

M I N U T E S
LEXINGTON COUNTY COUNCIL
February 26, 2013

Lexington County Council held its regularly scheduled meeting on Tuesday, February 26, 2013 in Council Chambers beginning at 4:30 p.m. Chairman Banning presided.

Matters Requiring a Vote as a Result of Executive Session - Mr. Banning reported Council went into Executive Session during the Committee of the Whole to discuss seven contractual and two personnel matters. As a result of Executive Session, there were no motions to be considered.

Video Live-Stream - Mr. Banning reminded everyone that the County is now live-streaming the Council meetings.

Councilman Townsend gave the invocation. Mr. Shelton Owens Baston, a veteran of WWII, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

Not Present: M. Kent Collins*

*Mr. Collins was absent due to an illness.

Also attending: Joe Mergo, III, County Administrator; Randy Poston, Chief Financial Officer; John Fechtel, 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: Feb. 14 - COG Transportation Subcommittee Meeting; Feb. 18 - Participated in the county employee golf outing; Feb. 19 - Lexington County Night; he and Councilmen Kinard and Townsend attended the SCAC Mid-year Conference; Feb. 21 - He, Mr. Jeffcoat, and Mr. Mergo met with representatives of Richland County; Several members of Council attended the Lexington County Farm-City Program Dinner; he and Councilmen Cullum and Matthews attended the Legislative Delegation meeting; he and Councilman Jeffcoat spoke at the County's staff retreat at Saluda Shoals; and Feb. 25 - he and Councilmen Cullum and Jeffcoat attended the County Health Insurance and Benefits Review Committee.

Presentation - Presentation of Wellness Certificate from Lexington County Wellness Committee to Mr. Greg Cupsted, Bi-Lo Store Manager by Ms. Lori Adler, Human Resources Director - Postponed.

Administrator's Report and Recognition - Mr. Mergo recognized Fire Service. Fire Service has formed their own Heart Walk Team to "Walk in Your Bunker Gear" for the American Heart Association. The walk will be Saturday, March 23.

EMS/CERT - Mr. Mergo recognized EMS and CERT members who provided assistance for the Race Against Hunger event.

Lexington County Legislative Night - Mr. Mergo reiterated how spectacular the event was and thanked department heads for their participation.

Fire Service - Mr. Mergo reported he received an e-mail from a citizen stating how impressed she was with the response time, professionalism, and thoroughness of the personnel who responded.

Staff Retreat - Mr. Mergo recognized David Kerr and Mark Kerley for their assistance with the staff retreat.

Coroner Harry Harman - Mr. Mergo asked everyone to keep Mr. Harman in their prayers as he recovers from an automobile accident.

Susan Roben - Assistant Finance Director - Mr. Mergo formally introduced Ms. Susan Roben, the County's new assistant finance director.

Jack Maguire - Mr. Mergo asked Charlie Compton, Director of Planning and GIS to make the next recognition. Mr. Compton proudly recognized Mr. Maguire on his recent appointment to serve on the National Geospatial Advisory Committee (NGAC).

Special Guests - Mr. Banning recognized Councilman Matthews' wife, Becca, and their three-month-old son, Palmer.

Resolution - American Red Cross Month - Ms. Summers made a motion, seconded by Mr. Keisler to approve.

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

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

Appointments - Boards and Commissions - Lexington County Health Services District - Vince Rhodes - Ms. Summers made a motion, seconded by Mr. Keisler to reappoint Mr. Rhodes.

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

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

Lexington County Health Services District - Archie “Al” Harman - Mr. Townsend made a motion, seconded by Mr. Kinard to reappoint Mr. Harman.

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

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

Board of Zoning Appeals - Rachel Mitchell - Mr. Keisler made a motion, seconded by Mr. Kinard to appoint Ms. Rachel Mitchell. Ms. Mitchell replaces Wylie “Ted” Mitchell.

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

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

Lexington County Health Services District - Jan Burt - Mr. Cullum made a motion, seconded by Mr. Kinard to reappoint Ms. Burt.

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

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

Bids/Purchases/RFPs - Mr. Jeffcoat made a motion, seconded by Mr. Cullum to approve Tabs L, M, and N.

One (1) EMS Logistics Vehicle (Replacement) - Public Safety/EMS - Procurement - Staff recommended the purchase of a replacement EMS Logistic vehicle for Public Safety/EMS from Christopher Trucks through State Contract Number 4400004328. Total cost, including tax, is \$49,581.96.

First Creek Roadway Improvements - Public Works - Procurement - Bids were solicited for improvements to First Creek Road. The project consists of providing all materials, equipment, and labor to provide fine grading and surfacing using 2” Type C Asphalt and 6” Grade Aggregate Base Course on 3,760 linear feet of a County maintained road. Ten (10) bids were received. Staff recommended the award of the project to Coogler Construction, Inc. Total cost, including tax, is \$272,583.50.

Improvements to Jim Spence Road - Public Works - Procurement - Bids were solicited for improvements to Jim Spence Road. The project consists of providing all materials, equipment, and labor to provide grading, paving, and installation of a storm drainage system for 7,743 linear feet of a County maintained road. Five (5) bids were received. Staff recommended the award of the project to Cherokee, Inc. Total cost, including tax, is \$540,302.12.

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

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

Approval of Minutes - Meeting of January 8, 2013 - Mr. Matthews made a motion, seconded by Ms. Summers to approve the minutes as submitted.

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

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

Committee Reports - Economic Development, J. Jeffcoat, Chairman - Real Property Purchase Contract - Mr. Jeffcoat reported the Economic Development Committee met and discussed the purchase of additional property at the Chapin Technology Park. The Committee voted in favor to recommend to full Council for approval.

Mr. Jeffcoat made a motion, seconded by Ms. Summers to approve the contract to purchase approximately 59 acres that adjoins the tract the County owns (in the Chapin Technology Park) from Broad River-Friargate, LLC and Columbia Avenue Properties, LLC.

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

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

Health & Human Services, B. Matthews, Chairman - 2012 Midlands Regional Medical Assistance Team (RMAT) Grant Award - Mr. Matthews reported earlier in the day the Committee discussed the acceptance of the RMAT award. The award in the amount of \$75,000 requires no County match and will be used to host meetings and purchase a prime mover tow vehicle to transport a 28' equipment trailer. The Committee voted unanimously to recommend to full Council for approval.

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

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

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

Fire Service Purchase of Rental Uniforms - This was approved through ABT 13-110.

Public Works & Solid Waste Management, T. Cullum, Chairman - PalmettoPride Grant Award - Mr. Cullum reported the Public Works Committee met earlier in the day to consider the acceptance of the PalmettoPride grant award. The award in the amount of \$5,500 requires no County match. Funds will be used to enhance the aesthetics at the Coroner's Office, Fire Service Headquarters, and the Solid Waste landfill. The Committee voted unanimously to recommend to full Council for approval.

Mr. Cullum made a motion, seconded by Mr. Matthews to approve.

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

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

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

13-095 - An appropriation transfer of \$79,767 and a supplemental appropriation of \$79,767. The VPI Recorder was budgeted in both the ECC/EOC Project and Emergency Phone Systems/E-911 budgets. These funds will be transferred from the Emergency Phone System/E-911 to a contingency account in the ECC/EOC budget.

13-100 - A supplemental appropriation increase of \$20 million to establish a budget related to the 2013 G.O. Bond Sales.

13-101 - A supplemental appropriation increase of \$9,836,895 to establish a budget for the Chapin Technology Park related to the 2013 G.O. Bond Sales.

13-102 - A supplemental appropriation increase of \$3,750,000 to establish a budget for the Saxe Gotha Industrial Park related to the 2013 G.O. Bond Sales.

13-103 - A supplemental appropriation increase of \$2,195,000 to establish a budget for the Batesburg/Leesville Industrial Park related to the 2013 G.O. Bond Sales.

13-104 - A supplemental appropriation decrease of \$3 million; an appropriation transfer of \$3 million, and a supplemental appropriation increase of \$3 million to establish a budget for the ECC/EOC construction related to the 2013 G.O. Bond Sales.

13-105 - A supplemental appropriation increase of \$2,400. The Chapin Police Department donated four 800 MHz radios to EMS. This transaction is to record the donation and assign asset tags to the radios.

13-106 - A supplemental appropriation increase of \$346,045. This transaction is to adjust the Schedule "C" Fund budget by the uncommitted balance (as of October 2012) received from SCDOT.

13-107 - A supplemental appropriation increase of \$13,540. In FY 2011, County Schedule "C" funds

were used to provide an Enhancement match for a SCDOT project in Gaston. The project was completed and under budget and Gaston returned the portion of the match not needed.

13-108 - A supplemental appropriation increase of \$75,000 to establish a budget to match the 2012 RMAT (Regional Medical Assistance Team) award received by EMS.

13-109 - A supplemental appropriation increase of \$5,500 to establish a budget to match the 2013 PalmettoPride Grant award received by Solid Waste Management.

13-110 - An appropriation transfer of \$133,750 to adjust the Fire Service budget to allow for the purchase of uniforms instead of renting uniforms. (This was approved by BAR rather than under Committee at the 4:30 session).

13-111 - An appropriation transfer of \$43,960 to delete a part-time fighter position and a part-time administrative assistant position to full a Full Time Administrative Assistant in Fire Service.

Special Guest - Mr. Banning recognized Mr. Bert Holland, LMC Board member.

Old Business/New Business - None.

Motion to Adjourn - Mr. Kinard made a motion, seconded by Ms. Summers to adjourn.

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

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Diana W. Burnett
Clerk

William B. Banning, Sr.
Chairman