

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 22, 2009**

The Economic Development Committee met on Tuesday, September 22, 2009 in the Committee Room, located on the second floor of the Administration Building beginning at 12:30 p.m. Mr. Banning, Committee Chairman, presided.

Members Attending:

William B. Banning, Sr., Chairman	James E. Kinard, Jr., V Chairman
William C. Billy Derrick	Johnny W. Jeffcoat
M. Todd Cullum	Debra B. Debbie Summers

Also attending: Katherine Hubbard, County Administrator; Joe Mergo, Deputy County Administrator; Larry Porth, Finance Director/Assistant County Administrator; other staff members, citizens of the county and representatives of the media.

In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act, a copy of the agenda was sent to radio and TV stations, newspapers, and posted on the bulletin board located in the lobby of the County Administration Building.

Pelion Sewer Study - Economic Development - Chuck Whipple, Manager - Mr. Whipple reported on the Pelion Sewer Study performed by AECOM. Steve Mann, with the Joint Municipal Water and Sewer Commission, is fielding calls about sewer in the Pelion corridor. It is estimated by 2035 the demand for sewer in the Pelion region will increase to 130,000 gallons per day. The Pelion school sewer facility currently has a capacity of 48,000 gallons per day and utilizes 18,000 gallons per day with a remaining 30,000 gallons of capacity. Mr. Whipple indicated to facilitate sewer in the region and taking into account the exiting lagoon system that it would cost about \$5.8 million; to install a package plant the cost would increase to \$8.4 million; and, if the waste was transported from Pelion to the Cayce sewer facility the cost to run the lines would be \$24.4 million. Mr. Whipple said that Steve Mann indicated the best way for sewer to get installed in the Pelion corridor is through the development of commercial growth down Highway 302 and Highway 6. The bulk of the residents in the area are on a septic system and do not necessarily want to absorb the cost associated with putting in sewer. For information only, no action taken.

Executive Session/Legal Briefing - A motion was made by Ms. Summers, seconded by Mr. Kinard to go into Executive Session for a review of economic development projects.

The vote in favor was unanimous.

Mr. Banning reconvened the meeting in open session with no motions to be considered.

Batesburg-Leesville Industrial Park Grave Relocation Project Update - Economic Development - Chuck Whipple, Manager - Discussed in Executive Session, no action taken.

Project CAT Request Update - Economic Development - Chuck Whipple, Manager and John Fachtel, Director, Public Works - Discussed in Executive Session, no action taken.

Project Teepee Update - Economic Development - Chuck Whipple, Manager - Discussed in Executive Session, no action taken.

Selection Process for Economic Development Ambassador - Economic Development - Chuck Whipple, Manager - Discussed in Executive Session, no action taken.

Old Business/New Business - None.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy R. Busbee
Assistant to the Clerk

William B. Banning, Sr.
Chairman

Diana W. Burnett
Clerk