

M I N U T E S  
LEXINGTON COUNTY COUNCIL  
November 13, 2012

Lexington County Council held its meeting on Tuesday, November 13, 2012 in Council Chambers beginning at 4:30 p.m. Chairman Banning presided.

**Matters Requiring a Vote as a Result of Executive Session** - During the afternoon meeting of the Committee of the Whole, Council entered into Executive Session to discuss two contractual, five legal and one personnel matter but were unable to conclude. Council will have to go back into Executive Session during the meeting to conclude.

Councilman Kinard gave the invocation. Retired US Marine and Vietnam Veteran, Gene Wilbur, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members attending:	William B. Banning, Sr.	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	

Also attending: Joe Mergo, III, County Administrator; John Fachtel, 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.

**Chairman's Report** - Mr. Banning reported on the following events he attended as well as upcoming events: Nov. 8 - attended the South Carolina Association of Counties Steering Committee meeting and will also attend their annual meeting in Charleston on Dec. 1. Mr. Banning sadly reported that Vicki Shealy, long-time reporter for the Lexington Chronicle, passed away. The second meeting of County Council and the Municipal Association will be Nov. 15 and the County offices will be closed November 22 & 23 in observance of Thanksgiving. Mr. Banning reported he has received 18 resolutions supporting the airport connector (John Hardee Expressway).

**Presentation - CVB On-Line Booking Engine - Ric Luber, President & CEO, Midlands Authority for Conventions, Sports & Tourism** - Accompanying Mr. Luber were Catherine Horne with EdVenture, Willie Calloway with the SC State Museum, Satch Krantz with Riverbanks Zoo & Botanical Gardens, and Kelly Barbery with Midlands Authority for Conventions, Sports & Tourism.

Ms. Barbery gave an overview of the new on-line booking company they have partnered with – aRes Travel (Advanced Reservation Systems) that will allow visitors to book hotel rooms, obtain rental cars, flights, and attraction tickets and packages directly from the Columbia Metropolitan CVB website at [reservations.columbiacvb.com](http://reservations.columbiacvb.com). With aRes Travel, they were able to put together a package/attraction ticket called the "COOLPASS." The COOLPASS costs \$25 and includes general admission to Riverbanks Zoo & Garden, SC State Museum, and Edventure Children's Museum (a 20% savings to the customer). The COOLPASSunlimited costs \$45 and includes general admission plus unlimited rides

and attractions wristband at Riverbanks Zoo & Garden and special exhibit admissions at the SC State Museum. This is planned to roll out in spring 2013.

Mr. Banning asked how long the pass is good for – one-day, three-days, or what?

Ms. Barbery said they are currently looking at that proponent, but would think it would be for a limited time, maybe 5 days, so it would be more appealing to the visitors to stay.

Mr. Banning asked if there would be a child rate lesser than the COOLPASS.

Ms. Barbery said the COOLPASS will be an option for visitors over the age of 3; visitors under 3 will be governed by the individual attraction's policy.

Mr. Davis commented Mr. Luber, Ms. Horne, Mr. Calloway, and Mr. Krantz for working together on this exciting new venture.

**Presentation of Resolution - Midland Minor League All-Star Team Presented by Councilman Cullum** - Councilman Cullum presented a framed resolution to the Midland Minor League All-Star Team and coaches recognizing them for an outstanding year and winning the 2012 AAA Dixie Youth Baseball World Series.

**Administrator's Report- Employee Recognition - Joe Mergo, County Administrator** - Mr. Mergo recognized Louise Monts with Community Development. Trent Bonnett, Project Manager with the Williams Company, said Ms. Monts assisted him with permits and inspections and said it was "his best experience ever" and looked forward to working with her in the future." He went on to commend Ms. Monts for her positive attitude and the personal pride she takes in her job.

**Certificate of Achievement of Excellence in Financial Reporting (CAFR) - Government Finance Officers Association** - Mr. Mergo proudly announced the County received the Certificate of Achievement of Excellence in Financial Reporting from the Government Finance Officers Association for its Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) and recognized Mr. Randy Poston and his team for their leadership. The Certificate of Achievement is the highest form of recognition in governmental accounting and financial reporting.

**Resolutions - Chapin High School Marching Band and George H. Smokey Davis** - Mr. Jeffcoat made a motion, seconded by Mr. Kinard to approve both resolutions.

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

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

**Appointments - Boards and Commission** - None.

**Bids/Purchases/RFPs** - Mr. Cullum made a motion, seconded by Mr. Keisler to approve the following bids/purchases/RFPs (Tabs O, P, Q, R, S, T, U, and V).

**Egress Renovations for the Marc H. Westbrook Lexington County Judicial Center - Building Services** - Bids were solicited for the egress renovations for the Marc H. Westbrook Lexington County Judicial Center. Three (3) responsive bids were received. Staff recommended the award of the bid to Pyramid Contracting, Inc. in the amount of \$83,500.

**Employee Grocery Gift Cards - Human Resources** - Bids were solicited from various vendors for Employee Grocery Gift Cards. Four (4) bids were received. Staff recommended the award of the bid to the lowest responsible bidder. However, the lowest bid was a tie between Piggly Wiggly and Bi-Lo. As a result of the tie, a coin toss was performed by the Procurement Manager. The winner of the coin toss was Bi-Lo. The award amount for the gift cards is \$34,425.

**911 Communication Radio Dispatch Consoles - Public Safety** - Staff recommended the purchase and installation of 18 consoles and accessories for the new EOC/ECC facility from Motorola, Inc. through State Contract Number 5000011320. Total cost, including tax, is \$1,154,333.

**Electronic Patient Care Reporting (ePCR) - Public Safety/EMS** - Staff requested the use of the Request for Proposal (RFP) process to establish a contract with a software vendor to provide a web-hosted Electronic Patient Care Reporting system for Public Safety/EMS. The term of the contract will be two (2) years with the option to renew every two (2) years, not to exceed eight (8) years, if deemed to be in the best interest of the County. Three (3) responsive bids were received. The Committee recommended the award of the contract to Zoll Medical. The estimated cost for the services for two years is \$126,720.

**EMS Disposable Medical Supplies - Term Contract - Public Safety/EMS** - Bids were solicited for a term contract for EMS Medical Supplies for Public Safety/EMS. The term of the contract is for the initial period of one (1) year with the option to extend the contract for up to four (4) additional one (1) year periods, if deemed to be in the best interest of the County. Nine (9) responsive bids were received. Staff recommended making multiple awards to the lowest responsive, responsible bidder per line item. The annual estimated cost of the contract is \$33,743.14.

**Interior Renovation for the County Sheriff Training Facility, County Coroner Addition/ Renovation and County Storage Consolidation - Building Services** - Bids were solicited for the County Sheriff Training Facility, County Coroner Addition/Renovation and County Storage Consolidation for Building Services. Five (5) bids were received. Staff recommended the award of the bid to the lowest responsive, responsible bidder, Weber Construction, in the amount of \$1,951,350, which includes alternate #6.

**One (1) Front-End Loader with 6.0 CY General Purpose Bucket - Solid Waste Management** - Bids were solicited for a front-end loader with a 6.0 CY general purpose bucket for Solid Waste Management. Two (2) bids and one (1) no bid were received. Staff recommended the award of the bid to Flint Equipment as the lowest bidder meeting specifications. The County will exercise its option of \$70,000 for the trade-in on its existing equipment. In addition, the County will include the cost of the 5-year/7,500 hour Total Maintenance and Repair (TM&R) contract for one year at \$41,650.00. Total cost, including tax equipment, trade-in option, and TM&R contract is \$189,635.79

**Viper System Upgrade (Sole Source) - Public Safety/911** - Staff recommended the purchase for the Viper System Upgrade to the current 911 system from the sole source provider, AT&T, as they are the only vendor capable to providing the upgrade. This procurement will also envelop the installation of the

Viper system and needed equipment for the new 911 ECC/EOC facility. The total cost, including tax, is \$622,237.50.

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

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

**Approval of Minutes - Meetings of September 25, and October 9, 2012** - Mr. Matthews made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jeffcoat to approve the minutes as submitted.

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

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

**Ordinances - Ordinance 12-11 - Ordinance to Amend Article III, Division 2, Sections 34-92 (Powers, Duties, and Authority of Lexington County Health Services District) of the Lexington County Code - 3<sup>rd</sup> and Final Reading** - Mr. Townsend made a motion, seconded by Mr. Davis to approve third and final reading.

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

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

**Ordinance 12-12 - Authorizing the Issuance, Sale & Delivery of G.O. Bonds Not Exceeding \$26 Million (\$5.575 Million Refunding of Series 2006B Bonds and Issuance of \$3 Million for EOC Center Construction and \$17 Million for Economic Development) - 3<sup>rd</sup> and Final Reading** - Mr. Jeffcoat made a motion, seconded by Mr. Townsend to approve third and final reading.

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

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

**Ordinance 12-13 - Ordinance Extending the Residential Solid Waste Franchise Contracts - 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading** - Mr. Keisler made a motion, seconded by Mr. Cullum to approve second reading.

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

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

**Committee Reports - Health & Human Services, B. Matthews, Chairman - FY11 Midlands Regional Medical Assistance Team (RMAT) Enhancement Award** - Mr. Matthews reported the Health & Human Services Committee met to discuss the acceptance of the Regional Medical Assistance Team Enhancement Award. The award amount of \$75,000 requires no County match. The Committee voted unanimously to recommend to full Council for approval.

Mr. Matthews made a motion, seconded by Mr. Keisler to accept the award.

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

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

**FY12 DHEC/EMS Grant-in-Aid Award** - Also, the Committee discussed the acceptance of the DHEC/EMS Grant-in-Aid award. The award amount of \$21,026 requires a 5.5 percent match. The Committee voted unanimously to recommend to full Council for approval.

Mr. Matthews made a motion, seconded by Ms. Summers to accept the award.

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

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

**Ordinance 12-15 - Authorizing the Irmo Chapin Recreation Commission of the Irmo Chapin Recreation District to Issue General Obligation Bonds in the Principal Amount of Not Exceeding \$18,000,000; and Other Matters Relating Thereto - 1<sup>st</sup> Reading** - In addition, the Committee discussed Ordinance 12-15. The Committee voted unanimously to recommend to full Council for approval.

Mr. Matthews made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jeffcoat to approve first reading.

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

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

**Public Works & Solid Waste Management, T. Cullum, Chairman - Kittal Road Closing** - Mr. Cullum reported the Public Works Committee met on Tuesday, October 23, 2012, to review the request to close Kittal Road. Below is the Committee Report.

Mr. Randy Edwards, Public Works County Engineer, presented a request to close Kittal Road. The road is approximately 0.23 mile long. It is currently used as a cut-through from Pat Road to reach Edmund Highway by one individual. Mr. Edwards reported that it would cost approximately \$125,000 for design and construction to pave along with paving Jim Spence Road including \$3,500 for realignment. Staff suggests closing Kittal Road to avoid these costs. Mr. Edwards said the Kittal Road property owner has been contacted and is in favor of closing the road. Mr. Edwards also confirmed it was a county maintained dirt road.

The Public Works Committee voted unanimously in favor to recommend to full Council to approve staff's request to legally close Kittal Road.

Mr. Cullum made a motion, seconded by Mr. Matthews to approve staff's recommendation to close the road.

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

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

**FY 2012 Palmetto Pride Grant Application** - In addition, the Committee discussed a request from Mr. Dave Eger, Director of Solid Waste Management, to apply for the FY2012 Palmetto Pride Grant. The grant application in the amount of \$5,500 requires no County match. The Committee voted unanimously in favor to recommend to full Council for approval.

Mr. Cullum made a motion, seconded by Mr. Matthews to approve staff's request to apply for the \$5,500 grant.

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

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

Mr. Jeffcoat

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

13-063 - An appropriation transfer of \$588,496 to set aside capital project fund accounts for Viper Software upgrades.

13-064 - Appropriation transfers of \$237,578; \$237,578; and \$795,622. The transactions are needed to transfer additional funding needed for the renovation of the Sheriff's Training Facility and appropriate the funds into the needed accounts for the project.

13-066 - A supplemental appropriation increase of \$75,000 to reflect the award from SLED for the Midlands Regional Medical Assistance Team (RMAT) grant award.

13-067 - An appropriation transfer of \$270 and a supplemental appropriation increase of \$1,026. EMS was awarded \$21,026 from the DHEC/EMS Grant-in-Aid program and these transactions are to adjust the current budget to match the award and to cover the negative fund balance.

13-068 - Appropriation transfers of \$150,000 and \$385,060 to adjust both the CDBG and HOME budgets as the result of a change in the scope to the FY2012-13 HUD Annual Action Plan approved at the August 28<sup>th</sup> Council meeting.

13-069 - An appropriation transfer of \$256,440 for the ECC/EOC Center. This transaction is to reduce the items the County budgeted that were a part of Mashburn's Construction contract for the ECC/EOC center.

13-065 - An appropriation transfer of \$49,300 to replace one of the HVAC units at the Cayce/West Columbia Library Branch.

**Old Business/New Business - New Business - Zoning Text Amendment T12-01 - 1<sup>st</sup> Reading** - Ms. Summers said during the afternoon Planning and Administration Committee, a discussion began on how to coordinate outdoor advertising regulations with municipalities. In Zoning Text Amendment T12-01, language is being proposed as follows: Advertising signs will not be allowed to locate in a portion of the County that is at least 75% surrounded by lands under the jurisdiction of a municipality, or on property within 2000 feet of a municipal boundary, if that portion of the municipality prohibits the location of advertising signs. Ms. Summers said this for first reading and being adopted as a pending ordinance.

Ms. Summers made a motion to approve first reading of Zoning Text Amendment T12-01 as a pending ordinance, seconded by Mr. Kinard.

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

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

**Executive Session** - Mr. Banning reported Council needed to go back into Executive Session to discuss one personnel matter.

Mr. Davis made a motion, seconded by Mr. Kinard to go into Executive Session.

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

**Matters Requiring a Vote as a Result of Executive Session** - Reporting out of Executive Session, there were no motions to be considered.

**Adjournment** - Mr. Townsend made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jeffcoat to adjourn the meeting.

In Favor:	Mr. Banning	Mr. Townsend
	Mr. Jeffcoat	Mr. Kinard
	Mr. Davis	Mr. Matthews
Not Present:*	Ms. Summers	Mr. Keisler
	Mr. Cullum	

\*Ms. Summers and Messrs. Keisler and Cullum were not present when the vote was taken.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Diana W. Burnett  
Clerk

William B. Banning, Sr.  
Chairman