

**HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE  
MINUTES  
MARCH 27, 2007**

The Health & Human Services Committee met on Tuesday, March 27, 2007 in the Committee Room, located on the second floor of the Administration Building beginning at 2:50 p.m. Mr. Carrigg, Committee Chairman presided.

Members Attending:

John W. Carrigg, Jr., Chairman  
Debra B. Debbie Summers  
William B. Banning, Sr.

Johnny W. Jeffcoat, V Chairman  
Bobby C. Keisler  
William C. Billy Derrick

Also attending: Katherine Hubbard County Administrator; Larry Porth, Finance Director/Deputy 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.

**Methamphetamine Awareness Task-Force - Tim James, Chairman of MAT** – Mr. James introduced the Methamphetamine Awareness Task-Force (MAT) which was derived from Leadership Lexington County. MAT's objective is to make Lexington County communities aware of the impact of methamphetamine use through public awareness and education. For information only. No action taken.

**Code Enforcement Officer Designations for Fire Service, Irmo-Fire District and Animal Services (Goal 2) - Public Safety/Fire Service - Chief Bruce Rucker, Director of Public Safety and Homeland Security and Joe Mergo, Director of Animal Services** – Chief Rucker requested that Glen Williams and Rusty Rivers, employees of Lexington County Fire Service, and Fire Chief Mike Sonfield and Fire Marshall Jeff Allen from the Irmo-Fire District be appointed as Code Enforcement Officers.

A motion was made by Mr. Jeffcoat, seconded by Mr. Derrick to recommend to full Council that Glen Williams, Rusty Rivers, Fire Chief Mike Sonfield and Fire Marshall Jeff Allen be appointed as Code Enforcement Officers.

The vote was in favor. Mr. Banning was not present at the time the vote was taken.

Mr. Mergo requested to remove John McGee and James Hill, who are no longer with Animal Services, and add new employee, Brett Banchemo as a Code Enforcement Officer. Currently accepting applications for the one vacant animal control officer position to be designated as a Code Enforcement Officer after hired.

A motion was made by Mr. Jeffcoat, seconded by Mr. Derrick to recommend to full Council to

remove John McGee and James Hill, who are no longer with Animal Services, and add new employee, Brett Banchemo, as a Code Enforcement Officers for Animal Services.

The vote in favor was unanimous.

**Approval of Minutes - Meeting of February 27, 2007** – A motion was made by Mr. Keisler, seconded by Mr. Derrick to approve the February 27, 2007 minutes as submitted.

The vote in favor was unanimous.

**Old Business/New Business - Handling of the Seizure of Equines** - No discussion.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy R. Busbee  
Assistant to Clerk

John W. Carrigg, Jr.  
Chairman

Diana W. Burnett  
Clerk