

**MINUTES  
REGULAR MEETING  
FAIRFIELD COUNTY COUNCIL  
MAY 10, 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 6:00 P.M.

**2. INVOCATION**

Council Member Kinley led in the invocation.

**3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

*It was moved by Council Member Ferguson; seconded by Council Member Robinson to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of April 26, 2010. The motion carried unanimously.*

**PUBLIC HEARING**

An Ordinance 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. *Chairman Brown opened public hearing at 6:07 P.M. Hearing no comments from the public, Chairman Brown closed public hearing at 6:08 P.M.*

**4. PUBLIC COMMENT**

None.

**5. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

None.

## 6. OLD BUSINESS

**A. Third And Final Reading: Ordinance No. 563** - An Ordinance 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 Member Ferguson; seconded by Council Member Robinson to approve Third and Final Reading of Ordinance No. 563. The motion carried unanimously.*

**B. Second Reading: Ordinance No 564** – An Ordinance To Establish Operating And Capital Budgets For The Operation Of The County Government Of Fairfield County For The Fiscal Year Commencing July 1, 2010; To Provide For The Levy Of Taxes For Fairfield County For The Fiscal Year Commencing July 1, 2010; To Provide For The Expenditure Of Tax Revenues And Other County Funds; To Provide For Other County Purposes; To Provide For Certain Fiscal And Other Matters Relating To County Government; And Other Matters Related Thereto. *It was moved by Council Member Ferguson; seconded by Council Member Perry to approve Second Reading of Ordinance No. 564. The motion carried unanimously.*

## 7. NEW BUSINESS

**A. Appointments/Reappointments To Fairfield County Boards And Commissions**  
*Council Member Robinson asked for clarification if there were two ladies on the {hospital} board with the same first name. Council Member Marcharia indicated that he discussed this matter with the Clerk; however, he wished to raise objection to the process of making appointments of board members from his district, citing he thought the process was that Council Members would be notified a month in advance, giving them the opportunity to select a name. He indicated he did have a name; however, at the time this happened, Council Member Ferguson approached him and at that time, he {Marcharia} did not have an appointment. Council Member Ferguson expressed to him that he {Ferguson} had a fine young lady to offer for consideration, and if he {Marcharia} would give his district seat to this appointment. Council Member Marcharia maintained that, since that time, he has not talked with the young lady (other than on today) nor shared any ideas with her and respectfully asked that this reappointment be held out until next time and asked that it be clear that when individuals come up for appointment that he has sufficient time to be able to submit or not submit a name. Council Member Perry commented that this young lady has been a fine representative and an excellent ambassador for the hospital.*

*Subsequently, it was moved by Council Member Ferguson; seconded by Council Member Kinley to approve the **appointment** portion of the listing of May 10, 2010 as submitted by the Clerk and postpone the **reappointment portion** of the listing. The motion carried unanimously.*

## B. Appoint To Central Midlands Development Corporation Board

Chairman Brown acknowledged Mr. Norman Whitaker, Director of the Central Midlands Council of Governments, and pointed out that Council Members Ferguson and Perry also serve on the Central Midlands Board. Chairman Brown brought forth that the COG is asking Council for ratification of the name as was presented by the COG Board. After discussion by the Council, *it was moved by Council Member Ferguson; seconded by Council Robinson that it may deem appropriate to hold the name over until the next Council meeting, giving Council a reasonable length of time to consider the appointment. The motion carried unanimously.*

## 8. COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT AND CORRESPONDENCE

### a. Section 208 Water Quality Management Plan.

Mr. Norman Whitaker was asked to elaborate on the plan. After he explained the plan, he set forth that before DHEC will enlarge a permit, issue a new permit or approve a new treatment facility, they want any new facility to be consistent with the Wastewater Treatment Plan. This would require an amendment to the 208 Plan and one of the requirements is to have the sponsorship of the management agency. Traditionally, the COG Board has not been an applicant; therefore, SCE&G has a proposal that involves contacting Fairfield County directly and ascertaining if Fairfield County agrees to sponsor the amendment.

#### Questions and Observations:

- The proposal that was discussed the other night is going to have this same need in it. Could the County talk with SCE&G and get this involved instead of going after two applications?
- *It would be prudent of the County to discuss this with SCE&G prior to signing any paperwork because once it is signed, they have the right to do with they intend, with or without the other entity coming under it. If the County does not sign it and go to SCE&G to make this proposal, then the County can sign it for the whole proposal. Giving SCE&G the wholesale right with signatures tonight will not give the County the opportunity to help both entities at the same time. So moved by Council Member Ferguson; seconded by Council Member Robinson.* During discussion, Council Member Marcharia inquired if this treatment facility going to be on-site for SCE&G and will it have the capacity over time due to the development and growth within the area that the local communities can attach eventually to this treatment for the safety of that community.
- If the letter is signed, it says Fairfield County *agrees* to sponsor...and the final approval is by the COG. The County is out of it as soon as the letter is signed. Would like for the Council to have some dialogue prior to the final agreement.
- Will this be an agenda item for the COG's meeting on the 27<sup>th</sup>?
- Have they communicated a deadline to have this matter approved?
- Suggest Chairman Brown and Mr. Hinely discuss this matter with SCE&G as soon as possible.
- The COG is going to be interested in Fairfield County accepting this as the management agency. The COG's approval is an approval of the idea that there can be another plant in the Fairfield System. *The motion carried 6-1. {Chairman Brown abstained from voting}.*

b. Firemen ceremony was quite enjoyable and appreciated by the firemen. Establishing a closer working relationship with the Fire Board.

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

a. Reminded Council of the next scheduled budget work sessions of May 18, 2010 and May 20, 2010.

**10. BOARD AND COMMISSION MINUTES**

Provided as information.

**11. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

Provided as information.

**12. COUNTY COUNCIL TIME**

Kinley: Thanked the Clerk for her efforts in coordinating the board and commission training as well as the firemen appreciation ceremony.

**13. ADJOURN**

The meeting was adjourned at 6:40 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