



**MINUTES
ORANGEBURG COUNTY COUNCIL
May 1, 2017
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:

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

MEMBERS ABSENT:

OTHERS PRESENT:

**Harold Young, County Administrator
D'Anne Haydel, County Attorney
Connie N. Portee, Clerk to Council**

CALL TO ORDER

Johnnie Wright, Sr. Chairman

On the 1st day of May 2017, Chairman Wright called to order a regular session meeting of the Orangeburg County Council at 5:36 p.m.

MOMENT OF SILENCE

Moment of silence observed

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

April 17, 2017

Chairman Wright asked for a motion on the minutes. Councilman Johnny Ravenell motioned that the minutes of the sessions of the Orangeburg County Council on the above dates be approved as written. Councilman Willie Owens seconded the motion. Motion carried. (7-0-0).

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

AGENDA ITEMS

NONE

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OTHER MATTERS

NONE

1. ORDINANCE SECOND READING

AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF ORANGEBURG COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA, AMENDING THE ZONING MAP OF THE UNINCORPORATED ORANGEBURG COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA TO CHANGE THE ZONING DESIGNATION FOR THE REAL PROPERTY DESCRIBED AS TMS# 0302-00-07008.00 FROM FA (FOREST & AGRICULTURE) TO CG (COMMERCIAL GENERAL); AND PROVIDING FOR SERVERABILITY AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE

Chairman Wright yielded to Administrator Young to give a brief summary. Administrator Young advised on March 8, 2017 the planning commission met to consider this request from James and Donna Beck to rezone the property at 7656 Old Number Six Hwy, Santee SC from FA (Forest and Agricultural) to CG (Commercial General). The property is currently an auto repair shop and is adjacent to the cement plant as the property and adjacent property are already commercial uses and there was no opposition to the request. The Planning Commission voted unanimously to recommend approval of the request.

Chairman Wright entertained a motion to pass the ordinance for second reading. Councilman Johnny Ravenell made the motion. The motion was seconded by Councilman Heyward Livingston. Motion carried. (7-0-0).

2. A RESOLUTION CONSENTING TO THE ADDITION OF SPRINGFIELD SOLAR PROPERTIES, LLC AS A SPONSOR AFFILIATE UNDER THE FEE AGREEMENT BETWEEN ORANGEBURG COUNTY AND SPRINGFIELD SOLAR, LLC

Chairman Wright yielded Attorney Jerrod Anderson to give a brief summary of the resolution. Attorney Jerrod Anderson advised the resolution is to include Springfield Solar Properties, LLC with the present fee agreement with Springfield Solar, LLC.

Chairman Wright entertained a motion to pass the resolution. Vice-Chairwoman Janie Cooper-Smith made the motion. The motion was seconded by Councilman Heyward Livingston. Motion carried. (7-0-0).

3. RESOLUTION BY COUNTY COUNCIL TO APPLY FOR SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FUNDING

Chairman Wright yielded to Administrator Young to give a brief summary. Administrator Young advised the County of Orangeburg has applied and received funding for the last seven or eight years through Federal Transit Administration (FTA) to provide services for the Cross County Connection. The County bus system has also adopted the Veterans route and other routes dealing with ADA and other individuals with disabilities. We are proud of the system and are required to have Council approval to continue to apply for funding to help offset the cost of the transportation of the Cross County Connection to the County.

Chairman Wright entertained a motion to pass the resolution. Councilman Willie Owens made the motion. The motion was seconded by Vice-Chairwoman Janie Cooper-Smith. Motion carried. (7-0-0).

4. UPDATE FROM PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

Chairman Wright yielded to the Chairman of the Public Works Committee Councilman Johnny Ravenell to give an update. Councilman Ravenell advised that the Public Works Committee recess the meeting until after Executive Session.

PROCUREMENT

a. REQUEST FOR BID "FY17-0427" CONSTRUCTION OF LANDFILL SCALE HOUSE BUILDING"

Chairman Wright yielded to Administrator Young to give a summary. Administrator Young advised this is a request for FY17-0427 to build a new scale house at the Orangeburg County Landfill. The bid was advertised in SCBO and the T&D newspaper. There were eight (8) contractors that requested plans and specifications, of those eight (8) contractors' six (6) contractors submitted a bid. The recommendation is for Skip Welch Construction of Orangeburg in the amount of \$303,277.00.

Chairman Wright entertained a motion to approve the recommendation for the FY17-0427 construction of landfill scale house. Councilman Harry Wimberly made the motion. The motion was seconded by Councilman Willie Owens. Motion carried. (7-0-0).

b. STATE CONTRACT PROCUREMENT ORANGEBURG COUNTY AUDITOR'S OFFICE

Chairman Wright yielded to Administrator Young to give a summary. Administrator Young advised this request was to update partitions in the office suites in the Auditor's office. This work will be done through state contract but the cost is over the approvable limit of \$20,000.00 and it is required to have County Council approval.

Chairman Wright entertained a motion to approve the state contract procurement of the Auditor's office. Councilman Willie Owens made the motion. The motion was seconded by Councilman Johnny Ravenell. Motion carried. (7-0-0).

5. VOTE FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION

Chairman Wright read the item for executive session and entertained a motion. Councilman Heyward Livingston made the motion. Vice-Chairwoman Janie Cooper-Smith seconded the motion. Motion carried. (7-0-0).

6. EXECUTIVE SESSION

a. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT UPDATE

1. PROJECT HALO

2. PROJECT COLUMBUS

S.C. CODE §30-4-70(A)(5) (DISCUSSION OF MATTERS RELATING TO THE PROPOSED LOCATION, EXPANSION, OR THE PROVISION OF SERVICES ENCOURAGING LOCATION OR EXPANSION OF INDUSTRIES OR OTHER BUSINESSES IN THE AREA SERVED BY THE PUBLIC BODY)

b. CONTRACTUAL MATTERS

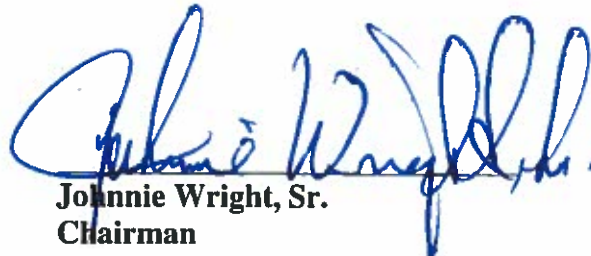
LEGAL BASIS - FOIA EXEMPTION S.C. CODE 30-4 70(a)(2)(DISCUSSION OF NEGOTIATIONS INCIDENT TO PROPOSED CONTRACTUAL AGREEMENT)

7. VOTE FOR ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Wright entertained a motion for adjournment. Councilman Harry Wimberly motioned that the regular session of the Orangeburg County Council of May 1, 2017 stand adjourned. Councilman Johnny Ravenell seconded the motion. Motion carried. (7-0-0).

8. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m.



**Johnnie Wright, Sr.
Chairman
Orangeburg County Council**



**Connie N. Portee
Clerk to Council
Orangeburg County Council**