

**DILLON COUNTY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
MARCH 28, 2018
4:00 PM**

The Dillon County Council held a called meeting on March 28, 2018 at 4:00pm in the County Council Chambers, 109 S 3rd Ave, Dillon SC. Present were T.F. Finklea, Stevie Grice, Archie Scott, Jack Scott and Harold Moody. Also present were: Rodney Berry (County Administrator), Richard Gaddy (Finance Director), Alan Berry (County Attorney), Robbie Coward (Deputy Administrator) Betsy Finklea (The Dillon Herald) and Jamie Sue Stephens (Clerk to Council). Not present was James Campbell.

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, Deborah Vann, Jennifer Ward, Corey Jackson, Bill Patel, Tonya Brown, S. Suber, Claire Hall, Charles Taylor, A. Humes, Bill Patel, Matthew Elvington, B. Herring, K. Patterson, Sara Elvington, Shannon Munoz, Vernon Grimsley, Lisa Morris, Brandon Norris and Mike Burns; By fax – Farm Bureau and Pee Dee Electric.

Chairman Stevie Grice presided over the meeting.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Rodney Berry, County Administrator led the pledge of allegiance.

INVOCATION

Invocation was given by Archie Scott.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Archie Scott motioned to amend the agenda by deleting 7B & 10B. Harold Moody seconded and all voted in favor. Archie Scott motioned to approve the amended agenda. Harold Moody seconded and all voted in favor.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – 02/28/18

TF Finklea motioned to approve minutes. Archie Scott seconded and all voted in favor.

PUBLIC HEARING

AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF NOT EXCEEDING \$1,000,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, IN ONE OR MORE SERIES, OF DILLON COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA; FIXING THE FORM AND DETAILS OF THE BONDS; PROVIDING FOR THE PAYMENT OF THE BONDS; AUTHORIZING THE CHAIRMAN OF COUNTY COUNCIL AND COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR TO DETERMINE CERTAIN MATTERS RELATING THERETO

There was no public comment. (The public hearing was properly noticed in The Dillon Herald's March 8, 2018 edition.

NEW BUSINESS

DEPARTMENT HEAD AND EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH

Rodney Berry and Stevie Grice recognized Kay McKenzie as the Department Head of the month. She is the County Auditor. Rodney stated that Kay was a mastermind with numbers and helps in so many ways with Economic Development and the millage rate. Employees of the month were Tony Martin and Jamie Sue Stephens. Tony Martin works with Fire Department Station #1 and Rodney told how Tony will fill in at a minutes notice and he never says this is not my job. Jamie Sue Stephens is Clerk to Council for the County. Rodney stated that she does everything that is asked of her and that she is the nucleus of operation. He explained that she headed up the Employee Appreciation Dinner and she works well with Council. Each one were given a Visa Gift Card and had their picture with Chairman Stevie Grice.

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BIDS FOR RECREATION CONCESSION STAND RENTAL

Jamie Sue Stephens told that five bids were received. Upon opening the sealed bids she read as follow:- James Graves, \$2500.00; Shelawn Curry \$3,100.00; John Graves,\$3109.00; Brandon Green, \$3,260.00 and Ozro Hunt, \$3,500.00.

Archie Scott motioned to accept Ozro Hunt's bid of \$3,500.00. TF Finklea seconded and all voted in favor. Harold Moody asked about the payment of the monies and Administrator Berry responded that all monies will be paid up front.

ESTIMATE TO REPAIR REAR DIFFERENTIAL FOR COMPACTOR AT LANDFILL

Richard Gaddy told Council that Charlie Brown's compactor at the Landfill needed to be repaired. He said that he had received a bid from CAT (sole source) for \$16,675.00. TF Finklea asked what a new one would cost and Richard Gaddy replied about \$300,000.00. **Archie Scott motioned to approve the bid from CAT (sole source) in the amount of \$16,675.00. Harold Moody seconded and all voted in favor.**

RECREATION REQUESTS

Archie Scott motioned to approve the following requests: \$100.00 payable to Marshill Bibleway Church the building fund from Archie Scott's recreation; \$150.00 payable to Powell Sanitation for two port-a-johns for celebration at Newtown Park on March 10th from James Campbell's recreation;\$300.00 payable to Powell Sanitation for a port – a- john at Fork ball park for the summer from Jack Scott's recreation; \$125.00 payable to Dillon Middle School for an educational trip to Washington, D.C. for 7th and 8th graders on June 4-7, 2018, \$25.00 from TF Finklea's recreation and \$50.00 each from Stevie Grice and Harold Moody's recreation. Harold Moody seconded and all voted in favor.

OLD BUSINESS

TACO BELL ROAD INFRASTRUCTURE PAYMENT

Did not have to vote on this. It was approved in 2014.

CAPITAL SALES TAX MONEY – MATTHEW ELVINGTON

Amended the agenda by deleting the capital sales tax money.

FINANCE REPORT

Richard Gaddy, Finance Director, gave the reconciled bank account balances as of March 21, 2017 with net available funds of \$2,067,608.39.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

EMPLOYEE PARTY – MARCH 27TH, 2018

Rodney Berry stated that the employee appreciation dinner was widely attended by the employees and 100% of County Council. Everyone seemed to enjoy the great prizes and mingling with one another. Rodney said that this second employee appreciation dinner was deemed a success.

UPDATE ON NESA TRIP

Rodney Berry explained to Council that he went to Canada with NESA at no cost to the County which was funded by Public Private Partnership and NESA covered the travel.

Rodney Berry also told the Council that everyone here today would receive a County Focus Magazine. He explained that this magazine goes all over the state and what an honor for the Council to be on the cover. There is a great article pertaining to the Inland Port. This is great marketing for Dillon County.

ORDINANCES

THIRD READING – AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF NOT EXCEEDING \$1,000,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, IN ONE OR MORE SERIES, OF DILLON COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA; FIXING THE FORM AND DETAILS OF THE BONDS; PROVIDING FOR THE PAYMENT OF THE BONDS; AUTHORIZING THE CHAIRMAN OF COUNTY COUNCIL AND COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR TO

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DETERMINE CERTAIN MATTERS RELATING TO THE BONDS; PROVIDING FOR THE PAYMENT OF THE BONDS; THE DISPOSITION OF THE PROCEEDS OF THE BONDS; AND OTHER MATTERS RELATING THERETO Archie Scott motioned to have third reading. TF Finklea seconded and all voted in favor.

FIRST READING – AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE #12-07 PROVIDING FOR THE CLOSING OR DEMOLITION OF DWELLINGS UNFIT FOR HUMAN HABITATION

Amended the agenda by deleting an Ordinance To Amend Ordinance #12-07 Providing For The Closing Or Demolition Of Dwellings Unfit For Human Habitation.

FIRST READING – AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A CONTRACT TO SELL AND CONVEY REAL ESTATE LOCATED AT 100 N. MACARTHUR AVENUE, DILLON, SC (TMS:059-10-30-011) FPR THE AMOUNT OF SEVENTY FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$75,000.00) AND AUTHORIZING THE CONVEYANCE OF SAID REAL ESTATE PURSUANT TO THE TERMS OF SAID CONTRACT

Attorney Alan Berry told Council that there has been an offer for the building located on North MacArthur Avenue and that more will be discussed in executive session. **Archie Scott motioned to have first reading. There was no second. Motion failed.**

RESOLUTIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS

FAIR HOUSING RESOLUTION – 2018

Attorney Alan Berry read the resolution. **Harold Moody motioned to approve Fair Housing Resolution – 2018. Archie Scott seconded and all voted in favor.**

AMERICAN RED CROSS PROCLAMATION

Attorney Alan Berry read the proclamation. **Archie Scott motioned to approve the American Red Cross Proclamation. Harold Moody seconded and all voted in favor.**

APPOINTMENTS

WORK- FORCE INVESTMENT BOARD – ANGEL THOMAS

The Chamber nominates Angel Thomas Angel is employed with Hospice Care of South Carolina (Health Care Field). She is a Dillon County resident. She resides in the Lake View area. **Archie Scott motioned to approve Angel Thomas to the Work-Force Investment Board. Jack Scott seconded and all voted in favor.**

EXECUTIVE SESSION – CONTRACTUAL MATTER – ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT BUILDING; PROJECT GREEN – ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT MATTER

Archie Scott motioned to go into executive session. Jack Scott seconded and all voted in favor. Jack Scott motioned to come out of executive session. Archie Scott seconded and all voted in favor.

**RESULTS OF EXECUTIVE SESSION – LETTER OF INTENT - JOHN CATTANO
RESULTS OF EXECUTIVE SESSION – PROJECT GREEN**

No action taken.

ADJOURNMENT

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

Stevie Grice, Chairman

Jamie Sue Stephens, Clerk to Council

Date Approved