

GREENVILLE COUNTY COUNCIL  
COMMITTEE ON FINANCE  
MARCH 9, 2026  
5:00 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 entrance of the Council Office and made available to the newspapers, radio stations and television stations and concerned citizens.

**COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:**

CHAIRMAN, BENTON BLOUNT  
VICE-CHAIRMAN, GAREY COLLINS  
FRANK FARMER  
KELLY LONG

**COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT:**

JOEY RUSSO

**STAFF PRESENT:**

CHRIS ANTLEY, COUNTY ATTORNEY  
KATE KARKOSH, REGISTER OF DEEDS  
TED LAMBRECHT, DEPUTY COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR  
RUTH PARRIS, BUDGET DIRECTOR  
VANESSA PAYNE, EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT  
DON SHUMAN, PARKS & RECREATION

**CALL TO ORDER:**

Chairman Blount called the Finance Committee meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

**INVOCATION:**

Councilor Collins provided the invocation.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Councilor Farmer moved to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of February 23, 2026. The motion carried unanimously.

## **GRANT APPLICATIONS:**

### **SC STATE HISTORICAL RECORDS ADVISORY BOARD (SC SHRAB):**

This is the SC State Historical Records Advisory Board (SC SHRAB) grant in the amount of \$1,000. This grant funding will be used by the Register of Deeds Office for deed book preservation. This grant does not require a County match.

Ruth Parris, Budget Director and Kate Karkosh, Register of Deeds were present to answer questions of the committee.

Councilor Long moved to approve SC State Historical Records Advisory Board (SC SHRAB) grant in the amount of \$1,000. The motion carried unanimously.

### **LOWES COMMUNITY IMPACT GRANT:**

This is the Lowes Community Impact Grant in the amount of \$50,000. This grant funding would be used by the Parks, Recreation, and Tourism Department to renovate the three community gardens located at Conestee Park, East Riverside Park, and the Pavilion Recreation Complex. These gardens provide an opportunity for the communities to access healthy food, mental well-being and foster social connections with other gardeners. This grant does not require a County match.

Ruth Parris, Budget Director was present to answer questions of the committee.

Councilor Collins moved to approve the Lowes Community Impact Grant in the amount of \$50,000. The motion carried unanimously.

### **GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND REQUEST – DONALDSON CENTER FIRE SERVICE AREA:**

This is an ordinance to provide for the issuance and sale of not exceeding \$2,000,000 in General Obligation Bonds for Donaldson Fire Service Area to provide for the acquisition of a new fire ruck and various equipment and apparatus.

Chief Pittman, Andy Smith, First Tryon, and Brad Love, Haynsworth Sinkler Boyd were present to answer questions of the committee.

Councilor Collins moved to approve the ordinance to provide for the issuance and sale of not exceeding \$2,000,000 in General Obligation Bonds for Donaldson Fire Service Area to provide for the acquisition of a new fire truck and various equipment and apparatus. The motion carried unanimously.

## **COMMUNITY PROJECT APPLICATIONS:**

### **GREENVILLE COUNTY PARKS, RECREATION & TOURISM – MT. PLEASANT YOUTH BASKETBALL PROGRAM:**

This is a Community Project Application in the amount of \$2,340 for Greenville County Parks, Recreation & Tourism. The funds will assist in covering the gym rental fees for the program.

Ted Lambrecht, Deputy County Administrator was present to answer questions of the committee.

Councilor Long moved to approve the Community Project Application in the amount of \$2,340 for Greenville County Parks, Recreation & Tourism – Mt. Pleasant Youth Basketball Program. The motion carried unanimously.

### **CITY OF TRAVELERS REST – SPRING PARK INN PLANTS & BEAUTIFICATION:**

This is a Community Project Application in the amount of \$1,500 for the City of Travelers Rest Spring Park Inn Plants & Beautification. The funds will be used to assist with landscape improvements.

Ted Lambrecht, Deputy County Administrator was present to answer questions of the committee.

Councilor Long moved to approve the Community Project Application in the amount of \$1,500 for the City of Travelers Rest Spring Park Inn Plants & Beautification. The motion carried unanimously.

### **GREENVILLE COUNTY REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY – TEXTILE HERITAGE PARK ALCOVE:**

This is a Community Project Application in the amount of \$4,000 for Textile Heritage Park Alcove Marker. The funds will be used to assist with the installation of an alcove marker.

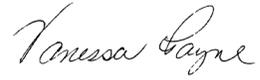
Ted Lambrecht, Deputy County Administrator was present to answer questions of the committee.

Councilor Long moved to approve the Community Project Application in the amount of \$4,000 for Textile Heritage Park Alcove Marker. The motion carried unanimously.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no additional business to come before the Finance Committee, the meeting adjourned at 5:12.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Vanessa Payne".

Vanessa Payne  
Executive Assistant