

**HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE
MINUTES
OCTOBER 8, 2013**

The Health & Human Services Committee met on Tuesday, October 8, 2013 in the Committee Room, located on the second floor of the Administration Building, beginning at 2:10 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; Chris Folsom, 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.

Ordinance 13-08 - An Ordinance Authorizing the Lexington County Recreation and Aging Commission on Behalf of the Lexington County Rural Recreation District to Issue General Obligation Bonds in the Principal Amount of Not Exceeding \$23,000,000; and Other Matters Related Thereto - 1st Reading - Randy Gibson, Executive Director -

Mr. Gibson presented Ordinance 13-08 for 1st reading authorizing the Recreation Commission to issue general obligation bonds in the principal amount of not exceeding \$23 million for expansions and renovations to existing recreation facilities around the County including the expansion of two senior centers and property purchases. Mr. Gibson listed the following facilities planned for the proposed funds: 1) Midlands Sports Complex, 2) Gilbert Sports Complex, 3) Lexington Soccer Complex, 4) Collegiate Baseball Stadium, 5) Ball Park Road Gym, 6) Pineridge Senior Center, 7) Red Bank Sports Complex, 8) Old Barnwell Road property, 9) Gilbert Senior Center, 10) Swansea Baseball/Football Complex, 11) Swansea/Gaston Soccer Complex, 12) Lexington Dixie Youth Complex, and 13) Old Barnwell Soccer Complex. He confirmed the list presented was by descending order of the cost for each project not priority order. Mr. Gibson reported Batesburg-Leesville was not listed since it has undergone extensive expansions and renovations for the area including a new baseball facility and soccer fields, a new football field, canteen facility, restroom renovations, and new Senior Center. The Committee requested the number of Lexington County children and senior citizens with capacity levels for the all the recreation programs. Also, to include the levels of participation for the senior centers when they originally opened to the present time. Mr. Gibson responded as far as the overall participation, for both adult and youth, the Recreation Center is at approximately 18,000. He will provide a more detailed breakdown of the numbers for each program including the outside programs utilizing the facilities. The Committee asked for a detailed master plan outlining future plans, costs and time line for each facility. The Recreation Commission plans to take advantage of

current low financial rates for the proposed \$23 million including an existing \$18 million debt. Mr. Gibson reported that the costs presented reflect standard plans for the different recreation facilities based on the actual facility locations. The Recreation Commission will compile and return with the Committee's requests for the October 29th Committee meeting. If approved, the increase will be approximately \$4 on a \$100,000 home.

A motion was made by Mr. Kinard, seconded by Mr. Collins to recommend to full Council to approve 1st reading of Ordinance 13-08.

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

Resolution - R13-6 - Ordering a Public Hearing to be Held for the Purpose of Determining Whether it May be in the Interest of the Lexington County Recreation District for the County Council of Lexington County to Authorize the Lexington County Recreation District to Issue General Obligation Bonds in an Amount Not Exceeding \$23,000,000; Providing for Notice of a Public Hearing; and Other Matters Relating Thereto - Randy Gibson, Executive Director - A motion was made by Mr. Kinard, seconded by Mr. Keisler to recommend to full Council to approve Resolution R13-06.

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

Meeting of June 25, 2013 - Approval of Minutes - A motion was made by Mr. Keisler, seconded by Mr. Kinard to approve the June 25, 2013 minutes as submitted.

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