



**MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
FAIRFIELD COUNTY COUNCIL
JUNE 11, 2018**

Present: Billy Smith, Doug Pauley, Neil Robinson, Jimmy Ray Douglas, Dan W. Ruff, Bertha Goins, Council Members; Jason Taylor, County Administrator; Davis Anderson, Deputy County Administrator; Tommy Morgan, County Attorney; Patti L. Davis, Clerk to Council.

Absent: Mikel Trapp.

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 thirty four 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 Vice Chair Goins and seconded by Council Member Pauley to approve the Agenda. ***The motion carried unanimously 6-0.***

3. INVOCATION

Council Member Ruff led the invocation.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was moved by Council Member Pauley and seconded by Council Member Ruff to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of May 29, 2018. ***The motion carried unanimously 6-0.***

5. PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS

None.

6. 1ST PUBLIC COMMENT (3 MINUTES): All public comments made during this session must pertain to items on the agenda for which no Public Hearing is scheduled. Each speaker is allocated three (3) minutes for comment. The total time allocated for the public comment portion of the meeting is thirty (30) minutes. Those wishing to make public comment must sign to do so prior to the Council Chair calling the meeting to order. The Clerk to Council will make a public comment sign-up sheet available at least fifteen (15) minutes prior to the scheduled start time of the meeting.

- Randy Bright - Old Business

7. PUBLIC HEARINGS

None.

8. ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS AND ORDERS

- A. Third Reading: Ordinance No. 698** - 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 B-1 (Limited Business District) of 150.32 Acres Owned by Sharpe Recreational Properties, Applicant is Fairfield County Council, Tax Map No. 203-00-01-157-000, Property is Located at 3248 US Hwy 21 South, Ridgeway, SC. It was moved by Council Member Robinson, seconded by Vice Chair Goins to approve Third and Final Reading of Ordinance No. 698. Chairman Smith advised the citizen who spoke at the last meeting during the public hearing concerning noise concerns to refer to the County Noise Ordinance. ***The motion carried unanimously 6-0.***
- B. Third Reading: Ordinance No. 699** - An Ordinance to Regulate Construction and Development of Flood Hazard Areas in the Unincorporated Areas of Fairfield County and to Repeal Ordinance No. 586. It was moved by Council Member Pauley and seconded by Council Member Robinson to approve Third and Final Reading of Ordinance No. 699. ***The motion carried unanimously 6-0.***
- C. Second Reading: Ordinance No. 701** - An Ordinance to Amend the Fairfield County Land Management Ordinance No. 599 to Provide for the Zoning Reclassification from R-1 (Single Family Residential District) to RD-1 (Rural Residential District) of 4 Acres Owned by Edward and Bonnie Sanders, Applicant is Edward and Bonnie Sanders, Tax Map No. 093-00-00-026-000, Property is Located at 1783 Durham Place Road. It was moved by Vice Chair Goins and seconded by Council Member Ruff to approve Second Reading of Ordinance No. 701. Council Member Ruff requested Mr. Taylor to further explain this ordinance. Mr. Taylor reported this has been before the Planning Commission and recommendation has been made to approve the rezone request. Mr. Taylor deferred further comment to Mr. Chris Clauson. Mr. Clauson explained the property owners are from New Jersey and moving to the area. They purchased a mobile home and were unaware of the zoning restrictions. They are, therefore, requesting the zoning change. There are already a number of mobile homes in and around the area. This property, in particular, is mainly surrounded by undeveloped lots. This is in keeping with the County's future land use map. Council Member Pauley asked for clarification that indeed there are mobile homes in the area. Mr. Clauson confirmed there are mobile homes already in the area. ***The motion carried unanimously 6-0.***

9. BOARD AND COMMISSION MINUTES

None.

10. BOARD AND COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS

None.

11. OLD BUSINESS

None.

12. NEW BUSINESS

None.

13. COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

A. Ricky Mozie, Director of Vehicle Maintenance - Department Overview: Mr. Mozie gave the following information:

- The maintenance shop consists of five employees.
- The maintenance building (as shown) consists of five bay areas including drive-in service, lift bays, two drive on bays (30,000 lb and 3,000 lb) and a wash bay.
- Shop manager duties include supervision of mechanics and parts clerk, ensuring the vehicles are correctly repaired and safely maintained and ensuring equipment and vehicles are safe and ready for on-call situations.
- Mechanic duties: The department performs full service duties on the County vehicles. In addition, welding and fabrication are performed on vehicles as well as County equipment.
- Parts Room Clerk duties: The clerk orders parts and ensures that all parts are available when needed for repairs to be made in a timely manner. Also parts are picked up and delivered along with vehicles being picked up and delivered when needed.
- Over 250 vehicles and equipment are maintained by the Maintenance Shop. This includes patrol cars, fire trucks, ambulances, motor graders, bull dozers, etc. This also includes application of decals (as shown) to service vehicles.
- Fleetsoft Program: Mr. Mozie reported this is definitely a step up for the Maintenance Department. The department is now paperless.
- EMS Unit: Engine was replaced instead of rebuilt thereby saving the County money and getting an increased warranty period. Slides were shown of the process of removing the engine, thereby showing the need for a forklift, which will be requested in the budget for next year.
- Cost Savings: Examples shown such as installing a wench on a fire service vehicle, fabrication of trailers, in-mate labor used for cleaning the vehicles and striping/application of decals.

Mr. Mozie stated his department takes pride in their work because of the precious cargo and the importance of the work, such as EMS, and making sure vehicles are ready when needed. Mr. Anderson also added that all mechanics are ASC certified from the liability standpoint. This department does a very good job with cost

savings. Further, the new software is producing analytical data which assists in estimating the life of the vehicles. The department does a good job with making sure the vehicles are safe and at the same time remaining economical. Council Member Pauley inquired if vehicles are ever sent out of the County for maintenance or service. Per Mr. Mozie, sometimes they are sent out if it is something the shop cannot handle, such as a transmission or warranty issue, but most of the work is done in-house. Council Member Ruff stated Mr. Mozie's pride in his work is very apparent. He is very impressed with the department and their ability for cost savings. Council Member Douglas recently visited the maintenance building, and he commended Mr. Mozie and his department for their hard work and efficient operation. Council Member Robinson has known Mr. Mozie for a long time and knows firsthand of the pride he takes in his work. He inquired of the number of vehicles the County has for auction. Mr. Mozie believes there are a couple of fire trucks available once decals are removed. Vice Chair Goins also thanked Mr. Mozie and his team.

14. CLERK TO COUNCIL'S REPORT

None.

- 15. 2ND PUBLIC COMMENT (3 MINUTES):** All public comments made during this session must pertain to items not on the agenda or under Council's consideration. Each speaker is allocated three (3) minutes for comment. The total time allocated for the public comment portion of the meeting is thirty (30) minutes. Those wishing to make public comment must sign to do so prior to the Council Chair calling the meeting to order. The Clerk to Council will make a public comment sign-up sheet available at least fifteen (15) minutes prior to the scheduled start time of the meeting.

- Michael McCoy - Summer Camp
- Terry Vickers - Chamber of Commerce
- Virgil Porter - Finance and Economic Development
- Randy Bright - You Can Get There From Here

16. COUNTY COUNCIL TIME

Robinson: Reminded everyone to vote tomorrow to make sure your vote is counted. Also, he found it quite concerning that there are 100 children possibly homeless in the County. Also, congratulated Chairman Smith on his marriage and wished him well in the future.

Pauling: Thanked Pastor McCoy and the board for attending the meeting and for their assistance with the children of the County. Council needs to do everything they can to assist with this situation. Also, it was recently brought to Council Member Pauley's attention that County employees are discouraged from coming to Council meetings. He spoke with the administrator and the deputy administrator and was assured that this was not the case. He urged County employees to come to the meetings. The chain of command must be followed with personnel matters, but every County employee should feel free to come to any and all Council meetings.

Goins: Congratulated Chairman Smith. Also, she would like to work toward no homeless children in Fairfield County. She has been on Council for a while now and has observed and learned some things. In order to move forward, problems must be addressed and fixed. Vice Chair Goins also spoke on problems to be fixed in the District 4 area. In quoting Dr. Martin Luther King, "The ultimate measure of a man is not where he stands in the moments of comfort and convenience, but where he stands in times of challenge and controversy. A true neighbor will risk his prestige and his position and even his life for the welfare of others." If you see something say something, but the time also comes to do something. She thanked the people for taking a stand against the recent annexation and the Voice for the coverage of this issue. She is thankful everyone knows there is a choice. She also feels the operation of the Jenkinsville Water Company is wrong and accountability is nonexistent. All entities that receive public, county, state or federal money or support are held accountable. Promises have been made, and the citizens still have old deteriorating pipes, line breaks, water loss not accounted for, boil water advisories and money is still collected and used. It is time for a change to give the company back to the citizens for the purpose it was intended, to supply safe drinking water for all. Also, the sidewalk to nowhere was a waste of money when the money could have been used for a greater need in another area. Greenbrier has many high foot traffic areas. Dawkins has been asking for sidewalks and lights for years. She feels there is a community breakdown with mass mailings with mindset, attitude and actions of too many who have undermined potential growth in Fairfield County. She thanked the economic development team for all they are doing. Recruiting and economic development have evolved tremendously over the years. She encouraged property owners to invest in their property. Fairfield County is not helpless or hopeless but blessed. Change is another opportunity to work harder together with those that are willing to use what we have and who we have to accomplish even greater things.

Ruff: Thanked all who came to the meeting tonight, and assured them that Council does listen. He is also shocked concerning the situation with the homeless children.

17. EXECUTIVE SESSION (The following statement is provided in compliance with the South Carolina Freedom of Information Act: Subsequent to Executive Session, Council may take action on matters discussed in Executive Session.)

At 6:45 p.m., it was moved by Council Member Ruff and seconded by Council Member Robinson to go into executive session for (a) Legal Matter - Update on Litigation Against SCANA/SCE&G in Reference to the Abandoned V.C. Summer New Nuclear Project and (b) Proposed Contractual Matter - Discussion Regarding the Potential Purchase of Real Property Identified as Fairfield County TMS #126-03-01-001-000. ***The motion carried unanimously 6-0.***

At 7:11 p.m., it was moved by Vice Chair Goins and seconded by Council Member Robinson to come out of executive session and return to open session. ***The motion carried unanimously 6-0.***

No action was taken in Executive Session.

18. ADJOURN

At 7:12 p.m., it was moved by Council Member Ruff, properly seconded by Council Member Douglas to adjourn. ***The motion carried unanimously 6-0.***

PATTI L. DAVIS
CLERK TO COUNCIL

WILLIAM B. SMITH, JR.
CHAIRMAN