

**JUSTICE COMMITTEE
MINUTES
FEBRUARY 24, 2009**

The Justice Committee met on Tuesday, February 24, 2009 in the Committee Room, located on the second floor of the Administration Building beginning at 1:35 p.m. Mr. Kinard, Committee Chairman presided.

Members Attending:

James E. Kinard, Jr., Chairman
William C. Billy Derrick
Debra B. Debbie Summers

George H. Smokey Davis, V. Chairman
Bobby C. Keisler

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.

Highway Safety DUI Enforcement Grant Application (Goal 3) - Sheriff's Department - Col. Allan Paavel - Col. Paavel presented a request to apply for the Highway Safety DUI Enforcement Grant. This is the third and final year of funding. The total request is for \$266,139 with no County match required. The funds will cover the cost of three officers and their operating cost. (Note: Once funding ends in September 2010, the Sheriff's Department will be responsible for 100% of the cost to operate this program.)

A motion was made by Mr. Keisler, seconded by Mr. Derrick to recommend to full Council to approve staff's request to apply for the Highway Safety DUI Enforcement Grant.

The vote in favor was unanimous.

Palmetto Pride Enforcement Grant Award (Goal 3) - Sheriff's Department - Col. Allan Paavel - Col. Paavel presented a request to accept the Palmetto Pride Enforcement Grant award. The award is for \$2,520 with no County match required. The funds will cover the cost of 34 binoculars to help observe offenders of illegal trash dumpsites.

A motion was made by Mr. Davis, seconded by Mr. Keisler to recommend to full Council to approve acceptance of the Palmetto Pride Enforcement Grant award.

The vote in favor was unanimous.

Approval of Minutes - Meeting of January 13, 2009 - A motion was made by Mr. Davis, seconded by Mr. Keisler to approve the January 13, 2009 minutes as submitted.

The vote in favor was unanimous.

Old Business/New Business - Public Defender - None.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy R. Busbee
Assistant to the Clerk

James E. Kinard, Jr.
Chairman

Diana W. Burnett
Clerk