



MINUTES  
REGULAR MEETING  
FAIRFIELD COUNTY COUNCIL  
MAY 24, 2004

**Present:** Carnell Murphy, R. David Brown, David L. Ferguson, Mary Lynn Kinley, Kamau Marcharia, Carolyn B. Robinson, Mikel R. Trapp, Council Members; Shryll M. Brown, Clerk to Council

**Absent:** Philip L. Hinely, County Administrator

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 twenty-eight other individuals.

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

2. After which Council Member Kinley gave the invocation.

**3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

*It was moved by Mr. Ferguson; seconded by Mrs. Robinson and Ms. Kinley to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of April 26, 2004. The motion carried unanimously.*

**Public Hearing**

An Ordinance Approving The Declaration Of Covenants, Conditions And Restrictions For The Walter B. Brown Industrial Park (Phase II), Fairfield County, South Carolina. *The Chairman officially opened public hearing at 6:05 P.M. Hearing no comments from the public, the Chairman officially closed public hearing at 6:06 P.M.*

**PRESENTATIONS**

**Rural Transportation Plan**

Mr. Wayne Shuler, Director of Planning Services, Central Midlands COG, presented the Rural Transportation Plan.

**Rezoning Request (2500 Syrup Mill Road): Mr. Harry Gurganious & Ms. Shirley Able**

The following individuals addressed Council, *opposing* the rezoning request proposed at 2500 Syrup Mill Road: Mr. Harry Gurganious, Ms. Shirley Able, Mr. Troy Carpenter, Ms. Ruchelle Gee, Ms. Betty Able, and Ms. Hattie Able

**Rezoning Request (2500 Syrup Mill Road): Mr. Herbert Hobgood**

Mr. Herbert Hobgood addressed Council, *supporting* the proposed rezoning request at 2500 Syrup Mill Road

Several members of Council asked questions concerning the report of this property. Mr. Anderson gave Mr. Stowers permission to answer the questions. The following recommendations were made by Council:

When staff reports are written, so there won't be any ambiguity in the future, that the date is listed (prior to the consideration of the matter).

Though it was recognized as it not being a requirement, send courtesy letters certified, return receipt requested.

Allow citizens an opportunity to know when the Planning Commission will meet on the matter. Whatever areas can be cleaned up on the County side, Administration was charged to do so.

**4. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**A. Justice and Personnel**

(1). Animal Kennel. Officer has retired. *The recommendation from Human Resources and the Administrator's Office is to restructure to hire an Animal Kennel Attendant, as well as a temporary, who can be there. This can be accomplished utilizing the same amount of money. So moved by Mrs. Robinson; seconded by Ms. Kinley, to approve the recommendation by Administration to the committee. The motion carried.*

- (2). Request to restructure the Finance Department. This matter was removed from consideration.
- (3). Awaiting a report from the Recreation Commission before the committee moves further.

**5. OLD BUSINESS**

**A. Third And Final Reading: Ordinance No. 483** - An Ordinance To Amend The Fairfield County Zoning Ordinance (Ordinance No. 335) To Provide For The Zoning Reclassification **From RD** (Rural Development District) **To I-1** (Industrial Development District), Of A Parcel Totaling Thirty (30) Acres, Tax Map No. 213-00-00-026: Applicant – Herbert G. Hobgood; Property Located At 2500 Syrup Mill Road. *It was moved by Mr. Brown; seconded by Mrs. Robinson to approve Third and Final Reading of Ordinance No. 483. The motion carried 5-2. {Ms. Kinley and Mr. Ferguson voted nay}.*

**B. Third And Final Reading: Ordinance No. 484** – An Ordinance To Amend The Fairfield County Zoning Ordinance (Ordinance No. 335) To Provide For The Zoning Reclassification **From RD** (Rural Development District) **To B-1** (Limited Business District), Of A Parcel Totaling Eleven And Twelve Hundredths (11.12) Acres, Tax Map No. 189-00-00-001, Owned By Longtown Enterprises, Located At 161 Qualls Road. *It was moved by Mrs. Robinson; seconded by Mr. Brown to approve Third and Final Reading of Ordinance No. 484. The motion carried unanimously.*

**C. Third And Final Reading: Ordinance No. 485** - An Ordinance To Amend The Fairfield County Zoning Ordinance (Ordinance No. 335) To Provide For The Zoning Reclassification **From B-2** (General Business District) **To I-1** (Industrial Development District), Of Three Parcels Totaling One Hundred (100.00) Acres, Tax Map No. 035-00-00-049 And Tax Map No. 035-00-00-061 Owned By Fairfield County, And Tax Map No. 035-00-00-064 Owned By Quay McMaster, Located On S. C. State Highway 200, Just East Of The Intersection Of S. C. State Highway 200 And I-77. *It was moved by Mr. Ferguson; seconded by Mrs. Robinson to approve Third and Final Reading of Ordinance No. 485. The motion carried unanimously.*

**6. NEW BUSINESS**

None

**7. COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT AND CORRESPONDENCE**

In the absence of Mr. Hinely, Mr. Anderson reported on the following items:

- a. Last week was National EMS Week.
- b. Meeting scheduled on Thursday with Mid-County water this week to discuss some fire protection and look at water lines to see the options of improving the situation throughout the County. Mr. Brown asked that representatives from Central Midlands, as well as our Grants Coordinator to be present at that meeting.

*It was moved by Mr. Marcharia; seconded by Mr. Ferguson that Council appropriate the necessary funding for the motion of the restrictors and the necessary improvement to the line on those projects that were brought forth, along with any other projects that Council has dealing with restrictors in situations similar to this one. Mr. Ferguson inquired if he might be able to attend the meeting. The motion carried unanimously.*

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

The Clerk to Council reported on the following items:

None

**9. BOARD AND COMMISSION MINUTES**

- a. Comment made about a Board that submitted their minutes months late.
- b. Alcohol and Drug Abuse Commission. Follow up to ensure the entity is using the proper name.

**10. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

None

**12. PUBLIC COMMENT**

Mr. Troy Carpenter spoke to Council concerning the rezoning matter that was handled earlier. The following individuals signed, but were not present to speak during public comment: Mr. Harry Gurganious, Ms. Ruchelle Gee, Mr. Herb Hobgood.

13. COUNTY COUNCIL TIME

Brown: Commented on a matter that appeared in the Zoning Board of Appeals minutes pertaining to a request for a variance.

Kinley: Inquired of the status of changes on the Zoning Ordinance. This matter was assigned to the Economic Development Committee. Also, mentioned the manager of Walmart is purchasing a home in Winnsboro. Also mentioned that Todd Robinson is assistant head coach in Mauldin, and they won the state championship in baseball.

Robinson: Inquired about when Council will begin the budget process. Commented about the concerns during public hearing dealing with traffic at the flashing lights. Inquired about the reapplication of 4-way stop lights at the rubbles.

Murphy: Maintained that property in the future is posted on the edge on the road as close of possible on the property and access to the property (that it is posted in a conspicuous place). Pointed out that the official position of Council is that Mr. Stowers properly posted the property. *It was moved by Mr. Brown; seconded by the remaining members of Council to have Administration look at possibly securing a tar truck, along with having Public Works look at the feasibility of it, and bring a recommendation back to Council . The motion carried unanimously.*

Trapp: Inquired about the minimum width of water lines for fire protection.


Marcharia: "Have a sense or feeling that the Council is beginning to move strategically toward thinking about the fire and safety and the possibility that these type of decisions will foster the kind of infrastructure that will stabilize the communities with small businesses. Big industries come and go, but it more strategic to have small businesses. The Council is moving toward that direction. I think it is a very wise move and to stabilize our community. I appreciate this."

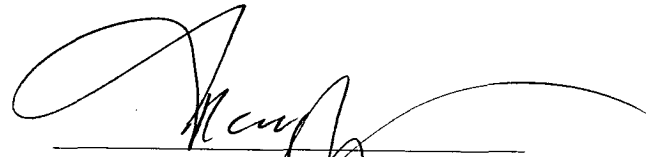
Ferguson: Talked about the fire board's presentation dealing with the

problems in getting volunteers, and suggested that they come up with a different proposal of rewarding the firefighters to go to fires. This matter was referred to the Environmental and Public Safety.

**14. ADJOURN**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:43 P.M., upon the unanimous approval of Council.

  
SHRYLL M. BROWN  
CLERK TO COUNCIL

  
CARNELL MURPHY  
CHAIRMAN