

**HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE  
MINUTES  
MARCH 26, 2013**

The Health & Human Services Committee met on Tuesday, March 26, 2013 in the Committee Room, located on the second floor of the Administration Building beginning at 2:25 p.m. Mr. Matthews, Committee Chairman, presided.

Members Attending:

K. Brad Matthews, Chairman	Bobby C. Keisler, V Chairman
James E. Kinard, Jr.	Frank J. Townsend, III
M. Kent Collins	

Also attending: Joe Mergo, III, County Administrator; John Fechtel, Deputy County Administrator; Randy Poston, Chief Financial Officer; Jeff Anderson, County Attorney; 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.

**Request a Change to the Animal Control Ordinance - Ray Goodfellow, 309 Liberty Farm Court, Lexington, SC** - Mr. Goodfellow, a Lexington County citizen residing at 309 Liberty Farm Court, presented a request to change the current animal control ordinance. He reported an issue regarding safety concerns from an encounter with a neighbor's dog that came across the street and bit him. He said the same dog has come over to his home 10-12 times in the past chasing him and his wife and the owner always apologizes until the dog finally bit him which brings him here today. In regards to the animal ordinance, he would like to find a way to either have a leash, a fence or some way to confine it in the backyard but not allow a dog unleashed or unfenced in the front yard with only the owner's supervision. Mr. Goodfellow said it has been incident after incident. He has contacted the Lexington County Animal Services and a report has been filed about the bite incident. The Committee discussed the issue and agreed no changes to the animal control ordinance at this time. For information only, no action taken.

**Pawmetto Lifeline Agreement With Lexington/Richland Counties - Animal Services - Billy Derrenbacher, Animal Services Coordinator** - Mr. Derrenbacher presented a draft agreement from Pawmetto Lifeline. In addition to the contractual agreement between Lexington and Richland Counties and Pawmetto Lifeline, the subsidy agreement outlines specific programs and/or events to be held by Pawmetto Lifeline. Animal Services representatives from both counties have reviewed and found it meets the current contractual obligations. The Committee discussed Section 4: Spray/Neuter Services to include Lexington County for free vouchers. Although the original agreement supersedes this supplemental agreement staff was asked to include Lexington County in Section #4 Spray/Neuter Services. This supplement agreement expands the educational aspects of the original agreement.

A motion was made by Mr. Kinard, seconded by Mr. Keisler to recommend full Council

approve staff's recommendations for the supplemental Pawmetto Lifeline Agreement with Lexington/Richland Counties, which will include Lexington County in Section 4: Spray/Neuter Services.

In Favor:        Mr. Matthews            Mr. Kinard  
                      Mr. Keisler                Mr. Townsend

Absent:            \*Mr. Collins

\*Mr. Collins was not present at the time the vote was taken.

**Appointment of Code Enforcement Officer - Animal Services - Billy Derrenbacher, Animal Services Coordinator** - Mr. Derrenbacher presented a request to appoint a new Animal Services Officer as a Code Enforcement Officer. He reported Charles Alex Flenniken is duly qualified to be appointed as a Lexington County Code Enforcement Officer.

A motion was made by Mr. Kinard, seconded by Mr. Keisler to recommend full Council approve staff's request to appoint Mr. Flenniken as a Code Enforcement Officer.

In Favor:        Mr. Matthews            Mr. Kinard  
                      Mr. Keisler                Mr. Townsend  
                      Mr. Collins

**Meeting of January 22, 2013 - Approval of Minutes** - A motion was made by Mr. Kinard, seconded by Mr. Keisler to approve the January 22, 2013 minutes as submitted.

In Favor:        Mr. Matthews            Mr. Kinard  
                      Mr. Keisler                Mr. Townsend  
                      Mr. Collins

**Old Business/New Business** - None.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy R. Busbee  
Assistant to the Clerk

K. Brad Matthews  
Chairman

Diana W. Burnett  
Clerk