

**DILLON COUNTY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
OCTOBER 26, 2016
4:00 PM**

The Dillon County Council held a regular meeting on October 26, 2016 at 4:00 pm in the County Council Chambers, 109 S 3rd Ave, Dillon SC. Present were T.F. Finklea, Randy Goings, Robbie Coward, Stevie Grice, Harold Moody, Archie Scott, and Bobby Moody. Also present were: Rodney Berry (Interim County Administrator), Richard Gaddy (Finance Director), Alan Berry (County Attorney), Betsy Finklea (The Dillon Herald)(*arrived late), and Jamie Sue Stephens (Clerk to Council). Not present was Archie Scott.

The following were notified of the meeting and provided an agenda: By e-mail – Charles Curry, Randy Grimsley (Dillon County EMS), The Dillon Herald, Susan Norton (Perdue), Tim Ammons (Attorney), Tonny McNeil (Dillon County Economic Development), Yolanda McCormick (Dillon County Librarian), Gabriel Salmon (PDCAA), Larry Abraham (Chief Deputy), 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 (SCANA), Jamie Estes (Dillon County Treasurer), Dillon County Finance, Sonny McRae (Dillon County E911), Alan Lane, Steve Johnson and Randy Rouse (Hometown TV), Manufactured Housing Institute of SC, Ron Bartley and Cathy Pelfrey (NETC), Karl McCollester (Agenda Repository), Haywood Proctor, Bo McInnis, Helen & Carley Wiggins, Danny Holder (Dillon County IT), Florence Morning News Room, Kenneth Smith, Calvin Matthews, Charlie Bailey, Rhonda Leonard, Gerry Flemming, Tonie Martin, Rosco Oxendine, Delores Smith, Terry Brown, Winna Miller, Jacorie M., Melissa Thompson, Jennifer Ward, Russ Edwards (Coronal Group), Corey Jackson, Glenda Schleich (Pee Dee Coalition)By fax – Farm Bureau and Pee Dee Electric.

Chairman T.F. Finklea presided over the meeting.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The County Council led the Pledge of Allegiance.

INVOCATION

Invocation was given by Randy Goings.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Robbie Coward motioned to amend agenda to add to executive session, Project Biscuit. Archie Scott seconded and all were in favor. Robbie Coward motioned to approve agenda as amended. Archie Scott seconded and all were in favor.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – 09/28/16, 10/11/16 (called)

Archie Scott motioned to approve the minutes. Stevie Grice seconded and all were in favor.

NEW BUSINESS

REBECCA TYSON – PEE DEE COALITION DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH

Glenda Schleich came in place of Rebecca Tyson and she gave an informative speech on domestic violence. She told that currently they have two programs – one, dating violence with sexual assault that is presented to young people in school programs ages 8 – 17; two, self- defense program for women and young girls before they go into a college setting that they can protect themselves. Glenda thanked the County for the opportunities that they have been given to provide services to the County of Dillon. (*Betsy Finklea arrived)

CAPITAL PROJECTS SALES TAX INFRASTRUCTURE MONEY TO PURCHASE GENERATOR FOR FIRE DEPARTMENT STATION #3

Mr. Rodney Berry told Council that he received an email from Congressman Rice's office, that he had visited and saw the need for generators and could possibly receive them through grants. Bobby Moody told Council that the reason they are

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asking for generators is because the ones they have are not big enough to run the fire department. TF Finklea said that if Congressman Rice could get these generators through grants then this should be checked into. Bobby Moody agreed to

apply for the grant and if not received then he would use the infrastructure money. **Bobby Moody tabled the motion to purchase generators for fire department station three with capital projects sales tax infrastructure money. Archie Scott seconded and all were in favor.**

PROSPECT OF HIRING CONTRACT FOR CLEAN UP

Mr. Gaddy told Council that he had spoken with Mitchell Carter with SCDOT and that they were going to start in Dillon and go outward picking up debris on the right a way. There was discussion of what the County would be cleaning up, parameters would be needed. Rodney Berry said that he would look into this and bring recommendations back to Council.

SOLICITOR'S VEHICLE

Chairman Finklea told Council that Shipp Daniel from the Solicitor's office would like for the County to fund part of the new vehicle that they need. Sheriff Hulon will give \$15,000.00 out of the drug fund and if the County would match them then the Solicitor's office would give the County a Dodge Charger. **Robbie Coward motioned to go up to \$15,000.00 to match the Sheriff to buy a car for the Solicitor's office. Archie Scott seconded and all were in favor.**

RECREATION REQUESTS

Bobby Moody motioned to approve the following requests: \$45.00 payable to Latta Revitalization for Tour of Homes from TF Finklea's recreation; \$200.00 payable to E. L. Ford Theological Bible College celebrating their 13th Anniversary on October 30, 2016 \$50.00 each from TF Finklea and Bobby Moody recreation, \$25.00 each from Harold Moody, Stevie Grice, Archie Scott and Randy Goings recreation; \$100.00 payable to Riverdale Community Center for October treats for the community, \$50.00 from Archie Scott's recreation, \$25.00 each from Randy Goings and Bobby Moody. \$325.00 payable to Lake View Chapter of Young Farmers, \$200 from Bobby Moody's recreation, \$50.00 from Harold Moody's recreation, \$25.00 each from Archie Scott, Randy Goings and TF Finklea's recreation. \$150.00 payable to Powell's Sanitation for two Port-a-John's for Minturn Pic Nic from Robbie Coward's recreation; \$75.00 payable to Powell's Sanitation for Port-a-John for Oakland Park on October 22, 2016; Harold Moody seconded and all were in favor.

FINANCE REPORT

Mr. Gaddy reported that currently we have a negative \$375,505.88 more expenses than revenues as of the end of September.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

BUILDING COMMITTEE REPORT

Chairman of building committee, Randy Goings, told Council that the building committee met and discussed the buildings in the County that were damaged by Hurricane Matthew. Due to cost being so expensive the committee decided to wait and see what FEMA will give and how much the insurance will pay. Estimated cost is \$1,600,000.00. There was extensive damage to the EMS building, Latta Library and Judicial Center. Councilman Goings told Council that we need to talk with our County Attorney and may have to take legal action but that will be up to Council to take legal action. Chairman TF Finklea thanked Winna Miller and Tony Caulder for going to all the buildings and getting a list of estimated damage.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Mr. Rodney Berry told Council that he had three items to talk about: one) an airport will be needed in the future but he wants to talk to industry and get an understanding of how often and how it will be used. He told Council that there is money through the aeronautics that may could be used; two) He would like to have A & I Restoration come in and check the buildings for mold; three) Plexis group will help maximize money for FEMA.

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APPOINTMENTS

DILLON COUNTY BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS

District One – Randy Goings - No appointment at this time.

DILLON COUNTY LIBRARY BOARD

District Four - TF Finklea nominated Percy Brigman

District Seven – Stevie Grice nominated Linda Dutton.

Archie Scott motioned to approve Percy Brigman and Linda Dutton to Dillon County Library Board. Robbie Coward seconded and all were in favor.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION – ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT MATTER – PROJECT BADGER; INLAND PORT
LEGAL MATTER – JUDICIAL CENTER**

Robbie Coward motioned to go into executive session. Randy Goings seconded and all were in favor.

Archie Scott motioned to come out of executive session. Harold Moody seconded and all were in favor.

RESULTS OF EXECUTIVE SESSION

None

ADJOURNMENT

Archie Scott motioned to adjourn. Harold Moody seconded and all were in favor.

T.F. Finklea, Chairman

Jamie Sue Stephens, Clerk to Council

Date Approved _____