



**MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
FAIRFIELD COUNTY COUNCIL
JULY 26, 2010**

Present: R. David Brown, David L. Ferguson, Mary Lynn Kinley, Kamau Marcharia, Dwayne Perry, Mikel R. Trapp, Council Members; Philip L. Hinely, County Administrator; Shryll M. Brown, Clerk to Council

Absent: Carolyn B. Robinson

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 6:04 P.M.

2. INVOCATION

Council Member Kinley led in the invocation.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was moved by Vice Chairman Trapp; seconded by Council Members Perry and Ferguson to approve the minutes of the budget work session of May 20, 2010, regular meeting of July 12, 2010 and work session of July 13, 2010. The motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARING

An Ordinance To Amend The Fairfield County Zoning Ordinance (Ordinance No. 498), To Provide For The Zoning Reclassification From RD (Rural Development) To B-2 (General Business) Of Three And Eighty Hundredths (3.80) Acres, Owned By Ronald J. Murphy, Tax Map No. 167-04-04-001, Property Is Located At 7964 State Hwy. 34E, Ridgeway, SC, 29130. *Chairman Brown opened public hearing at 6:05 P.M. The following individuals spoke in opposition of the rezoning request: Mayor Charlene Herring, Mr. Paul Meisner, Mr. Russ Brown, Mrs. Angela Harrison, Mr. Cal Harrison, Mrs. Paula Hartman and Mr. Bill Mullis.*

Mr. Ronnie Murphy spoke in favor of the rezoning request.

Hearing no further comments, the Chairman closed public hearing at 6:19 P.M.

To Provide For A Request For A Family Exemption, Under Section 8-8.3 Of The Fairfield County Zoning Ordinance. Property Is 1.10 Acres In Size, Owned By Charlene Coleman, Tax Map No. 136-00-00-003, Located At 2300 Dave Cole Road, Blair, SC, 29015. *Chairman Brown opened public hearing at 6:19 P.M. Hearing no comments, Chairman Brown closed public hearing at 6:20 P.M.*

PRESENTATIONS

The following summer interns spoke to Council about their work experience: Simone Ashford (Clerk to Council), Lauren Pendergrass (Hospital), Natalie Garner (Recreation Department), Morgan Carter (Clerk to Council), Jared Fee (Hospital).

Mr. Keith Ivey, Midlands Fatherhood Coalition, gave Council an update of the program's activities and services.

Mr. Andy Simmons, Central Midlands Council of Governments, gave Council an overview of the recent activity impacting Fairfield County.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

5. COMMITTEE REPORTS

None.

6. OLD BUSINESS

None.

7. NEW BUSINESS

A. First Reading (By Title Only): Ordinance No. 569 – An Ordinance To Amend The Fairfield County Zoning Ordinance (Ordinance No. 498), To Provide For The Zoning Reclassification From RD (Rural Development) To B-2 (General Business) Of Three And Eighty Hundredths (3.80) Acres, Owned By Ronald J. Murphy, Tax Map No. 167-04-04-001, Property Is Located At 7964 State Hwy. 34E, Ridgeway, SC, 29130. *It was moved by Council Member Kinley to approve First Reading (By Title Only) of Ordinance No. 569. The motion died for lack of a second.*

B. First Reading (By Title Only): Ordinance No. 570 - Authorizing The Acceptance Of The Transfer Of Authority For Conducting Municipal Elections In The Town Of Winnsboro 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 Winnsboro; 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 Marcharia; seconded by Council Member Ferguson to approve First Reading (By Title Only) of Ordinance No. 570. The motion carried unanimously.*

C. Appointments/Reappointments To Fairfield County Boards And Commissions

It was moved by Council Member Kinley; seconded by Vice Chairman Trapp to approve the Appointment/Reappointment listing of July 26, 2010 as presented by the Clerk. The motion carried unanimously.

8. COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT AND CORRESPONDENCE**a. Deputy Administrator's Report:**

1. This Saturday, we will have our shred day and any personal documents of the residents of the citizens will get shredded for free.

2. This Friday, we will have our rabies clinic in Wal-Mart and in Ridgeway. So if animals need to get their rabies shots, they can definitely get that done.

3. With the new adoption center, we have had the pleasure of working with the Animal Mission. They have a very interesting presentation that they would like to give at this time. The presenter estimated the need for the building would be \$20,000 or less. They are looking at a butler building. They have some donations already (about \$3,600, which was donated by an attorney and former city council woman). The Animal Mission group emphasized that they would need a vote from Council to allow their staff to pursue the options and see if it is available and approval to proceed with raising money. *Chairman Brown asked Mr. Hinely and Mr. Anderson to do some research on this project and bring the information back to the Council.*

9. CLERK TO COUNCIL'S REPORT AND CORRESPONDENCE

a. Reported that Fairfield County is the recipient of the S. C. Department of Disabilities and Special Needs 2009 Golden Palmetto Award.

b. Town of Winnsboro hosting the Intergovernmental Council Meeting, tomorrow at 6:30 P.M.

10. BOARD AND COMMISSION MINUTES

Provided as information.

11. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

Provided as information.

12. COUNTY COUNCIL TIME

Marcharia: Digressed back to Ordinance No. 569 and opined that "any time a citizen request something like that and it is denied, at least I am going to express my purpose of why I wouldn't vote and it is because I heard someone say, it was never specific about what kind of business was going to be placed there. Also, B-2 has over 150 different things that can go on that land (almost four acres of land). Some of those things in B-2, you wouldn't want within five miles of your home, in my opinion. I need to know exactly how that would impact the residents and what exactly is going to go there. I think we asked our zoning director to take a look at that and see if we can single some of those things out we thought might be harmful, environmentally, within a five mile radius and see if we can have it under a different kind of category. Until I fully understand that, and on behalf of the public, knowing what they would have in their community, that's why I did not vote. I don't know what is going there and there are some potentially dangerous things in B-2."

Brown: Asked Council to consider reinstating the Junior County Council. Council Member Ferguson suggested that Council hold a work session to set guidelines for this program before it is reorganized. Council Member Marcharia concurred and commented about the success of Government Day that was held at McCrorey-Liston Elementary, but opined that many young people are not knowledgeable of who their elected officials are.

13. EXECUTIVE SESSION: Legal Matter And Economic Development Matter

At 7:39 P.M., it was moved by Council Member Ferguson; seconded by Vice Chairman Trapp to go in executive session to discuss a legal matter and economic development matter. The motion carried unanimously.

At 9:00 P.M., it was moved by Vice Chairman Trapp; seconded by Council Member Ferguson to come out of executive session and return to regular session. The motion carried unanimously.

{Chairman Brown reported that no action was taken in executive session and no action to report out in regular session}.

14. ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 P.M., upon the unanimous approval of Council.

SHRYLL M. BROWN
CLERK TO COUNCIL

RUSSELL DAVID BROWN
CHAIRMAN