

M I N U T E S
SPECIAL CALLED MEETING
LEXINGTON COUNTY COUNCIL
May 15, 2012

Lexington County Council held a Special Called Meeting on Thursday, May 15, 2012 in Council Chambers beginning at 5:00 p.m. The purpose of the Special Called Meeting was to receive the Administrator's Recommended 2012-13 Non-General Fund Budget and have first reading on Ordinance 12-06. Chairman Banning presided.

Chairman Banning gave the invocation and Councilman Kinard led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

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

Administrator's Report - 2012-13 Recommended Non-General Fund Budget - Prior to Mr. Mergo's presentation, Council was provided summary sheets of the 2012-13 Recommended Non-General Fund Budget (dated 5-14-12). Mr. Mergo reviewed following departments' recommended budget: Library Services is within expected revenues; Solid Waste Management is more than expected revenues due to one-time capital purchases to be made this year, but money is available within their fund balance; Indigent Care Fund is the tax levy (\$1,082,188) that you are required to levy by state statute; total for Solicitor's Office - \$2,063,358; total non-general for Law Enforcement - \$3,988,782; Other Miscellaneous Grants - \$2,498,704; Special Revenue Accounts - Economic Development and "C" Fund - \$11,754,193; total Enterprise Fund -\$13,030,738; and total for other Internal Service is \$17,709,455 for a total of \$58,418,460, which are all within expected revenues.

There are two items that are not in the recommended budget. Eight hundred and fifty-thousand (\$850,000) requested by the Department of Mental and a new fire station for the Irmo Fire District. However, the Department of Mental Health is being recommended at \$650,000.

Mr. Mergo said Lexington County Recreation & Aging Commission, Irmo-Chapin Recreation Commission, Midlands Technical College, Riverbanks Zoo and the other two that he just mentioned are within their expected revenues for what he recommended.

Ordinance - Ordinance 12-06- An Ordinance Adopting an Annual Budget for Fiscal Year 2012-2013 - 1st Reading - Mr. Davis made a motion, seconded by Mr. Townsend to approve first reading.

Mr. Banning opened the meeting for discussion.

Mr. Cullum questioned the figures on the summary sheets provided by staff. He said the expected revenue is \$55,141,841 with appropriations of \$58,418,600 and asked if he was reading it wrong.

Mr. Mergo replied that is correct. If you recall, in Solid Waste Management we said that the recommendation is over revenue with one-time capital purchases from their fund balance, which is \$152,975.

Mr. Cullum said the difference of appropriation and revenue as shown is approximately \$3.3 million.

Mr. Porth interjected to say that the totals on the third page (All Other Funds – Appropriation Summary) are a sum of all those individual funds. So, the question you are asking would have to be answered fund by fund. You would really have to look at special revenue fund by special revenue fund, grant by grant. Sometimes there are funds received in one year and spent in the subsequent year. So, the operating funds that have millage are within current estimated revenues with those exceptions mentioned by Mr. Mergo.

Mr. Mergo interjected to say that he is not recommending a millage increase to fund any of the expenses that you have on the provided summary sheets.

For clarification, Mr. Cullum asked if there is enough revenue to cover the recommended \$58,418,460 appropriation.

Mr. Mergo replied, yes.

Mr. Porth interjected to say there is enough revenue or accumulated fund balance.

Mr. Banning called for further discussion; none occurred.

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

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

12-108 - An appropriation transfer of \$2,074,377 from Emergency Phone System E-911 and a supplemental appropriation increase of \$2,074,377 into the 911 Communications Center/EOC capital fund to help track the total cost of the new 911 facility.

12-110 - A supplemental appropriation increase of \$306, an appropriation transfer of \$501,988 and a supplemental appropriation increase of \$501,988. This transaction transfers funds that were set aside for the West Region Service Center to the 911 Communications Center/EOC facility.

12-109 - A supplemental appropriation increase of \$1,500,000. This transaction is for funds received from a set-aside grant by the SC Coordinating Council for Economic Development for site preparation at the new Michelin site.

Ordinance 12-06 - An Ordinance Adopting an Annual Budget for Fiscal Year 2012-2013 - 1st

Reading. For clarification, Mr. Banning said the prior vote on Ordinance 12-06 was for first reading that passed unanimously.

Old/New Business - None.

Executive Session/Legal Briefing - None.

Matters Requiring a Vote as a Result of Executive Session - None.

Adjourn – Mr. Jeffcoat made a motion, seconded by Mr. Kinard to adjourn the meeting.

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

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Diana W. Burnett
Clerk

William B. Banning, Sr.
Chairman