MINUTES ORANGEBURG COUNTY COUNCIL JUNE 16, 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:

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

OTHERS PRESENT:

Harold Young, County Administrator Megan Dangerfield, Clerk to Council D'Anne Haydel, County Attorney

CALL TO ORDER

Johnnie Wright, Sr., Chairman

MOMENT OF SILENCE

Moment of silence observed

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

June 2, 2014

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

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

AGENDA ITEMS

NONE

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OTHER MATTERS

NONE

1. RESOLUTION HONORING JOSEPH C. JACKSON, SR.

Councilwoman Cooper-Smith invited Mr. Jackson to join her up front along with Chairman Wright and Councilman Wimberly. She then read the Resolution in its entirety. Afterwards, several of Mr. Jackson's family and friends spoke of his character, his many accomplishments, and the positive impact he has had on their individual lives.

Councilman Clyde Livingston made the motion to approve the Resolution, seconded by Councilman Owens. Motion carried.

2. ORDINANCE – FIRST READING TITLE ONLY

AN ORDINANCE TO REDUCE THE ASSESSMENT RATIO APPLICABLE IN DETERMINING THE ASSESSED VALUE OF GENERAL AVIATION AIRCRAFT TO FOUR PERCENT (4%)

Harold Young stated that the County had received a request due to increased economic development demand on the municipal airport to lower the assessment ratio from 10.5% to 4%. It is believed that additional corporate aircraft will be housed at the airport if the assessment rate is lowered and this will help balance out the difference in the assessed rate.

Councilman Clyde Livingston moved to refer the Ordinance to the Finance Committee. After a brief pause, Councilman Owens stated that the motion dies for the lack of a second. Chairman Wright asked for those in favor of the Ordinance by title only to say aye, all seven Council members voted in favor of the Ordinance by title only, motion carried.

3. ORDINANCE – PUBLIC HEARING AND THIRD READING

AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2014, AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2015, FOR THE ORANGEBURG COUNTY BUDGET FOR ORDINARY COUNTY PURPOSES FOR WHICH THE COUNTY MAY LEVY A TAX; TO PROVIDE FOR THE LEVY OF TAXES ON ALL TAXABLE PERSONAL AND REAL ESTATE PROPERTIES IN ORANGEBURG COUNTY FOR ALL COUNTY PURPOSES, INCLUDING SUFFICIENT TAXES TO PAY THE PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST ON THE OUTSTANDING INDEBTEDNESS OF ORANGEBURG COUNTY MATURING DURING THE FISCAL YEAR; TO PROVIDE FOR MATTERS RELATING TO ORANGEBURG COUNTY; AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE EXPENDITURE OF TAXES AND OTHER REVENUES COMING TO THE COUNTY DURING THE FISCAL YEAR

No comments were made during the Public Hearing.

Mr. Young stated that this is appropriations for ordinary county purposes. There have been no changes since first and second reading but he wanted to remind the citizens that the Creekmoor Subdivision had requested to be a special purpose tax district which will be added this year.

Councilman Owens moved to approve the Ordinance for third and final reading, seconded by Councilman Ravenell. Motion Carried.

4. ORDINANCE – PUBLIC HEARING AND THIRD READING

AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE FOR APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2014, AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2015, FOR ORANGEBURG-CALHOUN TECHNICAL COLLEGE, THE ORANGEBURG

COUNTY DISABILITIES AND SPECIAL NEEDS BOARD, THE VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION WORKSHOP, AND FOR OTHER PUBLIC AND SPECIAL EDUCATION; TO PROVIDE FOR THE LEVY OF TAXES AND OTHER REVENUES COMING TO THE COUNTY DURING THE FISCAL YEAR FOR SUCH PURPOSES

No comments during the Public Hearing.

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

5. ORDINANCE - PUBLIC HEARING AND THIRD READING

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A LEASE AGREEMENT IN AN AMOUNT NOT EXCEEDING \$6,750,000 RELATING TO THE REFINANCING OF CERTAIN EQUIPMENT AND THE PURCHASING OF NEW EQUIPMENT, AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF OTHER NECESSARY DOCUMENTS AND PAPERS, AND OTHER MATTERS RELATING THERETO.

No comments were made during the Public Hearing.

Mr. Young stated that this was basically a refinancing and a combination of transferring some GO debt into a lease payment of some equipment that was purchased under the 2012 and 2013 Bond Anticipation notes.

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

6. APPOINTMENT OF CONSTABLE FOR LITTER CONTROL DEPARTMENT

Harold Young announced Mr. David Turner was a new member of the Litter Control Department. Chairman Wright welcomed him to the Department. Councilman Heyward Livingston moved to approve the appointment of Mr. Turner, seconded by Councilman Wimberly. Motion carried.

7. PRESENTATION OF FY13 AUDIT REPORT

Bob Milhouse, External Auditor for the County, presented the Audit Report to Council.

8. PROCUREMENT

1. WASTE HAULING FOR CONVENIENCE SITES

Harold Young stated that a Bid was prepared for RFP FY14- 530 and was advertised as required. There were 4 responding vendors. It is the recommendation of the evaluation committee that the contract be awarded to Dorado Services for \$55,000 per month. Councilwoman Cooper-Smith moved to approve the recommendation, seconded by Councilman Rayenell. Motion carried.

2. MAINTENANCE / LANDSCAPING SERVICES

Harold Young stated that a bid was prepared for RFP FY1-0530 and was advertised as required. There were 4 responding bidders. It is the recommendation of management that the contract be awarded to Julietta Landscape Management for \$38,175 per year. Councilman Owens moved to accept the recommendation of the committee, seconded by Councilman Heyward Livingston. Motion carried.

3. REQUEST FOR QUOTES - LEASING OF LAND-AGRICULTURAL USE

Harold Young stated that a request for quotes for leasing land (agricultural purposes) was prepared for County owned property in Neeses. The lease includes about 83 acres and was advertised as required. One quote was received from Leroy Williams. It is the recommendation of John McLauchlin, Project Engineer, that the quote be accepted for \$31.00 an acre.

Councilman Heyward Livingston moved to accept the recommendation, seconded by Councilman Owens. Motion carried.

9. VOTE FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION

Councilwoman Cooper-Smith moved for Executive Session, seconded by Councilman Heyward Livingston. Motion carried.

10. VOTE FOR ADJOURNMENT

Councilman Owens moved to adjourn, seconded by Councilwoman Cooper-Smith. Motion carried.

Megan C. Dangerfield

Clerk to Council

Johnnie Wright, Sr.

Chairman, County Council