

**DILLON COUNTY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
SEPTEMBER 28, 2016
4:00 PM**

The Dillon County Council held a regular meeting on September 28, 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, and Bobby Moody. Also present were: Richard Gaddy (Finance Director), Alan Berry (County Attorney), Betsy Finklea (The Dillon Herald), 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, Joette Dukes, David Kitchens By fax – Farm Bureau and Pee Dee Electric.

Chairman T.F. Finklea presided over the meeting.

INVOCATION

Invocation was given by Randy Goings.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Harold Moody motioned to approve agenda. Randy Goings seconded and all were in favor.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – 08/24/16, 09/20/16 (called), 09/23/16 (called), 09/23/16 (emergency meeting)

Robbie Coward motioned to approve the minutes. Bobby Moody seconded and all were in favor.

NEW BUSINESS

JOETTE R. DUKES – PEE DEE WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR

Ms. Dukes gave a brief overview of the Pee Dee Work Force Local Plan and Regional Plan. The Pee Dee Workforce develop area consist of Chesterfield, Darlington, Dillon, Florence, Marion and Marlboro Counties. She told Council that the local plan includes a workforce and economic development analysis identified health care and diversified manufacturing. The overall goal of Pee Dee Workforce is to unite employers and job seekers, certain proprieties population included in plan are veterans, unemployed, offenders, disability and low income individuals to unite with our partners across the workforce area and neighboring regions to develop talent pipe line that we can get employers needs and ensure those that do not have quality of life economically will get that by going to work. The Workforce Innovation Opportunity Act which is our legislation also requires establishing a broader region which includes Waccamaw Region also Horry, Georgetown, Williamsburg and four counties from Santee Lynch – Clarendon, Lee, Kershaw, and Sumter. They ensure that jobseekers and employers can easily access their services physically by having a workforce center in their area, just as Dillon has a work center at Northeastern Technology. The workforce complies with Pee Dee Regional Council of Government, has never not met a performance. All aspects of the law needed to be presented and taken into consideration for state to approve the workforce plan. As it relates to Regional plan it is similar to local plan. Umbrella plan includes three local plans from each work force area and show how they will take the best of what each local area does work force development and bring to scale across the region. **Harold Moody motioned to approve Workforce Innovation Opportunity Act plan for the Pee Dee Region. Robbie Coward seconded and all were in favor.**

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DAVID KITCHENS – EMERGENCY FLASHER 25 WATT AMBER A-19 SMART ALERT BULB

Mr. Kitchens, a member of the Sheriff's Advisory Panel explained the Emergency Flasher Bulb concept to the Dillon County Council. He told Council that the smart bulb works like a traditional light bulb until you need a flashing signal to bring attention to your home. When flashing, the bulb will help emergency vehicles or other first responders find a home. Qualifying residents for these bulbs are Senior Citizens (62 and above) or persons with medical needs. The amount of the bulb is \$ 5.99. **Robbie Coward motioned to give \$2,500.00 to the Sheriff's Advisory Panel for emergency flasher 25 watt amber alert bulbs. Harold Moody seconded and all were in favor.**

CAPITAL PROJECTS SALES TAX INFRASTRUCTURE MONEY TO PURCHASE FIRE EQUIPMENT FOR LAKE VIEW, FLOYD DALE, AND GADDY'S MILL

Mr. Gaddy gave an overview of Councilman Bobby Moody's Infrastructure money. It is as follows: \$20,000 to Lake View for thermal camera, turn out gear and other equipment; \$14,000 to Gaddy's Mill for skid and pump for the new Brush Truck; \$10,000 to the Floyd Dale Fire Department for turn out gear and other equipment. **Bobby Moody made the motion to use Capital Projects Sales Tax Infrastructure money to purchase fire equipment for Lake View, Floyd Dale and Gaddy's Mill Fire Departments. Stevie Grice seconded and all were in favor.**

DILLON COUNTY ATTORNEY SALARY

Mr. Gaddy told Council that this will be discussed in executive session.

TRAILER FOR LANDFILL

Mr. Gaddy explained to Council that Charlie Brown needed a trailer and it was put in the GO Bond but since then he has had one to burn. Charlie Brown now needs two. \$65,000 was allowed for the trailer in the GO Bond. There are three quotes Carolina International Truck - \$70,480; Lilly International - \$60,921; Summit Trailer Sales - \$57,921.53. Mr. Gaddy told Council that for the trailer that burned, we would receive \$42,003.00 from insurance. **Robbie Coward motioned to buy two trailers in the amount of \$57,921.53 each. Harold Moody seconded and all were in favor.**

VEHICLE FOR COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

Mr. Gaddy told Council that there is a Tahoe on State Contract for \$36,196.00. Chairman Finklea stated that the vehicle we had was given to the library so, the Interim Administrator does not have a vehicle and we need to furnish him with one. **Robbie Coward motioned to buy the vehicle for the Interim Administrator at State Contract price \$36,196.00. Stevie Grice seconded. Voting in favor of motion were: Robbie Coward, Stevie Grice, Harold Moody, Archie Scott, Bobby Moody and TF Finklea. Opposed was Randy Goings.**

RECREATION REQUESTS

Bobby Moody motioned to approve the following requests: \$275.00 payable to Advance Auto Parts for contribution to help find a cure for diabetes, \$25.00 from Stevie Grice recreation, \$50.00 each from Harold Moody, TF Finklea and Randy Goings recreation, \$100.00 from Bobby Moody's recreation; \$100.00 payable to Perdue Foods, Charity Golf Tournament for Pee Dee Coalition Against Domestic and Sexual Assault on Friday, October 14, 2016, from Bobby Moody's recreation. Robbie Coward seconded and all were in favor.

REIMBURSEMENT OF CDBG MONEY

Mr. Gaddy told Council that this will be discussed in executive session.

OLD BUSINESS

RUSS EDWARDS – CORONAL DEVELOPMENT SERVICES – COMFORT LETTER REQUEST FOR EASEMENT ON HAMILTON PROPERTY

Attorney Berry told Council that the easement thirty feet right side of existing utility easement across Hamilton property that Dillon County has option on property. Russ Edwards is seeking comfort letter saying Dillon County has no problem with them pursuing easement. What will be required at a later date, after comfort letter is signed would be amendment to option allowing property owner to engage Coronal Development for purpose of requiring easement. **Robbie Coward motioned to approve comfort letter request for easement on Hamilton property. Harold Moody seconded and all**

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were in favor.

FINANCE REPORT

Mr. Gaddy reported that currently we have \$563,620.73 more expenses than revenues as of the end of July. Mr. Gaddy told Council that the bonus checks for employees went out on Thursday, August 18, 2016. He also explained that the consolidated bank statement available to us to spend is \$3,753,117.77

APPOINTMENTS

DILLON COUNTY BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS

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

DILLON COUNTY LIBRARY BOARD

District Seven – Stevie Grice - No appointment at this time.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT MATTER – PROJECT BADGER & CORONAL DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

Stevie Grice motioned to go into executive session. Harold Moody seconded and all were in favor.

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

RESULTS OF EXECUTIVE SESSION

Dillon County to refund money to Commerce as new road did not connect to Harbor Freight in the amount of \$276,127.00. Dillon County is to be reimbursed by Tri-County Committee by January 2017 in the amount of \$276,127.00. **Bobby Moody motioned to pay money subject to Tri-County Reimbursing by January 2017. Randy Goings seconded and all were in favor.**

ATTORNEY'S SALARY

Randy Goings motioned to approve salary for attorney in the amount of \$50,000.00. Harold Moody seconded and all were in favor.

ADJOURNMENT

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

T.F. Finklea, Chairman

Jamie Sue Stephens, Clerk to Council

Date Approved _____