

**HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE  
MINUTES  
MAY 22, 2007**

The Health & Human Services Committee met on Tuesday, May 22, 2007 in the Committee Room, located on the second floor of the Administration Building beginning at 1:40 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

\*Mr. Banning arrived after the meeting was in session.

Also attending: Katherine Hubbard 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.

**Project Pet - Cathy Novinger** – Ms. Margaret Pope, Bond Counsel with Haynsworth Sinkler Boyd, P.A, presented the proposed public/private partnership between Project Pet, Richland County and Lexington County. The partnership would involve a regional center for adoptions, spaying and neutering of pets. Project Pet has requested \$1.7 million from Lexington County contingent upon conditions with Richland County. The money would be recouped by establishing an annual animal services fee for pet owners. It was suggested that a Council member meet with Richland County about the proposed partnership before funding the project. Mr. Carrigg and Ms. Summers were appointed to a sub-committee who will meet with Richland County and Project Pet to work out details and report back to Council. For information only. 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

John W. Carrigg, Jr.  
Chairman

Diana W. Burnett  
Clerk