MINUTES
ORANGEBURG COUNTY COUNCIL
MARCH 3, 2014
5:30 P.M.

Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, the news media was notified and notice was posted on the bulletin board 24 hours prior to the meeting.

MEMBERS PRESENT: **MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Johnnie Wright, Sr.
Janie Cooper-Smith, Vice Chairman
Heyward H. Livingston
Willie B. Owens
Johnny Ravenell
Harry F. Wimberly
Clyde B. Livingston

OTHERS PRESENT:

Marion Lloyd, Sr. Deputy Administrator
Megan Dangerfield, Clerk to Council

Jerrod Anderson, Attorney

CALL TO ORDER   Johnnie Wright, Sr., Chairman

MOMENT OF SILENCE   Moment of silence observed

APPROVAL OF MINUTES   February 3, 2014
                                          February 18, 2014

Chairman Wright asked for a motion to approve the minutes. Councilwoman Cooper-Smith made a motion, seconded by Councilman Owens. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: AGENDA ITEMS   None

PUBLIC COMMENTS: OTHER MATTERS

Willie Brown thanked the Council for their assistance regarding litter control for Stacey Bridge Road.

1. RESOLUTION HONORING NATIONAL WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH

Councilwoman Cooper-Smith read the Resolution in its entirety. Councilman Wimberly moved to approve the Resolution, seconded by Councilman Ravenell. Motion carried.

2. APPROVAL OF 2014 BUDGET CALENDAR AN ORDINANCE

Councilman Heyward Livingston moved to approve the Budget Ordinance, seconded by Councilman Owens. Motion carried.

3. ORDINANCE - SECOND READING

    ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF A FEE AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN ORANGEBURG COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA AND QUALITY MODELS SOUTH CAROLINA INC. PROVIDING FOR A PAYMENT OF A FEE IN LIEU OF TAXES, THE ISSUANCE OF SPECIAL SOURCE REVENUE CREDITS, AND OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO.

Jerrod Anderson stated that Quality Models is planning to invest 2.5 million for buildings, machines and equipment as well as create 26 new jobs over a five year period. The company would like to be located in the County/City Industrial Park. He stated this is second reading and there have been no changes since the first reading.

Councilman Ravenell moved to approve second reading, seconded by Councilman Heyward Livingston. Motion carried.

4. ORDINANCE - SECOND READING

    AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE FIRST AMENDMENT OF THAT CERTAIN FEE AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN ORANGEBURG COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA AND PROJECT BEARING, RELATING TO, WITHOUT LIMITATION, THE PAYMENT TO ORANGEBURG COUNTY OF A FEE IN LIEU OF TAXES, AND AN EXTENSION OF THE INVESTMENT PERIOD TO ALLOW FOR CONTINUING AND FURTHER INVESTMENT IN THE PROJECT.

Jerrod Anderson stated this was an expansion of the investment period for an existing fee in lieu. The company plans to invest a minimum of ten million in machinery and equipment. Under the present agreement the established company has already met a ten million dollar investment for five years. The current investment period would expire at the end of 2014 and the company would like to extend it for an additional five years. Mr. Anderson stated that the company would like to remain confidential until Third Reading and the Public Hearing will be held at that time.

Councilwoman Cooper-Smith moved to approve the Ordinance, second reading, seconded by Councilman Ravenell. Motion carried.

5.   VOTE FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION

Councilman Owens moved for Council to go into Executive Session, seconded by Councilwoman Cooper-Smith. Motion carried.

Councilwoman Cooper-Smith stated that Mr. Brown thanked the Council for their help with Stacey Bridge Road but she commended Sinkler Boone and his department for all their efforts.

Councilman Owens gave a brief summary of the recent Task Force on Crime Brunch. They are planning another meeting for April 24 at the OC Tech Auditorium and the public is encouraged to attend.

6.   EXECUTIVE SESSION

    1)   ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT UPDATE
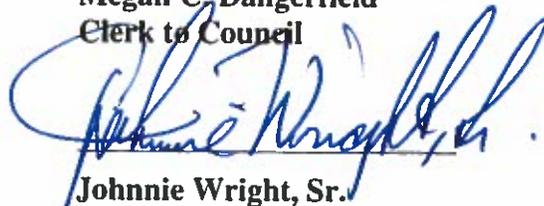
    2)   CONTRACTUAL MATTERS

7.   VOTE FOR ADJOURNMENT

Councilman Heyward Livingston made the motion for adjournment, seconded by Councilman Ravenell. Motion carried.

8.   ADJOURNMENT

Megan C. Dangerfield
Clerk to Council

Johnnie Wright, Sr.
Chairman, County Council