

**MINUTES  
LEXINGTON COUNTY COUNCIL  
JANUARY 23, 2007**

Lexington County Council held its regular meeting on Tuesday, January 23, 2007 in Council Chambers, beginning at 4:30 p.m. Mr. Derrick presided. Ms. Summers gave the Invocation and Mr. Kinard led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members attending: William C. Billy Derrick      James E. Kinard, Jr.  
George H. Smokey Davis      Debra B. Summers  
Bobby C. Keisler      Johnny W. Jeffcoat  
John W. Carrigg, Jr.      William B. Banning, Sr.  
M. Todd Cullum

Also attending: Katherine Hubbard, County Administrator; Larry Porth, Finance Director/Deputy County Administrator; John Fachtel, Director of Public Works/Deputy County Administrator; 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.

**Employee Recognition - Katherine Hubbard, County Administrator - Employee of the Fourth Quarter** - Nominees for the Fourth Quarter - Ann Long, Deputy Registrar, Registration and Elections; Kristen Volansky, Shelter Attendant, Animal Services; and Terry Glass, Landfill Supervisor, Solid Waste Management.

Ms. Hubbard presented a plaque to Ms. Long as the Employee of the Fourth Quarter and Certificates of Excellence were presented to Ms. Volansky and Mr. Glass.

**Resolutions – Heroes and Legends and Small Business Week** – Mr. Davis made a motion, seconded by Mr. Kinard that the resolutions be adopted.

Mr. Derrick opened the meeting for discussion; no discussion occurred.

In Favor:      Mr. Derrick      Mr. Davis  
                 Mr. Kinard      Ms. Summers  
                 Mr. Keisler      Mr. Jeffcoat  
                 Mr. Carrigg      Mr. Banning  
                 Mr. Cullum

**Appointments – River Alliance – Mr. Todd Sease** - A motion was made by Mr. Cullum, seconded by Mr. Keisler to reappoint Mr. Todd Sease as the citizen appointee to the River

Alliance Board of Directors.

Mr. Derrick opened the meeting for discussion; no discussion occurred.

In Favor:	Mr. Derrick	Mr. Cullum
	Mr. Keisler	Mr. Kinard
	Mr. Davis	Ms. Summers
	Mr. Jeffcoat	Mr. Carrigg
	Mr. Banning	

**River Alliance - Mr. George Michael Rentz, Councilmen Todd Cullum and Debra Summers** - A motion was made by Mr. Banning, seconded by Mr. Jeffcoat to appoint Mr. Michael Rentz and Ms. Debra Summers to the River Alliance Board of Directors and to reappoint Mr. Todd Cullum. Mr. Rentz replaces Mr. Jimmy Doar and Ms. Summers will replace Mr. Joe Owens.

Mr. Derrick opened the meeting for discussion; no discussion occurred.

In Favor:	Mr. Derrick	Mr. Banning
	Mr. Jeffcoat	Mr. Kinard
	Mr. Davis	Ms. Summers
	Mr. Keisler	Mr. Carrigg
	Mr. Cullum	

**Central Midlands Council of Governments – Councilmen John W. Carrigg, Jr., William C. Derrick, M. Todd Cullum, and County Administrator, Katherine L. Hubbard** - Mr. Davis made a motion, seconded by Mr. Cullum to reappoint Councilmen Carrigg, Derrick, and Cullum and Ms. Katherine Hubbard, County Administrator, to the Central Midlands Council of Governments as the government appointees. Ms. Hubbard replaces Mr. Owens as an elected official.

Mr. Derrick opened the meeting for discussion; no discussion occurred.

In Favor:	Mr. Derrick	Mr. Davis
	Mr. Cullum	Mr. Kinard
	Ms. Summers	Mr. Keisler
	Mr. Jeffcoat	Mr. Carrigg
	Mr. Banning	

**Health Services District – At Large - J. Larry Stroud, PharmD., R.Ph.** - Mr. Davis made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jeffcoat to reappoint Mr. Larry Stroud to the Health Services District Board of Directors.

Mr. Derrick opened the meeting for discussion; no discussion occurred.

In Favor:	Mr. Derrick	Mr. Davis
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Mr. Jeffcoat	Mr. Kinard
Ms. Summers	Mr. Keisler
Mr. Carrigg	Mr. Banning
Mr. Cullum	

**Bids/Purchases/RFPs** - A motion was made by Mr. Keisler, seconded by Mr. Cullum that the following Bids/Purchases/RFPs (Tabs L, M, N, O, P, Q, and R) be approved.

**F4 Computers and Monitors – Information Services** – Staff recommended the purchase of four (4) Dell computers and three (3) monitors for Information Services. The requested computers and monitors are to replace existing equipment in three (3) County departments. The Dell computers will be purchased directly from the manufacturer, Dell, through State Contract Number 05-S6656-A11104 at a cost of \$7,258.04. The monitors will be purchased from Florida Micro as being fair and reasonable for a cost of \$1,199.79. Total cost of computers and monitors is \$8,457.83.

**Wireless Internet Access Manager Modules/Polaris – Sole Source – Library Services** - Staff recommended the purchase of the Wireless Internet Access Manager Modules project for Library Services to the sole source provider, Polaris Library Systems. The Wireless Internet Access Manager Modules are for Lexington, Irmo, and Cayce-West Columbia libraries. This has been deemed a sole source purchase as Polaris Library Systems is currently under contract with the County to provide all libraries with the existing Polaris system. The cost of the system including tax and shipping is \$7,825.50

**Dell Poweredge Servers and Microsoft Software – Magistrate Court Services** – Staff recommended the purchase of two (2) Dell Poweredge Servers and Microsoft Software for Magistrate Court Services for the Judicial Case Management System. The servers will be purchased directly from the manufacturer, Dell, through State Contract Number 05-S6656-A11104. The software will be purchased from Software House International through State Contract Number 01-S4072-A7243. Total cost including tax is \$15,462.51.

**EMS Supplies – Public Safety/EMS** - Competitive bids were solicited and advertised for EMS supplies for Public Safety/EMS. Bidders were allowed to submit bids on one or a multiple of items, depending on the products that they can provide. Six (6) bids and one (1) no bid were received. Staff recommended multiple awards to the following lowest bidders meeting specifications: Progressive Medical International - \$6,996.00; Bound Tree Medical - \$7,185.52; Ferno Washington, Inc. - \$1,992.80; and Henry Shein-Matrx - \$1,958.88. The total cost including tax is \$18,133.20.

**Hurst Power Tool – Sole Source Procurement – Public Safety/EMS** – A requisition was submitted for the purchase of one (1) Hurst Power Tool and accessories for Public Safety/EMS from the sole source provider, Matrx Medical. This has been deemed a sole source purchase as Matrx Medical is the only authorized dealer for South Carolina. This purchase is to replace one rescue tool power unit in need of costly repair. Total cost including tax is \$5,459.00

**Elbert Taylor Road and Sandy Ridge Lane – Public Works** - Bids were advertised and

solicited from qualified contractors for improvements to Elbert Taylor Road and Sandy Ridge Lane. The project includes grading, drainage, and paving of approximately 6,200 L.F. in Phase I and approximately 760 L.F. in Phase II of roadway along Elbert Taylor Road and approximately 865 L.F. of roadway along Sandy Ridge Lane. The project consists of approximately 60 L.F. of 15"; 3,040 L.F. of 18"; 1,277 L.F. of 24"; 335 L.F. of 30"; 336 L.F. of 36"; 72 L.F. of 42"; and 403 L.F. of 48" R.C. Pipe, 9,575 C.Y of excavation (cut), 27 Type 1 catch basins, 5 Type II catch basins, 4 junction boxes, 120 S.Y. rip rap, 23,814 S.Y. 2" asphalt surface course, 24,720 S.Y. 8" base course and 4 concrete headwalls. Eight (8) bids and one (1) no bid were received. Staff recommended that the contract be awarded to Walter L. Hunter Construction Company, Inc. as being the lowest responsive bidder. The total bid for the project, based on estimated quantities, is \$877,458.75.

**Hand Held Radar Unit and Speed Measuring Devices – Sheriff’s Department** – The Sheriff’s Department submitted a requisition for the purchase of one (1) hand held radar unit and three (3) speed measuring devices. The hand held radar unit will be used to measure speed, as well as, a tool to convict offenders. The speed measuring units serve the same purpose as the radar units but uses a laser, which is more precise. The precision measurements will identify the offender more accurately. Staff recommended the purchase of the radar units and measuring devices directly from the manufacturer, Kustom Signals, Incorporated, through State Contract Number 07-S7241-A12482. Total cost including tax is \$8,743.94.

Mr. Derrick opened the meeting for discussion.

Mr. Davis noted there was approximately a 13 percent difference between the lowest and the next lowest bid and asked if the County has a quality control that monitor bids.

Mr. John Fechtel, Director of Public Works, replied, it’s really a “shot in the dark.” He said the contractor that was low is a relatively small contractor who had just finished a major job and believes that is why we got the low bid.

Mr. Davis replied, the quality control is a “shot in the dark?”

Mr. Fechtel replied, in quality control, all we can go by is their past performance(s). This particular contractor has worked for the County before and has done very good work.

Mr. Derrick called for further discussion on the motion; none occurred.

In Favor:	Mr. Derrick	Mr. Keisler
	Mr. Cullum	Mr. Kinard
	Mr. Davis	Ms. Summers
	Mr. Jeffcoat	Mr. Carrigg
	Mr. Banning	

**Chairman’s Report-** Chairman Derrick reported he attended the Unified Chiefs’ meeting on January 11; on January 12 attended the 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of 9-1-1; on January 17 met with residents of Shull Island regarding water and sewer; and on January 20 attended a benefit

sponsored by the Friends of the Museum celebrating Hites Restaurant and Drive-in.

**Gira Steel Grand Opening** – Mr. Kinard reported on Wednesday, January 16, he and Councilmen Banning, Jeffcoat, and Summers and Ms. Hubbard, County Administrator, attended the Ribbon Cutting of the Grand Opening of Gira Steel in West Columbia.

**SCAC Insurance Trust Membership Meeting** – Ms. Summers reported on January 17 and 18 she and several members of staff had the opportunity to attend the SCAC Insurance Trust Membership that dealt with Workers' Compensation and Risk Management.

**Council Chairmen Recognition** – Mr. Derrick expressed his appreciation to past Chairman Cullum and all former County Council chairmen for the job they have done in the past.

**Lexington High School Government and Economic Class** - Mr. Derrick recognized students from Lexington High School attending as part of their government and economic classes.

**The State - Ms. Shelley Hill** - Mr. Derrick recognized Ms. Hill, Editor of the team that covers Lexington County for *The State*.

**Strategic Visioning Workshop** – Mr. Derrick announced on Monday, February 5 at 5:30 p.m. Council will have a follow-up Strategic Visioning Workshop in the Committee Room.

**SCAC Lobby Day** - Mr. Derrick announced that the Lobby Day for Lexington County Government will be on Tuesday, February 6 at 10:30 a.m. and asked that anyone who plans to attend to please let the Clerk to Council know.

**Fire Service Banquet** - Mr. Derrick announced that the Fire Service Banquet is slated for Tuesday, February 20 at 7:00 p.m. at the Lexington Municipal Convention Center.

**Administrator's Report – Public Works Customer Service Door Hanger**- Ms. Hubbard presented Council the new Public Works Customer Service Door Hanger that will be used by the Public Works Department to let citizens know when someone from Public Works had been by and who to contact.

**My 9-1-1- Program** – Ms. Hubbard gave a little background on the My 9-1-1 program. She said since the program started in April 2005, the County has registered approximately 2,054 participants. In addition, My 9-1-1 forms will be located in the Urgent Care Center for easy distribution.

Mr. Davis asked that forms be provided to all employees so they too can participate.

Mr. Cullum asked if the My 9-1-1 program was available to those living in municipalities as well.

Ms. Hubbard replied, that's correct. She said the My 9-1-1 information is shared with the agency that would respond.

**EMS Recognition** – Ms. Hubbard said in the obituary for the late Mr. George Boozer, EMS was specifically recognized for the care they provided Mr. Boozer.

**Approval of Minutes - Meeting of December 12, 2006** - A motion was made by Mr. Keisler, seconded by Mr. Cullum to approve the minutes of December 12, 2006 as submitted.

Mr. Derrick opened the meeting for discussion; no discussion occurred.

In Favor:	Mr. Derrick	Mr. Keisler
	Mr. Cullum	Mr. Kinard
	Mr. Davis	Ms. Summers
	Mr. Jeffcoat	Mr. Carrigg
	Mr. Banning	

**Committee Reports - Planning & Administration, J. Jeffcoat, Chairman – Invitation to Participate in CDBG Program and Intergovernmental Cooperative Agreement with the Towns of South Congaree and Springdale** - Mr. Jeffcoat reported the Planning and Administration Committee convened on Tuesday, January 9, 2007 to review the invitations to participate in the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program and Intergovernmental Cooperative Agreement with the towns of South Congaree and Springdale.

The towns of South Congaree and Springdale have submitted letters requesting an invitation to participate in the County=s Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program and Intergovernmental Cooperative Agreements have been drafted. The agreement was prepared by Staff, reviewed by HUD, and reviewed and agreed upon by the County Attorney. Approval of the Agreement will allow the Towns to participate in the County=s CDBG programs for Program Year 2008 (July 1, 2008 - June 30, 2009).

The Committee voted to recommend that full Council approve the invitation to participate in the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program and Intergovernmental Cooperative Agreement with the Towns of South Congaree and Springdale.

Mr. Jeffcoat made a motion, seconded by Mr. Keisler to approve the recommendation of the Planning and Administration Committee.

Mr. Derrick opened the meeting for discussion; no discussion occurred.

In Favor:	Mr. Derrick	Mr. Jeffcoat
	Mr. Keisler	Mr. Kinard
	Mr. Davis	Ms. Summers
	Mr. Carrigg	Mr. Banning
	Mr. Cullum	

**Health & Human Services, J. Carrigg, Jr., Chairman – Community Emergency Response Team Grant Application (Goal 1)**- Mr. Carrigg reported the Health & Human Services Committee met to consider the Community Emergency Response Team Grant. The grant in the

amount of \$10,437 requires no local match and is for the purpose to provide student manuals for trainees and CERT kits to graduates of the program.

Mr. Carrigg made a motion, seconded by Mr. Banning that staff be allowed to move forward with the grant application.

Mr. Derrick opened the meeting for discussion; no discussion occurred.

In Favor:	Mr. Derrick	Mr. Carrigg
	Mr. Banning	Mr. Kinard
	Mr. Davis	Ms. Summers
	Mr. Keisler	Mr. Jeffcoat
	Mr. Cullum	

**Budget Amendment Resolutions** – None.

**Old Business/New Business** – None.

**Executive Session/Legal Briefing** - Mr. Derrick stated Executive Session will consist of three contractual matters and four legal matters for discussion.

Mr. Davis made a motion, seconded by Mr. Kinard to enter into Executive Session to discuss contractual and legal matters.

In Favor:	Mr. Derrick	Mr. Davis
	Mr. Kinard	Ms. Summers
	Mr. Keisler	Mr. Jeffcoat
	Mr. Carrigg	Mr. Banning
	Mr. Cullum	

Mr. Derrick reconvened the meeting in open session.

**Matters Requiring a Vote as a Result of Executive Session** - Mr. Derrick stated Council received the contractual and legal matters and reported no motions were to be considered.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Diana W. Burnett  
Clerk

William C. Derrick  
Chairman