

M I N U T E S
LEXINGTON COUNTY COUNCIL
February 08, 2011

Lexington County Council held its regular scheduled meeting on Tuesday, February 08, 2011 in Council Chambers beginning at 4:30 p.m. Chairman Kinard presided.

Mr. Charlie Compton, Planning & GIS Director, gave the invocation. US Army veteran David Griffin 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
 William B. Banning, Sr. M. Todd Cullum

Not Present: Kenneth Brad Matthews *

*Mr. Matthews was out of town on a prior business meeting.

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.

Lexington County Economic Development Ambassador of 2010 - Raul Fernandez-Carreras -
Postponed to a later date.

Lexington High School Government and Economic Class - Chairman Kinard recognized students from Lexington High School attending as part of their economic and government class assignment.

News Release - Lexington Medical Center - Mr. Kinard announced that Lexington Medical Center has signed an agreement with Duke University to provide a full range of cardiovascular services at Lexington Medical Center.

Chairman's Report - Chairman Kinard asked Mr. Banning to provide an update on the first Lexington County Economic Development Legislative Night. Mr. Banning reported there were 28 exhibitors and 438 attendees.

Council Members' Activities and/or Comments - Amazon.com - Mr. Banning reported Amazon.com will begin hiring sometime in March or April to begin training for when they move into their new facility in October.

Administrator's Report - Katherine Hubbard, County Administrator - Homeowner Assistance Program - Ms. Hubbard announced that Lexington County Development Community Department is currently accepting applications for its Homeowner Assistance Program and the Housing Rehabilitation Program. Additional information about the programs is located on the County's website at www.lex-co.com

2011 Tree Care Workshop - Ms. Hubbard announced the 2011 Tree Care Workshop hosted by the Lexington County Soil and Water Conservation District and the Community Development Department will be on Friday, February 18 at the Lexington County Red Bank Crossing facility. The event is from 9:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Electronic Recycling Event - Ms. Hubbard announced there will be an electronic recycling event on Saturday, February 19 from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Bi Lo Shopping Center in Chapin.

President's Day - Ms. Hubbard announced the County Administration offices will be closed on Monday, February 21 in observance of President's Day.

Shining Stars - 1st Quarter- Ms. Hubbard recognized Ronda Catron, Kashunda Perry, Jessica Alford, and Marti Burns with the Auditor's Office; Jim Cheatham, Library Services and Mark Akers, Building Services as the winners of the 1st Quarter for the Customer Service Shining Star Award and presented each recipient with an engraved acrylic "Shining Star."

Ms. Hubbard recognized Andrew Bigony, Information Services Records Manager, for being re-elected president to the South Carolina Public Records Association. Mr. Bigony also served as Region Administrator for the Mid-State Region and was selected as Member of the Year.

Ms. Hubbard recognized Chuck Whipple, Economic Development Director, who was named the South Carolina State Director to serve on the Southern Economic Development Council (SEDC) Board of Directors.

Resolution - Anthony H. Keisler- Mr. Keisler made a motion, seconded by Mr. Cullum to approve the resolution.

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

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

Appointments - Health Services District - Frank R. Basnett - Ms. Summers made a motion, seconded by Mr. Davis to reappoint Mr. Basnett.

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

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

Mr. Banning

Mr. Cullum

Bids/Purchases/RFPs - Mr. Jeffcoat made a motion, seconded by Mr. Keisler to approve staff's recommendations on the following Bids/Purchases/RFPs (Tabs N, O, P, Q, and R)

Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant (EECBG) Light Replacements - Building Services - Competitive bids were solicited for the Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant Light Replacements for Public Works and several fire stations. Two (2) responsive bids were received. Staff recommended the award of the bid to Southeastern Security Professionals, LLC in the amount of \$67,451.

Bitternut Court Roadway Improvements (Grant Funds) - Community Development/Public Works - Competitive bids were solicited for improvements to Bitternut Court. The project consists of payment construction of approximately 4,005 linear feet of a Lexington County maintained road. Eleven (11) responsive bids were received. Staff recommended the award on the project in the amount \$276,183.10 to R&T Grading, Inc.

Polo, Tee, Golf, and Sweat Shirts - Countywide - Competitive bids were solicited for a term contract for polo, tee, golf, and sweat shirts for various departments. Three (3) responsive bids were received. Staff recommended multiple awards based on pricing, the quality of the shirt materials, and appearance of the embroidery stitching. The term of the contract is for the initial period of one (1) year with the option to extend the contract for two (2) additional one (1) year periods, if deemed to be in the best interest of the County. The annual estimated cost for the contract is \$44,744.

Hurst Rescue & Extrication Tools - EMS/Fire Service - Competitive bids were solicited for Hurst rescue and extrication tools. Two (2) responsive bids were received. Staff recommended the award of the bid to Newton Fire & Safety in the amount of \$52,943.60.

Jim Spence Road Engineering Fees (C-Funds) - Public Works - A requisition was submitted by Public Works for engineering services from RPM Engineers for the design of Jim Spence Road. Staff recommended the services be procured under Lexington County Contract PQ10009-09/15-10S. Total cost, including tax, is \$91,770.

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

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

Approval of Minutes - Minutes of December 7 and 14, 2010 and January 18, 2011 - Mr. Jeffcoat 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. Jeffcoat
	Ms. Summers	Mr. Townsend
	Mr. Davis	Mr. Keisler
	Mr. Banning	Mr. Cullum

Committee Reports - Economic Development - B. Banning, Sr., Chairman - Resolution R11-02 - Inducement Resolution Providing for a Fee-in-Lieu of Tax Agreement Between Lexington County and Project Blue

- Mr. Banning reported during the Economic Development Committee meeting earlier in the day, the Committee voted unanimously in favor to recommend to full Council for approval. Mr. Banning said it is a company that is proposing \$150 million investment with 125 jobs with the possibility of expanding up to \$400 million.

Mr. Banning made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jeffcoat to approve Resolution R11-02.

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

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

Committee of the Whole, J. Kinard, Chairman - Burton Center Request - Mr. Kinard reported during the afternoon Committee meeting, the Committee considered a request from the Burton Center to approve a Local Government Resolution so they may apply for a FTA grant through the SC Department of Mass Transit for assistance in purchasing a 15-passenger bus. The bus will be used to transport individuals with disabilities and special needs in our county. The Committee voted in favor to recommend to full Council for approval.

Mr. Kinard made a motion, seconded by Mr. Davis to approve the resolution.

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. Banning	Mr. Cullum

Budget Amendment Resolutions - None.

Old Business/New Business - None

Executive Session/Legal Briefing - Mr. Kinard reported Executive Session consisting of six legal and three contractual matters 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. Banning made a motion, seconded by Mr. Davis to adjourn.

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

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Diana W. Burnett
Clerk

James E. Kinard, Jr.
Chairman