The Committee of the Whole met on Tuesday, August 23, 2011 in the Committee Room, located on the second floor of the Administration Building, beginning at 3:05 p.m. Mr. Kinard, Committee Chairman, presided.

Members Attending:
- James E. Kinard, Jr., Chairman
- William B. Banning Sr., V Chairman
- Frank J. Townsend, III
- George H. Davis
- Debra B. Summers
- Bobby C. Keisler
- Johnny W. Jeffcoat
- K. Brad Matthews
- M. Todd Cullum

Also attending: Katherine Hubbard, County Administrator; Joe Mergo, III, Deputy 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.

First Responder Memorial Contribution Request - Executive Session - A motion was made by Mr. Jeffcoat, seconded by Ms. Summers to go into Executive Session to discuss legal questions.

The vote in favor was unanimous.

Mr. Kinard reconvened the meeting in open session with no motions to be considered.

The First Responder Memorial is a 9/11 monument to be located at the Columbia Metropolitan Convention Center to honor those who lost their lives at the World Trade Center on 9/11. The City of Columbia has donated $50,000 towards the $750,000 monument. Some donations have been in-kind and some cash but there is still a considerable amount to be raised.

After much discussion, item was delayed.

Approval of Minutes - Meetings of June 28 and July 26, 2011 - A motion was made by Mr. Davis, seconded by Mr. Cullum to approve the June 28 and July 26, 2011 minutes as submitted.

The vote in favor was unanimous.
Executive Session - A motion was made by Mr. Jeffcoat, seconded by Mr. Cullum to go into Executive Session to discuss four contractual and four legal matters.

The vote in favor was unanimous.

Mr. Kinard reconvened the meeting in open session with one motion to be considered.

CMRTA Agreement Extension - A motion was made by Ms. Summers, seconded by Mr. Davis to recommend to full Council to extend payments at the current monthly rate of $8,400 for three months and to give authority to staff to handle for CMRTA.

In favor: Mr. Kinard Ms. Summers
          Mr. Davis Mr. Banning
          Mr. Townsend Mr. Cullum

Opposed: Mr. Keisler Mr. Jeffcoat
          Mr. Matthews

Old Business/New Business - Local Contractors Procurement - None.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy R. Busbee James E. Kinard, Jr.
Assistant to the Clerk Chairman

Diana W. Burnett
Clerk