

**GREENVILLE COUNTY COUNCIL
COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS AND INFRASTRUCTURE
REGULAR MEETING
December 4, 2012
4:18 p.m.
County Square – Conference Room D**

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

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

CHAIRMAN, WILLIS MEADOWS
VICE CHAIR, XANTHENE NORRIS
JOSEPH BALDWIN

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT:

LIZ SEMAN
LOTTIE GIBSON

OTHER COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:

None

STAFF PRESENT:

PAULA GUCKER, Assistant County Administrator for Community Planning, Development & Public Works
JUDY JAMES, Administrative Coordinator
MARK TOLLISON, County Attorney
SANDRA YUDICE, Assistant to the County Administrator

CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman, Willis Meadows

INVOCATION:

Councilor, Joseph Baldwin

Item (3) Approval of the Minutes of Regular Meeting of PWI Committee for November 6, 2012

ACTION: Councilor Xanthene Norris moved to approve the minutes of the November 6, 2012 regular Public Works and Infrastructure Committee meeting.

Motion carried unanimously by all Council members present.

Item (4) Proposed Resolution to Support the Clean Air Upstate Program

Sandra Yudice, Assistant to the County Administrator, addressed the PWI Committee with a resolution to support the Clean Air Upstate Program Plan. Mrs. Yudice explained that a group of upstate counties, businesses and industries got together earlier this year and came up with a plan that was included in the agenda package. The items highlighted in red on the attachment are the programs that have already been implemented in the county. Next year the EPA is going to revise the ground level ozone standard; it will be more stringent and if we don't act collaboratively we may not pass that test.

Chairman Meadows stated that it appeared that the resolution would support open ended funding and asked if the resolution could be amended and asked about the budget.

Mrs. Yudice responded to questions from the Committee Members explaining that the group included upstate counties, businesses, non-profits and a lot of organizations. This is the first time that the group included more than just a few counties. Mrs. Yudice stated that there is approximately \$8,000 in the budget for Air Quality for material, supplies, etc. for Greenville County. They were not requesting additional funding. Mrs. Yudice stated that the request was for the other counties and private sector organizations to help fund these collaborative efforts. The group applied for two grants and believed they would receive funding from those grants.

Councilor Norris stated that she worked on this along with Mrs. Yudice some and that Sandra had done a fantastic job. The information was based on the monitor that was located across the road from County Square. Greenville County carried the load for quite a while, provided the leadership thru Sandra and won some awards.

Chairman Meadows stated that we need to recognize the fact that EPA rules are going to be more stringent and doesn't mind funding as long as they know how much. Chairman Meadows asked if she could revise the resolution to show what she stated during this meeting and bring it back to Committee.

Councilor Norris stated that she thought this was a good idea, since there are no leaders for the upstate group she did not feel that we could obligate others; thinks it was a good idea to state what the county can do.

ACTION: No action was taken; this item was not reported out of Committee.

(Item 5) Requests and Motions

ACTION: There were no requests or motions.

(Item 6) Adjournment

ACTION: Councilor Xanthene Norris moved to adjourn the meeting.

Motion carried and the regular meeting of the Committee on Public Works & Infrastructure was adjourned at 4:33 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Judy C. James,
Administrative Coordinator