

**PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE
MINUTES
APRIL 24, 2007**

The Public Works Committee met on Tuesday, April 24, 2007 in the Committee Room, located on the second floor of the Administration Building beginning at 2:55 p.m. Ms. Summers, Committee Chairman presided.

Members Attending:

Debra B. Summers, Chairman	M. Todd Cullum, V Chairman
Bobby C. Keisler	John W. Carrigg, Jr.
William C. Billy Derrick	

Also attending: Katherine Hubbard, County Administrator; Larry Porth, Finance Director/Assistant County Administrator; 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.

Carolina Clear Program - Clemson University (Goal 2) - Public Works - John Fecht, Director – Mr. Fecht presented a memorandum of understanding and contract for the Carolina Clear Program. Ms. Synithia Williams, Public Works Environmental Coordinator, worked with Clemson University, the County Attorney, and Sheila Fulmer, Procurement Manager to develop the information for the program. The annual contract with Clemson University will be \$50,000. Lexington County's cost will be \$28,000 and seven municipalities will split \$22,000 based on a per capita basis. The seven municipalities are; Irmo, Lexington, West Columbia, Cayce, Pine Ridge, South Congaree, and Springdale. The Public Works Environmental Coordinator will be responsible for monitoring the program to ensure that all aspects of the program are implemented. The program will begin on July 1, 2007. The funds have been requested for in the 2007/08 budget under Professional Services in the Stormwater Management Division.

A motion was made by Mr. Keisler, seconded by Mr. Derrick to recommend to full Council to approve the Carolina Clear contract portion with Clemson University.

The vote in favor was unanimous.

Ordinance 06-10 - Stormwater Management Ordinance (Goal 2) - Public Works - John Fecht, Director – Ms. Sheri Armstrong, Public Works Stormwater Manager, and Ms. Synithia Williams, Public Works Environmental Coordinator, presented a draft of the Stormwater Management Ordinance outlining some of the changes and new sections. The revisions made to the ordinance are to ensure that it complies with the new National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Construction General Permit, the NPDES Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) Permit requirements and the FEMA floodplain management

requirements. The ordinance has been reviewed by the County Attorney and forwarded to the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control and the municipalities in Lexington County with the exception of the Town of Summit and the City of Columbia. Ordinance to be presented for second reading at full Council meeting.

Approval of Minutes - Meeting of March 27, 2007 – A motion was made by Mr. Cullum, seconded by Mr. Keisler to approve the March 27, 2007 minutes as submitted.

The vote in favor was unanimous.

Old Business/New Business - Private Roads, Alternate Funding Sources, Road Maintenance Fee Ordinance – Staff is continuing to work on the fee ordinance and plans to have ready for Committee in May.

Old Business – Lawn Mower Exchange – Per Ms. Synithia Williams, all the \$199 electric lawnmowers coupons have been sold and only the \$299 coupons are left. Of the 95 available at \$199, 51% were sold to Lexington County residents who traded their old gas-powered lawnmowers for the new electric mowers. Public Works hopes to continue to make the lawn mower exchange an annual event.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy R. Busbee
Assistant to the Clerk

Debra B. Summers
Chairman

Diana W. Burnett
Clerk