



**MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
FAIRFIELD COUNTY COUNCIL
JULY 23, 2012**

Present: David L. Ferguson, Dwayne Perry, R. David Brown, Mary Lynn Kinley, Kamau Marcharia, Carolyn B. Robinson, Mikel R. Trapp, Council Members; Philip L. Hinely, County Administrator; Davis Anderson, Deputy County Administrator; Jack James, County Attorney; 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 sixty-two individuals.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Ferguson called the meeting to order at 6:07 P.M.

2. INVOCATION

Council Member Kinley led in the invocation.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was moved by Council Member Trapp, seconded by Council Member Kinley to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of July 9, 2012. The motion carried unanimously.

PRESENTATION

Ms. Davetta Richardson, Brookland Community and Housing Development, gave Council a presentation on housing.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Rodney Chandler, Mr. Bob White and Mr. Anthony Walker all spoke on the matter of Hope Road bridge.

5. COMMITTEE REPORTS

None.

6. OLD BUSINESS

A. Second Reading: Ordinance No. 608 - Authorizing, Pursuant To South Carolina Code Annotated Section 12-44-10, *Et Seq.*, The Execution And Delivery Of A Fee-In-Lieu Of Tax Agreement, Between Fairfield County, South Carolina, And The Shaw Group, Inc., As Sponsor, To Provide For A Fee-In-Lieu Of *Ad Valorem* Taxes Incentive; And Other Related Matters. *It was moved by Council Member Robinson, seconded by Council Member Trapp to approve Second Reading of Ordinance No. 608.* During discussion, Council Member Marcharia expressed his concern about building the nuclear power plant building a \$10 billion dollar industry over there and a lot of people in this county cannot get a job. He opined that when the county votes on FILOT, it gives companies a lot of leeway and the county cannot make them hire people; however, he would like to see a lot

more cooperation from these companies where it impacts, economically, the growth of the county. He commented that he would like to understand this process more than what is written in a paragraph. Council Member Brown inquired if anyone has asked SCE&G, the Shaw Group or any of their subcontractors how many people have been hired at VC Summer since the beginning of this new expansion. Vice Chairman Perry followed up on the question by asking not only how many people are working, but how many people from the county are actually applying for those positions out there. Council Member Trapp inquired if Midlands Tech can provide the number of applicants who actually have applied to take training at the QuickJobs Center. Council Member Marcharia voiced that it seemed to be several different categories of "at risk", and inquired, over the last two years, how many people have actually applied within those categories. Council Member Robinson commented on the expungement process. *The motion carried unanimously.*

C. Appointments/Reappointments To Fairfield County Boards And Commissions

It was moved by Council Member Robinson; seconded by Vice Chairman Perry and Council Member Kinley to approve the appointment listed under Section A, as submitted by the Clerk. The motion carried unanimously.

8. COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT AND CORRESPONDENCE

a. Ms. Pelham Lyles gave a report of the museum programs and activities.

9. CLERK TO COUNCIL'S REPORT

No formal report.

10. BOARD AND COMMISSION MINUTES

Provided as information.

11. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

Council Member Brown and Council Member Robinson were asked to provide Council with an update of the water authority meeting they attended on July 9, 2012.

12. COUNTY COUNCIL TIME

a. Council Member Brown commented on the Hope Road bridge, and inquired if there is any way legally to temporarily shut down the road in order to repair that bridge. Mr. Hinely was asked to have Mr. James research this matter

b. Council Member Robinson stated the flood washed out the bridge on Smalls Chapel Road, and asked that this bridge repair be added to the list.

13. EXECUTIVE SESSION: Receive Legal Advice

At 7:40 P.M., it was moved by Council Member Brown; seconded by Council Member Robinson to go in executive session to receive legal advice. The motion carried unanimously.

At 8:50 P.M., it was moved by Council Member Robinson; seconded by Council Member Kinley to come out of executive session and return to regular session. The motion carried unanimously. {Council Member Brown excused himself from executive session at 8:30 p.m., and did not return to regular session}.

In open session, Chairman Ferguson reported that the Council received legal advice in executive session and nothing to bring forward from that session.

14. ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 P.M., upon unanimous approval of Council.

SHRYLL M. BROWN
CLERK TO COUNCIL

DAVID L. FERGUSON, SR.
CHAIRMAN