



**MINUTES
ORANGEBURG COUNTY COUNCIL
August 20, 2018
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
Ray W. Sabalis
Willie B. Owens
Johnny Ravenell
Heyward H. Livingston
Harry Wimberly**

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 20th day of August 2018, Chairman Wright called to order a regular session meeting of the Orangeburg County Council at 5:33 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

July 2, 2018 (RS)

Chairman Wright asked for a motion on the minutes of the Orangeburg County Council meeting on the above date be approved as written. Vice-Chairwoman Janie Cooper-Smith made the motion. Councilman Johnny Ravenell seconded the motion. Motion carried. (7-0-0)

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

AGENDA ITEMS

NONE

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OTHER MATTERS

Gloria Rickenbacker Hutto came before Council to follow up on her complaint about the rooster and dogs running loose without a leash.

County Administrator Young advised he had been out there personally to research about the rooster but was aware about the dog issue.

Councilman Willie Owens asked the County Administrator to do whatever he could to help Mrs. Rickenbacker-Hutto to resolve the issue with the dogs.

Sarah Monroe came before Council to express her concerns about property on the corner of Chestnut Street (US-21-178) and Magnolia Street (US-601) she sees his property as the gateway to the City of Orangeburg and she would like someone to do something about it. She advised that she had been to the City of Orangeburg and they advised her to come to the County.

County Administrator Young advised that the County had spoken with the property owner and advised the owner of the complaint, however the property is located in the City of Orangeburg TMS#0173-07-02-013.000 and the lead of the enforcement has to come from the City of Orangeburg because it is in the city.

Chairman Wright closed public comments of other matters at 5:44 p.m. and went into the regular agenda.

1. ORDINANCE THIRD READING AND PUBLIC HEARING

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING PURSUANT TO TITLE 12, CHAPTER 44 OF THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA 1976, AS AMENDED, THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF A FEE-IN-LIEU OF AD VALOREM TAXES AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN ORANGEBURG COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA AND CERTAIN COMPANIES AS SPONSOR AND SPONSOR AFFILIATE, RESPECTIVELY, IDENTIFIED COLLECTIVELY FOR THE TIME BEING AS PROJECT OLIVE, TO PROVIDE FOR A FEE-IN-LIEU OF AD VALOREM TAXES INCENTIVE AND CERTAIN SPECIAL SOURCE REVENUE CREDITS; AND OTHER RELATED MATTERS

Chairman Wright yielded to Administrator Young to give a summary. Administrator Young advised this ordinance was a fee-in-lieu that was liable County Council through the State. Administrator Young yielded to County Attorney D'Anne Haydel. Attorney Haydel advised Project Olive was a Solar Farm to sell power to utility companies and the first three (3) items on the agenda are related to Project Olive and this is a \$28 million construction project.

Chairman Wright asked, the Council if they had any questions? There were none.

Chairman Wright open the floor for public hearing questions. There were none.

Chairman Wright entertained a motion to pass the ordinance of agenda item one (1), two (2), for third and final reading and resolution for agenda item three (3). Councilman Willie Owens made the motion. The motion was seconded by Councilman Heyward Livingston made the motion. Motion carried. (7-0-0).

2. ORDINANCE THIRD READING AND PUBLIC HEARING

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AN AMENDMENT TO THE AMENDED AND RESTATED AGREEMENT FOR DEVELOPMENT OF JOINT COUNTY INDUSTRIAL PARK DATED MAY 17, 2010, SO AS TO INCLUDE ADDITIONAL PROPERTY IN ORANGEBURG COUNTY (PROJECT OLIVE) AS PART OF THE JOINT COUNTY INDUSTRIAL PARK, AND OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO

Chairman Wright entertained a motion to pass the ordinance for third and final reading. Councilman Willie Owens made the motion. The motion was seconded by Councilman Heyward Livingston. Motion carried. (7-0-0)

3. AN INDUCEMENT RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION INDUCING AND IDENTIFYING A PROPOSED INVESTMENT UNDER CODE NAME OF "PROJECT OLIVE" AND OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO

Chairman Wright entertained a motion to pass the inducement resolution. Councilman Willie Owens made the motion. The motion was seconded by Councilman Heyward Livingston. Motion carried. (7-0-0)

4. ORDINANCE SECOND READING

AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF ORANGEBURG COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA, AMENDING THE ZONING MAP OF UNINCORPORATED ORANGEBURG COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA, TO CHANGE THE ZONING DESIGNATION FOR THE REAL PROPERTY DESCRIBED AS TMS #0173-16-05-015.000 FROM RG (RESIDENTIAL GENERAL) DISTRICT; TO CG (COMMERICAL GENERAL) DISTRICT AND PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE

Chairman Wright yielded to Administrator Young to give a summary. Administrator Young advised the Planning Commission met on June 13, 2018 to discuss this request from Robert Jackson to the property located at 1523 Gregg St in Council District 7 from RG (Residential General) to CG (Commercial General). The property was a commercial use in the past but was burned and never rebuilt. The owner wished to reestablish the auto repair business. Two neighbors came to support the request and there were no opposition. The commission voted unanimously to recommend approval.

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

5. ORDINANCE FIRST READING

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, IN ONE OR MORE SERIES, TAX-EXEMPT OR TAXABLE, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$5,500,000 TO FUND THE PURCHASE OF COUNTY VEHICLES; AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR TO PRESCRIBE THE FORM AND DETAILS OF THE BONDS; PROVIDING FOR THE PAYMENT OF THE BONDS AND THE DISPOSITION OF THE PROCEEDS OF THE BONDS; PROVIDING FOR BORROWING IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF THE BONDS; AND OTHER RELATED MATTERS

Chairman Wright yielded to Administrator Young to give a summary. Administrator Young advised this was the first reading on potential borrowings to replace additional public works vehicles that are administration vehicles, sheriff vehicles, and equipment a part of this is to replace the compactors at the convenience sites.

Chairman Wright asked, the Council if they had any questions?

Councilman Heyward Livingston asked how many compactors needed to be replaced.

Administrator Young advised it was twenty (20) one at every convenience site. The County has had to replace compactors since the County started the convenience sites process and this is causing us some back up at some of the convenience sites. We have done two (2) or three (3) with the budget but now most of them need to be replaced.

Councilman Heyward Livingston asked about the ones the County had rebuild a couple of yours ago.

Administrator Young advised some of them held up for a while but some of the compactors there is nothing to weld to, and they have been there for twenty (20) thing years.

Chairman Wright entertained a motion to pass the ordinance for first reading. Councilman Johnny Ravenell made the motion. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Ray Sabalis. Motion carried. (7-0-0).

RESOLUTION

6. A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AMENDMENT TO THE AMENDED AND RESTATED AGREEMENT FOR DEVELOPMENT OF JOINT COUNTY INDUSTRIAL PARK ("RESTATED AGREEMENT") BY AND BETWEEN DORCHESTER COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA AND ORANGEBURG COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA, IN ORDER TO EXTEND THE TERM OF A PROPERTY'S INCLUSION WITHIN THE PARK, TO CONFIRM THE INCLUSION OF CERTAIN PROPERTY LOCATED IN DORCHESTER COUNTY AND OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO (COASTAL CORRUGATED)

Chairman Wright yielded to Administrator Young to give a summary. Administrator Young yielded to County Attorney D'Anne Haydel. Attorney Haydel advised this was a Dorchester project also known as Project Ambassador in Dorchester County but it is Coastal Corrugated, Inc. they are investing 3,200,000.00 they have figured out what there fee-in-lieu would be in Dorchester County and they would like to be in a multi-county industrial park for the job credits so it has come before County Council for a signal reading on if you agree to place it in the park and if you agree Orangeburg County is entitled to one percent (1%) of the repayment.

Chairman Wright entertained a motion to not pass this resolution. Councilman Harry Wimberly made the motion. The motion was seconded by Councilman Willie Owens. Motion carried. (7-0-0)

7. RESOLUTION HONORING BETTY A. HENDERSON

Chairman Wright read the resolution in its entirety.

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

8. OFFICIAL ACTION

AUTHORIZATION OF FORM SECURITY DETAIL CONTRACT FOR SCHOOL YEAR 2018-19

Chairman Wright yielded to Administrator Young to give a summary. Administrator Young advised this was the security service detail contract between the schools districts and the sheriff department to provide SRO (School Resource Officer) to the schools. It outlines the rate of pay as well as the responsibilities of the school districts to pay the officers in the event they have to do special service work outside the SRO (School Resource Officer) detail. Administrator Young yielded to County Attorney D'Anne Haydel for any additional information. Attorney Haydel advised this was the same contract as last year (2017).

Chairman Wright asked, the Council if they had any questions?

Councilman Willie Owens asked Attorney D'Anne Haydel did she think Orangeburg County Sheriff Department as well as the School Board live up to the contract.

Attorney D'Anne Haydel advised yes because they have been historically for the last ten (10) years.

Councilman Willie Owens asked so there are no major changes to the contract from when it was within the past ten years.

Attorney D'Anne Haydel advised no.

Chairman Wright entertained a motion to pass the authorization on the security detail service contract. Councilman Heyward Livingston made the motion. The motion was seconded by Councilman Willie Owens. Motion carried. (7-0-0).

PROCUREMENT

a. EDISTO RIVER DEBRIS REMOVAL PHASE 2

Chairman Wright yielded to Administrator Young to give a summary. Administrator Young advised the County of Orangeburg has been working with SCDNR, Senator Matthews and Senator Hutto to do a cleanup of the Edisto River by removing debris from some of the storms to make it more passable for people who do boating and fishing. In an effort to do this the County is continuing to work on the Edisto River Master Plan and as a part of continuing the efforts, the County did a survey from thirty (30) miles from Glover

St. landing to below Branchville. This is a continuation of the first ten (10) miles that obstructions that were cleared from the Shillings Bridge Rd landing to the Glover Street through the first project. The miles were put out to bid and the ultimate contract was awarded to Dorado Services in the amount of \$65,920.00. Dorado used Zulu as the sub-contractor for the project and the project was completed in December 2017. This is a proposal from the same contractor that was hired by the consultant to help with the assessment to continue phase 2 and this project is a thirty (30) mile stretch at a cost of \$138,000.00 or \$4,600.00 per river mile. This is similar work that was done in phase 1 the contractor and the sub-contractor performed the last project with exceptional results. They outline the obstruction, GPS, photo graph, put GPS coordinates on it, and video the removal as well. It is recommended that we ask to waive the procurement code provisions per section 1-303 (2) of the code, for phase 2 of this project. The entire cost is to be funded by SCDNR.

Attorney D'Anne Haydel advised Council as Director Hall pointed out this is not a one motion thing. Council needs to have a finding that the County doesn't need to use the competitive process to select the vendor and a motion to award Zula if Council wishes to use this contractor.

Councilman Harry Wimberly made the finding that this project had a competitive proposal which does not have to go through the procurement process. Councilman Willie Owens seconded the finding.

Chairman Wright entertained a motion to accept the procurement recommendations. Councilman Harry Wimberly made the motion. The motion was seconded by Councilman Willie Owens. Motion carried. (7-0-0).

b. FY18-0625 - FINANCE/ERP SYSTEM REPLACEMENT

Chairman Wright yielded to Administrator Young to give a summary. Administrator Young advised this was a procurement bid to replace the current financial system that the County use. There were three vendors who responded and it is the recommendation of the financial consultants we award the bits to Tyler Technologies in the amount of \$799,459 this is a three year cost for the financial system. This contractor is recommended based upon the information we received from Alert Technologies that this system will work along with a lot of our other platforms we have already in place like the new tax software system. The upgrade will save the County compared to the County is currently using. The total cost for annual maintenance to the current system is \$458,232 replacing this system would net the County a \$300,000.00 savings per year.

Chairman Wright asked how long will before it is implemented.

Administrator Young advised about one (1) year.

Councilman Harry Wimberly advised it should be the goal of the County that when a real estate transaction is made in the court house that it ends up in the Assessor's Office so everything can become transparent then the way the system is now months behind. So we need to work toward that and the County should not spend any money on a system that will not work when you congregate all that together.

Administrator Young advised the County is working towards this. This particular system is cloud base and is easily scalable verse the other system where we had SunGard it had everything in a compartment we had to by this module, that module, and if we updated we had to update this module and the HR and Payroll system was separate so this is why we are going to one system and this system will be able to held all of that, plus incorporate other functions like community development. So this new system is an overall platform design just for County Government.

Chairman Wright entertained a motion to accept the procurement recommendation for FY18-0625- Finance/ERP System Replacement. Councilwoman Ray Sabalis made the motion. The motion was seconded by Councilman Willie Owens. Motion carried. (7-0-0)

UPDATES

a. LITTER CONTROL REPORT

Chairman Wright yielded to Vice-Chairwoman Janie Cooper-Smith for the Litter Control Report update. Vice-Chairwoman Janie Cooper-Smith advised this report comes from the director of Litter Control Marie Canty and it is for the months of June and July. In the month of June there were 91 litter cases opened of the 91 cases 43 litter cases closed the total amount of litter weight was \$18,340, 8 warnings were issued and 10 citations were issued. In the month of July 91 litter cases opened of the 91 cases 46 litter cases closed and a total of 14,580 weight of litter was picked up, 88 warnings were issued and 28 citations were issued.

VOTE FOR ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Wright entertained a motion for adjournment. Vice-Chairwoman Janie Cooper-Smith motioned that the regular session of the Orangeburg County Council of August 20, 2018 stand adjourned. Councilman Johnny Ravenell seconded the motion. Motion carried. (7-0-0)

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 6:42 p.m.

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

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