



**MINUTES  
REGULAR MEETING  
FAIRFIELD COUNTY COUNCIL  
APRIL 12, 2010**

**Present:** R. David Brown, David L. Ferguson, Mary Lynn Kinley, Kamau Marcharia, Dwayne Perry, Carolyn B. Robinson, Mikel R. Trapp, Council Members; Philip L. Hinely, County Administrator; Shryll M. Brown, Clerk to Council

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 individuals.

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Brown called the meeting to order at 6:02 P.M.

**2. INVOCATION**

Council Member Kinley led in the invocation.

**3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

*It was moved by Council Member Ferguson; seconded by Vice Chairman Trapp to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of March 22, 2010. The motion carried unanimously.*

**4. PUBLIC COMMENT**

None.

**5. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**A. Economic Development and Land Planning**

Committee Chairman Brown reported the committee met and discussed appointments to the Midlands Workforce Development Board and presented the slate of names for approval by Council. *It was moved by Council Member Robinson; seconded by Vice Chairman Trapp to approve the names submitted by the committee.* During discussion, Council Member Marcharia voiced that he has not seen any criteria and that he does not necessarily know the individuals, adding that he would hope that this process would be a little more participatory prior to asking Council to vote on names for this board. He stated he would like to see a copy of the criteria for selection. Council Member Perry asked what was the diversity of the board and voiced that he would like to have had input in the process. Council Member Kinley offered that committee be charged with submitting five (5) additional names and have the opportunity to choose five out of ten. Council Member Ferguson asked that the Clerk ask the Workforce Development Board to keep the Council apprised of the term of office of the board members, etc. *Hearing these comments, Vice Chairman Trapp withdrew the second to the motion; Council Member Robinson withdrew the motion. Subsequently, it was moved by Council Member Kinley; seconded by Council Member Marcharia to allow the committee to come up with five (5) additional names and schedule a meeting of Council to vote on five (5) names out of ten (10); and if members of Council have a suggestion, the name must be submitted to the committee prior to the*

*meeting.* The Economic Development committee scheduled a meeting for Wednesday, April 14 at 5:30 P.M., followed by a special meeting of Council at 6:00 P.M. *The motion carried unanimously.*

## **6. OLD BUSINESS**

**A. Second Reading: Ordinance No. 561** - An Ordinance To Amend The Fairfield County Zoning Ordinance (No. 498) To Provide For The Zoning Reclassification From R-1 (Single Family Residential) To R-2 (Inclusive Residential) Of Sixty Hundredths (0.60) Acres, Owned By Quay W. McMaster, Tax Map No. 145-01-11-003. Property Is Located At 325 Elm Street, Winnsboro, SC, 29180. *It was moved by Council Member Ferguson; seconded by Council Member Kinley to approve Second Reading of Ordinance No. 561. The motion carried unanimously.*

**B. Second Reading: Ordinance No. 562** - An Ordinance To Amend The Fairfield County Zoning Ordinance (No. 498) To Provide For The Zoning Reclassification From R-1 (Single Family Residential) To RD (Rural Development) Of (1.0) Acre, Owned By Charles And Lori Brock, Tax Map No. 095-03-02-003. Property Is Located At 23 Copper Lane, Winnsboro, SC, 29180. *It was moved by Council Member Robinson; seconded by Council Member Ferguson to approve Second Reading of Ordinance No. 562. The motion carried unanimously.*

**C. Second Reading: Ordinance No. 563** - Authorizing The Acceptance Of The Transfer Of Authority For Conducting Municipal Elections In The Town Of Ridgeway To The Fairfield County Voter Registration And Election Commission; To Define The Powers, Duties, And Responsibilities Assumed By The Fairfield County Voter Registration And Election Commission For The Conduct Of Municipal Elections In The Town Of Ridgeway; To Provide For Reimbursement Of All Cost And Expenses Incurred By The Fairfield County Voter Registration And Election Commission In The Conduct Of Such Municipal Elections; And To Provide For Other Matters Relating Thereto. *It was moved by Council Members Ferguson and Robinson; seconded by Council Member Perry to approve Second Reading of Ordinance No. 563. The motion carried unanimously.*

## **7. NEW BUSINESS:**

### **A. Adoption Of Fair Housing Resolution**

*It was moved by Council Member Robinson; seconded by Council Member Ferguson to adopt the Fair Housing Resolution as presented. The motion carried unanimously.*

### **B. Appointments/Reappointments To Fairfield County Boards And Commissions**

*It was moved by Vice Chairman Trapp; seconded by Council Member Robinson to approve the Appointment/Reappointment listing of April 12, 2010 as presented by the Clerk. The motion carried unanimously.*

## **8. COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT AND CORRESPONDENCE**

### **a. Report from Fairfield County Sheriff's Department – Deputy Chief Lewis:**

- Accepted 1,732 calls. Last year was 1,635.
- Received 257 arrest warrants. Last year was 352.
- Received 639 civil papers (bankruptcy and civil court). Had 685 last year.
- Had no homicides this year in Fairfield County.
- Had a rash of break-ins from September last year thru February this year. Have made an arrest.
- Applied for a grant through Homeland Security for a mapping system.

- Will hold its 5<sup>th</sup> Kid's Camp in June.
- Working on complaints from citizens.
- Responded to Council Member's inquiry about noise and disturbances in neighborhoods and dog fighting.

**b. Report from Fairfield County Library – Mrs. Sarah McMaster**

- Timeline of activities in efforts to expand the library building.
- What is next for 2010? Since 2008 presentation, the architect's estimate was \$4.9 million for the total project. Since the USDA possibility, revised project estimate is \$3.57 million.
- Potential funding opportunity from USDA (Community Facilities Loans and Grants Program). Designated \$100 million dollars in rural development funding for public libraries.
- Met with representative who handles rural facilities programs.
- Next question is whether Council is willing to authorize Mr. Hinely, Mr. Gaither and Mrs. McMaster to proceed with the application under this project.
- Why should the library do this now? Construction costs will never be cheaper. Stimulus funding for this brick and mortar is a one-shot opportunity, which ends in September.
- Next steps would be to submit paperwork to find out whether the library would be approved for funding.

*It was moved by Council Members Robinson and Kinley; seconded by Council Members Perry and Ferguson to move the project to the next level. The motion carried 6-1. {Council Member Marcharia abstained from voting}.*

**c. Fairfield County Courthouse Presentation – Mr. Davis Anderson**

- Testing indoor air quality on older buildings. Test performed on Administration Building, Magistrate Building and Courthouse.
- Due to high humidity, experiencing non-harmful fungi. Will perform a white-glove clean of the Courthouse this weekend after 5:00 P.M. and the top level and basement will be closed Monday and Tuesday next week. The main level will be operative.

**d. Report of the meeting relating to the Reassessment Overview.**

**e. Will be coming forward with the budget in the next few meetings.**

**e. Reported an senior animals for seniors project. Council Member Kinley inquired about scheduling a rabies clinic.**

**9. CLERK TO COUNCIL'S REPORT AND CORRESPONDENCE:**

**a. Reminded Council of April 15<sup>th</sup> deadline for filing income tax and Statement of Economic Interest forms.**

**b. Reminded Council of the Thursday, April 22 board and commission training session.**

**10. BOARD AND COMMISSION MINUTES**

Council Member Kinley questioned if the volunteer fire department physicals are mandatory. She also inquired about a reference in the fire board minutes about a television bought and if the station burns, the county would have to replace it even though the county did not replace it originally. Asked for an update of Ordinance No. 20.

**11. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

Provided as information.

**12. COUNTY COUNCIL TIME**

Trapp: Invited everyone to the Blair Coalition of Churches parade and family day, Saturday, April 24, 2010.

Perry: Inquired about the next Intergovernmental Council Meeting?

**13. EXECUTIVE SESSION: Contractual Matter And Discussion Of Negotiations Incident To Proposed Contractual Arrangements And Proposed Sale Or Purchase Of Property.** *At 7:57 P.M., it was moved by Council Member Robinson; seconded by Council Member Kinley to go in executive session for the purpose stated above. The motion carried unanimously.*

*At 8:59 P.M., it was moved by Council Member Robinson; properly seconded and unanimously approved by Council to come out of executive session and return to regular session.*

*Chairman Brown reported that no action was taken in executive session and no action to report out in regular session.*

**14. ADJOURN**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:59 P.M., upon the unanimous approval of Council.

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SHRYLL M. BROWN  
CLERK TO COUNCIL

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RUSSELL DAVID BROWN  
CHAIRMAN