



**MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
FAIRFIELD COUNTY COUNCIL
MARCH 27, 2017**

Present: Billy Smith, Neil Robinson, Jimmy Ray Douglas, Dan W. Ruff, Mikel Trapp, Council Members; Jason Taylor, County Administrator; Davis Anderson, Deputy County Administrator; Jack James, County Attorney; Patti Locklair, Clerk to Council.

Absent: Vice Chair Bertha Goins.

In accordance with the South Carolina Code of Laws, 1976, Section 30-4-80 (e), as amended, the following persons and/or organizations have been notified of the time, date and location of this meeting: The Independent Voice of Blythewood and Fairfield, The Country Chronicle, and one hundred twenty seven other individuals.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Smith called the Regular Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

It was moved by Council Member Trapp and seconded by Council Member Ruff to approve the agenda. ***The motion carried unanimously 5-0.***

3. INVOCATION

Council Member Trapp led the invocation.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was moved by Council Member Trapp and seconded by Council Member Ruff to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of March 13, 2017. ***The motion carried unanimously 5-0.***

5. PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS

None.

6. 1ST PUBLIC COMMENT (3 MINUTES): INPUT MUST PERTAIN TO ITEMS ON THE AGENDA, FOR WHICH NO PUBLIC HEARING IS REQUIRED OR HAS BEEN SCHEDULED. THE TOTAL TIME ALLOCATED TO THIS PUBLIC COMMENT SEGMENT IS 30 MINUTES.

- Randy Bright - Boards and Commissions

7. PUBLIC HEARING

None.

8. ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS AND ORDERS

A. Third and Final Reading: Ordinance No. 675 – An Ordinance to Amend The Fairfield County Land Management Ordinance (No. 599), To Provide For The Zoning Reclassification From RD-1 (Rural Residential District) to I-1 (Industrial District) For Four Parcels: Tax Map Numbers: 148-00-00-011, 148-00-00-012, 148-00-00-013 and 167-00-03-001 Located Near Intersection Of U.S. Highway 34 And U.S. Interstate 77, Winnsboro, SC. It was moved by Council Member

Ruff and seconded by Council Member Douglas to approve the Third and Final Reading of Ordinance No. 675. ***The motion carried unanimously 5-0.***

- B. Third and Final Reading: Ordinance No. 676** – An Ordinance To Amend Ordinance No. 402 To Increase The Terms Of Office On The Fairfield County Library Board From Three (3) Year Terms To Four (4) Year Terms Pursuant To S.C. Code Ann. 4-9-35(b). It was moved by Council Member Robinson and seconded by Council Member Douglas to approve the Third and Final Reading of Ordinance No. 676. ***The motion carried unanimously 5-0.***

9. BOARD AND COMMISSION MINUTES

Chamber of Commerce and Disabilities and Special Needs Board: It was moved by Council Member Robinson and seconded by Council Member Trapp to accept the minutes from the Chamber of Commerce and Disabilities and Special Needs Board. ***The motion carried unanimously 5-0.***

10. BOARD AND COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS

Disabilities and Special Needs Board - Appointment of Edwinda Goodman. It was moved by Council Member Ruff and seconded by Council Member Douglas to approve the appointment of Edwinda Goodman to the Board of Disabilities representing District 6. ***The motion carried 5-0.***

11. OLD BUSINESS

None.

12. NEW BUSINESS

None.

13. COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

A. Midlands Fatherhood Coalition: Mr. Rudolph Walker gave a report on the Midlands Fatherhood Coalition. With Mr. Walker were Mr. Michael Burnside and Mr. Damon Sanders who spoke on the success of the program and the impact on their own lives. Mr. Walker also introduced Mr. Cameron Pearson who was recently hired as outreach coordinator. Council Member Ruff thanked Mr. Walker for his contributions to this program. He has enjoyed his presentations in the past with examples of lives being changed. Council Member Robinson commented that he feels Mr. Walker is doing a great job and we should get the word out better about the program. Per Mr. Walker, there are some billboards around and the program has been ongoing for 20 years now. Chairman Smith expressed his appreciation for Mr. Walker coming and sharing the information with the Council.

B. E-911 Upgrade: Ms. Phyllis Watkins, Emergency Management Director, gave a report on the upgrade of the E-911 system. As of the end of January, the dispatchers have become certified emergency medical dispatchers. Ms. Watkins distributed the tablet that is now being used for incoming calls which gives pre-arrival instructions. Council Member Robinson asked Ms. Watkins to elaborate on the 911 text. Per Ms. Watkins, 911 is now able to accept texting; however, if a person is able to call, he or she should call. She indicated a lot of information would have to be given with the texting feature, but if an individual cannot speak, this is a good option. Chairman Smith asked about the geolocation. Ms. Watkins replied that if a call is made from a cell phone, the system will give a

cell site location but not the physical location. Chairman Smith expressed his appreciation for Ms. Watkins presenting this information to Council and he expects this will make a very big difference in the service of the department for the citizens.

14. CLERK TO COUNCIL'S REPORT

None.

15. 2ND PUBLIC COMMENT (3 MINUTES): INPUT WILL BE FOR ITEMS NOT CURRENTLY ON COUNCIL'S AGENDA OR UNDER COUNCIL'S CONSIDERATION. THE SUBJECT MATTER SHALL BE RELATED TO AND LIMITED TO ITEMS, ISSUES AND TOPICS REGARDING FAIRFIELD COUNTY. THE TOTAL TIME ALLOCATED TO THIS PUBLIC COMMENT SEGMENT IS 30 MINUTES.

- Doris Macomson - Animal rights
- Jeff Shaffer - Past issues (memorial stone)
- Irene Mattox - Past issues (memorial stone)
- Randy Bright - Pass the hat

16. COUNTY COUNCIL TIME

Douglas: Lake Wateree Recreation Center – The residents feel the Center was put in a location where no one would want to use it even though other locations were suggested and offered. However, anyone living in Fairfield County is welcome to use the building and the County will supply instructors for various activities. All boards in the County would be welcome to use the facility also.

Trapp: Out of courtesy to Vice Chair Goins as the District 4 representative, she will be allowed to bring information to Council before trying to make a decision on the memorial stone; however, he does not have an objection with supporting this issue.

Robinson: Commended Chairman Smith and Mr. Taylor for getting Council and the City to meet recently. With both Councils having an open mind to work together, great things can be accomplished in the County.

Smith: In reference to the memorial for Mr. Drummond in the Jenkinsville area, he has spoken with Ms. Goins and both would support relocation; however, someone should find out and let the Council know who owns the property and if they would be amenable to this request. Also, informed everyone that on Wednesday Council will be having a work session on Animal Care and Control. All interested citizens are invited to attend. Public comment will be allowed in this work session and Council would encourage folks to come and give recommendations on the existing Ordinance. Budget Work Sessions will be on the schedule soon and the Council also would like folks to come out and participate in this process. There should be a special treat at our next Council meeting with Mr. Lamar Richards present to receive a letter of congratulations. Mr. Richards, a sophomore at Fairfield Central, has just been named President of the South Carolina Senior Beta Club. In addition, Miss Natalie Green who appeared on Little Big Shots with Steve Harvey will hopefully attend a future Council meeting.

Ruff: He also saw Natalie on Little Big Shots and she is very impressive.

17. EXECUTIVE SESSION (SUBSEQUENT TO EXECUTIVE SESSION, COUNCIL MAY TAKE ACTION ON MATTERS DISCUSSED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION).

At 6:45 p.m., it was moved by Council Members Ruff and Douglas, seconded by Council Member Robinson to go into executive session for (1) a contractual matter regarding the County's Airport Fixed Base Operator Agreement and (2) a contractual matter regarding Water and Sewer with the Town of Winnsboro. ***The motion carried unanimously 5-0.***

At 7:25 p.m., it was moved by Council Member Robinson, seconded by Council Member Douglas to come out of executive session and return to open session. ***The motion carried unanimously 5-0.***

There was no action taken in executive session.

It was moved by Council Member Trapp to authorize the Administrator to negotiate with the Town of Winnsboro a joint contract with Pope Flynn, LLC dealing with water and sewer. Council Member Ruff seconded the motion. ***The motion carried unanimously 5-0.***

18. ADJOURN

At 7:30 p.m., it was moved by Council Member Trapp, properly seconded by Council Member Douglas to adjourn. ***The motion carried unanimously 5-0.***

PATTI LOCKLAIR
CLERK TO COUNCIL

WILLIAM B. SMITH, JR.
CHAIRMAN