# MINUTES GREENVILLE COUNTY COUNCIL FEBRUARY 5, 2013 COUNCIL CHAMBERS 6:03 p.m.

Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, notice of the meeting date, time, place and agenda was posted on the bulletin board at the County Square and made available to the newspapers, radio stations, television stations and concerned citizens.

### **COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:**

CHAIRMAN BOB TAYLOR
VICE CHAIRMAN WILLIS MEADOWS
JOE DILL
JOE BALDWIN
SID CATES
JIM BURNS

XANTHENE NORRIS
LIZ SEMAN
LOTTIE GIBSON
FRED PAYNE
DAN RAWLS
BUTCH KIRVEN

### **COUNCIL MEMBER(S) ABSENT:**

**NONE** 

### **STAFF PRESENT:**

JOE KERNELL, COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR
MARK TOLLISON, COUNTY ATTORNEY
JOHN HANSLEY, DEPUTY COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR
PAULA GUCKER, ASSISTANT COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR, PUBLIC WORKS
JEFF WILE, ASSISTANT COUNTY ATTORNEY
THERESA B. KIZER, CLERK TO COUNCIL
REGINA MCCASKILL, DEPUTY CLERK TO COUNCIL
BOB MIHALIC, GOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS OFFICER
TOM MEEKS, PLANNING DEPARTMENT

### **OTHERS PRESENT:**

SHEA SMITH, SHERIFF'S OFFICE

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Bob Taylor

INVOCATION Rev. Jerry Barron, Pastor Calvary Baptist Church Simpsonville, SC

### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

### **Item (4)**

# **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**ACTION:** 

Councilor Rawls made a motion to approve the December 4, 2012 and January 15, 2013 County Council minutes.

Motion carried unanimously.

# **Item (5)**

# **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

Councilor Seman stated at the request of the Sheriff's Office, the proposed amendment was added to the enforcement section of the Noise Ordinance to require an individual to forfeit equipment on a third offense.

# (a) Noise Ordinance Amendment

A public hearing was held for the purpose of receiving public comments regarding an ordinance to amend Section 15-106 of the Greenville County Code of Ordinances relating to the penalty for excessive noise from sound amplifying devices in motor vehicles.

• Jim Hargett, 359 Reedy Fork Road, Greenville, SC – appeared in favor of the proposed

There being no further speakers, Councilor Seman declared the public hearing closed.

### **Item (6)**

### **APPEARANCES**

There were no speakers.

# **Item** (7)

# **ORDINANCES – THIRD READING**

(a) Zoning Ordinance Text Amendment / Stormwater Banking Program (CZ-2012-45)

**ACTION:** 

Councilor Dill moved to adopt an ordinance to add Section 7.4 to the Greenville County Zoning Ordinance, relating to the Stormwater Banking Program.

Councilor Meadows thanked the committee for their hard work, but stated he had some questions.

**ACTION:** 

Councilor Meadows moved to hold the item on the floor until February 19, 2013.

Councilor Payne suggested in lieu of holding the item, have a discussion at the meeting.

Councilor Meadows stated he had questions for staff and Upstate Forever and he would counsel with the county attorney to prepare an amendment..

Motion to hold carried unanimously.

### **Item (8)**

# **ORDINANCES – SECOND READING**

# (a) Zoning Ordinances

1. CZ-2012-46, Property of STM Acquisition and Development Inc., located on Woodruff Road requesting rezoning from C-2 to R-M16. The Planning Commission and Committee recommended approval.

**ACTION:** On behalf of the committee, Councilor Dill moved approval of the ordinance at second reading.

Motion carried unanimously.

### 2. CZ-2012-47 WAS WITHDRAWN BY THE APPLICANT

**3. CZ-2012-49**, Property of Chris Manges located on Old Buncombe Road requesting rezoning from R-15 to R-M2. The Planning Commission and Committee recommended approval as amended to R-M6.

**ACTION:** On behalf of the committee, Councilor Dill moved approval of the ordinance at second reading.

**AMENDMENT:** Councilor Dill moved to amend the request to R-M6.

Motion to amend carried unanimously.

**ACTION:** Councilor Dill moved approval of the ordinance as amended.

Motion as amended carried unanimously.

**4. CZ-2012-50**, Property of John Farr located on Fairforest Way requesting rezoning from I-1 to C-3. The Planning Commission and Committee recommended approval.

**MOTION:** On behalf of the committee, Councilor Dill moved approval of the ordinance at second reading.

Motion carried unanimously.

# (b) Pickens County Multi County Industrial Business Park Agreement / Michelin North America, Inc. (formerly Project Gina)

**ACTION:** Councilor Meadows moved for approval at second reading an ordinance to amend an agreement for development of the joint county industrial park of Greenville and Pickens Counties so as to enlarge the park.

Motion carried unanimously.

### (c) Noise Ordinance Amendment

**ACTION:** Councilor Seman moved for approval at second reading an ordinance to amend Section 15-106 of the Greenville County Code of Ordinances relating to the penalty for excessive noise from sound amplifying devices in motor vehicles.

Motion carried unanimously.

#### **Item (9)**

### <u>ORDINANCES – FIRST READING</u>

# (a) Zoning Ordinances

Councilor Dill presented for first reading Zoning Dockets CZ-2012-48, CZ-2013-1 through CZ-2013-4 and CP-2013-1.

Chairman Taylor stated the items would remain on the floor for second reading with the exception of CZ-2013-2 which was returned to the Planning Commission at last night's Planning and Development Committee meeting.

# (b) General Obligation Refunding Bonds

Councilor Meadows presented for first reading an ordinance to provide for the issuance and sale of not exceeding \$25,000,000 Greenville County, South Carolina, General Obligation Refunding Bonds, in one or more series; to prescribe the purposes for which the proceeds shall be expended; to provide for the payment thereof; and other matters relating thereto.

**REQUEST:** Councilor Meadows requested the item be forwarded to the Finance Committee.

Chairman Taylor referred the item to the Finance Committee.

### Item (10)

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

# (a) Committee of the Whole

### **County Council Representative Seat on GADC Board**

**ACTION:** Councilor Meadows moved to appoint Councilor Butch Kirven to fill the unexpired term for the County Council representative seat on the Greenville Area Development Corporation Board.

**ACTION:** Councilor Burns moved to hold the item.

Motion to hold carried with seven (Burns, Norris, Seman, Gibson, Rawls, Dill and Meadows) in favor and five (Baldwin, Cates, Kirven, Payne and Taylor) in opposition.

### Item (11)

# **APPEARANCES BY CITIZENS**

- Jack Logan, 505 Old Augusta Road, Greenville appeared regarding the Detention Center and Magistrates
- Ed Paxton, 1 York Circle, Greenville appeared regarding mendacity
- Charity Jones, Loop Street, Greenville appeared regarding lights at Happy Hearts Community Center

### Item (12)

### **ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT**

There was no Administrator's Report.

# Item (13) REQUESTS AND MOTIONS BY COUNCIL MEMBERS

- Councilor Gibson requested the Public Safety Committee add a study regarding issues at the Detention Center to their agenda.
- Councilor Seman stated Moody's recently affirmed SCTAC's BAAII bond rating and revised their outlook from negative to stable. Several positive trends were noted by the bond rating company which resulted in the rating upgrade.
- Councilor Norris thanked everyone who attended the press conference regarding the old, abandoned Piedmont Shirt Factory building. She also thanked everyone who supported the Poinsett Corridor Coalition especially Furman University.
- Chairman Taylor stated if anyone had suggestions for changes to the Council Rules, they should present them in writing for consideration prior to the next Council meeting.
- Councilor Gibson invited everyone to a District 25 community event meeting on Thursday at 7:00 p.m. at the Mount Pleasant Recreation Center.
- Councilor Burns concurred there needed to be a formal taking up of the Council Rules at the next meeting. He then asked if there was an outline for Council's Planning Retreat.
- Chairman Taylor stated the Council's Planning Retreat was scheduled for Thursday, February 14<sup>th</sup>, starting at 9:00 a.m. and should be done by 4:00. He stated staff would make presentations from 9-10:30, Council will go over a list of goals previously passed and will try to develop their new goals.
- Councilor Burns inquired about the Chairman's appointments to the boards and commissions.
- Councilor Cates asked the Administrator to look into why the Recreation District cut off the lights at the Happy Hearts basketball courts.
- Councilor Baldwin congratulated Chairman Taylor on a good meeting.
- Councilor Dill thanked the Clerk for the Valentine candy. He then wished Councilors Baldwin, Payne and Seman a Happy Birthday.

# Item (14) <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

**ACTION:** Councilor Dill moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:36 p.m. Motion carried.

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Theresa	Kizer,	Clerk to Council	

Respectfully submitted: