



MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
FAIRFIELD COUNTY COUNCIL
APRIL 10, 2006

Present: David L. Ferguson, Kamau Marcharia, James E. Branham, Russell David Brown, Carnell Murphy, Mikel R. Trapp, Council Members; Philip L. Hinely, County Administrator; Shryll M. Brown, Clerk to Council.

Absent: Mary Lynn Kinley

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 Herald-Independent, The State, and Winnsboro Cablevision, and forty-nine other individuals.

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 6:26 P.M.

2. After which Chairman Ferguson gave the invocation.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was moved by Mr. Murphy; seconded by Mr. Trapp to postpone the approval of the minutes. The motion carried unanimously.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

Mrs. Mary Gail Douglas spoke to Council on the matter of the one cent sales tax and the audit report. She asked that the record reflect that she is not here on behalf of the group of concerned citizens; but as Mary Gail Douglas.

Mr. Jerry Lester addressed Council as a public citizen. He spoke concerning the article in the paper which compared apples to apples and apples to oranges. He also commented on the matter of the payroll of the Council.

5. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Public Facilities And Transportation – 4/10/2006

(1). Road Improvement Plan. Hopefully by next meeting, will be able to vote on the ordinance for second reading conditional upon first reading (by title only) being accomplished tonight. Chairman Ferguson set forth that the matter of first reading will be taken up under New Business.

6. OLD BUSINESS

A. Second Reading: Ordinance No. 515 - Authorizing The Execution And Delivery Of A Fee Agreement By And Between Fairfield County, South Carolina And Elite Es, LIC, Its Affiliates And Assigns ("Elite"), To Provide For A Fee In Lieu Of *Ad Valorem* Taxes Incentive, The Inclusion Of Elite In A Multi-County Park, And Other Matters Related Thereto. *It was moved by Mr. Murphy; seconded by Mr. Trapp to approve Second Reading of Ordinance No. 515. The motion carried.*

7. NEW BUSINESS

A. Fair Housing Resolution. *It was moved by Mr. Murphy; seconded by Mr. Marcharia to approve the Resolution as posted. The motion carried unanimously.*

B. Road Improvement. *It was moved by Mr. Branham and properly seconded to approve First Reading (by title only) of the ordinance dealing with the highways and roads (assigned ordinance no. 517). Chairman Ferguson pointed out that the ordinance is presented as draft 2, with necessary revisions between now and second reading. Mr. Marcharia inquired if there should be language, for clarity, to repeal the old ordinance, as this one would be replacing a 1984 ordinance. Chairman Ferguson asked that this matter be addressed and voted to abolish the old one at the same time the new one is up for final reading. Chairman Ferguson gave a brief explanation of the proposed ordinance. The motion carried unanimously.*

8. COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT AND CORRESPONDENCE

The County Administrator reported on the following items:

- a. Notified of receipt of grant agreement (no. 1581) from the State for the Mitford Water District to do some preliminary engineering to determine water needs for the location and development of the Carolina Adventure World.
- b. Advertisement in paper pertaining to Eau Claire involving a state bond, which requires local action because of its location in Ridgeway. This matter will come up at the next Council meeting. There is no liability for the County.
- c. Held local option sales tax training (through the state) for the vendors. Will be scheduling training for the staff shortly.
- d. Council approved purchase of small piece of land adjacent to the Dutchman Creek Fire Department several weeks ago. Mr. Sprott has performed the title work.
- e. Commented on the audit report presented by the Auditors.
- f. Addressed the budget presentation schedule. Mr. Hinely was asked to adjust the Wednesday schedule, breaking at the 7:40 time, and re-schedule those below that time. Council agreed to the schedule, after the modifications to Wednesday night.

9. CLERK TO COUNCIL'S REPORT AND CORRESPONDENCE:

The Clerk to Council reported on the following items:

- a. Asked for signatures on certain documents.

10. BOARD AND COMMISSION MINUTES

Provided as information.

11. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

Provided as information.

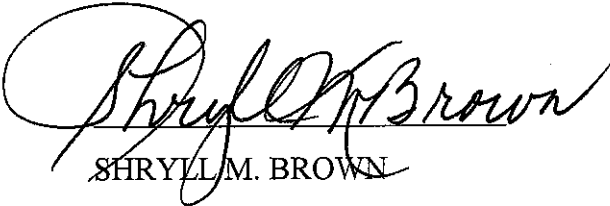
12. COUNTY COUNCIL TIME

Marcharia: Asked for clarification on the vote to Mr. Branham's motion; specifically, the ordinance number. Chairman Ferguson responded that the Council voted on the motion brought to the floor by Mr. Branham from the Public Facilities committee.

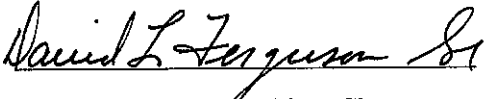
Ferguson: Addressed a problem concerning lack of a sidewalk in the town limits where some elderly who ride power wheelchairs to get medication, groceries, etc. out in the traffic of four lanes on Moultrie Street. Talked with CTC committee, DOT, and Mr. Coleman. There are several sources of possible funding. If all else fails, the CTC committee will get it done. *It was moved by Mr. Murphy; seconded by Mr. Marcharia to authorize the Chairman to work with the parties necessary to bring this project to fruition. The motion carried 5-1. {Mr. Brown abstained from voting. Ms. Kinley was absent from the meeting}.*

13. ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 6:54 P.M., upon unanimous approval of Council.



SHRYLL M. BROWN
CLERK TO COUNCIL



DAVID L. FERGUSON, SR.
CHAIRMAN