

M I N U T E S
LEXINGTON COUNTY COUNCIL
January 25, 2011

Lexington County Council held its regular scheduled meeting on Tuesday, January 25, 2011 in Council Chambers beginning at 4:30 p.m. Chairman Kinard presided.

Councilman Frank Townsend gave the invocation. US Army veteran Edwin Murray led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members attending:	James E. Kinard, Jr.	Frank J. Townsend, III
	George H. (Smokey) Davis	Debra B. Summers
	Bobby C. Keisler	Johnny W. Jeffcoat
	Kenneth Brad Matthews	M. Todd Cullum

Not Present: William B. Banning, Sr. *

*Mr. Banning was not present as he was attending the 2010 Lexington County Economic Development Ambassador of the Year award presented to Raul Fernandez-Carreras.

Also attending: Katherine Hubbard, County Administrator; Joe Mergo, III, Deputy County Administrator; Larry Porth, Finance Director/Assistant County Administrator; John Fechtel, Director of Public Works/Assistant 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.

Due to a malfunction of the new digital recording system, there are no recording of the minutes. The following minutes are taken from written notes.

The Green Business Certificates - Presented by Synithia Williams, Environmental Coordinator and Amanda St. John, Recycling Coordinator - Ms. Synithia Williams and Ms. Amanda St. John recognized the following new members into the County's Green Business Program and their certification area(s) and presented each with a Green Business certificate: Dust to Dust Green Burial Cemetery - Waste Reduction and Recycling; Heritage Landscape Service, Inc. - Certified Member; Panic Motorsports - Waste Reduction and Recycling; Davis, Frawley, Anderson, McCauley, Ayer, Fisher & Smith, LLC - Certified Member; Old Mill, LLC - Certified Member; Engineering Resources Corporation - Certified Member; and Creative Tile - Waste Reduction and Recycling.

Chairman's Report - Chairman Kinard reported he attended a meeting in Pelion to hear from citizens' concerned about the C.E. Taylor sprayfield site and served as a chaperon for his church's youth retreat.

Administrator's Report - Employee Recognition - Katherine Hubbard, County Administrator - Ms. Hubbard recognized Randy Edwards, Jay Shumpert, and Doug Padgett with Public Works. She said Public Works Director, John Fechtel, received a letter of appreciation from Mr. Hyatt after Messrs.

Edwards, Shumpert, and Padgett fixed or replaced stop signs that were improperly installed by the builder in his neighborhood. Mr. Hyatt said he was very pleased with the assistance he received and was delighted to have everything fixed so quickly and professionally.

Ms. Hubbard recognized Chief Bruce Rucker and crew of Fire Service Engine 9. Chief Rucker received a letter from Chief Coleman with the West Columbia Fire Station thanking the crew of Engine 9 for standing by their station while they were involved in a house fire. Chief Coleman said in his letter that it is very nice to know we can depend on your support during a time of need.

Fire Chief Coordinator - Bradley “Brad” Cox - Ms. Hubbard introduced Brad Cox, Public Safety/Fire Service new Fire Chief Coordinator.

Appointments - Health Services District - G. Tripp Jones, M.D. - Mr. Cullum made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jeffcoat to appoint Dr. Tripp Jones to the Health Services District Board of Directors. Dr. Jones replaces Ron Moore.

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

In Favor:	Mr. Kinard	Mr. Cullum
	Mr. Jeffcoat	Mr. Townsend
	Mr. Davis	Ms. Summers
	Mr. Keisler	Mr. Matthews

Museum Commission - Jim Harward - Mr. Matthews made a motion, seconded by Mr. Cullum to appoint Mr. Harward to the Museum Commission. Mr. Harward filled the vacancy of Ms. Margaret Strawhorn.

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

In Favor:	Mr. Kinard	Mr. Matthews
	Mr. Cullum	Mr. Townsend
	Mr. Davis	Ms. Summers
	Mr. Keisler	Mr. Jeffcoat

Board of Zoning Appeals - Dr. Sarah B. Wise - On behalf of Chairman Kinard, Mr. Davis made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jeffcoat to appoint Dr. Sarah Wise to the Board of Zoning Appeals. Dr. Wise replaced Albert Summers.

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

In Favor:	Mr. Kinard	Mr. Davis
	Mr. Jeffcoat	Mr. Townsend
	Ms. Summers	Mr. Keisler
	Mr. Matthews	Mr. Cullum

Approval of Minutes - Minutes of November 9 and November 18, 2010 - Mr. Davis made a motion, seconded by Ms. Summers to approve the minutes as submitted.

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

In Favor:	Mr. Kinard	Mr. Davis
	Ms. Summers	Mr. Townsend
	Mr. Keisler	Mr. Jeffcoat
	Mr. Matthews	Mr. Cullum

Ordinance - Ordinance 11-01 - Ordinance to Amend Ordinance 99-7 Amending Section 2-132, Term Limits Under Article IV Entitled Boards, Commissions and Committees, of the Lexington County Code of Ordinances - First Reading - Mr. Jeffcoat made a motion, seconded by Ms. Summers to approve first reading of Ordinance 11-01.

Mr. Kinard opened the meeting for discussion.

Mr. Cullum said he would vote in favor of first reading but would like to see some changes prior to second reading.

Mr. Kinard asked for further discussion; none occurred.

In Favor:	Mr. Kinard	Mr. Jeffcoat
	Ms. Summers	Mr. Townsend
	Mr. Davis	Mr. Keisler
	Mr. Matthews	Mr. Cullum

Committee Reports - Economic Development - B. Banning, Sr., Chairman - Resolution R11-01 - Inducement Resolution Providing for a Fee-in-Lieu of Tax Agreement Between Lexington County and Project Wax - On behalf of Chairman Banning, Ms. Summers, Committee Vice Chairman, reported during the Economic Development Committee meeting earlier in the day, the Committee voted unanimously in favor to recommend to full Council for approval.

Ms. Summers made a motion, seconded by Mr. Cullum to approve Resolution R11-01.

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

In Favor:	Mr. Kinard	Ms. Summers
	Mr. Cullum	Mr. Townsend
	Mr. Davis	Mr. Keisler
	Mr. Jeffcoat	Mr. Matthews

Airport, T. Cullum, Chairman - Realignment of Taxiway "A" Grant Award (State Portion) - Mr. Cullum reported during the afternoon Airport Committee meeting, the Committee discussed acceptance of the \$13,535 (2.5 percent) grant award from the South Carolina Aeronautics Commission to realign a portion of parallel taxiway "A". The Committee voted unanimously in favor to recommend to full Council for approval.

Mr. Cullum made a motion, seconded by Mr. Davis to approve acceptance of the grant award.

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

In Favor:	Mr. Kinard	Mr. Cullum
	Mr. Davis	Mr. Townsend
	Ms. Summers	Mr. Keisler
	Mr. Jeffcoat	Mr. Matthews

Solid Waste, D. Summers, Chairman - PalmettoPride Community Pride Grant Award - Ms.

Summers reported during the afternoon meeting, the Committee voted unanimously in favor to recommend to full Council for approval. The grant in the amount of \$5,900 requires no County match. The funds will used to purchase recycling containers and tarps.

Ms. Summers made a motion, seconded by Mr. Cullum to approve acceptance of the grant award.

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

In Favor:	Mr. Kinard	Ms. Summers
	Mr. Cullum	Mr. Townsend
	Mr. Davis	Mr. Keisler
	Mr. Jeffcoat	Mr. Matthews

Committee of the Whole, J. Kinard, Chairman - City of West Columbia “C” Fund Match Request -

Mr. Kinard reported during the Committee of the Whole on Tuesday, January 18, 2011, the Committee met to review Public Works’ request from the City of West Columbia for a “C” Fund match. Below is the Committee Report:

Mr. John Fechtel, Public Works’ Director, presented a request from the City of West Columbia for \$101,544.91 for “C” Funds to assist in a 20 percent local match for two SCDOT Enhancement grants. The local match requested is for the Meeting Street and State Street Streetscape Project Phase II at \$65,294.91 and the Charleston Highway Beautification at \$36,250. Mr. Fechtel reported there is \$143,997 available in the County’s “C” Fund Special Projects Account. Staff recommends approval of the City’s request for “C” Funds.

The Committee voted in favor to recommend to full Council to approve staff’s recommendations to approve the City of West Columbia’s “C” Fund request.

Mr. Kinard reported during the afternoon Committee meeting under old business, Mr. Fechtel said there was a \$100 error in the original requested amount needed for the Meeting Street and State Street Streetscape Project Phase II. The actual match needed is \$65,394.91. The Committee voted unanimously in favor to amend the local “C” Fund request to \$65,394.91.

Mr. Kinard made a motion, seconded by Mr. Townsend to approve the amended request of \$65,394.91.

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

In Favor:	Mr. Kinard	Mr. Townsend
	Mr. Davis	Ms. Summers
	Mr. Keisler	Mr. Jeffcoat

Mr. Matthews

Mr. Cullum

2010 NPDES Annual Report - Mr. Kinard reported the Committee of the Whole met on January 18, 2011 to review the Public Works' 2010 NPDES Annual Report. Below is the following Committee Report:

Ms. Synithia Williams briefed the Committee on the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Annual Report. The annual report provides DHEC with updates on the milestones achieved in 2010 as part of the County's Stormwater Management Plan. The major updates in the report includes full implementation of the Illicit Discharge Elimination minimum control measure, the development of the car wash fundraiser program, the start of a pet waste initiative with Keep the Midlands Beautiful, and continued training of County staff on the NPDES program.

The Committee voted in favor to recommend to full Council to approve staff's submittal of the 2010 NPDES Annual Report.

Mr. Kinard made a motion, seconded by Mr. Davis to approve staff's request to submit the 2010 NPDES Annual Report.

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

In Favor:	Mr. Kinard	Mr. Davis
	Mr. Townsend	Ms. Summers
	Mr. Keisler	Mr. Jeffcoat
	Mr. Matthews	Mr. Cullum

Budget Amendment Resolutions - The following BARs were distributed and signed:

11-084 - A supplemental appropriation increase of \$5,900 for Solid Waste Management to establish a budget for the PalmettoPride Community Pride Grant received.

11-085 - A supplemental appropriation increase of \$218,362. During the budget process, the County budgeted for the Taxiway Realignment, but the awards received from the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) and the South Carolina Aeronautics Commission (SCAC) were greater than what was budgeted. This transaction is to adjust the appropriations and revenues to reflect the differences.

Old Business/New Business - None

Executive Session/Legal Briefing - Mr. Kinard reported Executive Session consisting of four contractual, one personnel, and one legal matter were discussed and completed during the afternoon Committee of the Whole meeting.

Matters Requiring a Vote as a Result of Executive Session - Mr. Kinard reported as a result of Executive Session there were no motions to be considered.

Motion to Adjourn - Mr. Jeffcoat made a motion, seconded by Mr. Townsend to adjourn.

In Favor:	Mr. Kinard	Mr. Jeffcoat
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Mr. Townsend
Ms. Summers
Mr. Matthews

Mr. Davis
Mr. Keisler
Mr. Cullum

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Diana W. Burnett
Clerk

James E. Kinard, Jr.
Chairman