



**MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
FAIRFIELD COUNTY COUNCIL
JUNE 25, 2018**

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

Absent: Billy Smith.

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

In Chairman Smith's absence, Vice Chair Goins called the Regular Meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

It was moved by Council Member Trapp and seconded by Council Member Pauley to approve the Agenda. ***The motion carried unanimously 6-0.***

3. INVOCATION

Council Member Douglas led the invocation.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was moved by Council Member Trapp and seconded by Council Member Ruff to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of June 11, 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 - Annual Review

7. PUBLIC HEARINGS

- A.** 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. Vice Chair Goins opened the public hearing at 6:10 p.m. No one signed to speak; therefore, Vice Chair Goins closed the public hearing at 6:10 p.m.

8. ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS AND ORDERS

- A. Third and Final 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 Council Member Douglas and seconded by Council Member Robinson to approve Third and Final Reading of Ordinance No. 701. Council Member Pauley asked Mr. Taylor to explain this ordinance once again. Per Mr. Taylor, this has been properly noticed and gone through the Planning Commission where approval was recommended. For further details, Mr. Chris Clauson approached the podium. County-wide rezoning resulted in this property being rezoned to R1 which prohibits a single wide mobile home. The applicants, who are from New Jersey, are requesting to locate a single wide mobile home to the property. The Comprehensive Plan and future land use map would allow this rezoning to be RD1. No one spoke against this rezone and, in fact, some land owners in the immediate proximity agreed to the zoning change. ***The motion carried unanimously 6-0.***
- B. First Reading (By Title Only): Ordinance No. 700** - An Ordinance Authorizing Fairfield County to Add New Fees for the 2018-2019 Fiscal Year. It was moved by Council Member Trapp and seconded by Council Member Pauley to approve First Reading (By Title Only) of Ordinance No. 700. ***The motion carried unanimously 6-0.***
- C. First Reading (By Title Only): Ordinance No. 702** - An Ordinance to Amend the Budget Ordinance for Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 2018, and ending June 30, 2019, and Authorizing the Supplemental Appropriation of Funds. It was moved by Council Member Trapp and seconded by Council Member Ruff to approve First Reading (By Title Only) of Ordinance No. 702. ***The motion carried unanimously 6-0.***
- D. First Reading (By Title Only): Ordinance No. 703** - An Ordinance to Amend the Master Agreement Governing the I-77 Corridor Regional Industrial Park by and Between Richland County, South Carolina, and Fairfield County,

South Carolina, to Expand the Boundaries of the Park to Include Certain Real Property Located in Richland County (Project Reign); and Other Related Matters. It was moved by Council Member Douglas and seconded by Council Member Trapp to approve First Reading (By Title Only) of Ordinance No. 703. ***The motion carried unanimously 6-0.***

E. Resolution No. 2018-05: A Resolution by Fairfield County Approving the Presentation of a Memorandum of Understanding to the Fairfield County Hospital Board, also Known as Fairfield Memorial Hospital, as to the Potential Purchase of Some of the Assets of Fairfield Memorial Hospital. Vice Chair Goins stated this item will be deferred until after Executive Session.

9. BOARD AND COMMISSION MINUTES

Board and Commission minutes were provided from Behavioral Health and Board of Disabilities. It was moved by Council Member Trapp and seconded by Council Member Ruff to approve the minutes as presented. ***The motion carried unanimously 6-0.***

10. BOARD AND COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS

None.

11. OLD BUSINESS

None.

12. NEW BUSINESS

None.

13. COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

A. Pool Project Update: Per Mr. Taylor, the County has worked with the Town of Winnsboro concerning the pool, which is now open to the public and averaging approximately 100 children per day. The Town is managing the pool at the present time, and the County will assume management in the future.

B. Request of Action: To Pre-Qualify Contractors to Perform Historic Work at the County Museum. Administration and Finance Committee Recommends Approval. Per Mr. Taylor, money was budget last year and for the upcoming fiscal year to do some work at the museum. This is very specific work due to the historic structure. The Boudreaux Group was selected to provide the planning for the historic needs at the County Museum. Contractors are now needed who are accustomed to this specific type of work. At the Boudreaux Group's recommendation, Huss Inc., Mar Construction, Solid Structures and SRM Inc. are being put forth to be granted delivery contracts for the next five years to perform the work at the museum. Council Member Douglas inquired how can the County be sure they are getting a proper bid on the job. Per Mr. Taylor, the bidding would be among the approved firms and the Boudreaux Group would review the information. It was moved by Council Member Douglas

and seconded by Council Member Trapp to approve the Request of Action as stated. ***The motion carried unanimously 6-0.***

Mr. Taylor also requested Mr. Russell Price, Director of Parks and Recreation, to address Council concerning some very positive things in the department. Mr. Price introduced Lucas Vance, Athletic Coordinator, who has done a fantastic job. The department had a very busy weekend. Mr. Vance traveled with the 12U and 10-year All-Stars to North Augusta to play at Riverview Park in the South Carolina RBI (Recreational Baseball Initiative). This was designed for recreation departments. Fairfield played teams from Chapin, Irmo, Mt. Pleasant, North Augusta, Aiken, Daniel Island, Newberry, Columbia and several others. The 12U, coached by Chuck Raley, ended with a 6-0 record. They played three games on Sunday in 100 degree weather. Many of these kids had been playing together for a long time and brought home the championship. The 10U also competed with class, and this was a great opportunity for them as well. Mr. Price traveled with the 8U team, which played in Chapin in a machine pitch All-Star Tournament. Three other coaches also traveled with Mr. Price who had actually played for him as they were growing up. Because of these young people and coaches, trophies were brought home to Fairfield County. Mr. Price thanked the Council for their support and providing the tools for Parks and Recreation to increase in numbers and constantly improve. Council Member Ruff stated the Council is proud of the Department and all the volunteers and how well the children have done. He looks forward to possibly seeing the children at an upcoming meeting. Council Member Pauley also thanked Mr. Price for all his effort. Council Member Robinson feels our Recreation Department is up and coming, from the uniforms to the participation. He received a lot of texts and phone calls this past weekend. Council Member Trapp also thanked Mr. Price, the coaches and staff and congratulated them on this weekend.

14. CLERK TO COUNCIL'S REPORT

The Clerk reminded Council of the Intergovernmental Meeting hosted by Council on Wednesday, June 27, at 6:00 p.m. being held at Midlands Tech Fairfield Campus.

- 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.

- Jeff Schaffer - A Vision ?
- Moses Bell - Library Plus
- Randy Bright - Pretty Sidewalks

16. COUNTY COUNCIL TIME

Pauley: Inquired concerning the drawing given to Council during Mr. Bell's comments.

Robinson: Concerning the Facebook sidewalk documents, this is the Walkable Winnsboro that has been promoted. There have been two meetings so far. This is through a DHEC grant, and he will discuss further with anyone who is interested.

Ruff: Inquired of Mr. Bell if the land in his drawing is beside the recycling center. Most libraries exist inside the municipality, and there has been a library in Ridgeway for as long as he can remember. A search has been conducted for several months for a suitable location. The old building was leaking and had mold issues. The building in question that is available is on ground level with a road and a cyclone fence before reaching the convenience store which has a liquor store attached to it. There is also a church behind the liquor store. The County has also been in discussion with the Town of Ridgeway, and the long term plan is something else in a different location. Grant applications will need to be completed for the long term plan. This is a temporary plan and much needed with the Town being without a library for almost a year. Council Member Ruff also congratulated the Clerk for completing the S.C. Clerk's to Council Certification Program. He also commended Vice Chair Goins for doing an outstanding job tonight in Chairman Smith's absence.

Trapp: He received correspondence from the Town of Jenkinsville concerning a request to the County to assist with building a Town Hall and a Library and was wondering why this information was not passed on to Council members. Per Mr. Taylor, this request was received along with other requests from different entities, before the rules were put into place as to how to proceed. Nothing was moved forward until the rules were put into place. Once this occurred, the requests were sent back in to comply with the rules. The money had been allocated in the budget; however, the rules were not in place at that time.

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 6:40 p.m., it was moved by Council Member Trapp 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, (c) Personnel Matter - Discussion Regarding the Annual Review of the County Administrator and Clerk to Council and (d) Legal Matter - Receive Information Regarding Pending Litigation from Former Employee. ***The motion carried unanimously 6-0.***

At 7:15 p.m., it was moved by Council Member Trapp and seconded by Council Member Ruff to come out of executive session and return to open session. ***The motion carried unanimously 6-0.***

No action was taken in Executive Session.

Motion made by Council Member Robinson, seconded by Council Member Douglas to authorize the Administrator to present a Memorandum of Understanding to Fairfield Memorial Hospital for its consideration and execution regarding the County's interest into entering good faith negotiations for the potential purchase of some or all of the property owned by Fairfield Memorial Hospital with a price to be determined at a later date and time, but based upon fair market value, with the purchase contingent upon conveyance of clear and marketable title with the proposed property to be unencumbered by mortgages, liens and other attachments to the title (Resolution No. 2018-05). ***The motion carried unanimously 6-0.***

Council Member Pauley stated he has a potential conflict of interest concerning the next item, and for this reason, he would like to be recused from this discussion. Council Member Pauley completed a Statement of Potential Conflict concerning this matter, which will be made a part of the minutes, and left the dais. Motion made by Council Member Douglas and seconded by Council Member Ruff for the County to authorize the payment of an amount equal to, but not to exceed, the amount currently authorized by its insurer for final resolution of the Schaeffer lawsuit against the County and Council Member Pauley. ***The motion carried 4-1 with Council Member Trapp voting nay.*** Council Member Pauley returned to the dais.

18. ADJOURN

At 7:18 p.m., it was moved by Council Member Trapp, properly seconded by Council Member Robinson to adjourn. ***The motion carried unanimously 6-0.***

PATTI L. DAVIS
CLERK TO COUNCIL

WILLIAM B. SMITH, JR.
CHAIRMAN