funded From Grant Funding For The Project. Councilman Anderson seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

### **GRANT AWARD – MCCALL FARMS, INC.**

Councilman Anderson made a motion Council Accept Grant Award #C-12-2125 In The Amount Of \$500,000 From The South Carolina Coordinating Council For Economic Development Under The Governor's Closing Grant Program For Costs Associated With The McCall Farms, Inc. Road Improvement Project. Councilman Culberson seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

### **GRANT AWARD – W. LEE FLOWERS AND COMPANY, INC.**

Councilman Culberson made a motion Council Accept Grant Award #C-12-2012 In The Amount Of \$100,000 From The South Carolina Coordinating Council For Economic Development Under The Governor's Closing Grant Program For Costs Associated With W. Lee Flowers And Company, Inc.'s Facility Expansion Project. Councilman Anderson seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

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

**COUNCIL MEETING ADJOURNED AT 6:55 P.M.**