

**DILLON COUNTY COUNCIL
CALLED MEETING
AUGUST 8, 2012
4:00 PM**

The Dillon County Council held a called meeting on August 8, 2012 at 4:00 pm in the County Council Chambers, 109 S 3rd Ave, Dillon SC. Present were: Archie Scott, Aron Gandy, Joe Johnson, Andrew Graves and Harold Moody. Not present was: Bobby Moody. Also present were: Clay Young (County Administrator), Lisa Gray (Clerk to Council) and Betsy Finklea (The Dillon Herald). Ken DuBose (County Attorney) was not present.

The following were notified of the meeting and provided an agenda: By e-mail – Charles Curry, Randy Grimsley (Dillon County EMS), Gerald Poss Consulting, Harold Moody, The Dillon Herald, Susan Norton (Perdue), Tim Ammons (Attorney), Tonny McNeil (Dillon County Economic Development), Yolanda McCormick (Dillon County Librarian), Randy Rouse (Hometown TV), Gabriel Salmon (PDCAA), Larry Abraham (Chief Deputy), Ken Dubose (County Attorney), Joe Johnson, Les Jackson (County Deputy), Terry Morris, Alvin Nobles, Dillon County Planning/Code Enforcement Office, WMBF News, Sheriff Major Hulon, Jerry Rivers, Dan Gruszka, Bobby Holland (SCANANA), Jamie Estes (Dillon County Treasurer), Dillon County Finance, Sonny McRae (Dillon County E911), Alan Lane, Steve Johnson (Hometown TV), Manufactured Housing Institute of SC, Ron Bartley (NETC), Jamie Rogers (Morning News), Karl McColleston (Agenda Repository), Archie Scott, Frank Brockington, Mike Burns, Dan McLeod, Lisa Morris, and Kathy Dawson (McNair Law Firm); By fax – Farm Bureau and Pee Dee Electric.

INVOCATION

Invocation was given by Andrew Graves.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Joe Johnson motioned to approve the agenda. Andrew Graves seconded and all were in favor.

NEW BUSINESS

ARCADIS – BAR-HOLE METHANE SURVEY PROPOSAL

Mr. Young told that this is required by DHEC to be performed at the landfill. **Archie Scott motioned to approve the proposal (cost of \$11,500). Andrew Graves seconded and all were in favor.**

OLD BUSINESS

BIDS – MODULAR MOBILE OFFICE

Mr. Young told that he asked Larry Jones, Code Enforcement Officer, and Frank Brockington to review both specs for the new and used unit and go to Summerville to look at the used unit. Mr. Jones told that the used unit, in his opinion, was as good as or better than the new unit. Mr. Young and Mr. Jones both agreed to ask Council to reconsider purchasing the used unit. Charlie Brown also stated that he was okay with the used unit (to be used for the landfill office). **Harold Moody motioned to reconsider the purchase (voted on at July 25, 2012 meeting) and not go with the new unit but to purchase the 2001 used mobile unit (cost of \$24,066.67). Joe Johnson seconded and all were in favor.**

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BIDS – EXCAVATOR

Mr. Young told that Council had delayed the award to Blanchard Machinery at the last meeting pending clarity of the manual thumb feature. Steve Moody explained that this feature, which was added to the original bid (additional cost of \$4,686), would enable the Roads and Bridges department to perform their tasks safer and with more stability and ease. **Archie Scott motioned to accept the bid (\$243,376 with all options). Harold Moody seconded and all were in favor.**

GADDY LAND OPTION AGREEMENT

Mr. Young asked Council to table this and told that he will ask the building committee to make recommendations after Tonny McNeil has additional discussion with the family and gets with Ken DuBose to make any appropriate changes.

MOHAWK BUILDING REPAIRS/IMPROVEMENTS

Mr. Young told of minor repairs being made to the building in anticipation of a lease agreement with Harbor Freight and that no action is required at this time.

FIREMAN PHYSICALS

Mr. Young told of receiving quotes from five firms for a two year time period. He stated sealed bids were not necessary since this is a professional service. Quote summary sheet is attached to the minutes. Winna Miller explained the quotes and policy. Mr. Scott asked if the funds were in the budget for this. Mr. Young stated it was. **Joe Johnson motioned to select the Dillon medical firm, Dillon Internal Medicine, to perform the physicals. Harold Moody seconded and all, except Andrew Graves, were in favor. Mr. Graves was opposed.**

LAW ENFORCEMENT CENTER UPDATE

Mr. Young told that the County and City Councils had met on August 6th to discuss the building. He told that the City will meet next Monday to discuss the proposal and get back with us.

HWY 34 CONVENIENCE CENTER

Mr. Young stated that the lease for this property is up but it does have a cancellation clause with a 60 day notice. **Andrew Graves motioned to recommend moving the convenience site to Highway 57 North beside Dillon County Fire Station Five. Archie Scott seconded and all were in favor.** Mr. Young told that we are still working on getting stickers for citizens showing they are eligible to use the sites.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Mr. Young told Council that he was planning to give the county employees their bonus, which Council had approved in the budget, soon and noted that SC Retirement contributions had increased on July 1, 2012.

Archie Scott stated that he had information showing Mr. Young received \$1,856 on May 7, 2012. Mr. Young told that it was related to moving expense and travel and will provide that information to Council. Mr. Scott stated he didn't understand why reimbursement was needed since he has a county credit card and vehicle. Mr. Scott also made other comments concerning Mr. Young causing division among Council and something going on with the finances. Mr.

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Young stated he did not understand Mr. Scott's thinking and noted the past record of the County's finances being brought up to great shape during his tenure.

ORDINANCE READINGS

SECOND READING – ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE AND APPROVE AN AGREEMENT FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF A JOINT INDUSTRIAL AND BUSINESS PARK BY AND BETWEEN DILLON COUNTY AND HORRY COUNTY
Harold Moody motioned to approve the reading by title only as set forth in the agenda. Joe Johnson seconded and all were in favor.

SECOND READING – ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF LEASE AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN THE COUNTY AND HARBOR FREIGHT TOOLS USA, INC.

Joe Johnson motioned to approve the reading by title only as set forth in the agenda. Harold Moody seconded and all were in favor.

Harold Moody asked if all expenditures were on line. Mr. Young said that some reports are there and that he would like to begin putting the check register on line beginning with the July 1, 2012 report. Mr. Scott stated that he wants Council to get a copy of the check registers also.

ADJOURNMENT

Joe Johnson motioned to adjourn. Archie Scott seconded and all were in favor.

Aron Gandy, Chairman

Lisa B. Gray, Clerk to Council

Date approved _____