

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE FLORENCE COUNTY COUNCIL,
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2013, 5:00 P.M., NATIONAL BEAN
MARKET MUSEUM, 111 HENRY STREET, LAKE CITY, SOUTH
CAROLINA**

PRESENT:

James T. Schofield, Chairman
Alphonso Bradley, Vice Chairman
Waymon Mumford, Secretary-Chaplain
Mitchell Kirby, Council Member
Russell W. Culberson, Council Member
Roger M. Poston, Council Member
Kent C. Caudle, Council Member
Willard Dorriety, Jr., Council Member
Jason M. Springs, Council Member
K. G. Rusty Smith, Jr., 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
Jonathan B. Graham, III, Planning Director
Sam Brockington, Fire/Rescue Services Coordinator
Lindsay Buchanan, Morning News
Ken Baker, WMBF News

A notice of the regular meeting of the Florence County Council appeared in the September 18, 2013 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, posted in the lobby of the City-County Complex and the National Bean Market Museum, provided for posting at the Doctors Bruce and Lee Foundation Public Library, all branch libraries, and on the County's website (www.florenceco.org).

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Councilman Caudle made a motion Council Approve The Minutes Of The August 22, 2013 Regular Meeting And The September 6, 2013 Emergency Meeting Of County Council. Councilman Springs seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

The Clerk Published The Titles And Chairman Schofield Opened The Public Hearings For The Following:

RESOLUTION NO. 09-2013/14

A Resolution Authorizing The Cessation Of Maintenance On And Abandonment And Closure Of A Portion Of E. Old Middle Road Located In The Timmons ville Area.

RESOLUTION NO. 10-2013/14

A Resolution Authorizing The Cessation Of Maintenance On And Abandonment And Closure Of A Portion Of Horseshoe Branch Road Located In The Timmons ville Area.

RESOLUTION NO. 11-2013/14

A Resolution Authorizing The Cessation Of Maintenance On And Abandonment And Closure Of A Portion Of Young Road Located In The Timmons ville Area.

ORDINANCE NO. 07-2013/14

An Ordinance To Amend The Florence County Comprehensive Plan Land Use Map For Properties In Florence County Located At 114, 202, 204, 206, 208, 210, 212, 214, 216, 218, 220, 308 E. Carolyn Avenue And 316, 318, 322, 326, 328, 330 E. Grace Drive, Florence, More Specifically Shown On Tax Map Numbers 90095, Block 01, Parcels 017, 030, 032-041, And Tax Map Numbers 90095, Block 02, Parcels 001-006, From Commercial Growth And Preservation To Suburban Development; And Other Matters Related Thereto.

ORDINANCE NO. 08-2013/14

An Ordinance To Amend Florence County Code, Chapter 5, Ambulance Services, In Its Entirety To Establish Procedures Relating To Private Ambulance Services And Other Matters Relating Thereto.

ORDINANCE NO. 09-2013/14

An Ordinance To Amend Section 10d Of Ordinance No. 01-2013/14 In Order To Increase Two Coroner Fees And To Add One Additional Coroner Fee And Other Matters Related Thereto.

APPEARANCES:

There Were No Appearances Requested, Scheduled Or Held.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

ADMINISTRATION & FINANCE

Chairman Schofield stated that he had no report until he received information that afternoon concerning an Order issued by the Supreme Court of South Carolina. He read the following:

“Petitioners ask the Court to hear this action for declaratory relief in its original jurisdiction. They seek a declaration that the referendum and sales and use tax proposed by The Florence County Council under the Capital Project Sales Tax Act are invalid. They also seek an injunction of the referendum. In addition, petitioners have filed a separate motion for a temporary injunction. Respondents have filed returns opposing the requests.

The request for a temporary injunction is denied. We grant the petition for original jurisdiction, dispense with the requirement of an answer to the complaint, and expedite this matter.

Petitioners’ brief shall be served and filed by noon on September 23, 2013. Respondents’ brief shall be served and filed by noon September 26, 2013. Any reply brief must be served and filed by noon on September 30, 2013. No extensions shall be granted. Oral argument shall be held in this matter at 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday, October 1, 2013.”

Chairman Schofield stated, “Signed by four members of the Supreme Court and one Justice added, ‘I would deny both the petition for original jurisdiction and the motion for a temporary injunction.’ So the situation with the capital sales tax is still alive at this point in time and Council will fully defend the right of the people of Florence County to vote in a referendum and vigorously present that case to the Supreme Court on October the 1st.”

JUSTICE & PUBLIC SAFETY

Committee Chairman Mumford stated he didn’t have a report, but Committee member Jason Springs had a comment he would like to make concerning litter in Lake City. Councilman Springs stated, “As a result of a meeting we had a little over a month ago with the Mayor of Lake City, myself and our Administrator, we met over at the City of Refuge Church on Eugene Street to work on efforts to revitalize that area. Specific areas they looked at were zoning issues and the litter problem in that area. As a result, our Planning Department with Jay Graham, they’ve done a great job and have already initiated some actions in that area. But specifically what I wanted to speak to this morning was Herbie Christmas and the Environmental Services group went out the following Saturday and, in the course of a morning’s time, they picked up 1,600 pounds of trash from the streets of Eugene, Ray, Teal, Davis, Cecil and Dalton. So we are making some strides in that area to try to enhance that area and to get it where the citizens think it should be and we’ll continue working on that.”

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

The following individuals signed to speak with regard to Resolution Nos. 09, 10, and 11-2013/14:

- Lynn Young – spoke in favor of the proposed closing of the three roads
- Greg Hendrick – spoke in favor of the proposed closing of the three roads
- Coit Yarborough – spoke in favor of the proposed closing of the three roads
- Paul Joerger – spoke in favor of the proposed closing of the three roads

There being no additional signatures on the sign-in sheet, the Chairman closed the Public hearings.

RESOLUTIONS/PROCLAMATIONS:

RESOLUTION NO. 30-2012/13

The Chairman stated Council was asked to defer Resolution No. 30-2012/13: A Resolution In Support Of The Issuance By The South Carolina Jobs – Economic Development Authority Of Its Economic Development Refunding Revenue Bonds (FMU Student Housing, LLC – Francis Marion University Project) Series 2013 In One Or More Series And In An Aggregate Principal Amount Not To Exceed \$14,085,000 Pursuant To The Provisions Of Title 41, Chapter 43, Code Of Laws Of South Carolina 1976, As Amended. County Administrator K. G. Rusty Smith, Jr. asked that Council move this item to the Inactive Agenda until the parties involved were ready to move forward. Councilman Springs made a motion to move the item to the Inactive Agenda. Councilman Mumford seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

RESOLUTION NO. 09-2013/14

The Clerk published the title of Resolution No. 09-2013/14: A Resolution Authorizing The Cessation Of Maintenance On And Abandonment And Closure Of A Portion Of E. Old Middle Road Located In The Timmonsville Area. Councilman Kirby stated that, for the purpose of discussion, he would make a motion to accept the Resolution. Councilman Mumford seconded the motion for discussion. Councilman Kirby stated road closings always had opposition on both sides and he had friends on both sides of the issue and Council had only heard one side of the issue. Councilmen Kirby and Mumford agreed for additional citizens to speak with regard to the road closings; there were no objections voiced by Council.

- Helen Morris spoke against the proposed closing of the roads

Councilmen Dorriety and Kirby agreed for additional citizens to speak, there were no objections voiced by Council.

- Cynthia Hyman spoke against the proposed closing of the roads
- Mitchell Powers spoke against the proposed closing of the roads

Chairman Schofield called for the question. Councilman Mumford stated that based on the comments from Mr. Joerger earlier in the meeting that he was unaware of until that point, since the South Carolina Retirement System (SCRS) was an investor in the project and since Councilman Mumford was a recipient of the SCRS and drawing benefits, and to ensure he did the right thing, he would abstain from voting on this issue. Councilman Dorriety stated that as a property owner/farmer in the area, legal counsel advised him that it would be best for him to abstain from voting on this issue to avoid the appearance of any impropriety. Adoption of the Resolution failed with a zero (0) to seven (7) vote. Two (2) members abstained (Councilmen Mumford and Dorriety).

RESOLUTION NO. 10-2013/14

The Clerk published the title of Resolution No. 10-2013/14: A Resolution Authorizing The Cessation Of Maintenance On And Abandonment And Closure Of A Portion Of Horseshoe Branch Road Located In The Timmonsville Area. Councilman Caudle made a motion Council Approve the Resolution as presented. Councilman Springs seconded the motion. Adoption of the Resolution failed with a zero (0) to seven (7) vote. Two (2) members abstained (Councilmen Mumford and Dorriety).

RESOLUTION NO. 11-2013/14

The Clerk published the title of Resolution No. 11-2013/14: A Resolution Authorizing The Cessation Of Maintenance On And Abandonment And Closure Of A Portion Of Young Road Located In The Timmonsville Area. Councilman Caudle made a motion Council Approve the Resolution as presented. Councilman Springs seconded the motion. Adoption of the Resolution failed with a zero (0) to seven (7) vote. Two (2) members abstained (Councilmen Mumford and Dorriety).

RESOLUTION NO. 12-2013/14

The Clerk published the title of Resolution No. 12-2013/14: A Resolution Opposing Any Legislation That Seeks To Increase Truck Size Or Weight Beyond Capacity Of Our Road Systems And Putting South Carolina Highways, Roads And Bridges At Risk Of Increased Damage Or Deterioration. Councilman Mumford made a motion Council approve the Resolution as presented. Councilman Springs seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

ORDINANCES IN POSITION:

ORDINANCE NO. 02-2013/14 – THIRD READING

The Clerk published the title of Ordinance No. 02-2013/14: An Ordinance To Rezone Property Owned By Myiona L. Driggers Located At 1819 Bozy Road, Scranton, As Shown On Florence County Tax Map No. 01942, Block 31, Parcel 055; Consisting Of Approximately 0.739 Acres From R-1, Single-Family Residential District To B-3, General Commercial District; And Other Matters Related Thereto. Councilman Springs made a motion Council approve third reading of the Ordinance. Councilman Caudle seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

ORDINANCE NO. 03-2013/14 – THIRD READING

The Clerk published the title of Ordinance No. 03-2013/14: An Ordinance To Rezone Property On Behalf Of Robert H. Powell, Executor, Estate Of Gregg Located At E. Ashby Road, Quinby, As Shown On Florence County Tax Map No. 00175, Block 01, Parcel 212; Consisting Of Approximately 2.199 Acres From RU-1, Rural Community District To B-3, General Commercial District; And Other Matters Related Thereto. Councilman Mumford made a motion Council approve third reading of the Ordinance. Councilman Caudle seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

ORDINANCE NO. 05-2013/14 – THIRD READING

The Clerk published the title of Ordinance No. 05-2013/14: An Ordinance To Provide For The Creation Of Advisory Committees To The Fire/Rescue Services Coordinator; And Other Matters Related Thereto. Councilman Springs made a motion Council approve third reading of the Ordinance. Councilman Dorriety seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

ORDINANCE NO. 06-2013/14 – THIRD READING

The Clerk published the title of Ordinance No. 06-2013/14: An Ordinance To Amend Ordinance No. 01-2013/14 In Order To Provide Additional Operating Funding For The Hannah-Salem-Friendfield Rural Fire 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. 07-2013/14 – SECOND READING

The Clerk published the title of Ordinance No. 07-2013/14: An Ordinance To Amend The Florence County Comprehensive Plan Land Use Map For Properties In Florence County Located At 114, 202, 204, 206, 208, 210, 212, 214, 216, 218, 220, 308 E. Carolyn Avenue And 316, 318, 322, 326, 328, 330 E. Grace Drive, Florence, More Specifically Shown On Tax Map Numbers 90095, Block 01, Parcels 017, 030, 032-041, And Tax Map Numbers 90095, Block 02, Parcels 001-006, From Commercial Growth And Preservation To Suburban Development; And Other Matters Related Thereto. Councilman Dorriety made a motion Council approve second reading of the Ordinance. Councilman Culberson seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

ORDINANCE NO. 08-2013/14 – SECOND READING

The Clerk published the title of Ordinance No. 08-2013/14: An Ordinance To Amend Florence County Code, Chapter 5, Ambulance Services, In Its Entirety To Establish Procedures Relating To Private Ambulance Services And Other Matters Relating Thereto. Councilman Caudle made a motion Council approve second reading of the Ordinance. Councilman Springs seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

ORDINANCE NO. 09-2013/14 – SECOND READING

The Clerk published the title of Ordinance No. 09-2013/14: An Ordinance To Amend Section 10d Of Ordinance No. 01-2013/14 In Order To Increase Two Coroner Fees And To Add One Additional Coroner Fee And Other Matters Related Thereto. Councilman Mumford made a motion to approve second reading of the Ordinance. Councilman Springs seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

ORDINANCE NO. 10-2013/14 – INTRODUCED BY TITLE ONLY

The Clerk published the title of Ordinance No. 10-2013/14 and the Chairman declared the Ordinance introduced by title only: An Ordinance Authorizing The Taking Of Certain Actions And The Execution And Delivery Of Certain Documents With Respect To The \$46,770,000 Outstanding Principal Amount Hospital Revenue Bonds, Series 2010B (McLeod Regional Medical Center Project) Of Florence County, South Carolina, Relative To The Conversion Of Said Bonds To A Bank Held Mode; And Other Matters Relating Thereto.

ORDINANCE NO. 11-2013/14 – INTRODUCED

The Clerk published the title of Ordinance No. 11-2013/14 and the Chairman declared the Ordinance introduced: An Ordinance To Rezone Properties On Behalf Of Mary B. Cunningham Kennedy & Ronnie Kennedy, James R. Kelly & Karen E. Kelly, Clebe G. Eaddy & Debbie C. Eaddy Located At 222 And 308 East Carolyn Avenue And 318, 322, 326, 328, 330 East Grace Drive, Florence County, As Shown On Florence County Tax Map No. 90095, Block 01, Parcels 017 And 020 And 90095, Block 02, Parcels 001-005; Consisting Of Approximately 3.45 Acres From B-3, General Commercial District To R-3, Single-Family Residential District; And Other Matters Related Thereto.

APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS:

SENIOR CENTER COMMISSION

Council Unanimously Approved The Appointment Of Reverend Jerry L. Gadsen To Serve On The Senior Center Commission, Representing Council District 1, With Appropriate Expiration Term.

FINANCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE TO THE FIRE/RESCUE SERVICES COORDINATOR

Council Unanimously Approved The Appointments Of The Following Individuals To Serve On The Finance Advisory Committee To The Fire/Rescue Services Coordinator, With Appropriate Expiration Terms:

- 1) Vernon M. Tanner Representing the Johnsonville Fire District,
- 2) Calvin L. Austin Representing the West Florence Fire Department,
- 3) Jerry Yarborough Representing the Howe Springs Fire District,
- 4) Don Goldman Representing the Olanta Rural Fire Department,
- 5) Earl Copeland Representing the Sardis-Timmonsville Rural Fire Department,
- 6) Rev. Lanney E. Ard Representing the Hannah-Salem-Friendfield Fire District, and
- 7) Mitch B. Weatherford Representing the Windy Hill Volunteer Fire Company.

OPERATIONS ADVISORY COMMITTEE TO THE FIRE/RESCUE SERVICES COORDINATOR

Chairman Schofield, at the request of Fire/Rescue Services Coordinator Sam Brockington, confirmed the following appointments to the Operations Advisory Committee to the Fire/Rescue Services Coordinator:

- 1) Chief John DeLung, Windy Hill Volunteer Fire Company
- 2) Chief Larue Hendrix, West Florence Fire Department
- 3) Chief Will Ward, Sardis Timmonsville Fire Department
- 4) Chief Billy Dillon, Howe Springs Fire Department
- 5) Chief Jimmy Coker, Olanta Fire Department
- 6) Chief Kerry Tanner, Johnsonville Fire Department
- 7) Chief Monty Tedder, Hannah-Salem-Friendfield Fire Department

REPORTS TO COUNCIL:

ADMINISTRATION

FLORENCE FORWARD PROJECT UPDATE

Mr. Smith stated Chris Gossett with SC DOT, Project Manager for the Florence Forward Project would provide the update on the \$430 million dollar project. Mr. Smith commended Mr. Gossett for the outstanding job he was doing managing the project. Mr. Gossett stated that the last time he appeared before Council, there were a lot of road blocks hindering the program, but he was happy to inform Council that some of the hurdles had been overcome. Mainly the mitigation site, a 600+ acre site just outside of Timmonsville on the Lynches River, had been approved by the Corps of Engineers with a nationwide 24/7 permit. That would provide mitigation and wetland stream impact mitigation for all projects in the Florence County sales tax program. He was hoping to have a copy of the Corps permit for the Hwy. 378 project tonight, however that had not come in prior to the meeting. DHEC issued the water quality certification and the Corps was working on the 404 Permit. The SCDOT had a schedule set up that within six weeks of receiving the permit, bids would be received for the construction of the first two sections of Hwy. 378. A month after that, as long as the Corps issued the permit for US76 from I95 to Timmonsville, bids would be received for that project. Following those two projects would be TV Road. Over the next three months those three projects should be let. The SC51/Pamplico Highway project was in right-of-way acquisition phase with priority being section one (the first 4 ½ miles closest to Florence). They anticipate this project being let in four contracts due to the length of the roadway to be widened. The surveys were completed on the Alligator Road widening and initial environmental studies were begun, but that project was currently not fully funded so it would be dependent upon the bids on the first three projects still pending.

Chairman Schofield stated that was welcome news to Council and the citizens that by early 2014 three of the projects should be underway. The funding was in place at the projected cost of the projects. The only project that was questionable as to sufficient funding was the Alligator Road project and last August, Senator Leatherman announced that he obtained an additional \$90 million to complete all the projects, but that has not come through yet. He stated he wanted to point out that come September 30th, the citizens of Florence County would have paid into the DOT over \$125 million towards the projects. The required match for Florence County would be satisfied, beginning October 1st of this year and it was anticipated the County would actually raise approximately \$143 to \$144 million. Chairman Schofield stated there was always a good side and a bad side to everything and the good side to the 2006 Capital Project Sales Tax was that the money was collected, it's in the bank earning interest and over \$8 million interest was raised during the waiting period, which was projected to push the amount collected for the projects over \$150 million.

The Chairman declared a short five minute break at 6:01.

Council reconvened at 6:06.

ADMINISTRATION/PROCUREMENT

AWARD BID NO. 03-13/14

Councilman Caudle made a motion Council Award Bid No. 03-13/14 For The Construction Of The Lake City Public Works Building To All Quality Construction Co., LLC Of Lake City, SC In The Amount Of \$656,500 To Be Funded By The City Of Lake City And The Drs. Bruce And Lee Foundation Grant Funds As Part Of The Lake City Park Project. Councilman Springs seconded the motion. Mr. Smith stated for the record that the contract would be issued for the \$656,500 and there would be a negotiated reduction of scope of \$202,000 that would leave \$454,000 and funding was in place to handle that amount. The Motion was approved unanimously.

AWARD BID NO. 04-13/14

Councilman Caudle made a motion Council Award Bid No. 04-13/14 For The Construction Of A Turning Lane On McLaughlin Road And Hwy. 52 To Kirven Construction Of Darlington, SC In The Amount Of \$115,290. Councilman Springs seconded the motion. Mr. Smith stated for the record that a reduction had been negotiated to \$103,250 and funding was allocated and in position. The Motion was approved unanimously.

EMS/FINANCE

EMS UPDATE

Mr. Smith stated that per the Chairman's request, EMS Director Ryon Watkins And Finance Director Kevin Yokim Would Provide A Brief Update Regarding The EMS Department's Efforts To Recruit And Retain Personnel, Upcoming Staffing Adjustments, And The Potential Reduction In Overtime Expenditures As A Result Of The Changes. Mr. Watkins stated that between December 2011 and June 2012, fifteen full-time employees separated from Florence County through resignations and retirement. At that time, there were 54 full-time positions in the department which equated to a 28% turnover rate during a seven month period of time. There was also a state-wide shortage of paramedics at that time and the County was unable to recruit a significant number of qualified paramedics to fill the vacancies. At that time, the County only had three shifts to provide 24-hour coverage. Under that schedule, employees worked an average of 57 hours per week, not including unscheduled overtime. It was common for employees to work as many as 48 consecutive hours and in some cases 60 out of 72 hours. It was not uncommon for some employees to work 150+ hours in a two-week pay period. There were many concerns regarding this schedule. Paramount among the concerns was the safety of the employees (fatigue, burn-out, substantial overtime expenditures) and patients. He stated he was very proud of the employees that continued to work with the County during stressful and challenging times. He was appreciative of the sacrifices they made to ensure Florence County EMS still functioned to provide the needed services for its citizens around the clock. He expressed appreciation to Council for its commitment and willingness to make difficult decisions. Recruitment and retention efforts improved greatly in the last 90 days. EMS was very close to being full-staffed. Since the first of August, 14 full-time employees were hired, 8 of whom were Paramedics. Employees

were no longer working 48 consecutive hours but an average of approximately 49 hours per week, including built-in overtime. Employee morale improved tremendously. Each ambulance was staffed with at least one paramedic. The County was also experiencing a decrease in the time a unit was re-located out of its district, resulting in a reduction in fuel cost as well as less wear and tear on the vehicles. He commended County Council and the Administrator for making the delivery of emergency medical services a priority. Finance Director Kevin Yokim reported that he ran a printout of the employees in the EMS department and there were many employees who ran over the budgeted 800 hours of overtime, with some working as many as 1,500 hours of overtime. The estimated savings under the new schedule, just in overtime, was probably in excess of \$110,000. Councilman Dorriety commended Mr. Watkins for his diligence. Councilman Springs stated as the representative for District 1, his concern was that a second medic truck be located in Lake City. Taxes were raised a significant amount on the citizens and one of the goals was to improve response time by having an increased number of assets on the street and by strategically locating the units. Mr. Watkins stated he would like the opportunity to meet with Councilman Springs to discuss this in greater detail. Councilman Mumford asked if once the four shifts were in place, would that mean employees would be moving toward 12-hour shifts. Mr. Watkins responded that there were some 12-hour shifts in place now. The hiring of 8 individuals provided the means to put two 12-hour ambulances on the road every day. The fourth shift arrangement, those folks still worked 24-hour shifts, but at the will of Council, those could transition to the 12-hour shifts. Councilman Mumford stated that was what he would like to see to reduce fatigue of the employees working a full 24-hour shift. Councilman Schofield stated it was good to hear that the ambulances stayed in their respective districts more frequently so that the entire County was provided better coverage.

FINANCE

CITY OF FLORENCE

Councilman Culberson made a motion Council Re-Approve Funding For The City Of Florence In The Amount Of \$64,546 From Council District Allocations For Five Projects That Were Originally Approved By Council Over One Year Ago As Follows: Council District 3 Infrastructure Funding Allocation Up To \$5,000, Council District 4 Infrastructure Allocation Up To \$20,473, Council District 6 Utility Funding Allocation Up To \$6,000, Council District 7 Utility Funding Allocation Up To \$14,500, And Council District 5 Utility Funding Allocation Up To \$18,573. Councilman Caudle seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

PARKS & RECREATION/PROCUREMENT

AWARD BID NO. 07-13/14

Councilman Kirby made a motion Council Award Bid No. 07-13/14 For Seven (7) Tour Trips To The Low Bidder For Each Individual Trip To Be Funded By The Participants If The Minimum Participation Numbers Are Met. Councilman Mumford seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

AWARD BID NO. 09-13/14

Councilman Bradley made a motion Council Award Bid No. 09-13/14 For Three (3) Tour Trips To The Low Bidder For Each Individual Trip To Be Funded By The Participants If The Minimum Participation Numbers Are Met. Councilman Dorriety seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

PROCUREMENT

DECLARATION OF SURPLUS PROPERTY

Councilman Mumford made a motion Council Declare Five (5) Vehicles, Two (2) Trucks, One (1) Grader And Two (2) Mowers As Surplus Property For Disposal Through Public Internet Auction Via GovDeals. Councilman Caudle seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

PUBLIC WORKS/PROCUREMENT

AWARD BID NO. 10-13/14

Councilman Mumford made a motion Council Award Bid No. 10-13/14 For The Resurfacing Of W. Black Creek Road From S-26 (TV Road) To S-1134 To Boggs Paving, Inc., Monroe, NC In The Amount Of \$55,877.50. Councilman Bradley seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously. Mr. Smith stated the persistence of Mr. Bradley and Mr. Mumford made this happen and that the original allotted funds were \$184,800 and the County was able to save \$128,000 on this project.

OTHER BUSINESS:

INFRASTRUCTURE

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 Assist The Florence County Sheriff's Office With Purchasing Equipment To Upfit A Vehicle To Be Used For Forensics. Councilman Mumford seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

TOWN OF OLANTA

Councilman Springs made a motion Council Approve The Expenditure Of Up To \$8,000 From Council District 5 Infrastructure Funding Allocation To Assist The Town Of Olanta With Re-Roofing And Painting The Town Hall And Museum. Councilman Caudle seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

CITY OF FLORENCE

Councilman Mumford made a motion Council Approve The Expenditure Of Up To \$2,400 From Council Districts 3 and 7 Infrastructure Funding Allocations (Approximately \$1,200 From Each District) To Assist The City Of Florence with The Demolition Of An Unsafe, Dilapidated Structure At 407 Jeffords Street, Florence, SC. Councilman Bradley seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

WEED AND SEED

Councilman Bradley made a motion Council Approve The Expenditure Of Up To \$5,000 From Council Districts 3 And 7 Infrastructure Funding Allocations (Approximately \$2,500 From Each District) To Assist The Weed And Seed With The Purchase Of Capital Equipment. Councilman Mumford seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

FLORENCE PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT ONE

Councilman Bradley made a motion Council Approve The Expenditure Of Up To \$10,000 From Council Districts 3, 4, and 7 Infrastructure Funding Allocations (Approximately \$3,334 From Each District) To Assist Florence Public School District One With The Purchase And Installation Of A Permanent Historical Marker On The Campus Of Alfred Rush Academy Commemorating The Name And History Of Representative Alfred E. Rush. Councilman Mumford seconded the motion, which was approved with a 7 (seven) to 2 (two) vote. Voting in the affirmative were Chairman Schofield, Councilmen Culberson, Poston, Kirby, Bradley, Mumford and Springs. Voting ‘No’ were Councilmen Caudle and Dorriety.

ROAD SYSTEM MAINTENANCE FEE (RSMF)

ATHENS STREET

Councilman Bradley made a motion Council Approve The Expenditure Of Up To \$45,595 From Council District 3 RSMF Funding Allocation To Pay For 6” Reclamation, 40 PSI SY Cement And 1 ½” Surface On Athens Street. Councilman Mumford seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

FRASER STREET

Councilman Bradley made a motion Council Approve The Expenditure Of Up To \$16,698 From Council District 3 RSMF Funding Allocation To Pay For Resurfacing Type C Asphalt 1 ½” Surface For Fraser Street. Councilman Mumford seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

SIERRA STREET

Councilman Bradley made a motion Council Approve The Expenditure Of Up To \$41,002.50 From Council District 3 RSMF Funding Allocation To Pay For Resurfacing Type C Asphalt 1 ½” Surface For Sierra Street. Councilman Mumford seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

CLAYTON COURT

Councilman Caudle made a motion Council Approve The Expenditure Of Up To \$300 From Council District 5 RSMF Funding Allocation To Pay For Hot Asphalt To Be Used For Repairs On Clayton Court. Councilman Springs seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

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

COUNCIL MEETING ADJOURNED AT 6:26 P.M.