

Dorchester County Council Meeting

January 5, 1976

10 a. m.

Minutes

All members were present and Mr. Phillip Hudson, County Administrator.

Rev. John Mitchell, Pastor of Calvery Baptist Church, gave the invocation.

The new Council, Mr. W. S. Branton, Jr.; Mr. J. Don Canaday; Mr. Rollins Edwards; Mr. Kermit Kizer; Mr. Wilbur M. Sweat; Mr. Kenneth F. Waggoner; Mr. Walter B. Wall, Jr., were sworn in by Mrs. Margie Carn, Clerk of Court, for a 3 year term.

Mr. Kizer called for the election of a Chairman to be the first order of business, and also, informed the Council that he was not a candidate for Chairman. Said he would like to brag a little by saying as Chairman for five years taxes had not gone up, and we also had better roads than we ever had in Dorchester County.

Mr. Kizer said he would like to place in line for nomination of Chairman the Honorable Kenneth Waggoner. Mr. Waggoner said he would like to withdraw his name.

Mr. Wally Wall then nominated Mr. Wilbur Sweat at first for a 1 year term but after this was questioned and the County Attorney ruled it should be three years. Mr. Wall then nominated Mr. Sweat for a three year term.

Mr. Kizer placed in nomination Mr. W. S. Branton, Jr.

The nominations was then closed.

Mr. Branton said he felt it was an honor to be nominated by the Chairman, and that he thought a lot of pressure had been put on members about voting, so he made a motion to have a secret ballot.

Mr. Sweat made a motion to table Mr. Branton's motion. The vote was four to table and two against.

Mr. Kizer then proceeded with a roll call vote as follows:

W. S. Branton, Jr.	--	Branton
J. Don Canaday	--	Branton
Rollins Edwards	--	Sweat
Kermit Kizer	--	Branton
Wilbur M. Sweat	--	Sweat
Kenneth F. Waggoner	--	Sweat
Walter B. Wall, Jr.	--	Sweat

Mr. Kizer then congratulated Mr. Sweat and he took the Chairman's seat.

Mr. Sweat thanked the members and said he felt it a great honor to be

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Mr. Sweat then said the next order of business would be to elect a Vice-Chairman. Mr. Branton asked the legislation be searched for Vice-Chairman, and Mr. Bell said it was not necessary but Council could go ahead and vote on one. Mr. Branton then nominated Mr. Don Canaday and Mr. Edwards nominated Mr. Kenneth Waggoner. Mr. Wall then motioned for nominations to be closed. Mr. Branton seconded. All in favor.

Mr. Sweat then proceeded with a roll call vote as follows:

W. S. Branton, Jr.	--	Canaday
J. Don Canaday	--	Canaday
Rollins Edwards	--	Waggoner
Kermit Kizer	--	Canaday
Wilbur M. Sweat	--	Waggoner
Kenneth F. Waggoner	--	Waggoner
Walter B. Wall, Jr.	--	Waggoner

Mr. Kizer told Council about the electric work he had to get done during the holidays. He said it was an emergency, a big transformer was on the ground and they had to get the work done. It will be a bill coming in from Mr. Locklair. Mr. Sweat thanked Mr. Kizer for seeing about it. Mr. Kizer said it should be refunded to County by the insurance of the car owner.

Mr. Sweat opened the floor for nominations for Clerk to County Council. Mr. Kizer nominated Mrs. Lucille Kizer and Mr. Branton seconded. Mr. Branton then moved that nominations be closed. All in favor. The vote was unanimous. Mrs. Kizer thanked Council.

Mr. Sweat then asked the County Administrator to open the bids for the cruiser's for the Sheriff. They are as follows:

Jim Bilton Ford	--	\$22,276.00	(List Price)
		<u>5,136.24</u>	(Less Discount)
		17,139.76	
		<u>685.59</u>	(4% S.C.Sales Tax)
(four)		17,825.35	
Sojourner Chev. Co.		5,741.55	(List)
		<u>1,126.55</u>	(Discount)
		4,615.00	
		<u>184.60</u>	(4% S.C.Sales Tax)
		4,799.60	Each
(four)		19,198.40	

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Grayson Ford, Inc. 4,333.00 (each)  
18,025.00 (four--Sales  
tax included)

Mr. Sweat said Jim Bilton Ford was the low bidder but they didn't know whether to award the bids for four or not until they could hear a financial report from the Treasurer.

While Council was waiting for Mr. Henley to come up, Mr. Sweat asked Mr. Bilton, Highway Commissioner, if he would like to say a few words. Mr. Bilton said he was hopeful to have more roads put in and if anybody needed anything to please call on him. He congratulated Council on the job they had done.

Mr. Henley told Council they will fall \$250,000. short this year and be forced to borrow money to cover the last three months of the fiscal year. Mr. Henley said, "this thing looks awfully dark to me." Said he hoped he was wrong. He attributed the impending crisis to authorizations the Council made for items not included in the budget. Shortfall could be as high as \$250,000. Mr. Henley promised to bring a detailed written financial report to the next meeting in St. George.

After hearing Mr. Henley's gloomy report the Council put off buying two of the four cruisers requested by the Sheriff's Department although the delay will add 2<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>% to the purchase price due to increase announced by Ford Motor Co. Mr. Canaday made the motion for the two cars and the vote was 4 to 2.

Mr. Don Canaday made a motion that the minutes of Dec. 15th be accepted and Mr. Kermit Kizer seconded. All in favor.

Mr. Hudson read the following letter from Dr. McIver.

"Dear Mr. Hudson,

To confirm our telephone conversation, I regret to say that we have been unable to develop a sufficient demand for laboratory service to justify continuing with the Summerville branch of Pathology Associates, P. A. It is our intention to continue the operation through 31 January 1976.

I should like to thank you for giving us the opportunity to operate the laboratory in Summerville in our effort to determine whether the service was needed or not. Perhaps, in the future, the demand will be sufficient to justify another try."

Mr. Hudson also read the letter from the South Carolina Tax Commission about a reduction in the inventory tax. It is presently taxed at 9.5% and can be reduced gradually or all at once to 6%.

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due to the fact it hurts business and stops the flow of money. Mr. Branton seconded. Mr. Branton in favor but said he thought the Council needed to look and see how much money they'd lose. Mr. Hudson said he needed to answer as soon as he could. Mr. Kizer withdrew his motion until they could get the facts.

Residents of the Subdivision, Newington Plantation, presented a petition which was taken up Monday by County Council. Mr. Wall recommended that a letter be sent to people going through and check their loads per truck so they won't tear up the area. Because the road is a state highway, the Council decided that it has no authority to take any action except to refer the complaint to State Police officials.

Mr. Hudson told the Council about the Coastal Plains grant of \$40,000. and said the County was to match this fund. He sent out bids and had one for \$65,000. to paint the inside and outside of the Courthouse and jail. Mr. Branton said he thought some of this money should be used for the Hospital. Mr. Kizer said he would make a motion to paint only the outside of the Courthouse and jail. Mr. Waggoner seconded the motion. All in favor. Mr. Hudson said he could hold off until the bids come in for just the outside.

The subject of containers were discussed. Council members said some of the containers were not getting the service needed. Mr. Don Canaday made a motion that Mr. O'hlant and Mr. Bozardt check and make a report. Mr. Kizer seconded. All in favor. Mr. Kizer said the garbage disposal was one of the big headaches.

Time and place of Council meeting - Mr. Wall motioned that the first be in Courthouse in the day time and the second be at Summerville Town Hall at night. Mr. Edwards seconded. Mr. Kizer made an admendment to have every other meeting between the Courthouse and Summerville. Five approved.

Expenditures - Mr. Hudson presented a bill from the Social Service Dept. for \$2,752.42, and said that Mrs. Kirby was asking the County to pay it and that the State would reimburse the Social Service later on as their funds were frozen now, and she in turn would reimburse the County for it. After some discussions, Mr. Wall motioned that the bill not be paid and ask Mrs. Kirby to send a letter to try again to get funds from the State. This motion was seconded by Mr. Kizer and all voted in favor except Mr. Branton and he abstained.

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Mr. Hudson had a letter from the Health Dept. regarding Mrs. Lelia Connell's problem about her lot passing inspection for a septic tank. The Council decided that Mrs. Connell would have to abide by the Health Dept. ruling and comply.

Mr. Kizer made a motion to accept the bills presented on claim sheet. Seconded by Mr. Canaday. All in favor.

Mr. Waggoner wanted to know who was receiving the money for the airports. He said the grass isn't out like it should be.

Mr. Hudson said he was in receipt of listed supplies to be paid for Parks Funeral Home, in the amount of \$799.00. This was approved last time subject to listing.

Mr. Canaday made a motion to send a letter to each Dept. head telling them that they should stay within the budget. Mr. Kizer seconded. All in favor.

Mr. Branton said he had a request from King's Grant to send a vehicle through to pick up refrigerators or anything that won't go in cannisters. He asked for approval for a vehicle from the road department to be sent on second Wednesday of each month. Mr. Kizer seconded. Mr. Wall motioned that Mr. Branton's motion be layed on table until we get more study and discussion. Mr. Wall then said he would withdraw his motion and recommend that this service be provided at a later date for all areas that need services. Mr. Waggoner made an amendment to the amendment that they go ahead with the agreement and that when the others come in they would be given the pick-up too. Mr. Branton seconded. All in favor.

Ordinance No. IV, Rules and conduct of County Council. Mr. Branton motioned that it be read by title only. All agreed.

Mr. Branton said the Hospital was old business and he wanted Council to have a committee for the Hospital. Mr. Sweat said he would have a list of committee's for the next meeting.

Mr. Kizer recommended that Council have some new borings made on some more land for the landfill. He said Virgil DeLee had about 100 acres more. He also said there was about 75 or 80 acres near Limestone Church. He would like for Council to get some more borings.

Mr. Kizer made a motion to adjourn at 12:30.

Respectfully submitted

by: Louella P. Kizer  
Clerk to County Council

DORCHESTER COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING

January 19, 1976

7:30 p. m.

Summerville Town Hall

Minutes

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Wilbur Sweat with all Councilmen present. Rev. Jamison opened the meeting with a prayer.

Cliff Henley, Treasurer, gave a financial report from his records concerning the spending level of the County and future repercussions. He recommended the County hire a comptroller with central cashier to coordinate collections with the County.

Mr. Branton commented that he as a member could not adequately discuss the financial situation for he had just been given quarterly reports by the Administrator. This will be discussed at the next meeting.

Mr. Willis representing the SPCA asked the County for funding to build an additional \$30,000 shelter at the existing site. Plans were given to Council for their perusal. After several questions concerning the membership drive Mrs. Willis asked for \$500.00 per month to operate on.

Mr. Sweat recommended that this be received as information and studied for later consideration.

Fred Ballard, Summerville Dixie Youth, asked for an \$1,800.00 appropriation to offset the operation of the Baseball League which would amount to \$10.00 per individual. Because of the reported financial condition Mr. Ballard's request was received as information only.

Mr. Jerome Sanders, Carolina Dixie Youth, requested \$2,000 to defray the operation of that organization which would amount to approximately \$15.00 per individual. Chairman Sweat thanked Mr. Sanders for his efforts but stated that no decision could be made at this time and a decision would be made at a later date.

A brief recess was taken.

Mrs. Sue Droste, Dorchester County Arts Council, requested an appropriation of \$551.36 to bring the Arts Truck to the Summerville Area. Mr. Branton made a motion to oblige this request provided the Town of Summerville did not charge for the use of the building. Mr. Waggoner seconded. All in favor.

Mr. Larry Larrison appeared before Council to discuss a problem he was having with busing in Summerville. His contention was that he resided

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outside the 1.5 mile circle from Alston School and the bus would not pick up his children.

Mr. Kizer made the motion that a letter be sent to the School District #2 Board asking them to adjudicate the matter. Mr. Wall seconded. All in favor.

Mr. Wall introduced Mr. Jeff Carpenter from a local scout troop, who was attending the meeting in order to earn a merit badge.

After a brief recess, bids were opened on the painting of the exterior of the Courthouse & Jail. Bids were received from:

Carpet & Decorating, Inc. -----	\$13,300.00
Fairco, Inc. -----	\$13,100.00
Woodall's Painting and Cleaning -----	\$ 7,800.00

Mr. Branton pointed out that the majority of the painting would be guttering and requested that the Council be permitted to inspect the buildings before making a decision. Mr. Kizer moved to withhold awarding until the building could be inspected. Mr. Wall seconded. All in favor.

In new business, the Council approved a request by the Sheriff for designation of Drs. Way and Appleby as rape examiners. Mr. Branton withdrew his motion to set fee at \$75.00 in favor of Mr. Wall's motion of \$100.00. Seconded by Mr. Kizer, All in favor.

Council discussed the proposition of permitting Mrs. Batson, Lunch-room Supervisor, to purchase the newly acquired service truck from the Road Department, using State funds. Mr. Kizer voiced objections over the manner in which the issue was introduced. He was of the feeling that the matter should have been discussed with Councilmen before the meeting.

Mr. Hudson explained that the County was responsible for the delivery of food commodities to the various schools and at this time the Road Department was being relied on heavily to provide this function.

Mr. Kizer made the motion to permit Mrs. Batson to purchase the truck and send out bids for a new 3/4 ton pick-up. Mr. Wall seconded. Motion passed.

Mr. Hudson asked that if manpower funds become available, would the Council approve hiring a person part-time. Mr. Canaday suggested that something be worked out with existing personnel.

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Mr. Branton moved to change the name of the Zoning Advisory Committee to that of Planning Commission to satisfy the State law under which the Commission was established. Mr. Wall seconded. Approved.

Mr. Hudson read nominees from the Trident E.M.S. Advisory Council to the Low County E.M.S. Board which will submit grant applications for the 13 County Area. Council approved.

Jack Parks  
Bernice Friendly\*  
Phillip Hudson

Council formerly appointed Mr. William S. Branton, Jr., and Mr. Rollins Edwards to the Regional Planning Council for the remainder of their three year terms as representatives of County Council.

The Council discussed the opening of the Juvenile Probation Officer previously mentioned at earlier Council meetings. Mr. Branton moved that the position be advertised and applications be taken until Friday, January 30. The Council would view the applications at the next meeting. Mr. Wall seconded. Approved.

Mr. Hudson read letter from R.C.D. stating that they had received our intentions for funding application to construct a boat ramp on the Edisto and letter from Dargan Construction Co. stating that they hoped the problem in Newington Plantation had been alleviated.

Chairman, Sweat passed out Committee assignments and directed the Public Works & Property to begin work on the use of the Dorchester County Hospital and have a report ready by March 1st. on the condition of the Hospital and their recommendations. Also, to give reports on their progress during the month of February.

Mr. Branton made a motion to accept the minutes of the previous meeting. Mr. Edwards seconded. Approved.

Mr. Kizer questioned payments listed on the monthly bills. Mr. Branton made a motion that if a department has expended over 50% of their budget that Mr. Hudson should approve the purchase, with this Mr. Kizer withdrew his motion to sign each individual claim for payment. Mr. Wall seconded Mr. Branton's motion to read that a letter be sent to each department head advising them of this action. All in favor.

Mr. Kizer moved that the Council hire David Hughes as a Compactor Operator. Mr. Branton seconded. Mr. Sweat commented that a man, James Gethers, who is a front end loader operator, is operating the compactor and doing a fine job. After considerable discussion Mr. Wall



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moved to table the motion. Defeated (1-3)

On the question of hiring Mr. Hughes, defeated 3-1.

Mr. Kizer made motion to hire Mr. Monroe Rudd as Landfill Supervisor as well as remain the Litter Officer. Mr. Edwards seconded the motion. After discussion, a roll call was asked:

Canaday	--	yes
Kizer	--	yes
Edwards	--	yes
Branton	--	no
Waggoner	--	no
Wall	--	no

Chairman Sweat voted no to defeat the question.

Mr. Canaday reported that Mr. Virgil DeLee had requested that the County pay him for any dirt hauled from the Landfill site. Mr. Branton seconded, upon agreeing on a price of \$2.00/load for 8 loads. All in favor.

There was a brief discussion concerning the proposed landfill site.

Mr. Branton moved that the Council adhere to the Auditors management letter and open the position of Comptroller. Mr. Wall seconded. Mr. Canaday amended to delay action on hiring such a person until the new budget is formulated. Mr. Branton withdrew his motion.

Mr. Wall asked Mr. Hudson if the position was needed. Mr. Hudson stated that in order to develop sound and uniform accounting procedures the position is needed. Also, to establish a more responsive fiscal policy that would provide current and accurate financial projections.

Mr. Branton moved to advertize the position and set April 1st. as the hiring date in order to establish procedures for July 1, 1976. Mr. Wall seconded. On roll call vote:

Branton	--	yes
Waggoner	--	yes
Wall	--	yes
Edwards	--	yes
Canaday	--	no
Kizer	--	no

Mr. McGill, Supt. of Education, asked that the Education Committee

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meet with various school boards to discuss budgeting problems and the finance subcommittee at a later date.

Mr. Hudson reported that Mr. Walker Browning had requested that the Ridgeville Health Center begin receiving funds on an installment basis at \$5,000/series to start the building. Mr. Branton suggested that a contractor draw up a plan and give projected cost & Mr. Waggoner look into the matter as representative of Council.

Plats were presented from the Subdivision Review Board for approval. Two plats (1) Claire Yelleau - rejected due to drainage cutting across property lines in violation of the Act--Referred back to Review Board to see what could be worked out. (2) lot adjacent to Tri-County Industrial Park (Foreign Trade Zone) requesting to be marked exempt-- had to be separated from the residual property in order to be marked exempt.

Mr. Branton requested if he could consult with Banks Construction to see if money could be paid monthly for patching in King's Grant (\$17,500.) and Greenhurst (\$4,000.00). Will report back at next meeting.

Council had second reading on Ordinance #4, with provision that amendments would be discussed at next reading. Approved.

Meeting adjourned at 1:15 a. m.

Submitted by:

Phillip W. Hudson  
Phillip W. Hudson, Co. Adm.

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DORCHESTER COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING  
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All members were present and Mr. Phillip Hudson, County Administrator.

Rev. Baker, Pastor of Mt. Zion Baptist Church, gave the invocation.

Chairman Sweat, opened the meeting. He asked for approval of the minutes of the last meeting, Jan. 19, 1976. Mr. Canaday made a motion to accept minutes as written. All in favor.

- A. Mr. Wayne Welch -- S. C. Tax Commission, to discuss implementation of the 208 Bill in regards to Tax Assessment.  
Mr. Welch stated that Dorchester County is one of four Counties that does not have an Assessor. Mrs. Norred has to fill out some forms and send back that the Assessor should be doing. He said somebody in the Assessors office needed to keep up with the Trailers. Said trailers would now be treated as real estate. He said the County should use the program as a means of equalization. If applied for, the residential home owner and 5 acres of land with home could be 4% ratio; business property 6% ratio; farm land 4% ratio; Corporations 6% ratio. He said the Act requires the County to get started. Said the Assessor would also need some help. He answered questions that the Councilmen wanted to ask. An Appeals Board should be set up.
- B. Continental Aerial Surveys, Inc., Agreement -- Mr. Branton moved that the Chairman sign in behalf of the Council. All in favor. Chairman then signed.
- C. Mr. Monte Knight, S. C. Dept. of Mental Health, to discuss his activities in Dorchester County. He said he came to let the County know of their work and his office hours are from 8:30 to 5, in the Bailey Professional building in Summerville. Said he was the Dor. County Director and had moved to Summerville. His telephone #871-4030. Asked to be called on if he could help in anyway. Said patients could be sent home and be under their care. They check on perscriptions, and works with the family of a mental person. Said he comes to St. George and sees clients here in the public Health office. The office in Summerville is a satelite of the Charleston office.
- D. Mr. Hudson asked if there was any questions about the claim list. He explained the one to George Flemming for \$2,500.00 (this was additional leveling and work done at the dump on the DeLee land). Also he showed them a claim for \$1,312.50 for dieting of prisoners that had just come in. Mr. Wall motioned that all these bills be accepted and Mr. Waggoner seconded. All in favor.

Mr. Hudson then said he had received a bill for \$2,370.00 for work evidently done on Timothy Creek canal, but that he didn't know anything about it. Council decided to hold up until some more information could be obtained. Mr. Hudson to search the minutes to see if this project was approved. Mr. Kizer motioned to hold up and Mr. Wall seconded.

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- E. See-Saw Days -- Harleyville festival. A request for funds to help advertise, & other expenses. A motion was made to give them \$50.00. All agreed.
- F. Mr. Hudson asked for permission to transfer \$5,000.00 to the Clerk of Court account for payment of the jurors, etc., for the upcoming 3 weeks of Court. Mr. Branton motioned that the transfer be made in the amount needed. All in favor.
- G. Mr. Hudson said the Probate Judge requested a tape recorder for her hearings. Mr. Kizer made a motion to buy her one. Mr. Hudson said it would cost about \$150.00 to \$200.00.
- H. Mr. Hudson said the Azalea/Clemson Fire Dept. had requested \$2,736.00 for various equipment for their fire truck. Mr. Wall motioned that Council give them the \$2,736.00. Mr. Kizer seconded. All in favor.
- I. Mrs. Carn, Clerk of Court, requested permission to order a plat book, at a cost of about \$212.00. Mr. Branton motioned that this be ordered for her. All in favor.
- J. Mr. Hudson informed Council of a letter from Mrs. Mary Kirby, Director of Social Service, about a hearing she plans to listen to needs under Title XX. She also requested a raise for the members of the Social Service Board. This was received as information only.
- K. Council also renewed two notes of \$100,000. each borrowed from the 1st. National Bank of Orangeburg for the Harleyville-Ridgeville School. Mr. Henley explained that there are actually three notes outstanding, each in the amount of \$100,000--another one will be due May 1st.--all taken out for Harleyville-Ridgeville. In March Harleyville-Ridgeville will get a bond issue in the amount of \$600,000. and at that time they will repay the County the \$300,000. plus the interest that has been paid on the notes, Mr. Henley said. Mr. Henley said Council will give Harleyville-Ridgeville time to sell the bonds.
- L. Bridge by new elementary school in Summerville. Mr. Wall motioned that County Council write a letter to the Highway Commissioner and recommend that they build the bridge. Mr. Branton seconded. All in favor.
- M. Council gave third and final reading to Ordinance IV, Organization and Rules of Dorchester County Council, with the understanding that future amendments can be expected.
- N. Council agreed to use county trucks and chain gangs to spread two feet of dirt over the St. George landfill as required by the State Health Dept. and to clean up the grounds of the old Dorchester County Hospital in Summerville. Mr. Canaday made the motion and all in favor.

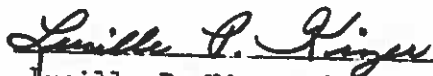
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- O. Mr. Sweat recommended that the next meeting be on Feb. 17th., as Feb. 16th. is a holiday. Mr. Wall motioned that the meeting be on Feb. 17th., seconded by Mr. Kizer. All in favor.
- P. County Councilmen, Wally Wall made a motion to cancel the County's contract with Charleston Disposal Service and seek other bids for county garbage pickup. He suggested 16-20 yard containers. Mr. Rollins Edwards seconded this motion. This motion was met with a lot of discussion. Mr. Sweat said Char. Disposal gave a lot of trouble, and everybody is complaining. Mr. Branton recommended that County buy containers and buy a truck for pick-up, and provide it's own service. Mr. Hudson estimated that the initial purchase for such a venture would run in the neighborhood of \$80,000. He said the present system costs around \$60,000. a year. Mr. Branton said the truck and containers could be purchased out of Revenue Sharing funds and people from the road dept. could man the operation. Councilmen, Kermit Kizer, agreed with Mr. Branton's proposal. After much discussion Mr. Wall withdrew his motion and the matter was referred to the Public Works Committee for study, with a report to be made at the Feb. 17th. meeting.
- Q. Council accepted a bid of \$7,800.00 from Woodall Painting and Cleaning Co., of N. Charleston to clean and paint the exterior of the courthouse and the jail. Mr. Bell to draw up the contract.

This concluded the open session and the meeting was called in executive session around 1:30.

Respectfully submitted by:



Lucille P. Kizer, Clerk  
County Council

Minutes of the Executive Session  
of County Council  
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Council acted on the following issues:

- A. Established firm policy of hauling dirt and working on private property. The following notice was given:

"Notice:

Dorchester County will not leave the public right-of-way, as determined by the State of South Carolina, to provide a service to private individuals. County equipment will be used only on public right-of-ways and facilities for the public use. This is meant to include that hauling dirt on private property will be prohibited and strictly enforced."

Signed: Wilbur M. Sweat, Chairman  
Dorchester County Council

- B. Hired David Hughes as Compactor Operator at a salary of \$7,400.00.
- C. Mr. Hudson was given permission to reduce the staff of the hospital to one full time secretary.
- D. Mr. Hudson explained the overtime question of the dispatchers, they are not exempt from the fair labor Standard Act, as deputies. Back pay must be given to dispatchers to May 1974. Mr. Hudson will calculate and ascertain correct amounts for next meeting.
- E. After reviewing the applicants for the position of Juvenile Probation Officer, the Council acted on the recommendation of the Sheriff and Probate Judge to hire Mr. Jakie Walters.
- F. The list of applicants for the Tax Assessor's position was received and it was decided that five applicants would be interviewed prior to the next Council meeting.
- G. The Council directed to begin preparations for converting to hourly wages on March 1, 1976. Time clocks will be installed in the Courthouse; Sheriff's office; Sheriff's Substation; Road Department, St. George and Summerville. In order to afford each employee the right to work 40 hours per week, the Courthouse hours will be changed to 8:30 to 5:00 with 30 minutes for lunch.
- H. Due to various allegations on both sides the Council directed Mr. Hudson to place Miss Wagers in his offices and Mr. Kennerty would bring work to her. It was understood that she would be under the direct supervision of Mr. Hudson and some room rearranging would have to accompany the move.

COMMITTEE REPORT  
PUBLIC WORKS AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE

The Public Works and Property Committee met on Tuesday, February 10, 1976, at the Summerville Town Hall. Present were Committee Chairman, William S. Branton, Jr., and Rollins Edwards and Councilman W. B. Wall attended.

1. The Committee saw a film presentation on a Consumat Energy Garbage Disposal System presented by Mr. Paul Searberry and Mr. Meadows Salisbury of Summerville. Further information and cost projections will be presented to the Committee at a later date.

2. The next topic of discussion was the Rural Container System. The Committee made the following recommendations:

- a. Seek an opinion from the County Attorney with respect to termination of present contract;
- b. Invite Mr. Danny James, Sales Representative of Specialty Steel Fabricators to meet with Council on March 1, 1976, to discuss the Heil Roll-Off hoist and 30 cubic yard containers;
- c. Meet with vendors who have expressed an interest in providing present line of service for a twelve (12) month period.

3. The Committee then discussed the problem of the County Hospital. These options were listed as viable alternatives:

- a. Sell the property and buildings
- b. Lease the property and buildings
- c. Utilize the structure to expand/improve existing services.

The Committee discussed these alternatives and recommended:

- a. That the Council make every effort possible to utilize the Hospital to provide service to the citizens of Lower Dorchester County.
- b. Move in those agencies with monies available to make necessary electrical and plumbing repairs;
- c. Request a Community Development Grant to renovate existing heating arrangement to a room control and other necessary conveniences in order that the building will be more conducive to a service facility
  - (1) This renovation should be accomplished in phases, according to uses set by County Council.
- d. First priority be given to County Agencies:

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1. Health Department
2. Department of Social Services
3. Alcohol and Drug Abuse
4. Day Care
5. Senior Citizens
6. Recreational Activities
7. License Sales and Examinations
8. Summerville Police Department

e. Invite County Council to town building on Tuesday, February 24, 1976.

There being no other business, the Committee adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

William S. Branton, Jr.  
Committee Chairman

WSB:PWH/aqp



*James A. Bell*  
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February 12, 1976

Mr. Phillip Hudson  
County Administrator  
Dorchester County Courthouse  
St. George, S. C. 29477

Re: Agreement by and between County of Dorchester and  
Charleston Disposal Service, Inc. dated October 30, 1972

Dear Mr. Hudson:

As per your request, I have reviewed the Agreement above noted and after discussing the matter with you find that Charleston Disposal Service, Inc. has violated their Agreement in the following manner:

1. Reference is made to Item Second whereby land fill site was supposed to be maintained near Ladson. This has not been maintained as per Agreement.
2. Item Third in the Agreement has been deliberately violated due to the non-pickup at all the sites. Photos are in your possession which verify this, as well as the many calls which have come to your office by county residents complaining as to the condition of the container sites.
3. Item Fourth of the Agreement has been breached also due to their non-pickup of the larger containers.

Due to these breaches, I feel that you should take action under Item Eight of the Agreement and notify the Charleston Disposal Service, Inc. of their non-performance and grant the seven (7) days period for them to respond to the letter as per this section and at that time you would be at liberty to declare this contract null and void due to their non-performance.

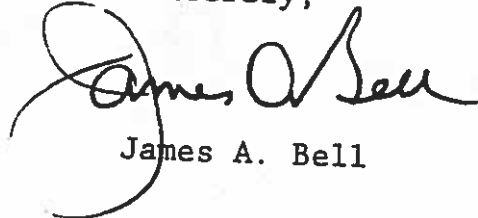
*James A. Bell*

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I trust this is the information you desired, but should you have further questions, please contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "James A. Bell". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the typed name.

James A. Bell

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COUNTY COUNCIL

DORCHESTER COUNTY COUNCIL  
MEETING  
7 P. M., St. George, S. C.  
February 17, 1976

MINUTES

The Council met with all members present but Mr. Wilbur Sweat, Chairman, who is ill and in the Hospital. Mr. Hudson, County Adm. was also present.

Mr. Kenneth F. Waggoner, Vice Chairman, called the Council to Executive Session to interview the following applicants for Tax Assessor:

1. Mr. Walter E. Limehouse
2. Mr. J. H. Kenna
3. Mr. Joe Hiott
4. Mr. Dennis Shad
5. Mr. Richard Moorner
6. Mr. Edward Pfaehler

Mr. Don Canaday made a motion to hold off until next meeting and then decide on whether to hire one of the five or readvertise. Seconded by Mr. Wall. All in favor.

- B. Mr. Hudson informed Council that Mr. Walters declined to accept the job as Juvenile Probation Officer, and it was decided to have top persons come in for an interview.

Recess

- C. 9 p. m. - Council opened the meeting to the public. Mr. W. S. Branton, Jr., gave the invocation.
- D. Mr. Waggoner asked for approval of the minutes of the Feb. 2, meeting. Mr. Branton motioned that they be accepted. Seconded by Mr. Wall. All agreed.
- E. Mr. Hudson asked if there was any questions about the claims. Claims were discussed by the group. Mr. Branton motioned that the claims be accepted and Mr. Wall seconded. All in favor.
- F. Mrs. Victoria DeLee, Mr. Rentz, and Mrs. Jefferson -- requested funds for the Dorchester Educational Project, a private non-profit day care center in Ridgeville. They asked for \$21,258.00 to match its request for \$78,742. in federal monies. They requested this for them to get the funds under title XX. Said their funds were cut off Oct. 1, 1975, until the audit was finished. Mrs. DeLee said it would have to be a 70-30 match. Their children come from all over the County, and some are from unwed mothers and broken homes. Said they beg for them to stay open. Mr. Waggoner said this will be turned over to the Finance Committee. Mr. Waggoner thanked them for coming.
- G. Mr. Forbes -- said he was ready to fix his ball field (behind Park's field - 17-A). Mr. Sweat said he would be glad to do it.

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- G. Needed two graders for five hours. Mr. Wall motioned that Mr. Hudson ask Mr. Sweat to do it. Mr. Branton seconded. Four in favor.
- H. Mr. Don Handelsman presented the Council with a 19 page petition requesting the Council to set and publicize the minimum qualifications for the tax assessor's position.
- I. Mr. Handelsman also told Council about the Dorchester Title XX Subcommittee with a member of the Regional Planning Staff, Joyce MacPherson, and also about the number of people who attended the meeting at the Dorchester Vocational hearing on Title XX on Feb. 10th. The Subcommittee rated day care for children and the elderly, recreation and adolescent group homes as the County's greatest needs. Deadline for submission of proposals -- Feb. 20th., March 1st. -- match funds intent. April 1-May 15 -- final plan.
- J. Mr. Jerry Blackville -- representing the Town of Summerville and School District #II. Said they were going to submit their program. Asked for endorsement by County Council to their approach. Said the Town of Summerville and School District II would do all they could. He wanted to know if they are successful will the County supply the 5% remaining. Said all he was doing is asking for 10 per cent of what they get. He said the recreation program would use the town's outside facilities such as baseball diamonds and tennis courts, and the school buildings to provide 25 per cent of the local match as an "in-kind" contribution.

Mr. Branton said he would make a motion to endorse the proposal and agree to the \$10,000. back-up fee. Mr. Rollins Edwards seconded. Mr. Wall amended that we have a blanket endorsement for all proposals for all centers. Mr. Branton seconded. Approved by four.

Recess - 10 minutes.

- K. Mr. Vernon Kizer, Mayor of St. George -- Mr. Kizer requested \$2,500.00 for the town's summer recreational program and \$9,150.00 for the summer youth employment program operated by Berkeley-Dorchester Economic Development Corp., the local Community Action Program. Mr. Canaday asked him to write the request up and send to Mr. Hudson. Mr. Kizer said he would like to know by 1st. of March. Mayor Kizer also asked for the County to build the road to the lift station off Hwy 15 now that I-95 was open. All agreed. Mayor Kizer also requested the County to fulfill their obligation as previously promised to cover the St. George Dump. Mr. Hudson explained that the County had the backhoe

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- K. Continued:  
to dig the trench but we would have to rent a dozer for at least two days at the most to compact the debris. All in favor.
- L. Mr. Hudson read the letter from Mr. Bozardt about the garbage containers #63 & 64, Stratton Capers Subdivision. Mr. Branton made a motion to send letter to Mr. Weingarten, requesting his appearance at the next Council meeting. All in favor. Letter attached from Mr. Jim Bell concerning the contract.
- M. Mr. Hudson read request from St. George High School for several loads of dirt. Mr. Canaday made a motion to go ahead and fix ball field. Mr. Edwards seconded. All in favor.
- N. Mr. Hudson told Council of letter from Fairlawn Medical Clinic in Monck's Corner. They were billing Dorchester County for \$100.00 for wreck victim, saying the victim was a resident of Dorchester County. Mr. Branton said let the Sheriff get with Mr. Rogers and find out what happened. (Dr. Robert S. Saloman)
- O. Approved a study of the County Sheriff's Department to determine its needs. The cost will be reimbursed by the federal Law Enforcement Assistance Program. Mr. DeHaven recommended that County apply for a grant. This will tell what needs are and what can be cut out. Mr. Branton made a motion and Mr. Wall seconded. All in favor.
- P. Mr. Hudson had letter about the feasibility of study on Medical Nursing Home needs in Dorchester County from Carolina Health Corp. \$8,000.00 to make study to point of seeing if County needs it. \$12,000.00 if they see the need and find County can support it. Mr. Canaday made a motion that County go ahead and support this endowment. Mr. Branton seconded. All in favor, with a stipulation that the study be County wide.
- Q. Public Works Committee -- report on the Dorchester County Hospital attached to minutes.
- R. Mr. Handlesman -- requested Council to go ahead with repairs to streets in King's Grant for about \$17,000. and also Greenhurst for \$3,400.00. Mr. Banks will do the work and is willing to get payments in three payments. Mr. Wall said he would like for Council to include approximately 300 ft. in Sprucewood on Sprucewood Lane. He said County was responsible for this. Mr. Hudson to get price and let Council know by March meeting. This work will be supervised by Mr. Chris Padgett. Mr. Branton wanted Mr. Hudson to see if

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- R. Continued.  
Mr. Padgett could come in and overlay some asphalt (maybe  $\frac{1}{2}$  in.).  
Mr. Branton wanted this in writing. State will take over roads when  
County gets them fixed up. Mr. Branton made a motion to let Mr.  
Banks go on in and also give price in Sprucewood. Mr. Wall seconded.  
All in favor.
- S. Mrs. Droste asked for funds for State Arts truck. (\$342.00) Town of  
Summerville to provide bld. free. All agreed.

Executive Session -- 11:45

The Council reviewed the applications for the job of Juvenile  
Probation Councilor and directed Mr. Hudson to set up appointments  
for these five applicants at 10 o'clock on March 1st.: F. A. Stevens;  
A. G. Walters; Carey Crews; Jeter Metts; C. Eintracht.

Council delayed installment of the time clocks until July 1st. due  
to the problems of implementing the system the last quarter of the  
fiscal year.

Respectfully submitted

by Lucille P. Kizer  
Lucille P. Kizer, Clerk to County Council

DORCHESTER COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING

MARCH 1, 1976

10 a. m.

Minutes

The County Council met with all members present and Mr. Phillip W. Hudson, County Administrator.

Rev. Smith gave the invocation.

Mr. Branton motioned that the minutes of the Feb. 17, 76, meeting be accepted. All in favor.

Mr. Hudson read and explained some of the Acts he had received in the mail. He read title and passed around.

Mr. Hudson also read a letter from Mrs. Joyce McPherson about Title XX.

Also, one from the S. C. Tax Commission was read. He said the County could waive application for 76 tax year. Mr. Branton recommended that they come back to a decision on this.

The Council then decided to go into executive meeting to hear interviews from the following applicants for Juvenile Probation Officer:

Mrs. Anne Walters  
Miss Frances Stephens  
Mrs. Terry Crews  
Mr. Jeter Metts

After the interviews, Mr. Wall motioned to accept Mr. Metts as the Juvenile Officer. This was seconded by Mr. Branton. Five in favor.

Mr. Kizer told the Council about a business in Harleyville needing the use of the County trucks to haul dirt he would supply to his site. He would employ some people and was a small business. Mr. Kizer made a motion for the trucks to be used and Mr. Canaday seconded. The vote was 3 in favor and 4 against.

Assessor - Mr. Branton made a motion to readvertise and then make a decision. No second. It was a lot of discussion. Mr. Wall motioned that Mr. Limehouse be hired as assessor. Mr. Edwards seconded. Three against and four in favor. Mr. Wall motioned that Mr. Limehouse be hired as assessor. Mr. Edwards seconded. Four in favor and three against. Mr. Wall motioned that the salary be \$12,500.00 per year

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but did not get a second. Mr. Branton motioned that he be hired for \$11,000.00. Mr. Waggoner seconded. They said Mr. Limehouse will be answerable to the Council. Majority agreed.

Recess (5 min.)

Mr. Van Weingarten and Mr. Earl Pruitt -- Charleston Disposal Service. Mr. Pruitt said he had come in response to a letter of Feb. 19th which complained of the company's service. Mr. Pruitt said their regular pick up of garbage containers in Dorchester County was on Wednesdays and Saturdays. They pick up in the Old Fort and Stratton Capers areas on Tuesdays and Fridays. He said that part of the problems the County had experienced with his service was the fact that there were not enough containers available for the amount of garbage generated in some areas. He found some containers empty with garbage strewn around them. He said there were 64 containers in county now in use, the county had furnished 66, but two were removed from Stratton Capers by the Health Department. Mr. Pruitt said that his company was still looking for a suitable landfill site in Dorchester County and that when one was found he would like to come back and talk to the Council. He said there definitely was not enough containers.

Mr. Dennis James - Specialty Steel Fabricators. Mr. James, from Greenville, presented the case for roll-off garbage containers as opposed to front, side or rear-end loaders. His company manufactures all those types, but he recommended the roll-off as they provide far more satisfaction than the others. Mr. James said that 11, 30 yard roll-off containers would do the work presently being done by the 64 containers, and do it better. Mr. James said he and representative of his company will make a survey at no cost to the County to determine how many containers would be necessary and how much it would cost to implement the system. Mr. Branton motioned that we have the roll-off survey. Mr. Wall seconded. All in favor.

Mrs. Crider - appeared before Council to ask they join crusade against unjust way of handling the juvenile. She complained about the way her sons's case was handled. The Council agreed to do everything they could to help in this situation. She said she was willing to come back and talk again if it was necessary.

Contractor James Whitney appeared before Council to ask that they consider the Cummins Cleaning and Painting Service, a New York firm that is interested in sending twenty, twenty yard containers, ten, thirty yard containers and three trucks to work garbage pickup for the County. Whitney would be in charge of the operation locally. Council assured him they would give consideration to the offer. Mr. Sweat thanked him for the offer, and for coming.



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Mayor Kizer - appeared before the Council to present two request in writing as he was instructed to do. (1) a request for \$2,500.00 or more for recreation services. (2) a request for funding for the Summer Youth Program, for the Berkeley-Dorchester Economic Development Corporation, about \$9,150.00. Mr. Sweat turned this over to the budget committee.

Mr. Wall told Council about a piece of property a Mrs. Ellanora Kershaw was willing to let the County use for three years at no cost, for a ball field. He said the County needed to go into this property and build the diamond. He put this in the form of a motion. Mr. Edwards seconded. They decided the Council should draw up an agreement. Five in favor.

Mr. Branton brought up the subject of having the County level dirt behind the T. C. Limehouse auction. This for recreation purposes. Mr. Wall seconded. All in favor.

Mr. Edwards asked about ditch cleaned out. Said he would have property owners sign for the ditch to be cleaned out. He put this in form of motion, to have this work done. Mr. Wall seconded. Cost approximately \$1,200.00. This is located on second north Street. Four in favor.

Mr. Waggoner said School District #3 had buildings closing and wanted County to take over. \$100.00 per yr. lease, suitable. He said they would get a committee and somebody on the committee will be at the building every time it is used. County will have to pay for the utilities. Mr. Sweat proposed that Mr. Hudson check and see about the legal part. Mr. Waggoner put this in the form of a motion and Mr. Branton seconded. All in favor.

Mr. Hudson informed Council about letter from Mr. Roy C. Forbes of Summerville withdrawing his offer to sell the 55 acres of land the County was negotiating to buy from him. He said he would return the County's option money. Council Chairman, Wilbur Sweat asked each Council member to bring to the next meeting in two weeks a plat or sketch, and a price if possible, of every suitable piece of property anybody will sell for a landfill.

Mr. Hudson asked if there was any questions about the claims to be paid. They were discussed. Mr. Don Canaday made a motion to pay claims. Seconded and all in favor. Claim for \$1,890.50 dieting of prisoners were also approved.

It was agreed that all Council members would meet at all budget hearings.

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Council approved the expenditure of \$200.00 to pay a representative of the voter Registration office to be at the Summerville Town Hall for the next 8 Saturdays to register voters.

Council agreed to use prisoners to clean up litter along Dorchester, Ladson, Bacon's Bridge and Old Trolley Roads.

Mr. T. C. Kennerty, Civil Defense Director, appeared before the Council to ask permission to use the Courtroom from 11:30 a. m. to 12:30 p. m. on June 24 for a National Guard exercise and to schedule an emergency operating center exercise during May. He would like for County Council to attend.

Mr. Limehouse came up for the afternoon session. The Council talked with him and told him they had selected him to be the new Tax Assessor, and asked if he would accept at a salary of \$11,000.00. Mr. Limehouse said he would accept this and could start by the first of April, or maybe March 15th.

Mr. Hudson read letter about the Charleston Sub-review Board regulations. Mr. Weld Cox would like to meet with County Council.

Executive Meeting

Mr. T. C. Kennerty talked with Council about personal matters.

Respectfully submitted by:

*Lucille P. Kizer*  
Lucille P. Kizer, Clerk  
Dorchester County Council

DORCHESTER COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING

MARCH 15, 1976, 7:30 p. m.

SUMMERVILLE, TOWNHALL

All members of the Council were present except Mr. Don Canaday.

Chairman Sweat opened the meeting at 7:30 and asked Mr. William S. Branton, Jr. to give the invocation.

7:30 - Mr. C. M. Herley, Treasurer, appeared before Council to request a uniform receipt and bookkeeping system be implemented for all County Offices under his jurisdiction. The implementation would cost \$1,200 to be developed by the Auditors. In return the County would receive the benefit of the formalized and standard procedures, reducing the cost of annual auditing. He suggested trying this until July 1, 1976.

After a brief discussion, the Council recommended waiting until the April meeting to discuss the development of a financial system with the Auditors.

7:45 - Mr. Charles McGill, Supt. of Education, explained to the Council that School District #3 had submitted for a bid opening on a \$600,000 bond issue but no bids were received. The main reason, he felt, was the poor financial management of the District during the preceding years administration and low tax base. He also stated that the various school districts appreciated the cooperation and help of the Road Department as approved by County Council.

At the request of Councilman Branton, Mr. McGill said he would schedule the bonding Attorneys for the next Council meeting to explain the reasons for the lack of bids and to discuss the various alternatives.

8:00 - Mrs. Cleary from Azalea Estates and Clemson Terrace Subdivision appeared before the Council to request more stop signs (the earlier ones put in by the Road Department were destroyed) that have metal posts and cemented in the ground. Also asked about the delay in paving the mile in the Subdivision. Chairman Sweat informed her that the firm contracted was finishing up one job and should be in that area the following week, providing the weather cooperates. A meeting will be set at a later date between Mr. Koesters, Mr. Cleary, Chairman Sweat, and the Administrator to discuss the drainage problem.

8:10 - George Seago, Transportation Division of Regional Planning Council, appeared before Council with identification of major arteries of transportation for 1980 Functional Analysis Plan which determines what level of federal funding the County will receive based on those classifications. Approved.

8:20 - Mr. Jack Parks, Summerville Area E.M.S. contractor, gave a quarterly report on EMS services. Requested reimbursement for \$676.59 and requested permission to order for \$317.81 a Robert Shaw Demond Valve Resuscitator to be used on heart patients and drowning victims. Mr. Wall made motion to approve, and Mr. Waggoner seconded. Approved.

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8:40 - Mr. Glen Jeffcoat, Autumn Company, and legal representative, Franklin Robson, appeared before Council to request variance on Sub-division regulations. Several lots in the proposed development, Caire Yelleau, have drainage across property lines and were rejected by the Subdivision Review Board. Chairman Sweat recommended that the Council support their decision for the present time until he could meet with Everett Knight, Chairman and Mr. Jeffcoat agreed.

9:00 - Alderwoman, Beth McIntosh, Town of Summerville, presented a resolution adopted by the Town Council requesting use of the Dorchester County Hospital (attached #1). Accepted as read. A motion by Mr. Edwards and second by Mr. Branton.

9:10 - Gloria Chapmon, representing Dorchester Educational Project, requesting an answer to their previous project funding application for emergency funds of \$26,000. Chairman Sweat explained that the Council could not at this time afford an additional appropriation but their project would be considered in the next budget, provided they receive Title XX approval.

9:20 - Weld Cox, First Land Housing, concerning the development of First Land Village on Bacon's Bridge Road. Subdivision Review Board had received the projects using Charleston Zoning Code as agreed to in June of 1975. Mr. Bailey, representing the Board explained how the Board reviewed the application and evaluated the project but could make no decision. They presented the facts and Council would have to make the decision. Mr. Sweat stated that before he could make a decision he would like to inspect the model unit constructed. Mr. Cone asked that it be done soon as possible for something had to be done, he had a construction crew waiting.

Mr. Sweat set the meeting for Wednesday at 12:30 p. m. and promised a decision by Thursday.

10:30 - After a brief break, Mr. Branton moved to accept the minutes and Mr. Wall seconded. Approved.

Mr. Wall moved to have sites inspected by Health Department before decision is made for deep borings. Mr. Waggoner seconded. Approved.

10:35 - Ms. Linda Salisbury appeared before Council to ask why she was not interviewed by the Council for the job of Tax Assessor. Chairman Sweat explained that her application did not come in during the designated period and a decision was made to hire another person. A short discussion ensued.

Chairman Sweat read a letter from the Carolina Trade Zone, Inc., stating that they had dedicated the roads to the County for public use and had an agreement with the State that they would be paved. Chairman Sweat urged that the County accept these roads and prepare them for paving.

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Mr. Branton requested again that all costs to be incurred be presented for the next Council meeting before a vote was taken. Agreed.

Mr. Hudson read bid for EMS vehicle and gave list of potential bidders. Approved.

Mr. Hudson informed Council that the Jail and Courthouse contract had been completed and inspected by Chairman Sweat. Job was satisfactory. Mr. Branton moved to pay claims. Mr. Wall seconded. Approved.

Mr. Hudson reported that there would be a auction on 1st. Monday in April behind Courthouse for County vehicles (4 trucks & Sheriffs car) and abandoned vehicles.

11:20 - Mr. Edwards made a motion to move the Health Department and the Summerville Town Police into the Hospital based on a minimal costs. Mr. Branton seconded. A long discussion followed concerning an established set of services based in the Hospital and the financing of the renovation costs. Mr. Branton pointed out that a Community Development Grant of \$300,000. had been submitted and received preliminary approval. Mr. Wall stated that he would like to have a complete picture of the Hospital and costs instead of the building being developed in a peicemeal fashion. Also he wanted all agencies to appear before Council. Mr. Branton called for a Roll Call vote on the motion:

Branton	--	yes
Edwards	--	yes
Kizer	--	abstain
Waggoner	--	abstain
Wall	--	abstain

12:15 - Mr. Wall made motion to adjourn - accepted.

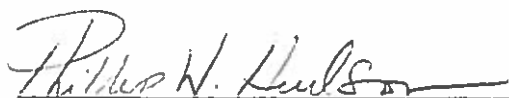
Respectfully submitted by:

  
Lucille P. Kizer, Clerk, County Council

Council Meeting  
Wednesday, March 17, 1976

On Wednesday, March 17th, 1976, the Chairman called a special meeting of County Council at First Land Village to reach a decision on the project's application for conditional approval. Because only three members were present (Sweat, Wall, Branton) no decision was voted on but recommendations were made. Councilmen were contacted and the following items were established for guideline before final approval would be given:

1. The entrance is poorly designed and should be reconstructed to give a left turn into the first housing cluster.
2. There should be two (2) parking spaces per unit throughout the development; thereby a cluster of six (6) units should have twelve (12) parking spaces.
3. The main artery designated as Parker Avenue should be designed to meet State Highway Department Criteria.
4. Attention should be attracted to the projected plans to widen Bacon Bridge Road as designated in the CHATS 1995 Solution Plan.
5. Better turnarounds should be provided for garbage trucks, ambulances or other emergency or service vehicles.
6. A more functional traffic pattern should be developed on the eastern end of the site location to facilitate a safer and more accessible ingress/egress.
7. There should be no more than six (6) constructed units per physical acre throughout the project.
8. As previously agreed, there will be a sidewalk furnished on one side of Parker Avenue to ensure pedestrian safety.

  
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Phil Hudson, County Administrator

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SPECIAL MEETING  
DORCHESTER COUNTY COUNCIL  
MARCH 25, 1976  
2 p. m.

Minutes

Mr. Wilbur Sweat, Chairman, called the meeting to order. All Councilmen were present but Mr. W. S. Branton, Jr., who was attending a meeting in Charleston.

- A. Mr. Thomas Myers, & Miss Shirley Richardson, B.D. Development Corp. -- request for larger and better office space. Said they needed space near the Welfare and Health Dept. Had five buses to park and had nowhere to park them except service stations and other available spaces. Also, said they would like an answer about their project next month. Mr. Myers told Council they could get up to \$250.00 for material to fix up homes for the elderly. They also requested a satellite office in Summerville. Mr. Sweat said they would discuss this later and would let them know.
- B. Space - Tax Assessor.  
The group went down stairs to look at different office space. When they returned Mr. Sweat asked for suggestions for Tax Assessor. They said he had to come to work April 1st. Mr. Waggoner said move the magistrate's office. Then Mr. Wall motioned that they move the Tax Collector's office over to the Treasurer's office. Seconded by Mr. Waggoner. Four in favor. One abstained. Mr. Hudson asked if the stamp machine could be moved upstairs. All in favor.
- C. Letter from Charleston County Hospital seeking bills paid. The Administrator wanted to know if the County wanted to contract on some basis. This was discussed by all. Mr. Don Canaday suggested that Mr. Hudson get some concrete figures and said the bills should be itemized with each persons address as some may not live in Dorchester County. The letter came from Mr. Hugh Armbruster, Char. County Hospital Administrator. Mr. Hudson said the County should assume the responsibility of paying the medical bills of local indigent patients, and to do that he suggested it work out an agreement setting forth the terms and responsibilities it will bear. He was given authority to prepare such guidelines to present at the council's next meeting.
- D. Core of Engineers -- About flooding on Tranquil Acres. Said they had no funds for continuation of the program. This was received as information.

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- E. HUD Rent Subsidy Plan -- County invited to participate. Dorchester County is one of 12 counties in which the Department of Housing and Urban Development will provide a housing assistance, or rent subsidy program if requested by local officials. It would be administered by S. C. Regional Housing Authority No. 3, located in Barnwell, if County Council approves its operation. Tenants will contribute to the rest of the bill. Council decided they wanted Mr. Hudson to find out more about this.
- F. Mr. Hudson said Mr. Bozardt wants Mr. Rudd to meet with him once a week and go out with him to these cannisters and see what can be done to improve the situation. Council agreed.
- G. Mr. McGill said he needed the road department to help correct a drainage problem at a Summerville school. Said the school would buy the material if the road department could help with the work. All in favor of the work.
- H. Presbyterian Home wants a drainage ditch. Mr. Sweat said what they wanted done could be done with the Road Department. There was a general discussion. Council voted to have this done but would not be a top priority item.

Recess

- I. Mr. Jack Pratt -- said his client, The Wellington Co., has asked him to find a site for a nursing home in Summerville. He said they like the Hospital site and that it is their number one choice. If the Wellington group bought the Hospital, Mr. Pratt said it would keep the present looks and style, but expand the facility. Mr. Don Canaday made a motion that up to \$1,200.00 be spent to have the building and grounds appraised so the Council could know where it stands. Funds to come out of the Hospital fund. Mr. Wall seconded. Four in favor. Mr. Wall made a motion to get all agencies to come up with a written plan of what they need in space and how much they can put in it to renovate, etc., and to do this by May 1st. or before.
- J. Mr. Dick Bell came before Council and stated the fact that they (the Tax Collector's office) did not want to move into the Treasurer's office. It seemed they were willing to move upstairs or somewhere else. Mr. Canaday told Council about the building up at Reevesville and said it could be used as an inkind for some of these programs requesting space. Mr. McGill said the School District would lease the building to County Council. Mr. Sweat asked Mr. Canaday to meet with the School District and come up with a price.



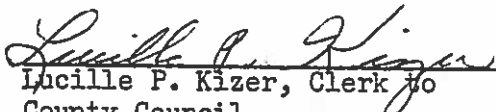
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- K. Mr. Don Canaday made a motion to let Dr. Appleby use the defibulator in his office as it may save a life. It would be available to all Doctors in the community. It would still belong to the County. Mr. Waggoner seconded. All in favor.
- L. Container Service -- Mr. Sweat asked Mr. Hudson to consult Attorney Bell about the Charleston Disposal contract.
- M. Mr. Edwards wanted the Council to contact Mr. Jim Bilton and ask the Highway to put pipe near a church so they could have space to walk. Mr. Edwards also asked for dirt put on West 1st. street.

Council adjourned about 4:45.

Respectfully submitted by:

  
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Lucille P. Kizer, Clerk to  
County Council

DORCHESTER COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING

APRIL 5, 1976, 10 A. M.

St. George, Ct.house

Grand Jury room

Minutes

The County Council met with all members present and Mr. Phillip W. Hudson, County Administrator.

Rev. Bundy Bynum, Pastor of the St. George United Methodist Church, gave the invocation.

1. Mrs. Barbara Tucker - County Chairman, of the Republican Party of Dorchester County presented the following Resolution:

"WHEREAS the delegates to the County Convention of the Republican Party have interest in the future of the building and property known as the old Dorchester County Hospital and,

WHEREAS the delegates wish to go on record as to their feelings that the property and building should be retained in public ownership and,

WHEREAS it is the belief of the County Convention of the Republican Party that the building and property may be adapted for use by the Town, County, or State governments.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Dorchester County Republican Party go on record as requesting that Dorchester County Council make known to the general public, in detail, all and any plans which they may be presently considering for the building and property known as the old Dorchester County Hospital, and be it further resolved that whatever the ultimate use be, that ownership of the property be retained by Dorchester County."

S/ Lonnie Rowell, Convention President  
S/ Shirley Cordovano, Conv. Secretary

Witnessed:

S/ Barbar Tucker, County Chairman

Mrs. Beth Steele & Mr. Bishop - presented a 2000 signature petition to Council to save the Hospital for services to residents of Dorchester Co.

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3. Mr. McGill - Mr. McGill read a letter from Mr. Wm. Youngblood, Jr. He said this explains why no bids on bonds. (this letter is attached) Mr. McGill said he would let Council know just as soon as they got the budget ready. Mr. Branton said that they would work something out, and would meet with the trustees of school at any time they are ready.
4. Mr. Moody and Mr. Givens, Auditors, talked and gave a written memorandum of what they thought the duties of the Financial Officer should do and his qualifications. A copy of same is attached. Mr. Sweat thanked Mr. Moody. Mr. Branton said he hoped it would be another department. Mr. Sweat said it should be discussed further. Mr. Branton said he thought the ways and means committee should take it up.
5. Mrs. Taradash; Mrs. Jenkins, and Mr. Donald LaBelle - talked about developing services for retarded senior and young citizens & children. They said usually the County provides a building for the children. They want adult activity center and day care center for retarded. They said usually the money through title XX is 75%. They provide transportation and get a hot meal. Mrs. Taradash says they have to have people as well as funding. They will allow the people to run it and if there is more than one they will advise which is better as they have to have a proper vender. Mr. Sweat said his main concern is space and money. Mr. LaBelle said the size of building depended on the number of children or people involved. Mrs. Owens, President of the Dor. County Association for retarded children, told of the program they had in a church, but Mr. LaBelle said the church was not accepted. They also said school would not be approved if it was not on the first floor. Mr. LaBelle said the first thing County needed to do was get a steering committee. Said they would be administering from \$40,000.00 to \$100,000.00. Mr. Sweat said the Council would discuss this and get back with them. Mrs. Owens told the Council she had approached the Delegation for a committee to be appointed. Mr. LaBelle also told Mrs. Owens that her request for Title XX money had been turned down. Mrs. Owens said this was the first she had heard of her application for Title XX money.
6. Mr. Marvin Burriss - talked to Council about the waste disposal for energy use. Said it would possibly be 2 to 3 yrs. before they could use it, but wanted to have a preliminary talk. Said they substitute garbage as heat instead of coal. He needed a good many questions answered about cost to County and also the quantity and quality. Mr. Canaday motioned that Mr. Hudson get information up. Mr. Wall seconded. All in favor.

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Mr. Kizer told Council about the agreement to buy from Gulf Oil Co., rather than the State Purchasing Office and had been doing so far a very long time. He asked that Council give the other Oil Dealers a chance to bid on gas. Mr. Kizer then made a motion to this effect. The motion was seconded by Mr. Wall. All in favor. The bid would be for gas, and oil, with separate bids.

Mr. Bell, County Attorney appeared before Council with a Resolution that County would let the Frigitemp Corp. come to Summerville and allow Industry to sell bonds in County's name. They will acquire a tract of land and employ about 40 people. Mr. Wall motioned that we adopt the necessary resolution. Mr. Kermit Kizer seconded. All in favor.

Council asked Mr. Bell about the legal action that could be taken on Charleston Disposal. Mr. Bell said they are not living up to their contract, but if County cancels they have to readvertise or get them to assign to another company. Have to have 7 days notice in writing.

Mr. Monroe Rudd, Litter Officer spoke to Council about the cannisters. He said he followed the trucks to see what was doing on. Char. Disposal was to service every container twice a week. Mr. Rudd run to cannisters ahead of the trucks. He said some of the people will put on ground regardless. Mr. Kizer made a motion for Council to ask the Sheriff to give Mr. Rudd a blue light to use in stopping a car or truck. Council asked Mr. Hudson to research and see what the County Council has authority to do.

Mr. Kizer motioned that minutes of the last meeting, March 15, 1976, be accepted. Mr. Wall seconded. All in favor.

Mr. Canaday made a motion to get Mr. Hudson to get up a meeting with all Department heads, and ask entire Council. Mr. Wall seconded. All in favor.

Mr. Myers -- B. D. Econ. Dev. Corporation: Mr. Myers said they had been asking for funds to develop a day care for disabled children for Dor. County for 3 years. He said they had a desire to run such an agency if established in Dorchester. They needed money and space for disabled and retarded citizens and children. All Title XX funds for mental retardation goes to State Office and they in turn contract at local level. Problem, is who will be the contracting agency, ARC or Mr. Myers' organization. This is the main thing Mr. LaBelle wants to know. Mr. Myers said they would like 2 rooms in the Hospital.

Mrs. Shirley Richardson, request to move into large space. Said she would personally prefer to go to Edgeville but felt she needed to be near Social Service, food stamp office, and Health Dept.

Mr. Branton said he wanted to go on record that he was opposed to paying rent for any agency after July 1, 1976.

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The moving of the NSC and several other agencies, head start, etc., down to the Ridgeville School was discussed and several motions made and withdrawn.

Mr. Wall made a motion to provide service for neighborhood services in School at Ridgeville and study and see if it was feasible for Headstart to be moved to Reevesville. This was seconded by Mr. Don Canaday. Only three for. Mr. Wall withdrew this motion. Mr. Branton stated that this should be put in the Social Services Committee. Mr. Kermit Kizer made a motion to put all day care centers in the Ridgeville School and Mr. Wall amended for neighborhood Service to be in School and also child service and head start. Mr. Wall seconded. All in favor. (6) This consolidation was to be by building and not by operation. A direct line to be put in for Mrs. Richardson to call St. George.

Mr. Sweat called for old business -- Mr. Branton said he would like to set up meeting next Mon. night at the Hospital or Town Hall and ask Dr. Johnston to come and present his needs, and also Mrs. Kirby. Mr. Don Canaday said all agencies should furnish this information and forward to Mr. Hudson. He said by the first meeting in May this information should be in. Mr. Branton withdrew time and date.

Tax Collector's office and Treasurer's office combination discussed. Mr. Kizer said the Treasurer's office should not be altered. Mr. Kizer said he would suggest getting the office the Forestry man is located in out to a new office and use it.

Mr. Kizer said due to the fact Council made a mistake in voting to move the Tax Collector's office into the Treasurer's office he was making a motion to kill the motion. Four in favor. Mr. Edwards seconded.

Mr. Branton made a motion to move Mr. Limehouse into Mr. Wimberly's office. Mr. Wall seconded. Mr. Kizer opposed due to money handled and made a recommendation to try to get the forestry office, as temporary space for Mr. Limehouse. Mr. Hudson said Mr. Limehouse needed to be on the bottom floor. Mr. Branton asked if Mr. Bell and Mr. Wimberly could be put together. Said it would be good. Mr. Sweat asked if magistrate could be moved to the School.

Mr. Henley said he had only \$29,426. in the bank and \$21,584.34 Revenue Sharing. He received \$79,000. in Rev. sharing Monday a. m. Mr. Hudson said his record showed \$145,000. balance. Council told Mr. Henley and Mr. Hudson to get together Tuesday a. m. and find their difference and if they couldn't to call in the Auditors. Mr. Sweat made a suggestion to hold up claims a little until this can be cleared up.

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Mr. Tom Kennerty - appeared before Council and said he would agree to go to the School (St. George Old Grammer School) to give his room up for Council to use as they see fit. He also asked for a panel truck and said he needed about \$600.00 to put it in shape and get radio and scanner. Mr. Branton said he would like to see him put in a panel truck or van, the County already owns. Mr. McGill was called in and asked if he had talked with the trustees about school to be used as office. Mr. McGill said it needed painting and cleaned up, and that he was pretty sure it was O. K. but he hadn't talked with the trustees yet but would. Mr. Wall motioned that we move Mr. Kennerty's office to the school and move the Magistrate's office to Mr. Kennerty's office. Mr. Kizer seconded. All in favor but one.

Mr. Don Canaday made a motion to renovate the house purchased for the Library to move in. Mr. Branton proposed to build a new building for the Library. This was discussed. Mr. Branton said they could get an extension for the Coastal Plains money and it could be used at the Hospital. Council finally decided to turn this over to the Public Works and Property Committee. Mr. Don Canaday withdrew his motion provided they would do something by the first meeting in May.

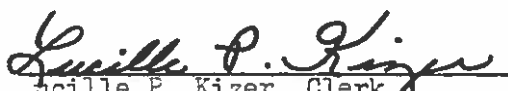
Council decided to hold up the claims. Mr. Branton asked about the claim for the cutting blades of \$7,800.00. Mr. Hudson was asked to bring the bill in.

Mr. Rollins motioned that they move the Ridgeville Magistrate office in the Ridgeville School building effective the 1st. of the Month. Mr. Wallie Wall seconded. All in favor.

Mr. Wall said they had a problem with First Land Development Corp. and made a motion that Dorchester County adopt the seven codes of Southern Building for Dorchester County. This is the first reading. Mr. Branton seconded. This to be in the Legislative, Intergovernmental Committee. Mr. Wall, Mr. Canaday, and Mr. Branton. All in favor.

Mr. Branton called for the Council to go into executive session at 5:45.

Respectfully submitted by:

  
Lucille P. Kizer, Clerk  
Dorchester County Council

DORCHESTER COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA  
FINANCIAL OFFICER'S QUALIFICATIONS AND DUTIES  
APRIL 5, 1976

TITLE

Assistant Administrator in Charge of Financial Affairs

QUALIFICATIONS

1. Minimum education BS degree in accounting or business administration with emphasis in accounting.
2. Two years public accounting experience or two years experience in governmental or fund accounting.
3. Prior exposure to automated data processing systems.

COMPENSATION

Proposed annual salary of \$ 12,000.

DUTIES

1. Establish and maintain a complete set of accounting records for the recording of all financial transactions of the County.
  - A. Prepare written accounting procedures manual to be implemented upon Council approval.
  - B. Implement approved procedures utilizing present data processing equipment and make recommendations regarding alterations or replacement.
2. Coordinate the flow of data between County offices.
  - A. Establish necessary forms and procedures to provide a smooth flow of information.
  - B. Assist County officials in implementing internal procedures for the various offices.
3. Assist in the development and preparation of budgets.
4. Provide Council with current information relative to financial position and results of operations.
  - A. Prepare monthly financial statements for the various funds.
  - B. Monitor approved budget and report monthly to Council on conformity thereto.
5. Carryout internal audit activities on a continuing basis.
6. Prepare necessary workpapers and provide assistance to independent auditors during annual audit.

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER COUNTY OFFICIALS

1. Have direct authority over record keeping, financial reporting procedures and internal audit authority over each office.
2. Ultimate responsibility to County Council.

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March 25, 1976

Dr. Max B. O'Tuel  
Superintendent  
School District No. 3 of  
Dorchester County  
Post Office Box 408  
Dorchester, South Carolina 29437

Dear Dr. O'Tuel:

Re: Proposed \$600,000 School Bonds of 1976, of  
School District No. 3 of Dorchester County

Subsequent to our unsuccessful attempt to market the captioned bonds at public sale on March 10, 1976, I have been in contact with Mr. Arthur McCall of South Carolina Securities and Mr. John L. Jordan of The South Carolina National Bank, as well as a representative of the State Sinking Fund. Each of these groups has expressed some interest in helping the School District with its present financial problem. Each of these parties is aware that the County Council has not increased the operating budget for the School District in several years, but that a twelve mill increase for operations is being discussed for the next fiscal period. In my opinion, such an increase would be essential to the successful public sale of the proposed issue. It would be impossible to be assured of a bid from all or any of the banks but in our judgment the bonds would not be marketable without some clear indication of a balanced budget. If I may be of any assistance to you in this matter, please let me know. With warm personal regards,

Sincerely yours,

*M. William Youngblood, Jr.*

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DORCHESTER COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING

APRIL 19, 7:30 P. M.

GRAND JURY ROOM

ST. GEORGE, S. C.

Minutes

The County Council met with all members present and Mr. Phillip W. Hudson, County Administrator.

Rev. Don Kelley, of Grover, gave the invocation.

1. Chamber of Commerce, Mr. Converse Chellis III; Mr. George Sego, & Mr. Phillip Scaffner., in re the Library. They showed films on the figures and ratio it would take to get Federal aid. Also, told of the need for library service more adequately in the Summerville area. Said in order to finance a library in Summerville they recommended a bond issue. Said Timrod was too small and had short hours & fee system. No update on books either. Mr. Branton made a motion to endorse the \$1.30 per capita. Seconded by Mr. Wall. Five in favor.
2. Pearlle Jenkins, - President of Day Care in Dorchester County Educational Project - in re. Day Care Children. A group came, Willie Smalls, and a group of parents and workers at the Day Care. They wanted some emergency money to help operate on but was told by the Chairman that the County had no emergency funds and the only thing they could do was to set up a meeting and hear financial situation from them and from that meeting the Council would have to decide if they could help any in the 76-77 budget. The meeting was set for Monday night, April 26, 1976, 7:30 at the Vocational School.
3. Mr. James, came to report back about his survey of the County, in re: the containers. He said no system is problem free. Said the system was not new. He proposed the roll-off. Give every resident a place to empty garbage. He recommended for the County six sites, and had them marked on a map of Dorchester County, in various sections. (10 miles a part) He said sites would be open 24 hours a day and any kind of weather. When sites are selected they will give each person a site. Sites are not for businesses. Only residents. Cost figure for County:

1 hoist mounted on truck.

12 forty yard boxes.

6 Sites.

Approximately \$98,000.00 as a budget figure.

Approximately \$4,000.00 per site.

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4. Mr. Jack Ellis, Mr. Eric Harris, and Mr. John Murphy - appeared before County Council and said they were asking for Council approval to go to A-95 and ask them to give the go ahead for them to go to F. H. A. for a loan application, and approval, to upgrade the airport as previously noted. Prior approval of the Airport feasibility was ditched due to FAA standards. A motion was made by Mr. Wall to endorse proposal for A-95, seconded by Mr. Canaday. All in favor except Mr. Branton. The board said it favors improving the existing facility rather than a proposal by the State Aeronautics Commission which would require relocating the field. In a state wide master plan unveiled last spring, the state commission suggested Summerville expand the facility and upgrade it to an industrial-commercial classification. To do that would require relocating the field because the current one is too close to industrial sites and the power line stretching across the end of the runway creates a hazard. Mr. Branton said he questioned whether J. E. Locklair Airport will be adequate to serve local needs for the duration of the loan.
5. Mr. Hudson received a letter stating the S. C. Draft Comprehensive plan did not include money for aged or homebound. The Health Dept. thought this should have been included and wanted Mr. Hudson to send a letter to this effect. Mr. Don Canaday made a motion to send the letter and Mr. Waggoner seconded. All in favor.
6. Adolescent Group Home has been approved and Mr. Lines needs to know if the Council will support. He said County would have to provide a building, for it, but this could go with in-kind contribution. The Council gave a motion of support and all in favor. They asked Mr. Hudson to have Mr. Barry Lines come to the next meeting to discuss this.
7. Mr. Hudson told Council about Mr. Jack Parks getting the ambulance.
8. Mr. Hudson showed Council the proposal for furnishing, installing and maintaining an EMA Communications System for Dorchester County. The proposed equipment meets or exceeds all FCC Rules and regulations and EIA standards. They said this proposal meets the State of South Carolina's State-Wide Emergency Medical Services Communications Plan. For adequate coverage it will be necessary to increase the height of the existing tower on top of the Sheriff's office thirty feet. The existing antenna will not be disturbed, as a new antenna will be mounted at the top of the tower for the EMS System. This proposal around \$6,800.00. Mr. Wall motioned that County send out formal bids. Seconded by Mr. Canaday. All in favor.

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9. Mr. Hudson had a request from Trident College to release their share of the funds for the College, \$58,653.00. Mr. Waggoner motioned to give it to them and Mr. Don Canaday seconded. All in favor.
10. Landfill - At the last meeting Mr. Hudson was asked to find out about litter officer's appointment and what was in the law. Mr. Hudson read the act. Mr. Kizer said DeLee would lease another acre he thought if the County would pay him for the two tenths acre they used and wasn't paid for. Mr. Kizer was to contact him.
11. Mr. Hudson said one of the trucks needed extensive work done. Mr. Bilton's estimate was \$1,500.00. Mr. Kizer recommended to leave it there for awhile.
12. Wrecked Cruiser - Sheriff's office. Council if total wrecked send out bids to replace the existing vehicles. Mr. Wall made the motion and Mr. Kizer seconded. All in favor.
13. Assessor's Office - meeting tonight for approval.
14. Medical needs near completion--should have results back by May 1st.
15. Letter from Mr. McGill requesting several loads of dirt at Summerville School and necessary loading. Mr. Wall motioned to give the Road Dept. the O. K. to do this and Mr. Waggoner seconded. All in favor.
16. 1st. reading on Southern Building Code. Mr. Wall made a motion that the electric code be included. Mr. Waggoner seconded. 6 in favor. Mr. Sweat thanked Mr. Pecorara for the research on the electrical code and said he would have copies made for all Councilmen.
17. Hospital report - since the County took over. Hospital funds through Nov. 1, 1975 through March 31, 1976 - \$32,900.00. Financial report distributed to all Councilmen.
18. Letter from Mr. Roy Weathers in re: cleaning out of ditch of Tom & Kate Canal. Bids and Purchasing Committee are to get estimate for the cost of work and go ahead provided it will be funded through funds for the project.
19. Industrial Sales - ditch. Mr. Branton said they built in low area. Mr. Branton recommended the Council send Mr. Sweat out there to see what can be done, and get a cost estimate and report back to Council.

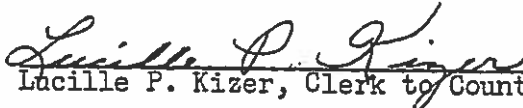
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20. - Signs in Subdivision - it was reported that the signs, children playing, stop, speed, school signs, etc., did not conform. The Council told Mr. Hudson to find out more about this.
21. - Community Development - 701 Plan. Mr. Hudson told Council we have heard nothing from the HUD people, in Columbia, concerning the grant. We are also going to propose 701 grant for renovation of the Hospital.
22. Mr. Hudson presented a request for supplies and equipment for the Tax Assessor but Council felt it was best to wait until a later date.
23. R. F. Hammond - Claim was approved for \$4,440.00, final payment.

Council Adjourned at 11:30.

Respectfully submitted by:

  
Lucille P. Kizer, Clerk to County Council

DORCHESTER COUNTY COUNCIL

MAY 3, 1976, 10 A. M.

GRAND JURY ROOM  
ST. GEORGE, S. C.

Minutes

The County Council met with all members present except Mr. Rollins Edwards. Mr. Phillip Hudson, County Administrator was also present.

Rev. Don Kelley, of Grover, gave the invocation.

1. The minutes of the April 19th. meeting was approved as read.
2. Mr. Don Canaday made a motion to divide the money that is left for the Social Services members by seven for the balance of this year. Mr. Wall seconded. All in favor. Mr. Canaday said they would discuss this further in the new budget.
3. Claims - Mr. Sweat asked if there was any questions.
  1. Mr. Kizer asked why the Jeff-Hunt bills were listed in so many different places? Mr. Hudson said it was listed in order as it came in. Mr. Kizer was interested in the total.
  2. Mr. Kizer said Mr. Hudson was instructed to cut down on spending by Council. Mr. Hudson informed Council that some of the bills were made in March.
  3. Mr. Kizer wanted to know how the travel money was holding out. Mr. Hudson, some were over-run but Mrs. Carn had to attend meeting so County has to pay her expense.
  4. Mr. Wall said the Sheriff's Department had repairs farmed out and he was wondering if the mechanic couldn't do that work and said he would like to contact them and if that could be done at the road department, to have it done there. This was discussed and Mr. Sweat, it might be times when the mechanic couldn't do it but if he could this should be the procedure.

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4. Mr. Jeffcoat -- in re: Caire-Yelleau (Autumn Co.)  
Mr. Jeffcoat wanted to get plat accepted. Mr. Bailey reported that they recommend final approval subject to County Council granting a variance and the Health Department giving their approval. Mr. Jeffcoat said it was four, four acre lots that couldnot be subdivided, because they had a natural ditch of water flowing across them. Mr. Sweat said since this is in his district he would like to meet on Thursday a. m. with the Subdivision meeting. He was afraid the Subdivision Board was just passing the buck and it was a pretty deep ditch and would cause trouble later on.
5. Mr. Burton Thrower; Mrs. Thrower; and Mr. Bill Horne --  
They wanted the County to help with getting a road to a cemetary. Mr. Canaday said Mr. Thrower had the bulldozer to clear out and there was a dispute about some of the right-o-way. (the Pete Weathers, estate). Mr. Canaday said he would like to recommend that as soon as the right-o-way is cleared that the County fix road. He said it had to be an old road there or that many people couldn't have got buried there. Mr. Canaday made a motion to go ahead with the road as soon as right-o-way is obtained. Mr. Canaday said they would use some old pipe. Mr. Waggoner seconded. All in favor.
6. Mr. Hudson said in January, 1975, the State paid for all mental patients' examination. Now Mrs. Etheredge has been informed that the funds have all been exceeded. The State was not going to pay patient's fees any more. The fees by Dr. is \$25.00. Mr. Wall motioned that County not pay these bills and let the patient pay. Mr. Kizer seconded. Mr. Sweat said the Sheriff was called on and some time they had to take the person and put in padded cells. He said some may not be able to pay and Welfare may have to.
7. Mr. Branton -- told Council about the B.D.D. Regional Planning Commission wanting to change their name to Regional Council of Government. Money will have to be sought from Washington and they want it changed. It has to be ratified by the three local government Agencies. Mr. Branton motioned to change the name. Mr. Wall seconded. Approved by a majority. Mr. Brantor said he would inform the Council about the percentage County has to pay after the next meeting.

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8. Mr. Kizer - gave report on land from Mr. DeLee. Mr. DeLee wanted County to buy the rest of the land. He said the  $3\frac{1}{2}$  acres right by was messed up and he thought County should lease it. Mr. Kizer made a motion to lease the  $3\frac{1}{2}$  acres and Mr. Waggoner seconded. All in favor. Mr. Kizer also told Council that Mr. DeLee would like to sell the other 100 acres he had but Mr. Wall reminded Council of a site for \$500.00 per acre the County has chance to buy.
9. Mr. Ed Belken - about concerned land owners near Timothy Creek. Mr. Belken bought timber and can't get to it because of the Creek Canal and he said several land owners were cut off from their property. He said it was two alternatives - put a bridge in or go ahead and put pipe in the ditch. Mr. Belken said he purchased his timber after the canal was cut but after the promise by County Council to put bridge there. Mr. Kizer said he could ask the Highway Department if they could drive the tile for bridge. Also find out cost of pipe, and would get back with Council. Mr. Sweat also asked the Public Works & Property Committee to look into this. Mr. Belkin can be called at 563-2383, Westvaco office at wood yard in St. George.
10. Mr. Hudson had a letter from Mr. John M. Smith, Regional Housing Director, with office in Barnwell, saying that Dorchester County would be included in the low rent subsidy program but due to inordinate delays the program was not to begin until Sept. At proper time the County will be contacted for participation.
11. Mr. Messervy - said the Palmetto Low Country Health Agency had been designed by HEW in this area for planning health needs. Mr. Messervy said he would like to possibly bring this Agency to Dorchester County. He said one big asset would be the Airport. He wants to bring this to the Summerville area. Mr. Messervy is one of the committee to select the site. He requested space in the Dorchester County Hospital for some of the offices. Said he would like authorization to seek the site for Dorchester County. Would like the Hospital Committee to authorize the site committee to meet together. The Agency has rent money. Mr. Messervy said he was hoping to have the agency pay rent to Dorchester County and then the County pay it back as matching funds. He would like to show that County Council is very interested. Mr. Sweat assured him that all Council members would want them in Dorchester County. Mr. Branton said they would like to meet with the site committee and invite the rest of the members. Said the building and property committee will be going back to discuss what they can do with Dor. County Hospital. Mr. Messervy to advise Mr. Branton and Mr. Branton will set-up the date. He asked for 2 days notice

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12. Mr. Waggoner asked Council to consider letting Mrs. Joan Barnes, head of senior citizen's of Char., put a program in the Ridgeville School. Said it would be a program giving them things to do, like sewing, etc., and they would pick them up and bus them in. They will also feed them as this is a nutrition group. This will be at no cost to the County, and they will also pay for utilities. Mr. Waggoner made a motion to let the senior citizen's nutrition group locate in Ridgeville School at no cost to the County. Mr. Wall seconded. Mr. Wall amended to let them prorate the light bill when it becomes two in it. All in favor.

Council adjourned at 12:30 for one hour lunch and then to meet again in afternoon to work on budget as finance committee.

One-thirty to Seven - work on budget.

Seven o'clock the Council went back in session.

1. Mr. Sweat gave the first reading of the budget by title only.
2. Council adopted the following resolution:

R-E-S-O-L-U-T-I-O-N

WHEREAS the members of Dorchester County have been asked to adopt a flag that represents the components of life in the County;

WHEREAS the St. George Elementary School has requested that the County adopt a flag designed by its students that represents these components of life in Dorchester County;

WHEREAS this flag will be flown at the Courthouse in St. George and the original displayed in the Courthouse;

BE IT RESOLVED, that this flag will be the official flag of Dorchester County, containing elements of life in Dorchester County and the official County seal;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this flag is supported by the members of the Dorchester County Council and give its approval to its adoption as the official flag of Dorchester County.

Approved by  
DORCHESTER COUNTY COUNCIL  
May 3, 1976  
St. George, South Carolina

Respectfully submitted  
by *Lucille P. Kizer*  
Lucille P. Kizer, Clerk to  
County Council



DORCHESTER COUNTY COUNCIL  
Summerville Town Hall  
May 17, 1976

7 p. m.

County Council met with all members present.

7 A. M. Mr. Branton gave the invocation.

Mr. Waggoner made a motion that all discussion be limited for 5 minutes per person. Second by Mr. Wall. In favor: Mr. Waggoner, Mr. Wall, & Mr. Edwards. Opposed by Mr. Branton.

7:05 Mr. David Copenhaver - Charleston Development Board. Agreement that the County would sign an Assistance Contract with Transfertex Manufacturing Corp. Mr. Branton made the motion for Mr. Wilbur Sweat to sign for Council. Mr. Canaday seconded. All in favor.

7:15 Mrs. Sharpe - Asked that the Council accept the design of the flag for the bicentennial committee. Mr. Waggoner made a motion to accept the design. Mr. Edwards seconded. All in favor.

Mrs. Sharpe requested that the Council write a letter to the Bicentennial Committee that the design had been adopted.

7:20 Mr. Dick Bell - Tax Collector. Showed the Council the amount of money that had been collected for the last 4 years. He requested 3 people to be hired to help with collection. Mr. Sweat said that action would be taken and they would vote on it at the next meeting.

7:30 Dorchester Estate Civic Club: Mr. J. W. Ewers was the spokesman for the group. He asked that the Council resend the permit that they had given to the First Land Housing Development, as they were not building the type of houses that the permit said they would. Mr. Branton made a motion that a letter be sent to the Developing Co. saying if they don't follow the restriction Dorchester County Council will not give them final approval. Mr. Wall seconded. All in favor.

Claims - Addition

- (1) Mr. Sweat brought up the Dorchester County Beauty Pageant For \$100.00 for a scholarship. Mr. Wall said we do not subscribe to the Beauty Pageant, but let's pay the bill. Mr. Branton seconded. In favor, Wall, Edwards, Rollings. Oppose: Kizer and Canaday.

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Mr. Wall made a motion that the \$100.00 be divided equally between the Councilmen. Mr. Branton seconded. Mr. Kizer made a motion not to pay. Mr. Branton motioned to table Mr. Kizer's motion and we will see that it gets paid. In favor: Wall, Edwards, Rollings, Branton. Oppose: Kizer & Canaday.

- (2) Landfill - George Fleming claim  
Iron Kettle  
Janice Jolley  
Jeter Metts  
Johnston Insurance Co.

Mr. Branton motioned to hold these bills. Mr. Wall seconded. Chairman to look and see if it's O. K. to pay these claims. He did and it was O. K.

Mr. Kizer made a motion to pay all the other claims. Mr. Canaday seconded. All in favor.

8:15 - Mr. Kizer made a motion to have the second reading of the budget by title only. Mr. Canaday seconded. Mr. Branton said there was no total on the budget. Either raise taxes or make amendment on the budget. Mr. Sweat said he had talked with the County Attorney and they could go ahead by title only and correct before it is published in the paper. Favor: Canaday; Kizer; Waggoner & Sweat. Oppose: Branton; Wall & Edwards.

Mr. Branton: To have the meeting next Monday in Summerville.

Mr. Canaday: To have it at Dorchester County Courthouse.

Mr. Branton: To table Mr. Canaday's motion and to have the second reading in Summerville.

Favor: Branton; Wall; Edwards & Sweat.

Oppose: Canaday, Waggoner; Kizer.

8:25 Recess

8:30 Bids on New Police Cruiser

Bilton Ford	-	\$4,440.74
Sojourner Chev.	-	\$4,799.60
Grayson Ford	-	\$5,036.24

Mr. Branton motioned to get Bilton to give a copy of the specifications & if they are correct to give the bid to him. Mr. Wall seconded. All in favor.

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Radio Equipment for E.M.S.

R.C.A.	no bid
G. E.	\$5,979.00 (to install \$929.00)
Motorala	\$9,126.24 included installation.

Mr. Branton said give to the purchase committee and have them look into it and report back.

Mr. Sweat asked if Council was going to pay Mr. Hudson and Mrs. Patrick for their two weeks vacation. Mr. Branton motioned to pay them a  $\frac{1}{2}$  month pay which would be two weeks. Mr. Wall seconded. Mr. Edwards said if someone quits or they entitled to this vacation pay? Mr. Branton withdrew his motion and said this would have to be checked into.

Letters from Summerville Road Department requesting 147 ft. of 36" pipe for Presbyterian Home \$1,600.00. Mr. Edwards motioned to purchase the pipe. Mr. Branton made an amendment to buy in July (1st.). Mr. Edwards seconded. All in favor.

Also, requesting 376 ft. of 36" pipe for King's Grant & one catch basin, \$1,341.00. Mr. Branton motioned to buy after July 1st. Mr. Edwards seconded. All in favor.

Also, requesting to buy a utility trailer from Mr. G. Muckenfuss for \$1,700.00. Mr. Wall motioned to purchase it and Mr. Waggoner seconded. All in favor.

8:45 Mr. Ballard - requesting \$1,800.00 for the Summerville Dixie Youth. Mr. Branton said this will be taken up with the budget committee next Thursday night.

9:00 Mr. McKeeney - from Camelot Village.. That there is a lot of speeding and vandalism in his subdivision and would like to have Council help them with this. Mr. Branton made a motion that a letter be written from the Council asking the Sheriff Department and State Department to look further into this.

9:05 Mr. Bowman - from Sprucewood Civic Club, asking for fill dirt to be put in a recreation area that Dr. Way had sent a note saying he had given them his intent. Mr. Branton said that Dr. G. W. Way, Jr. should write the Council a letter of his intent that after the mortgage is paid he will turn the recreation area over to the Civic Club.

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9:10 - Letter - from Timrod Library.

Mr. Branton made a motion that it be referred to the Library Board that they would be willing to consider the Council's proposal. Mr. Wall seconded. All in favor. Letter from School Board #3 agreeing to lease one of their schools to the County for \$100.00 per year. Mr. Waggoner was to meet with the town of Harleyville to work out plans.

9:15 Mr. Wall motioned to purchase the items that the Tax Assessor needed. Mr. Branton seconded. All in favor.

Letter from State Tax School that all Assessors, Auditors, and Appraisers, attend a school in Columbia in Dec., cost \$95.00 per person. Letters given to Mr. Wall for the budget committee.

Letter from Soil Conversation - Leasing the building for \$708.00. Mr. Wall motioned to remain leasing it for \$708.00. Mr. Waggoner seconded. All in favor.

Receipts from Mr. Hudson from Mr. Henley that he had deposited \$27,533.81 from the Dorchester County Hospital.


Mr. Branton made a motion that Mr. Kizer's motion be tabled and that an amendment be made that tonight would be first reading by title of the budget. Mr. Wall seconded. All in favor.

9:35 Council was informed that they could have the time clock put in the Courthouse for \$65.00. Mr. Wall made a motion that the time clock be installed and put on a trial basis until July 1st. which then they would come into effect. Mr. Branton seconded. All in favor.

Mr. Sweat had made a check and found there was misuse of the stamp machine. He requested a letter be sent to each department and if someone is caught they would be fired. Mr. Wall made a motion that the stamp machine be moved to the Council office and assign one person over the machine. Mr. Branton seconded. Favor: Wall. Opposed: Waggoner, Branton, Edwards.

10:00 Mr. Wall made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Waggoner Seconded. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted:

  
Lucille P. Kizer, Clerk  
Dorchester County Council

SPECIAL COUNTY COUNCIL BUDGET MEETING  
WITH ALL COUNCIL MEMBERS  
MAY 20, 1976  
7:30 P. M.  
VOCATIONAL SCHOOL

The Budget Committee with all members of County Council met at the Vocational School at Dorchester.

1. Barry Lines - Mr. Lines said part of the request had been left out somehow and the commission part was pulled and the Council had that and not the rest of the program. He has a full copy he turned over to the Chairman. Mr. Wall asked Mr. Lines the total amount he was asking for and Mr. Lines said it was \$108,088.00. Mr. Lines said the adolescent group home was not included in this figure and the County's portion of this would be \$17,586.00 which is the match. He said the detoxication center comes under the commission. Mr. Lines gave A.S.A.P. budget and an outline of the Outpatient familial program. A copy of which is attached to these minutes. Mr. Lines said under the commission the request is \$43,462.00. He has a lot of different services. They are into the second year of funding for A.S.A.P. and Outpatient. For A.S.A.P. is paid for second year personnel and travel. This does not include paper work, and not line item budget, payment for instructors or other items. Outpatient has never been done before. Mr. Don Canaday thanked Mr. Lines for coming and for his presentation.
2. Summerville School District #2. Mr. DuBose thanked all the Council for all the time and services they have given the School. Also, what Mr. Sweat of the road dept. had done. Mr. DuBose is concerned about the building fund money. He said with the increase enrollment it will be a drain. Mr. Branton asked Mr. DeBose to forward monthly financial reports to County Council, and said that would keep them informed, as to how they stood. Mr. DuBose said the State average is \$894.00 per pupil, expenditure. Summerville School is \$593.00, expenditure. Mr. Wall said they should be commended for their fine work. Mr. DuBose said they had the people and needed more Industry. Mr. Sweat told them about the Robert Bosch expansion. Mr. DuBose said if they could get Federal 874 money that they would be O. K. He gave each Councilmen a school budget, and they thanked him for coming.
3. School District #3. Mr. O'Toole gave his proposed budget to the Councilmen and said he needed a 12 mill increase for School District 3. He said it would take this to balance the budget. Mr. McGill said the Bank said the millage wasn't enough and they would have to submit a balanced budget with the 12 mills in order to sell the bonds. Mr. Kizer said he thought they could work out something. Said he wanted to find out the entire millage that the community will be saddled with and will have to look closer. Mr. Waggoner said he would have to look closer too. Said his

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vote would not be for a 30 to 40 mill increase. Mr. Branton told Mr. O'Toole that this was the best prepared budget he had seen in a long time. He said the District owed the County \$300,000. and asked Mr. Thornal if he could borrow \$300,000.? He said, "no". Mr. C. W. Hutto said he knew they couldn't on the millage. Said they had not had the millage increased in so long. Mr. McGill asked Mr. Kizer if he and Mr. Waggoner could meet with the School District. Mr. Kizer said they could meet soon. Mr. Kizer said he wanted to find out the overall picture before he could say just what they could do. Mr. Kizer said he would be glad to go on what they got to have. Mr. McGill told Council this \$300,000. debt goes back some 2 or 3 years and is not by no means a last year's debt. Mr. Branton seemed to think it would be good for the School District to borrow enough money to pay the money back and then prey on your Councilmen as much as you want to. Mr. McGill said he would be glad to go before the trustees and ask for the money to be repaid and they could sell the bonds as soon as the Council agrees to the 12 mill increase.

4. Mr. Kizer made a motion to combine the Vocational and Trident bonds & notes in sinking fund as set-up to four mills for both. Mr. Branton amended motion to change the amount set-up for bonds & notes from 4 to 3 and add the one mill to amount set-up for funding bonds and notes by County, and said this would bring in more revenue, and make this five. Four in favor.

Mr. Henley was present and discussed all the incoming revenue with the Council. He went over the revenue item by item with the Council. He said they should have \$350,000. or \$360,000. plus.

5. The Council then discussed and made changes in the budget. They took each item in the supply bill and said Mr. Sweat, the Chairman, would have all this added and if not lower enough they would meet back and made some more changes. They went over each item in the budget and Mr. Sweat and Mr. Canaday made changes on their budget copies. Mr. Seat made a motion that they hold off on the recreation money until they meet again. All in favor. Mr. Don Canaday said the R.D. & D. was ready to proceed with the boat landing they had been trying to get. This was discussed in full and Mr. Waggoner made the motion for \$15,800.00. (\$14,800.00 for landing and \$1,000.00 for option). Mr. Kizer seconded. Four in favor.


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5. This to be set-up as "Boat Landing". Options for two, \$500.00 each. (Center and lower) The \$14,800.00 is a match for the R. C. & D.
6. Mr. Wall said Mr. Timrod said he does not want to go with the County in any way shape and form, so they decided to not set up anything for it.
7. Mr. Branton made a motion to put \$50,000.00 for the renovation and utilities for the Hospital. Seconded by Mr. Wall. This to be shown as Hospital renovation and utilities. This is so carried.
8. Mr. Sweat told Council he would serve as Acting County Administrator until they could get an Administrator for one half the money they were paying Mr. Hudson and they all agreed to this.

The Council adjourned at two a. m.

Respectfully submitted by:

  
Lucille P. Kizer, Clerk  
Dorchester County Council

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DORCHESTER COUNTY COUNCIL  
10 A. M.  
June 7, 1976  
Grand Jury Room  
Minutes

County Council met with all members present but Mr. William S. Branton, Jr. who was away at Guard Camp.

10:00 A. M. Invocation -- Rev. Doctor

10:10 " Mr. Gary Scott of Marian Air Spray, Savannah, Ga. - appeared before Council and presented a mosquito control program. He showed a film of airspraying in other Counties. He said the State can buy the material cheaper than the County can. Said he would like a five year contract if the County considered it. Mr. Scott suggested that Council contact Mr. L. A. Williams in Columbia to determine what Dorchester County's needs for such a program would be. Mr. Sweat thanked him for coming.

10:30 " Weld Coxe - First Land Housing Corporation, came before County Council to see if they had complied with all the stipulations to get final approval. Council told him to go to the Subdivision review board again and they will decide if the criteria set forth for them by the County Council had been met, then come back to County Council. Mr. Coxe said the final plat in Section A-114 houses have been completed for models. He said he would like to have the final plat approved. Council told him to go to the meeting Thursday and then come back to Mr. Sweat.

10:45 " Mr. Thomas Myers, Shirley Richardson and many more concerned Supervisor, etc. with the BCD Economic Development Program, came before County Council to request \$12,004.67 of County money to supplement a summer recreation-feeding program for children throughout the County. He said the federal government now funds the paying of supervisors for the feeding program to work two hours a day, five days a week, and he said with the funding their working three additional hours a day, the county could get 48 members of the National Youth Corps to work in the program. It would make it possible for 3,000 youth to receive education and recreation, and 48 high school and college youth to be paid through Charleston. Mr. Kizer made a motion to furnish the money. Seconded by Mr. Canaday. Council voted approval. Mr. Sweat requested that all the feeding places be published.

11:10 " Mrs. Iduna Stephens - Mr. Richardson, appeared before Council to request the County cut a road to a river house or lots of



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5. A bill from Mr. M. W. West for \$190.00 - materials \$110.00 and labor \$80.00 to purchase and install window blinds as requested by health dept. nurses at Ridgeville Health Center. This bill is O. K.'d by Dr. A.R. Johnston. Council approved bill for payment.
6. Bill for legal pads ordered by Sheriff's Dept. for \$29.04. This bill approved for payment by Council but Sheriff's Dept. to be told that all bills should come through Council purchasing office.
7. Jim Shelley, Jr. a bill for \$7.50, for prescription for poison ivy. Council said pay.

Mr. Sweat told Council about an engine that had blown up and said it was at Jim Bilton Ford. Council all agreed that the best thing to do was to pull the truck back around to the maintenance shop until they see what can be done with the Road Department.

Mr. Sweat said the Auditor had requested a desk and filing drawer for price on list. Council said for her to get two bids.

Mr. Sweat asked for a clerk-sec'y, and purchasing clerk for the Council office. Mr. Canaday made a motion for Mrs. Mary Ellen Heaton to be hired, but Mr. Wall and some others said they could not vote until they had viewed the applications. Mr. Don Canaday then made a motion that we get the five highest qualified applicants and bring them in next time for an interview. All agreed.

Mrs. Kirby requested that in order to cut down calls she be allowed to get credit cards for calls other than Char., or Summ., Mr. Don Canaday made the motion and Mr. Edwards seconded in favor. Four in favor.

Mr. Sweat told Council that the Jeff-Hunt bill, the one in dispute, was paid after half was returned, but that had caused the price of the others to go up, and he also said the Aerial Survey was quite a large bill.

Mr. Pendarvis - interested in drainage ditch that was there 60 years ago, and was put there by hand. He wanted to see if Council could work out a way to take water off with a larger ditch. Mr. Kizer said he would recommend that the County dig ditch big enough. Mr. Sweat recommended that Mr. Kizer handle this with the road foreman. Mr. Kizer said he would get with him and he could sign the right-o-way to clean the ditch out.

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owned by different parties, which was sold by Mrs. Stephens. She said she would give the right-of-way for the 50 ft. road to the four lots and Mr. Richardson said he would clear the trees. Mr. Kermit Kizer made a motion to accept the plat and all in favor. They told Mr. Richardson that after he removed the trees, etc., the County road Department would pull up the road.

11:30

Mr. Wayne Welch - State Tax Commission said a few words to Council about the progress of the Tax Assessor work in Dorchester County. He said it wasn't progressing as fast as it should and that the Tax Assessor needed a room very bad. Said County stood a chance of losing some State funds unless they go rolling on the tax reassessment program. Council agreed to move the County library out of the courthouse into temporary quarters in the old St. George school for a temporary period and to move the tax assessor into the space now occupied by the library.

Bills - a bill from Sou Bell; Comm. of Public Works; S. C. Electric & Gas, was passed around and the total amount was \$268.48. These were bills of the Dor. County Hospital, now closed. They all agreed and signed for Mr. Henley to pay these out of the Hospital funds.

A letter came from Dr. Johnson requesting \$25.00 per month be set up in the new budget to pay Mrs. Beatrice Hughes to keep the Ridgeville Health Clinic clean. Mr. Waggoner made a motion to do this and Mr. Edwards seconded. Five in favor.

Reopened the question of paying \$100.00 to the Harleyville Jaycees for an ad in the Miss Dorchester County Pageant book last year. Mr. Don Canaday made a motion that Council pay the bill. The motion passed but Mr. Wall asked to go on record as voting against it.

Mr. Sweat informed Council that the Four Hole Day Care Center will no longer have a director. Mrs. Anne Kilpatrick had advised him to get the Council to advertise for a new director to take her place. Mr. Sweat said money was appropriated for this Day Care for a 6 month period and they would have to have the budget in right away. This is a \$9,000.00 per yr. job. Mr. Waggoner made a motion to go ahead and advertise and Mr. Edwards seconded, but only two for so the vote didn't carry.

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Mr. Sweat asked if Council approved the ad. he had for the County Administrator? Mr. Wall motioned that Council adopt this as their ad. Mr. Waggoner seconded. Mr. Kizer did not vote. All the rest for. Council said advertise 3 times in the News & Courier and once in the local papers. It will also be advertised in the Assoc. of Counties bulletin.

Hospital Study - The men doing the feasibility study for the nursing home in St. George, wants to know if they want the whole County studied. Said they did part of phase I and wants to know if to continue or not. Agreed to do the whole program for \$12,000. Will charge \$8,000. for what has been done. Council said write letter to finish the feasibility study and then come to see if he should finish.

Mr. Sweat had a letter from the Representative stating that 7 members was on the Board of Social Services. They requested that they be compensated. Council said write the Representative and ask why the Board didn't come one from each district?

Mr. Sweat brought up the claim list, which Council approved in the amount of \$77,989.82. A lot of these were for two months. Other claims approved but not on list were as follows:

1. Reopened the question of paying \$100.00 to the Harleyville-Jaycees for an ad in the Miss Dorchester County Pageant book last year.
2. Letter about mental patient. County owes Dr. Appleby \$25.00 for mental patient. Approved to be paid.
3. Division of Gen. Ser. - bill for \$8.03 & \$16.06 for flags of S. C., ordered by Mr. Gene Dukes and Mr. John Smith. This was approved by Council.
4. Sharp Electronics Corporation - bill for \$156.00 for a CS-Sharp 126 S#39078610 (Calculator) that Mr. Hudson signed for but cannot be located. Council decided that even tho the calculator couldn't be located the County owed the bill and approved it for payment. They asked Mr. Sweat to continue to try to get it located.

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Mr. Sweat informed Council that Mr. Ken Kinard advised him by telephone that the director for the four hole community day care center could also be utilized for all day care centers in Dorchester County. Mr. Waggoner made a motion to reconsider about adv. for a director. Seconded by Mr. Edwards. Only two voted in favor so it didn't carry.

Mr. Wall motioned to accept all three sets of minutes. Mr. Kizer seconded. All in favor.

Mr. Canaday made a motion to have the second reading of the budget. They discussed and read the items in budget.

Admendments were as follows:

1. Mr. Sweat made a motion to amend from 3 to 5 the part-time deputies set-up for Sheriff's Dept. and Mr. Wall seconded. Four in favor. Mr. Sweat also made a motion for \$4,800.00 to be set up for or added to Sheriff's Dept.
2. Council decided to add \$500.00 to Civil Defense for supplies so he could get a black & white TV in his new office to keep up with weather.
3. Mr. Canaday made a motion to amend or add to the budget an amount of \$19,099.80 for the Tax Collector's (delinquent) office until such time as it is abolished. There was seconded, by Mr. Kizer. All in favor.
4. There was a motion by Mr. Wall to add \$1,600.00 to the Tax Assessors budget for supplies. This carried.

The above amendments brought the total to \$2,152,700.80.

Council renewed a note for \$100,000.00 for School District III.

Mr. C. M. Henley and Mr. Cowart Hudson of the Burrough Corp. appeared before Council to explain a new program that could be installed in the same machine Council has for the payroll to make a centralized book-keeping system. The system will be programmed and taught by Mr. Hudson Cowart at a cost of \$1,500.00, for his services plus approximately \$2,000.00 for the new forms. This could be implemented by the end of July. Mr. Wall said implement machine as soon as possible. Mr. Wall made a motion to give Mr. Henley authority to purchase the forms. Mr. Waggoner seconded. All in favor.

Mr. Wall motioned to transfer revenue sharing funds to County Ordinary. All agreed. This to help cover expenditures for the remainder of this fiscal year.

Mr. Wall motioned to adopt the budget with amendments as read. Seconded by Mr. Rollins. All in favor.

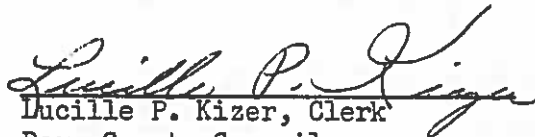
Mr. Sweat informed Council that they could rent the Reevesville School for \$5,000.00 per year. Mr. McGill said they would like to know. Council decided to hold this matter over until they had a full Council.

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Council agreed to move the County Library out of the Courthouse into temporary quarters in the old St. George school for about nine months or not to exceed one year and to move the tax assessor into the space now occupied by the library.

Mr. Sweat made a motion at 5:30 to adjourn and Mr. Kizer seconded.

Respectfully submitted:

  
Lucille P. Kizer, Clerk  
Dor. County Council

Dorchester  
County Council Meeting  
June 21, 1976  
7:30 p.m.

MINUTES

County Council Chairman, Wilbur Sweat, opened the meeting and introduced Rev. James Alewine. Rev. Alewine had prayer and read from the Twenty-third Psalm.

Dr. A. Richard Johnston representing the Dorchester County Health Department presented Chairman Wilbur Sweat with a check for \$3,118.03 which represented the Vital Statistics Collection for the year.

Mr. Richard Seabrook and Mr. Leon Barbanel of Equitable Life Insurance Company presented a Group Life and Hospital Insurance Plan to members of County Council for their consideration.

Mr. Edgar B. Haire, the representative from Carolina Hospital Health Services reported to the Council what the cost are, to date, for his preliminary County Wide Study regarding the feasibility of Phase I. He said that in order to complete this study, the County must pay \$4,000.00 and that the cost for the completion of this study would be an additional \$8,000.00. His survey deals with the possibility of a Nursing Home in our area. J. Don Canady, Councilman, made the motion that the study be completed. There was a second to this motion by Councilman W.S. Branton, Jr. All in favor.

County Council Chairman, Wilbur Sweat suggested that the minutes from the last County Council Meeting be accepted. There was a motion that the minutes be accepted by Councilman Kermit Kizer. There was a second by Councilman Walter B. Wall, Jr. All in favor. At this point, Chairman Wilbur Sweat presented each member of the Council with a copy of the County Expenditures.

W.S. Branton, Jr. made the motion that digging equipment from the Summerville area be brought to the land-fill site in Dorchester, S.C. instead of paying \$1,917.50 a month for digging to George Fleming. This motion was seconded by Walter B. Wall, Jr. Councilman Kermit Kizer made the motion that only in their spare time would the equipment from the Summerville area be brought up to Dorchester, S. C. to dig at the land-fill. This was seconded by Councilman Walter B. Wall, Jr. All in favor.

The Claims Sheet for the month of May was passed around. All members of County Council signed the claim sheet.

Council Chairman Wilbur Sweat mentioned that Dorchester County has paid Metropolitan Area Waste, Water & Treatment Study \$17,955.00 however they said they do not show that Dorchester County has paid \$15,000.00 which helps support work programs. Councilman W.A. Branton, Jr. stated that he has talked with Mr. Hanson regarding this amount and said that Mr. Hanson told him the County could pay this amount when the Budget goes into effect. Councilman Branton said that the Council won't budget it for this year but that next year they would budget \$18,000.00 and pay this \$15,000.00 from that amount.

Council Chairman Wilbur Sweat told Council members the Charleston Area Comprehensive Health Plan has requested \$2,000.00 which is our county's part of the allocation designated for 1976-1976 Health Plan Act. Councilman W.S. Branton made the motion we pay this amount. There was a second by Walter B. Wall, Jr. All in favor.

Chairman Sweat mentioned a bill from the Department of Agriculture & Soil Conservation Service for \$7,500.00. This bill is due for the Dorchester County Management Study Report. Councilman W.S. Branton, Jr. made the motion this be paid the first Monday in July. This was seconded by J. Don Canady, Councilman. All in favor.

A request by the County Auditor, Mrs. Virginia Norred, was presented before the Council by Council Chairman Sweat. Mrs. Norred requested supplies for her office totaling \$538.80. This was the lowest bid she received. Councilman Branton made the motion she be granted this request for supplies. There was a second by Councilman Waggoner. All in favor.

Council Chairman Sweat told Council the Blue Cross Blue Shield bill was due July 1, 1976 and that the rates for said hospitalization had gone up and would be taken from County paychecks June 25th, 1976. Councilman W.S. Branton, Jr. made the motion that the Council request that a representative from Blue Cross Blue Shield be present at their next regular Council Meeting to discuss these increase in rates. There was a second to this motion by Councilman Walter B. Wall, Jr. All in favor.

The lease agreement with Mrs. Maggie Wolfe, Reevesville, S.C. was signed by all County Council members. This is for dirt for land-fill site.

Council Chairman Wilbur Sweat mentioned that the Summerville Road Department needed steel pipe at a cost of \$3,416.87. Motion was made by Councilman Waggoner this be granted to the Road Department. There was a second to this motion by Councilman J. Don Canaday. All in favor.

Council Chairman Wilbur Sweat discussed briefly County Council's previous vote to pay \$12,000.00 for the Summer Feeding Program. Two gentlemen from Stewart's Sandwich Company came to Chairman Sweat's office and told Chairman Sweat that they felt the County was being ripped-off paying \$14,998.50. Councilman Rollins Edwards made the motion to have Mr. Tom Myers present at a specially called session. This motion was seconded by Councilman Kizer. All in favor.

It was agreed by all County Council members to keep the same lease on the Dorchester County Jail. The motion was made by Chairman Kizer with a second to this motion by Councilman Wall. Opposed by Councilman W.S. Branton, Jr.

County Council Chairman Wilbur Sweat mentioned that both the Auditor and Clerk of Court need repair work done on their books. Council Chairman Sweat said that the binding company would do this work for the cost of \$15,000.00.

County Council Chairman Wilbur Sweat discussed the needs of the St. George Elementary School regarding repair work which needs to be done on the floors. Walter B. Wall, Jr. made the motion that the floors be sanded and finished. There was a second to this motion by Councilman Rollins Edwards. Councilman Waggoner opposed while the remainder of council members were in favor of Councilman Wall's motion.

Councilman Walter B. Wall, Jr. requested that the Road Department clear off property in the Clubhouse Community in Summerville. A Community Center is to be built. A motion by Councilman Branton to do this was made. All County Council members in favor of motion.

Councilman Walter B. Wall, Jr. mentioned that Boone Hill Church wants to build a parsonage behind the church but they need the road, which presently dead-ends behind this church, cleared approximately 300 feet but that there is a question as to whom this property (road) belongs to...Everett Knight or the State. Councilman Wall said he would find out exactly who owned this road before Council makes a decision regarding the extension of the road.

Councilman Walter B. Wall, Jr. mentioned that in January at the County Council Meeting of the 19th, Council members voted to change the name of the Zoning Advisory Committee to the Planning Commission and asked what had been done. Councilman Wall requested of Chairman Sweat that he write to the Chairman of the Committee regarding this matter.

Councilman Wall mentioned that February 2, 1976 County Council approved the motion that a letter be sent to the Highway Commissioner in reference to the State building a bridge across the canal between Highway 17-A and Newington School. Councilman Wall inquired as to what had been done. Councilman Sweat said that he would look into this matter and if a letter had not been sent...he would send a letter to the the Commissioner of Highways, Mr. Irick.

Councilman Wall discussed the fact that work needs to be done at Sprucewood Sub-Division in Summerville and mentioned that this work is supposed to be done by Banks Construction Company. Councilman Branton advised Mr. Wall that he (Wall) would have to keep checking on this himself in order to see that this work was done. Councilman Wall asked County Council members how the County would pay for this work when it is not in the 76-77 Budget. Councilman W.S. Branton, Jr. told Councilman Wall that it was in the Budget but that it was under the Road Department in the 1975-1976 Budget.

Councilman Wall also mentioned that the former Administrator for Dorchester County, Mr. Phillip Hudson, sent a letter to Holly Hill requesting that they furnish the County with their share of the project costs for Timothy Creek but that this amount had not, to date, been received from Holly Hill. Councilman Kizer recommended that Council Chairman Sweat send Holly Hill a bill for this money.

In reference to the contract our county has with Charleston Disposal, Councilman Wall asked whether Dorchester County was going to continue receiving services from Charleston Disposal or if the County was going to go into the business for themselves. Council Chairman advised Councilman Wall that members of County Council had already previously agreed to continue using Charleston Disposal until the contract runs out in 1977.



Councilman Wall read a letter to Council members from the Chairman of the Carolina Trade Zone. This letter stated that they had dedicated roads to Dorchester County for public use and had an agreement with the State for paving. Councilman Wall said that Chairman Sweat had urged Dorchester County to accept these roads and prepare them for paving. Councilman Wall then said that the County Council had requested that all costs be presented to them following their meeting of March 15, 1976 before any vote would be cast regarding this issue. Councilman Wall said that this has not been taken care of, to date. Councilman W.S. Branton, Jr. stated that both he and County Council Chairman Sweat had talked with Rogers and Johnson and that they want \$38,000.00 for this. No motions were carried out regarding this issue, only discussion.

Councilman J. Don Canaday made the motion that effective July 1, 1976, all County Employees work a full 40-hour week. The employees of the Dorchester County Court House are to arrive at work at 8:30 a.m., have 30 minutes for lunch, ending their work day at 5:00 p.m. There was a second to this motion by Councilman W.S. Branton, Jr. All in favor.

Several local businessmen from the St. George area were present at the June 21st meeting of the County Council to protest against the Food Stamp Office being re-located in Reevesville, S.C. The local businessman asked that County Council make a decision that evening regarding the re-location of the Food Stamp Office which is presently located on Parler Avenue, St. George, S.C. in the old Wideltz Building. On the motion of Don Canaday, Council voted to put \$5,000.00 into the budget for renovation or rent for the Reevesville, S.C. building with the amendment by Councilman W.S. Branton, Jr. that no action be taken for six months. All in favor.

It was agreed by all County Council members that they hold a special meeting in Ridgeville, S.C. at the Dorchester County Vocational School June 24th, 1976 at 8:00 p.m. in order for all Council members to have the opportunity to review all applications the County has received regarding the job vacancy of County Administrator.

Councilman Kenneth Waggoner made a motion that Dr. A. Richard Johnston be granted a telephone in the Health Clinic in Ridgeville, S.C. This motion was seconded by Councilman Walter B. Wall, Jr. All in favor. Chairman of the County Council, Wilbur Sweat, mentioned that he did not want any long-distance calls made on this telephone.

Budget Amendments are on the following pages.

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 Budget Amendments  
 1976 - 1977

Assistant to Solicitor

Councilman W.S. Branton, Jr. made the motion to increase the salary of Assistant to Solicitor 10%. This motion was opposed by Councilman Kermit Kizer, all other members of County Council voting in favor. Motion carried.

<u>Recommended 76-77</u>	<u>Appropriated 76-77</u>
\$4,800.00	\$5,280.00

County Attorney

Councilman Kenneth Waggoner made the motion to increase salaries of the County Attorney as well as his secretary 10%. This was seconded by Councilman J. Don Canaday. All in favor. Motion carried.

<u>Recommended 76-77</u>	<u>Appropriated 76-77</u>
\$2,060.00	\$2,266.00
\$1,200.00	\$1,320.00
<u>\$3,260.00</u>	<u>\$3,586.00</u>

State Probation Officer

Councilman J. Don Canaday made the motion that \$200.00 be added to the office of State Probation Officer. All in favor. Motion carried.

<u>Recommended 76-77</u>	<u>Appropriated 76-77</u>
\$1,000.00	\$1,200.00

Road Department

Councilman W.S. Branton, Jr. made the motion to delete the Road Department by 3 persons totaling \$38,648.00. All in favor. Motion carried.

<u>Recommended 76-77</u>	<u>Appropriated 76-77</u>
\$361,982.00	\$323,334.00

County Building

Council Chairman Wilbur Sweat made motion that salary of \$5,438.00 be added to the County Building portion of the budget for Mrs. Inez McAlhane. All in favor. Motion carried.

<u>Recommended 76-77</u>	<u>Appropriated 76-77</u>
\$101,791.00	\$107,229.00

Health & Welfare

Councilman Walter B. Wall, Jr. made the motion to add \$2,000.00 for the ARC Summer Day Camp. This was seconded by Councilman Rollins Edwards. All in favor. Motion carried. Councilman Walter B. Wall, Jr. made the motion to add \$13,500.00 for the Adolescent Group Home (Match). This was seconded by Councilman Kermit Kizer.

Recommended 76-77  
\$217,972.00

Appropriated 76-77  
\$174,352.00

Social Services

J. Don Canaday, Councilman made the motion that \$5,000.00 be put into the budget for Social Services for renovation or rent for the Reevesville, S.C. building (Food Stamp Office re-location possibly). An amendment was made by Councilman W.S. Branton, Jr. that no action be taken for six months.

Recommended 76-77

\$11,205.00

Appropriated 76-77

\$16,205.00

A motion was made by Councilman W.S. Branton, Jr. that the Council accept the Budget as read for the third and final time and that the millage remain the same as last year and it was seconded by Councilman Kermit Kizer.

The vote was four to three. In favor of this motion were the following Councilmen; Mr. W.S. Branton, Jr., Mr. Kermit Kizer and Mr. Rollins Edwards. Against the motion were; Councilmen Walter B. Wall, Jr., Mr. J. Don Canaday and Mr. Kenneth Waggoner.

At this time, County Council Chairman Wilbur Sweat voted in favor of Councilman Branton's motion.

There was a motion by Councilman Walter B. Wall, Jr. to adjourn and the County meeting of June 21st, 1976 was adjourned.

ADJOURNED 3:00 A.M.

  
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Jackie Dack  
Clerk of County Council

DORCHESTER COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING

July 6, 1976, 10 A. M.

Grand Jury Room  
St. George, S.C.

County Council met with all members present.

Rev. J. R. Alewine, pastor of Old St. George Baptist Church, gave the Invocation.

The minutes of the last meeting July 5, 1976, was approved with the following change: "page #2, 5th paragraph, should read fill-dirt instead of land-fill".

I. Mr. Seago and other members of the Library Board met with County Council. Mr. Seago presented Mr. Vito R. Pascullis, a representative of Lucas and Stubbs, Architects, and he presented a preliminary sketch and architect's model of the proposed library building for the St. George Library. This building would encompass some 5,000 square feet. They proposed a branch library for the Summerville area between 8,500 and 9,000 square feet because of the larger population. Mr. Pascullis said the basic overall design of the St. George building would be in keeping with the residential atmosphere of the neighborhood. Mr. Pascullis said Lucas & Stubbs would supervise the building, draw up bid specifications, and plans for 6.75 per cent of the cost of construction. He said one large contractor could bid for both and maybe cheaper and it was also possible for one small contractor to bid on either the St. George or Summerville one. Mr. Seago told Council they had visited several libraries around and they had federal funds in the buildings and some for special projects. He said they had looked at 13 different sites, some too high, and some not good sites. The following three choices were recommended to Council from the board:

- (1) A lot on the "Anna Meyer" property - front of Summerville Plaza. It's in an area that's growing. Mrs. Meyer offered 1½ acre for \$25,000.00 for library purposes. It was brought out that the property was worth much more but she would let it go for that for public library purposes.
- (2) Hospital area -- could use 225 ft. (square) on that corner. This would require moving a brick storage building and one used by the Highway Patrol.
- (3) Use of Azalea Park space - Town Council would have to pass on this and the Park Commission.

Mr. Seago said the Regional Planning Commission had helped a lot. He said the Mayor wanted to see it in Town. He had three request, would like authorization to go ahead with drafting the specifications of the St. George Library. (2) Authorization to move on some sort of lot or some direction

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for the Summerville branch library. (3) Permission to work with County Council in soliciting Federal funds. Mr. Branton said he thought County Council should go down and look at these sites. Mr. Sweat asked Mr. Seago to call him and let him know when they could meet.

Mr. Don Canaday made a motion to give Lucas and Stubbs the go ahead to draw up the plans and also go ahead and get all federal funds possible. Seconded by Mr. Branton. All in favor. Mr. Sweat asked when he could get the bid to go out. They said it wouldn't be long and the agreement is 6.75% of contract cost, and they would supervise all the way through. This price is based on the fact they would get both plans to do.

2. Mr. Steele, Health Dept., Assistant Sanitation Officer, was called in to discuss the mosquito control. He said County would have to buy the insecticide. Council decided to set the fogging machine up on one of the road dept. trucks and get one of the men already working on the road dept. to run the truck. Mr. Steele said he could get Mr. Williams to come to the next meeting and discuss the mosquito program. It was brought out that only \$1,400.00 was set up in the budget. Mr. Canaday and Mr. Wall said something needed to be done right away and not wait until the next meeting.

3. Mr. Chuck Baker - presented a plan about tax mapping program. Said he was under the impression that every County has to have tax maps of County. He said these maps could be used for anything under ground too, like sewer systems. He showed maps of Alabama showing roads, subdivisions and larger tracts of land. He proposed for mapping and drawing or mapping alone. Said it would be about \$50,000 to do all of it. Said they figured about 9.44 per parcel for all. \$7.44 for just the mapping plus \$2.00 per building, for all over a certain amount. Said it would take about 3 people at the most to keep this information up. Mr. Branton said if County did it now it would have to be done again in 4 or 5 years. Mr. Baker said when they left Mr. Limehouse and staff would know how to keep it up.

4. Claims - - Mr. Sweat asked if there was any questions. Mr. Branton asked if it was suppose to be Mims Oil Co. or Gulf Oil Co., they were buying gas and oil from. Mr. Kizer asked when they would get bids again. Said check the State Purchasing Agent. Bids and Purchase Committee to work on this.

Mr. Wall questioned 6912 and asked how it's to be paid as it is a non-budgeted item. Mr. Sweat said it would come out of the contingent Fund. Mr. Branton suggested they buy cups and not buy paper cups so much.

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5. Mr. Sweat showed the plat going to Carolina Trade Zone, and asked what the Council wanted to do about the road they wanted in there. This was discussed. Mr. Kizer made a motion to give Mr. John Smith, Representative, a letter and in this letter state that Council did endorse building some roads for the foreign trade zone. Mr. Waggoner seconded. All in favor.
6. Mr. Branton said they needed to put a sign "slow, trucks entering Hwy." at dirt-pit intersection 78 & 178.
7. Mr. Branton said the name Dorchester County should be taken off all equipment before any is sold. Mr. Sweat said he had asked about it being taken off.
8. Mr. Branton moved that we get a copy of all boards minutes that County gives money to. Mr. Wall seconded. All in favor. Also a copy of their financial statement.
9. Mr. Branton said we ought to go ahead and pay Charleston County all the money we owe them for the persons treated in Charleston Hospital from Dorchester County. Mr. Sweat said he thought the bills ought to be checked and some deleted that lives in another County. Mr. Branton asked Mr. Sweat to take care of this.
10. Dr. Johnston's request for filing cabinets and typewriter was discussed. They decided to go ahead and let him get the filing cabinets and hold up a little on the typewriter to see if County Council could get a better price.
11. Mr. Branton made a motion that Council agree to the name change and the per capita allocation amendments of the Regional Planning Council (Berkeley-Charleston-Dorchester) to the Regional Council of Governments for the Berkeley, Charleston and Dorchester area. Council unanimously agreed.
12. Mr. Wall said our former Administrator was suppose to send a letter to Holly Hill Lumber Co. and request they pay their share \$1,500.00 for the Timothy Creek Project.
13. Mr. Sweat asked for a decision on whether to keep the Blue Cross and Blue Shield or whether they wanted to consider the Equity Life Ins. Co. Mr. Sweat said the Blue Cross/Blue Shield was some what cheaper. Mr. Kizer made a motion to keep what we have and Mr. Edwards seconded. All in favor.
14. Mr. Sweat informed Council that the headstart in the Wamer building wanted to move in the Ridgeville School. Mr. Waggoner to look into this.

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Executive Meeting: Council voted to go into executive meeting to discuss personnel matters.

Council agreed to hire Gamble, Humphries, Givens & Moody, certified Public Accountants, Charleston, S. C. to audit Dorchester County books and also the Hospital from the time Dorchester County took over until the present time.

Council adjourned at 7 p. m.

Respectfully submitted:

by Lucille P. Kizer  
Lucille P. Kizer, Clerk  
Dorchester County Council

DORCHESTER COUNTY COUNCIL

SUMMERSVILLE TOWN HALL

July 19, 1976  
7:30 p. m.

County Council met with all members present but Mr. Kenneth Waggoner, who was ill.

7:30 - Invocation by Rev. Richard Kellum.

1. - Timrod Library Association - Mrs. Boswell & Mr. Rudisill. Mr. Rudisill spoke in behalf of the Library. He said there was some facts he thought ought to be brought to their attention. Said he was elected in May as the new President. He said they had over a 50 per cent increase in the last year. Said they charged \$3.00 fee per year per family. They were going to suggest that any family that the schools did not require fees from they would not require their \$3.00 fee. However, they found that the Superintendent charged all families or children and there were no exemptions, therefore, he said that was sort of a dead issue. Said they would like to ask the County Council to see if they could continue stipend at least on a monthly basis, if they couldn't do it on an annual basis. Said they were offering services to over 500 families which could be easily doubled. Said their budget would not quite balance even if they get the \$3,000.00 from Council. Mr. Rudisill said they had two part-time librarians. Mr. Branton asked if the Library Association would look favorable on their using a paid librarian from the County staff at no cost to the Association? Mr. Rudisill said he thought so. Mr. Branton recommended that Mr. Rudisill and the Dorchester County Library Board get together and work out something. They said they needed 3 librarians, the full time and the two part times. Mr. Branton recommended that the two library boards get together and come back to County Council with what they came up with. Mr. Sweat also said he would like for them to contact them.
- 2 - Mr. Tom Bailey -- asked to give up-date on zoning and steering committee. Mr. Bailey said it was time to reappoint them or appoint new members. Mr. Bailey gave out a pamphlet for the Council to review. Said it was a report of the land use plan based on information they had for the last year. Mr. Bailey said the steering committee had met good but the people in the district would talk on the phone but was hard to get to the meetings. Said they had been working with the BCD. Mr. Branton said the Council should thank Mr. Bailey for all the work in putting the book together, and told the Chairman that he would recommend that all of the Council members review this book and make recommendations on the next meeting. Mr. Bailey said they had availability of



of professional staff if needed. Mr. Sweat said they would set up a special meeting, to work all this out. Mr. Bailey told Council they ought to abide by the time table.

3. ---- Mr. Branton and Mr. Henley - Old Dorchester County Hospital. Mr. Branton said the Public Works and Property Committee met at the Hospital and Mr. Sweat asked Mr. Branton to give a report. He said some of the things were overlapping but they had agreed on the space for the Health Dept. and the Alcohol and Drug Abuse Commission. Mr. Henley showed a map of the hospital and told Council the Health Dept. would have the new wing pass the door. Said this would necessitate moving two doors and then he showed where the drug abuse would take up, and would have two doors. Said in about ten days they would come back and say how much it would cost to move these people in because it was a lot more that wanted to come in but some space was overlapping and that would have to be worked out. Mrs. McIntosh was asked to peak and she said the Mayor couldn't attend. He asked her to present a letter in which he asked for the space with a sketch attached showing the space he requested. Said they would bear it's prorata share of the expense. She said it would give a little security protection. Mr. Sweat asked if they would consider another area? She said she would have to ask when they meet tomorrow night. Mr. Branton said they had applied for a \$200,000 grant and was turned down, but might get a loan through Operation Accountant Cyclical Jobs bill which would give about \$70,000. that could be used on the Hospital. Mr. Towns Hollings met with Mr. Branton and said the President had vetoed the bill but he thought Congress would override the veto, and this money will be available and figures about \$2.00 per capita which would give Dorchester County \$70,000.00. However, Mr. Branton said Char. and Berkeley County was the only two low Country Counties on but he was trying to get Dor. County back on the list if he had to go to Sen. Gressette. He also talked with Mr. Archie Todd. Mr. Branton said Council still had \$20,000.00 somewhere that could be used at the Hospital and could get \$20,000. more if this is used. If this money isn't used it will go back. Mr. Branton made a motion that the building committee go full stean ahead with this renovation and get some estimate what can be done. Mr. Wall seconded. All in favor. Mr. Branton thanked all the people who labored so hard. Mr. Sweat said we had to use this money right away. Mr. Branton motioned that Council authorize the Health Dept. and the Drug & Alcohol Abuse Comm. go ahead & put together tentative plans to go ahead with plans for space requested. Seconded by Mr. Edwards. All in favor.

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4. First Land Housing - Mr. Branton said members of the Civic Club were invited. He said Mr. Richard Sweat has not made an inspection, or issued a letter of acceptance. Mr. Branton said he recommended that Mr. Chris Padgett be asked to come down and make an inspection. Mr. Sweat said we had a performance bond in the Clerk of Court's office. Mr. Branton said Mr. Padgett could tell us if these roads are up to standard and if they are not then we should send a letter to First Land Housing asking them to bring them up to specifications. Mr. Hohn Smith will write a letter and ask the State to take these roads over after they meet the specifications. Mr. Bailey said the policy had been that they get a cash deposit for  $1\frac{1}{2}$  times of cost of project. Subdivision Board said that all exhibits was there. Mr. Bailey said recording of a plat to sell lots does not require County to maintain roads.
  
5. - New Business - Mr. Wall said he had a request from Boone Hill Methodist Church about a road. Upon investigation he got in touch with Mr. McGill and other members of school District #2. They have requested a road to be built from Highway 17A, encompassing properties owned by Dorchester School District #2, and connecting with Green Wave Boulevard. They would like to express complete endorsement and support. Also, Mr. Wall read a letter in which Mr. Knight agrees to clear the right-o-way and dedicate it to County if the County will agree to dispose of the debris and build the road. Mr. Wall moved that Dor. Co. Council agree to pull this road, and remove the debris. Seconded by Mr. Canaday. All agreed. Mr. Wall said he talked to Delegation and they said they could get it programmed for paving.
  
6. Mr. Branton requested that Council write a letter to the Army Core of Engineers requesting that they inspect the condition of Saw Mill canal and report their findings to the Council. He said he noticed it's growing up. Mr. Bailey said he wouldn't advise that. Mr. Branton said nobody seemed to know what to do and Mr. Bailey said he would meet with Mr. Sweat and go over it. Mr. Richard Sweat to contact Mr. Bailey.
  
- . Mr. Branton said another item that has puzzled Council for a long time and he feels like Council needs to move off dead center and that is the question of the Landfill and he recommended that it be put in the Public Works and Property Committee and let them start working on it immediately.
  
7. Old Business - Mr. Branton wanted to know had we ordered time clocks? Mr. Sweat informed Council that the cards are made out and wanted an hourly time decided on as to when to report in and how long a dinner hour should be taken.

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Mr. Walll Quoted sections from the County Council Act, and said in his opinion he thought they didn't have the authority to set forth this policy, in the elected officials office. Council discussed this. Mr. Branton said he understood Mr. Bell was to get some decision on this. Mr. Canaday said he thought they ought to cooperate and he thought it was voted and passed that we have an 8 hr. day. 8:30 to 5:00. Mr. Wall said he was in full agreement with hours but he didn't want Dorchester County to buy clocks unless they have worked out that it is legal. Mr. Sweat said he thought it could be worked out and he said he thought everybody would punch the clock without any trouble. This was left open to be discussed later.

8. Mr. Branton said he wanted to discuss the Delinquent Tax Collector's office while he had the two Representatives there. Mr. Smith was asked if he would have to go through the legislative to abolish the Delinquent Tax Collector's Office? Mr. Smith said that in 1972 it was changed to Deputy Treasurer. Same duties of the old Act. Mr. Smith said the matter of legislation in regard to the job it can be carried out by Treasurer. He said Mr. Bell's commission expired April or May. He said Council could simply not fund that office and the Legislature could not appoint anyone. Mr. Smith said the County was not required to staff an office and could have only one person. County Council could set up there own system. Present time only alternative to go to one person. Mr. Branton said the two offices should be combined. This was discussed in full.

Mr. Wall said he made a motion & it was seconded & carried to put Mr. Bell in Mr. Henley's office & then Mr. Kizer at next meeting changed that motion.

Mr. Branton said when Mr. Henley's work stops Mr. Bell's work starts. He said it would save space if the two could be in one' office, and there was no way to justify as many clerks. Mr. Kizer made a motion to leave it as it is until the Legislature convene again. Mr. Don Canaday seconded. Mr. Branton amended to say the two offices should be combined, and move Mr. Bell over there and find some other work for the two ladies to do, or terminate them. Mr. Branton amended Mr. Kizer's Motion that the two offices be combined and find something else for the two ladies to do. Mr. Kizer said he wanted to keep the motion as made and not have it amended. The Council vote for Mr. Kizer's motion was 3 in favor and two against. Mr. Sweat said the motion carried.

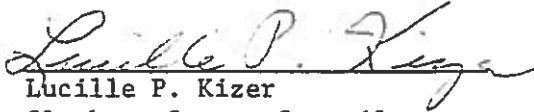
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9. Trade Zone - Mr. Sweat asked for Mr. Smith's response to having the road paved. Rep. Smith said if County Council promised the paving of the road and that was part of the agreement for them to come here, then he would put in for it to be paved, but he did not intend to ask for it to be paved unless Mr. Kizer said they had promised this. Mr. Kizer said what Mr. Smith said was correct and they had promised it as an inducement to come here. Mr. Smith said he would do what he could due to commitments made.
10. Mr. Branton said since we published the budget and didn't publish the salaries he would like to ask permission to publish a list of all employees and elected officials and the amount of salary from County and State or other sources. He put this in the form of a motion and Mr. Wall seconded. All in favor. Mr. Mace said he would publish this free.
11. PSE - Employee's retirement. Mr. Sweat said the State Public Service sent notice that they would no longer pay the retirement for the PSE. Mr. Sweat said it was five, Daniel Dukes, Barbara French, Allen Ayers, Fred Kemmerlin, and Hal Kizer, Jr.
12. Mr. Branton made a motion not to pick the Retirement up until such time that they may become permanent employees and then the County could go back and pick it up for them and they pay their portion, he said in that way the County would not lose any money. Mr. Wall seconded. All in favor.
13. Mr. Sweat said the road Department had requested that they have the rear end of a truck that was torn up repaired. They said they found two different rear ends which needed repair. One is a re-built at \$1,500.00 and the other is at \$1,000.00. They request that they get one so they can get this truck back in operation. Mr. Wall motioned to get one and Mr. Don Canaday seconded. All in favor.
14. Mr. Sweat - They needed a ditch cleaned out in the Industrial Park, and continued to run into Rumphill Creek. Mr. Waggoner worked on this and got the right-of-way down by the Railroad property. Mr. Sweat said the man who had the equipment would do the job for \$600.00. He said water was backing up behind the bldgs. County's equipment couldn't do the job. Mr. Branton motioned to do this but not to exceed \$600.00. This was seconded by Mr. Canaday. All in favor.
15. Mr. Sweat said the Tax Collector's office had requested to be authorized to have \$50.00 to make change. No action taken.

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16. Mr. Sweat also said the Magistrate, Levi Wimberly, had requested 1 swivel chair and a typewriter with a long carriage. No action taken.
17. Mr. Branton made a motion to hold all capital improvement until tax money comes in probably in October or November. Mr. Wall seconded. All in favor.
18. Mr. Sweat showed the Council a plat of property (Four Hole property purchased by the County). He had asked Mr. Mills to find the corner stop. He just thought he would show it to them.
19. Mr. Sweat also said he had a request from Mr. Fred Ballard for \$1,800.00 for the Dixie Youth. Mr. Wall motioned to hold the Dixie Youth bill up. Seconded by Mr. Edwards. Carried. Mr. Sweat said he was willing to give it to them because they would be wanting it now.
20. Mr. Sweat told all the Councilmen to be at the Courthouse for the interviews at one o'clock on Thursday. This will be the interviews for the position of the County Administrator. Mr. Sweat said that he could not be there.
21. Mr. Branton said the lady that works with Mr. Kramer, Cindy Jackman, would be taking some leave starting in August, lasting through February and then she will be coming back to work. Mr. Branton talked with Blue Cross in Columbia and they said that Mrs. Jackson could send a check to Dorchester County each month for her portion and the County's portion and the County could continue to have her on Blue Cross Insurance. The County will be paying for the new person but not Mrs. Jackman. Mr. Branton recommended and motioned that this be allowed and give her the benefit of the less expensive rate. Mr. Wall seconded this. All in favor.
22. Mr. McGill asked if a clerk could be paid by the County payroll if he refunded the money. Council agreed.

Adjourned at 11:20 p.m.

  
Lucille P. Kizer  
Clerk to County Council

Dorchester County Council Meeting  
St. George, S. C.  
August 2, 1976

10 A. M.

County Council met with all members present.

Invocation by Rev. J. R. Alewine.

1. Mrs. Pat Bailey, and a delegation met with County Council to complain about the roads and their terrible condition at Newington Plantation Estates, and from different subdivisions where children have to walk or ride bikes going to the new school. She explained in detail all the hazard conditions, and the narrow roads. Mr. Wall made a motion that the County accept the road from King Charles Circle and Axtell Drive intersection and around Circle, and also ask the Highway Commissioner to accept the road going into the School from Axtell Drive into the paving program along with the road to be paved from 17-A across Saw Mill branch to the Newington School. This motion seconded by Mr. Waggoner and carried by a majority. The motion approved on the contingency that Mr. Pratt furnish drain pipe for necessary road improvements. Also, Mr. Wall said he would have secretary write a letter to Mr. C. M. Padgett, and request that a manhole and drain be installed at the corner of Edisto Drive and Wannamaker and a pipe be laid that would connect the County ditch in that area. Council also want on record as requesting that, if and when a football stadium is built, the school district attempt to provide a buffer zone between it and the private property. The group also asked for a new road to be built into the school and Mr. Sweat said he would put this into the roads and bridges committee and ask that they get with the School District and see what could be done.
2. Mr. Lines - Group of concerned citizens. Mr. Lines defended his site for the Dorchester County Group Home. He said there was a lot of people that did not object to the home location but a majority of the ones opposing the location seemed to be at council meeting. They discussed it from every angle and also Mrs. Wilhoit, owner of the property. Mr. Wall motioned that County Council go on record that the Drug and Alcohol Abuse consider another location. Mr. Branton motioned this go to Board. Seconded by Mr. Branton. Six in favor of motion and Mr. Branton's amendment.
3. Mr. George Thomas & Mr. June Kizer - parking space. Mr. Thomas told about the difficult time they have to park at the school and said the situation needed to be worked out. Mr. Thomas suggested moving the coping back and making parking space. Mr. Kizer said a committee should go to the Trustees & School Board and see what could be worked out. Mr. Waggoner recommended that Mr. Sweat work this out.

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- Mr. Thomas was told by Mr. Cone that the power would not take care of the things used. Said the amps needed to be raised and it would cost about 3 or 4 hundred. Mr. Kizer motioned to put the necessary amps there. Mr. Rollins seconded. Carried.
4. Mr. Reich, E.M.S. -- told Council they had money for consultants. (National application Act #93154). They could provide a comprehensive system that would meet needs of Dorchester County. Said they were in hopes of getting money. Mr. Sweat said once this was approved they could better serve Dorchester County.
  5. The County Council openly interviewed Mr. Chris Bickley for the second time, for County Administrator. Council asked questions and also gave Mr. Bickley a chance to ask any he had.
  6. Hospital - Mr. Henley came up and told of the plans the Hospital Committee had made. Mr. Sweat made a motion the agencies that have the money, Health Dept.; Social Services; Alcohol & Drug Abuse; Town of Summerville; Dr. Lee, & Senior Citizens group, make plans to move in immediately. Mr. Canaday seconded. Council also said they would let the senior citizens use the freezer. Six in favor. Mr. Branton thanked Council and the committee for letting the County use the Hospital for services to the people. Mr. Sweat thanked Mr. Henley very much for his part.
  7. Mr. John F. (Jack) Wilbanks was interviewed for the second time, for County Administrator. Council asked questions and also gave Mr. Wilbanks a chance to ask any he had. After a full discussion Mr. Wilbanks was asked to leave the Council chambers for a walk around the Courthouse. The Council then went into executive session after which Mr. Wilbanks was called back, press and others and Mr. Sweat made the announcement that Council unanimously agreed to hire Mr. Wilbanks as County Administrator with a salary of \$18,000.00 provided he move to Dorchester County. Mr. Wilbanks accepted this. Council requested him to come on the 16th.
  8. Mr. Sweat told Council the gas pump at Sheriff's office was out of order. Mr. Branton recommended they let Mr. Sweat look into this.
  9. Mr. Sweat said they needed two tires for the backhoe. Council agreed to get them.
  10. Mr. Sweat said Mr. Limehouse requested 3 telephones in his office, and also informed Council that the Health Dept. needed a new refrigerator.

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11. Mr. Sweat informed Council that they needed to see about land for landfill. He said Virgil DeLee will sell 50 acres. Mr. Branton was asked by Mr. Sweat to check and see about the DeLee land and the other tract of land and come up with information next time.
12. Mr. Sweat informed Council of the two bills from Mr. Jack M. Crook, and Mr. Richard L. Platt, for their expense in coming to St. George to be interviewed. Council decided to write a letter and say they applied and should pay their own expense, and that the advertisement said nothing about paying the expenses. Mr. Wall made the motion for this to be done and Mr. Kizer seconded. All in favor.
13. Request for \$2,500.00 summer recreation money, St. George, S.C.  
Request for \$3,000.00 summer recreation money, Harleyville, S.C.  
Request for \$1,800.00 summer recreation money, Dixie Youth, Summiv.  
Council decided to postpone and wait until taxes start coming in, around Sept. or Oct.
14. Mr. Wall said the Legislative and inter-governmental committee was asked to get bids for mapping Dorchester County. They had a meeting with W. E. Gilbert's Associates and called Mr. Limehouse. They talked and came up with a request for bids. Mr. Wall moved that Council accept the request for bids and print in State, News & Courier and Charlotte Observer. Mr. Limehouse said this would speed up his operation. Mr. Hollins Edwards seconded. Four in favor.
15. Light bills - Mr. Sweat showed the light bills from Harleyville-Elementary School. One for \$68.27 and \$37.45--total of \$155.72. Mr. Waggoner motioned to pay and Mr. Rollins seconded. Carried.
16. Mr. Branton was concerned about the night spots in his district. Council agreed to ask Sheriff Carl Knight to attend the next Council meeting to discuss the possibility of revoking beer licenses of County night spots where trouble seems to be constantly erupting and which are a public nuisance.
17. Mr. Sweat showed Council a bill from Lucas & Stubs for \$3,267.00 for Architects fee for the Dor. County Libr. Mr. Branton motioned that it be paid out of the building fund account. Seconded by Mr. Wall. All in favor.
18. Mr. Sweat presented some other bills as follows:
  - Mr. Walter Limehouse - mileage to conference \$24.60
  - Mr. Walter Limehouse - use of truck to move Libr. - \$40.00  
(Council said hold until next time)

They had bills for cutting grass - School District #3 -\$25.00  
Ridgeville Sch. -\$25.00  
Harleyville Sch. -\$25.00

Mr. Waggoner motioned to pay, seconded by Mr. Branton. All in favor.



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Mr. Sweat said the Iron Kettle and the Sheriff's dieting of prisoners bill didn't get in on time. Amount \$83.58 for Iron Kettle and \$1,585.50 for dieting of prisoners at St. George Jail. Mr. Waggoner motioned to go ahead and pay.


Council decided that after the Association of County Officials meeting was this week they would go ahead and write checks for the persons to attend. They agreed on \$210.00 per person and said only one person from each office, a total number of nine. Mr. Sweat made the motion and Mr. Wall seconded. Carried.

Mr. Wall made a motion to have all the extra claims typed in before they sign to O. K. the claim list. All agreed and this amount is \$59,327.97.

19. --- The subject of whether it was O. K. by Council for the County to pay the County's portion for Mrs. Cindy Jackmon (Blue-Cross/Blue Shield) while she was on leave for five months was brought up again and they all agreed. Her substitute will not request any Blue-Cross/Blue-Shield.
- 20 --- Mr. Waggoner made a motion to go ahead and advertise a proposal that had been drawn up for some work done on the Old Summerville Hospital. They said advertise in the Summerville Journal and the Summerville Scene twice. Bids to come back in by first meeting in September.

Council adjourned at 6 o'clock.

Submitted by:

  
Lucille P. Kizer, Clerk  
Dorchester County Council

DORCHESTER COUNTY COUNCIL

St. George, Courtroom

August 16, 1976

7:30 p. m.

The regular meeting of the Dorchester County Council was held on August 16, 1976, at 7:30 p. m., in the Courtroom of the Courthouse. All members were present including Mr. John Wilbanks, the new Administrator.

7:30 - The invocation was given by Rev. Curtis Baker.

- I. - Mr. Sweat presented the new Administrator, Mr. John (Jack) Wilbanks. He made a few remarks.
2. - Mr. Mike Tongour - presented Council with a cooperation agreement concerning some 235 houses in Dorchester County. Said they have one 235 house outside of Ladson, 1022 Margaret Drive in a run down state, and wanted to fix up for rent. They would maintain it. Said the County of Dorchester was not getting anything from this house. They propose to rent this house for the amount they were paying, and they proposed to pay the County in lieu of taxes. This was discussed by Council. Mr. Branton said before Council makes a decision on this he would like to have it referred to the Legislative and Inter-governmental Committee. Mr. Sweat said they would put it in the committee and would contact him later if some decision was made.

10 minute recess.

3. Mr. Barry Lines & Rev. Richard Cushman - in re Group Home. Rev. Cushman presented to Council the information he had and passed out a report of the sites they had looked at to each Councilman. Said they had 1253 signatures of people in favor of locating on Golf Road and presented this as information to the Council. Also, an additional 53 letters of support in reference to the home, presented to the Council and Mr. Sweat received same. Mr. Sweat asked Mr. Bell, the County Attorney, to make a statement to the group, and County Council. Mr. Bell said they could amend the law but to add strings to the money appropriated he advised the Council that this would not be legally proper. Therefore, it is his opinion that in order to change any site it would be up to the concerned citizen's group to go to the persons that selected this site or persons in charge of accepting this site. However, several of the Councilmen disagreed with Mr. Bell's opinion and went on to hear all discussion, some from both sides of the issue. Then Mr. Branton made a motion that County Council go on record opposing the home at that site and send a letter to Gov. Jim Edwards, Dept. of Social Services, & Mr. Bently Lipscomb, Deputy Commissioner Bureau of Service Provision, Social Service, P. O. Box 1520, Columbia, S. C. 29202.

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Mr. Branton said he approved of the Group Home but they must find another site. The vote was three for the motion and four abstaining, a roll call vote as follows:

Opposing the site -- Mr. Branton; Mr. Wall; &  
Mr. Edwards.

Abstained from voting -- Mr. Canaday; Mr. Kizer;  
Mr. Waggoner; & Mr. Sweat.

Mr. Branton asked if Mr. Bell could determine the outcome of the vote. Mr. Bell said the motion opposed to the site had carried. This was challenged by Mr. Kizer and Mr. Canaday. Mr. Sweat then asked Mr. Bell to seek an opinion from the Attorney General's office. Mr. Bell agreed.

4. Mr. Bell said the Election Commission wanted to know if the Council wanted them to set up a new polling place. Mr. Bell said he had no idea what it would cost. Mr. Wall said a lot of people had to drive too far and he would like to see another place. Mr. Canaday said a maximum of six miles was as far as most people had to drive. Mr. Wall motioned that Dorchester County establish a new polling place in Delemars. Seconded by Mr. Branton. All in favor.
5. Mr. Branton asked that Mr. Wilbanks write a letter to Mr. Everett Knight asking if they can use King's Grant Country Club for a polling place.
6. Mr. Bell asked if he could put in bill for \$8,650.00 Attorney's fee and cost for the case Victoria DeLee for rezoning County Council districts. He wanted to do this so no extra funds would be added. Council agreed.
7. Mr. Edwards asked for Dr. Lee to come before Council. Dr. Lee discussed his fees and asked Council to reduce his rent from \$300.00 to \$200.00 for the first fiscal year. Mr. Edwards made a motion to reduce the rent to \$200.00. Mr. Kizer seconded. Carried.
8. Mr. Sweat read a letter to the Council from Mr. John Olandt, Health Official, saying he would recommend the State Health Dept. revoke the County permit on the present sanitary landfill site on grounds that trash was being burned in open trenches, garbage left uncovered, raw sewage dumped beside the access road, fly, and maggot population, and the lack of supervision on week ends. Mr. Waggoner said Mr. DeLee would let the County have 50 acres, \$25,000.00 now and \$25,000 later. Mr. Kizer made a motion to purchase the 50 acres from the DeLee's for the garbage disposal site. Seconded by Mr. Waggoner.

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8 cont'd. Mr. Branton motioned that we table Mr. Kizer's motion until committee can come up with a site.

Mr. Wall discussed a site he knew about for \$800.00 per acre. Site borders Highway. 75 acres.

Mr. Sweat called for the vote to table but there was only two for tabling and four opposed. So Mr. Branton's motion to table did not carry.

Mr. Kizer accepted Mr. Branton's amendment to see if the DeLee property would have Mr. Olandt's approval. They decided to let Mr. Wilbanks handle this. The vote 4 in favor of Kizer's motion & 2 opposed.

9. Mr. Sweat passed around a letter showing bills to be paid from the Hospital fund as follows:

Blue Cross/Bule Shield of S. C.  
Three separate check, overpayment  
for Sept. 30, 1974 -----\$1,891.00

Replace check that was returned  
when bank account in Summerville  
was closed-----\$ 446.00

Refund for Wilda Ammon (Overpayment)--- 33.00

Otto C. Laird, refund (Overpayment)---- 17.00

S. C. Electric & Gas Co.----- 71.33

Commissioners of Public Works----- 152.46

Council signed the authorization to pay these bills.

10. Library - Mr. Branton made a motion that if the piece of property could not be obtained from the School District #2 for a library site that a \$2,500 deposit be made on the land known as the "Anna Myers property." This site is near the Summerville Shopping Plaza. The price has been set at \$25,000. However, the county could use the fair market value of the land, estimated as high as \$100,000, to obtain matching federal money. Council will seek an out right grant of \$200,000. Seconded by Mr. Kizer. Four in favor and two opposed. Carried.

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11. Mr. Sweat said last meeting we had some request from the Summv. Dixie Youth, The Town of Harleyville, & the Town of St. George, for recreation. (Dixie Youth \$1,800.00; Town of Harleyville \$3,000.00, & St. George Town \$2,500.00) Council voted to still hold to minutes of last meeting and hold until Sept. or Oct.
12. Mr. Branton made a motion that the claim list be made for each person to sign and a place for the Administrator to sign also. All agreed.
13. Mr. Wilbanks asked for permission to go to a conference on Wed. & Thursday, August 18th & 19th. The meeting was about labor and he had already committed himself to go before he was appointed to the Administrator. Also asked for permission to buy a dictation machine. Mr. Branton motioned that Mr. Wilbanks be allowed to go to the meeting and also to buy a dictation machine. Mr. Wall seconded. All agreed.
14. Mr. Sweat asked if all claims were O. K. They were discussed. Mr. Canaday was against paying the Margaret M. Fleming because of the name change #7251, but this was discussed and finally agreed to go ahead and pay. Mr. Waggoner made a motion to pay the regular claims in the amount of \$14,692.70, seconded by Mr. Wall. Also, Mr. Waggoner made a motion to accept the Revenue Sharing for \$53,738.50, seconded by Mr. Wall. All in favor, So carried. The Council questioned the claim #7285, Berkeley-Dorchester Counties Economic Development Corp., \$10,032.60, as to whether it should be in Revenue Sharing. Mr. Henley said the Auditor's said it was O. K. to pay from Revenue Sharing as it was salary.
15. Mr. Sweat read a letter requesting extra help from Mr. H. J. Limehouse, because of the election coming up. Council thought Mrs. Inez McAlhany, could be shared, but recommended that the Administrator handle this.
16. Mr. Sweat requested the Bids and Purchase Committee get some bid specifications on a lawn mower and bring to next meeting to send out.
17. Mr. Sweat told council about the Parole Officer, Mr. Bennie Berry, who has been sick. He is retiring and asking that Council continue to give him his expense account until he retires. He is off on sick leave at present but is subject to call. Mr. Bennie will retire on Nov. 22, 1976. Mr. Kizer made a motion to continue until Nov. 22, 76 Mr. Waggoner seconded. All agreed.
18. The Clerk of Court is requesting about \$800.00 worth of stuff she needs for her office. Mr. Kizer recommended the Administrator drop down in Mrs. Carn's office and see what she needs and they would discuss it Thursday night.

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19. Mr. Sweat had a request from the Civil Preparedness in his budget he could buy a TV, one antenna, and scanning equipment. Mr. Kizer made the motion to go ahead and get it and Mr. Waggoner seconded. one oppose and five for.
20. Mr. Henley, Co. Treas., requested for extra help in his office, for the month of August 20 through Jan. 15, 1977. He said it would be \$6,750.00. This was discussed. Mr. Branton made a motion that Mr. Henley can get this help. Seconded by Mr. Kizer. Four in favor. Carried.
21. Mr. Sweat said the Tax Assessor needs another filing cabinet. Stuff that goes with it around \$500.00 worth so he can get the maps in it, etc.. Mr. Branton recommended that he get bids. Mr. Sweat said he had already got bids. Mr. Branton said authorize Mr. Wilbanks to give him the O. K. after he has bids, he then said he would put this in the form of a motion. All agreed. Mr. Sweat also brought up the claims of Tax Assessor for mileage to a conference for \$24.60 and use of his truck for moving the St. George Library to School house for \$40.00. Mr. Waggoner made a motion to pay. Mr. Kizer seconded. Mr. Wall made a motion that these be placed on the next month's claims. All in favor of the amendment.
22. Mr. Sweat asked if there was any corrections to minutes of last meeting. Mr. Branton motioned that they be accepted. Mr. Kizer seconded. All in favor.
23. Mr. Waggoner told Council about talking with Mr. Reich about the communications grant. Had a bid for G.E., Motorola, for one base station, three mobile units, and 100 foot antenna, which will be installed at the four hole swamp where the County owns the property down there. G. E. was the low, \$7,699.56. The grant was \$7,700.00. Mr. Waggoner said he would put this in the form of a motion. Seconded by Mr. Wall. All in favor. Mr. Waggoner said this was a 100% grant.
24. Mr. Sweat said they had for Mr. Jeter Metts \$600.00 for his travel but was not put in the right column in budget. Mr. Wall made a motion to put it in the right column and go ahead and pay him. Mr. Waggoner seconded. All in favor.
25. Mr. Sweat told Council about a request from Mr. George Thomas. He requested that his 10% raise be given to him since he was resigning. Mr. Kizer made a motion to transfer money out the contingent fund to Mr. Thomas' fund and give him the 10 per cent raise. Mr. Waggoner seconded. All in favor.


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26. Mr. Sweat said the Chairman of the Board of Registration was given a \$600.00 raise in expense but it was put in as salary and he is requesting it be put back in as expense. Mr. Branton motioned that it be changed. All agreed.
27. Mr. Branton requested that the Administrator write a letter to Mr. Austin and request a ~~salaries~~ <sup>time sale</sup> office in Summerville.
28. A request from the Summerville road department that they need a 22" saw, around \$280.00. Council decided that they should get bids.
29. Mr. Sweat brought up the subject of his salary. He said it was some confusion. Mr. Rollins said a motion was made that Mr. Sweat was to receive one-half of salary set up for the former Administrator which was \$19,050.00 until the present Administrator is hired.

12:20 a. m. Mr. Wall motioned to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted by:

  
Lucille P. Kizer, Clerk  
Dorchester County Council

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CLERK TO COUNCIL

## COUNTY COUNCIL OF DORCHESTER COUNTY

P. O. BOX 416

ST. GEORGE, SOUTH CAROLINA 29477

Dorchester County Council  
Special Meeting  
August 30, 1976

A special meeting of the Dorchester County Council was held August 30, 1976 at 7:30 P.M. at the Dorchester Vocational School. Present were Chairman Sweat and Council members Branton, Edwards, Waggoner and Wall.

The Administrator reported that he had been contacted by Mr. Jack Parks of Parks Ambulance Service in reference to the contract he holds with the County. This contract expires August 31, 1976. Mr. Parks expressed concern with the possibility of legal liability in providing service after that date without specific authorization from County Council. Upon motion of Councilman Edwards, seconded by Councilman Waggoner, the Administrator was authorized to notify Mr. Parks and Mr. Wamer that they were authorized to continue ambulance service on the same terms and conditions as provided for in the present contract for a period not to exceed thirty days. In addition, Council authorized payment of a \$45.00 fee for transporting bodies to Charleston for autopsies. This will avoid the necessity of utilizing an emergency vehicle for that purpose. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Wilbanks presented a report on the new landfill operation. A sketch of the area was prepared for Council and a brief description of preliminary work which would be necessary to get the landfill into operation. This included the making of a new plat of the area as well as marking the fifty acres to be purchased from Mr. Virgil DeLee. It will also be necessary to establish the center line of a right of way to Highway 78. In addition, various engineering and topographical studies will be required to obtain a permanent permit from the State Board of Health for operation of the landfill. Mr. Wilbanks and Councilman Waggoner reported that they had also met with Mr. Forbes who owns property adjacent to the present landfill and that he was agreeable to leasing the County one acre of land as a temporary site for a period of ninety days at a rate of \$1,000.00. This would allow preparation of the new landfill without curtailing operations at the present site. It was pointed out that the present site is operating under a variance; however, it is expected that Mr. Ohlandt will withdraw his objections to the present site if work has begun on the new landfill. After discussion and questions by several members of Council, it was moved by Councilman Waggoner, seconded by Councilman Edwards that the following actions be taken in the following order; (1) make the necessary arrangements with Mr. Forbes to lease the one acre adjacent to the present landfill site for temporary use at a price of \$1,000.00 for ninety days,



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(2) obtain an option from Virgil DeLee committing him to sell the fifty acres previously discussed to the County at a rate of \$1,000.00 per acre. This option is to contain stipulations that purchase by the County will be contingent upon acquisition of the necessary right of way easements for access to the fifty acres and that the sale will be contingent upon final approval by the State Board of Health as a landfill site. Said option is to be accompanied by a payment of \$1,000.00, not refundable, which will be applied to the purchase price in the event the option is exercised, (3) after obtaining the option from Mr. DeLee, the Administrator is authorized to have an engineer begin necessary work to plan the landfill layout for necessary roads and obtain a permanent permit from the State Board of Health. The cost of the engineering work is not to exceed \$4,800.00. This motion carried unanimously. There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

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DORCHESTER COUNTY COUNCIL  
St. George, Courthouse  
Sept. 7, 1976  
7:30 p. m.

The regular meeting of the Dorchester County Council was held on September 7, 1976, at 7:30 p. m., in the Grandjury room, St. George. All members were present including Mr. John Wilbanks, the Administrator.

- I. --- The invocation was given by Rev. J. R. Alewine, Pastor of Old St. George Baptist Church.
2. --- Minutes of the previous meeting and special meeting were approved except for a change in Item 27 to read "license sales" instead of "sales tax office."
3. --- Bobbie Richardson - request for a plat to be accepted. Mr. Richardson had to buy more land and increase his lot size and also a new road was made. He requested this new plat to be approved by Council so he could get it recorded and also requested the old one to be taken off the record. Mr. Don Canaday made a motion to accept the plat. Seconded by Mr. Waggoner. All in favor. Mr. Wilbanks to check with Clerk of Court.
4. --- Mr. Dick Bell -- appeared before Council to ask for some help to have a tax sale. Mr. Bell said he would need two other persons, for about four weeks, and would like to start as soon as possible. Mr. Sweat asked Mr. Bell if he could use some of the help in his office. He said yes if he could get them to do it. Mr. Branton recommended that Mr. Bell talk with some of the deputies and see if they can locate some of these people. Mr. Wall made a motion that Mr. Bell go through with this sale and Mr. Branton seconded. All in favor.
5. --- Committee Reports
  - A. Purchase and Bids Committee: Mr. Waggoner presented following bids on Hydromower:

Carolina Tractor Equip. -----	\$17,535.00
Yancey Brothers, Atlanta-----	\$17,935.00
  - B. Chain Saw

Shieder Sm. Engines, St. George-----	190.00 plus tax
(20 in. Mark 361)	
Westbury, Harleyville-----	179.96 " "
(Homelite X-L-12)	

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5. Committee reports continued:

Snapper Mow for Hospital and Courthouse

Five Horse power 26" cut-----	\$550.00
26" cut Electric start (5 horse power)-----	650.00
8 Horse power (30 in. cut)-----	775.00
8 Horse power without electric start-----	668.00
5 Horse power 26 in. cut with grasshoper-----	600.00
List on the grasshopper-----	84.50
Cutter with the grasshopper-----	50.00 more

Mr. Branton said the 8 horse power for \$668.00 should include the grasshopper. Mr. Kizer said it should be a good one. Mr. Sweat said the grass around the Hospital needed attention immediately.

Mr. Branton made a motion to accept the bid from Farmers Exchange, provided the furnish the grass bag attachment included. He said at this time it is not an extra and should be included. \$668.00 plus tax. Mr. Kizer seconded this motion. All in favor.

Mr. Don Canaday made a motion to table the bid for the hydromower until after the first of the calendar year. Mr. Branton seconded. All in favor.

Mr. Waggoner read bids on cleaning and washing of the Hospital.

1. McClure Painting & House washing-----	\$ 5,550.00
2. B. & R. Construction Co.-----	19,620.00
3. L. B. Vann Painting Interior & Ext.-----	6,470.00
4. Woodall's Painting & Cleaning Contractor-----	11,982.00
5. H. B. Jackson Painting-----	7,014.00

Mr. Waggoner made a motion to accept the McClure Painting and House Washing bid for \$5,550.00 and also money to be paid out

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5. -- Committee reports continued:

of the Coastal Plains fund. Seconded by Mr. Brantor, with an amendment that Administrator can get records, a favorable letter of some of his work, and a performance bond, etc., with a contract. All in favor.

Mr. Rollins brought up the fact that the Alcohol and Drug Abuse would like to have a letter to the effect that they would move in the Hospital for their space; and also Dr. Johnston needs a letter so he can get his funds. Some they say had already started preparing to move in.

Mr. Waggoner made a motion to get the XL-12 chain saw for \$179.96, Westbury's Hardware. Mr. Branton seconded. Mr. Kizer said he didn't know what it would do when they get it. He wasn't questioning the price but that it was so small he didn't know how it would do. Mr. Waggoner then decided to withdraw his motion. Mr. Waggoner was asked by Mr. Sweat to get bids on a bigger type for next meeting.

C. Legislative & Intergovernmental Committee:

Mr. Wall said they hadn't heard any more from the gentlemen that came to Council about the 235 houses. The committee has not met, and Mr. Wall said at this time they would like to wait until they hear from this man.

6. Custodian Position:

Mr. Sweat said he would like to turn this over to Mr. Wilbanks at this time. Mr. Wilbanks referred them to his memo and his recommendation that these duties be transferred to Mr. Allen Cone. He said he would continue with the same salary under the CETA program, and if these funds run out or was discontinued he could then pick up and be paid with the funds set up in budget for custodian. Mr. Wilbanks said the applicant, Mr. Raymond P. Thompson, of Dorchester, was qualified for the position and would be able to handle the job, but his recommendation would be to let Mr. Cone handle the job. Mr. Wilbanks also said the County had one opening for a clerical worker that must be filled or CETA funds will revert to the federal government. Mr. Branton recommended that Council go along with Mr. Wilbanks recommendation and that Mr. Cone be moved out of the Road Dept. and work through Mr. Wilbanks office. All agreed.

7. Landfill:..

At a special meeting the Council authorized the retaining of an Engineer. Mr. Wilbanks said Mr. George A. Z. Johnston had submitted a written bid of \$5,400.00 and had given a verbal bid of \$4,800.00 so Mr. Wilbanks called and asked why it had changed. He said it was

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7. Landfill continued:

because of the work for the easement out to the Highway but has agreed that if all that is required is to shoot the center line of the road he will do the entire project which includes the field survey and the maps and design of the landfill for the original price of \$4,800.00. Mr. Wilbanks said the other bid is for \$8,500.00 from Tom Bailey & Associates.

Mr. Wilbanks said the Forbes property had been worked out and there was a slight problem that Council had gone over on Mr. Forbes property and it might work out to be 1.7 acres. Mr. Wilbanks said we are talking about a price of somewhere between \$1600.00 and \$1900.00. Said he would have to give him a check tomorrow and get the lease signed. Said Mr. Forbes didn't want to chop it up irregular and he didn't blame him. Mr. Kizer made a motion that he get this lease, signed, and take the check with him. Mr. Waggoner seconded. Five in favor. One opposed.

8. Library Site:

Library site in Summerville - Mr. Branton motioned that County entertain the option and put in a request for Federal money on the "Anna Myer" property for a Library. Mr. Branton said he would like a request in as soon as possible for Federal funds. He wanted Council to sign a resolution to transfer \$2,500.00 from the County building fund for the option, which they did. This is for a period of one year. Mr. Branton made a motion that we adopt this resolution provided a stipulation for 12 months. Mr. Edwards seconded. Five in favor.

9. Request Dr. Richard Johnston:

Dr. Johnston requested two refrigerators for the Health Dept. Mr. Kizer made a motion to allow Dr. Johnston to purchase these two refrigerators at \$600.00, and the amount be taken out of the contingent fund. Four in favor and one opposed; one abstained.

10. Office Space rental:

Mr. Charles Mills of the Soil Conservation Service said his rental agreement needed to be renewed due to a change in their fiscal year. Mr. Kizer motioned to renew. Seconded by Mr. Waggoner seconded. Five in favor and one opposed. One abstained.

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11. Request by Mrs. Lamie for advertisement - This was turned down and Mr. Wilbanks was requested to write a letter and say we don't have funds.
12. Resolutions - Regional Planning Council. Council decided not to accept the resolutions at present time until they find out more information.
13. Discussion of Purchasing Policy - Mr. Wilbanks presented to Council a new purchasing system policy which he recommended. Council discussed this and Mr. Kizer made a motion to adopt the purchasing system for 90 days trial. Mr. Waggoner seconded. All in favor.
14. Administrative Briefing - Mr. Wilbanks asked for a date to be set for executive session for the purpose of an Administrative briefing on the Budget, which he felt he needed, and would also like to talk about personnel. Mr. Wall motioned for the meeting to be set at 7:30, Sept. 16, Dorchester County Vocational School.
15. Claim discussion - Mr. Don Canaday recommended that claims, 7225; 7490; and 7485, don't be paid unless it comes out of title XX. Seconded by Mr. Wall. All in favor. These were mileage for the Day Care at Fourhole to travel out of County & in. Mr. Sweat recommended these not to be paid, also. Several other claims were discussed, and some Mr. Wilbanks were to get more information from. The Council agreed to pay all claims but the ones listed above and 7464, Landmark Motor Inn, in the amount of \$60,567.23, (regular claims). Council also signed an agreement to pay \$23,394.28 from revenue sharing account and signed an agreement to transfer from revenue sharing account to the County ordinary.
16. Mr. Harry Limehouse came before Council requesting help for the Registration Office. It seemed that Mr. Wilbanks had already worked things out and the Council said he could hire another secretary on the CETA program and work things out for her to work where she is needed.
17. Mr. Don Canaday said he would like to go on record that the money set aside for the Group Home be left in budget and leave it to the discretion for the Alcohol & Drug Abuse Board to select site. He put this as a motion and Mr. Waggoner seconded. The vote on this was three in favor of Mr. Wall's motion to table and four opposed. A roll call vote was requested on Mr. Canaday's motion as follows: No -- Branton, Edwards, & Wall; Yes -- Canaday; Kizer; Sweat, & Waggoner. Mr. Canaday's

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17. Continued:

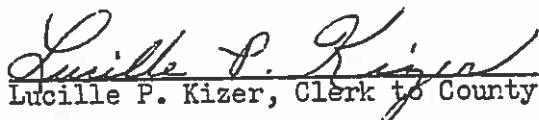
motion carried by a majority.

18. Council approved the following bills for Mr. Henley to pay from the Dorchester County Hospital funds:

Southern Bell T&T-----	\$57.41
Southern Bell T&T-----	10.66
Cindy Holland - refund-----	18.00
S.C. Electric & Gas-----	72.11
Commissioner of Public Work-----	140.66
Summerville Scene-----	7.50
Mrs. Luden Adams - refund-----	12.80
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	\$319.14

Council adjourned at 11:30 p. m.

Respectfully submitted by:

  
Lucille P. Kizer, Clerk to County Council

DORCHESTER COUNTY COUNCIL

TOWN HALL, SUMMERVILLE

Sept. 20, 1976

7:30 p. m.

The regular meeting of the Dorchester County Council was held on Sept. 20, 1976, at 7:30 p. m., Summerville Town Hall. All members except Councilman Kermit Kizer, who was ill, were present including Mr. John Wilbanks, the Administrator.

- I. The invocation was given by Rev. Gabalis, Pastor of Stallville United Methodist Church.
2. Mr. Sweat presented Mr. William Humphreys, Director of the Charleston Development Board. Mr. Humphreys said he wanted to give some information about what they planned to do so that they would understand what's going on and see if it will work if we come to you individually or the department heads. They want to increase the manufacturing investment and pay roll in our three counties. Frankly, he said they have been disturbed because they have a weak situation in respect to really usable workable industrial sites in Dorchester County. They decided they needed help and turned to Mr. Walter Harper, Consultant Engineer, to evaluate the site availability situation and the needs for more sites. Contract for \$3,500.00. Said they had a promise of a technical assistance grant but no money yet. He will try to find better ways of financing. He said it was a great disappointment when they lost National Water Lift. He said they would be working very close with Mr. Wilbanks.
3. Mr. Jim Bell presented a Resolution concerning the sale of Frigitemp Industrial Bonds. A preliminary Resolution regarding these bonds was discussed and agreed upon by Council previously. Mr. Bell said several others had been helped in this way. He read the following Resolution title: "Resolution in making certain determinations and findings prior to undertaking a proposed project to be financed through the issuance of Dorchester County Industrial Revenue Bonds, approving the undertaking of the project and the issuance of the Bonds and authorizing the filing of a petition to the State Budget and control Board of South Carolina seeking it's approval of the project and of the issuance of the Bonds." Mr. Bell left the Resolution with Council for them to study if they desire to do so. He asked Council to accept the Resolution and contents therein. Mr. Branton made a motion to accept the Resolution by topic only. Mr. Canaday seconded. All in favor. Mr. Bell asked for a public hearing in order to sell bond on the 18th of Oct., 7:00 p. m. at St. George Council Chambers. He said this was required by law according to Home rule Legislation. They have to have this in order to go ahead and advertise. Mr. Canaday made a motion for this public hearing and Mr. Wall seconded. All in favor.



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4. Mr. Branton asked Mr. Bell to write a letter to Attorney General and seek an opinion as to whether or not School District #II could use school funds to purchase right-o-ways and build road beds, & such. Mr. Bell said he was already apprized of this and would have an answer by Mon. or Tues. of next week.
5. Mr. Sweat asked Mr. Bobbie Bunch, former Councilman, to come forward and he then presented him with a plaque in behalf of his loyal service spent as a Councilman. (Jan. 1, 1971 to Dec. 31, 1974). Mr. Bunch said he appreciated this very much and he had enjoyed serving on Council. Mr. Bunch asked for about five minutes to tell the Council about the Carolina Trade Zone. He said they needed water. Commission of Public Works said they would pay 50% of cost. Cost of water line is about \$30,000.00. He had a letter from them agreeing to this extension of 14 in. line from existing main on U. S. 78 to entrance of Trade Zone. Mr. Bunch said they were hoping the County would pick up the other 50%. He said the taxes coming in should be \$15,000.00 per year.
6. Hospital Painting and Cleaning Contract. Mr. Wilbanks said he was scheduled to meet with McClure and possibly give him the contract, however, he found out through a meeting with officials of the Coastal Plains in the Governor's office that if they planned to do this out of the \$20,000.00 EDA grant that was received earlier this year it can't be done through a contractor. He said it would have to be done by the County hiring their own personnel, and doing the work themselves. Mr. Wilbanks said in light of that he thinks the cost could be covered in this manner. \$20,000.00 County already received, another \$20,000.00 to be received when work is 40% complete. Another \$10,000.00 when complete. Mr. Wilbanks recommended that County take advantage of these funds. He also said there was some work in St. George. He recommended advertising for a Project Superintendent and in turn will supervise the work. The work in St. George is a school building and some heat will have to be made available. Mr. Branton said he would like to meet with Mr. Wilbanks at the Hospital and the Hospital and see what can be done. Mr. Wilbanks said he had the time for the grant money extended today. Mr. Branton will set a date to meet at the Hospital.
7. Resolutions -- Regional Planning Council: These Resolutions were discussed by Council at the previous meeting and were not passed because of insufficient information. Mr. Wilbanks informed Council that these resolutions applied only to the appointed Representatives. He recommended the resolutions be accepted. Mr. Branton motioned that Resolutions be accepted and Mr. Wall seconded. All in favor.

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8. EMS Contract -- Mr. Sweat said Council needed to set a date to discuss this. Mr. Branton said he thought this should be put in the Social Services Committee. So Mr. Sweat said he would put this in the Social Service Committee and they could get in touch with Mr. Wilbanks and set a date and come up with some recommendations as soon as possible.
9. Discussion of suggested road to Newington School -- Mr. Wall read a letter to bring Council up to date on all meetings and proceedings about the road. Mr. Wall said road was already endorsed by School Board and Representatives and he motioned that Council endorse the concept of the new road to Newington School. Mr. Branton seconded. All in favor. Mr. Branton put up-to-date figures on the blackboard of the funds in School District II, which showed they would have the money. Mr. Branton also said he hoped the School District could fund the road. Mr. Wall motioned that Dorchester County Council provide the total cost of right-o-way and 1/3 of clearing the right-o-way to the access road to Newington. (estimated cost \$66,000.00 minimum; \$100,000.00 maximum). Mr. Sweat asked for a second. There was no second so the motion did not carry. Mr. Wall also wants to go on record that Dorchester County Council does not intend to foot the whole bill for this road. Mr. Branton motioned that Council ask School District II to meet Tues. night at Town Hall, 7:30, to discuss funds for road. Mr. Waggoner seconded. Mr. Branton said for Rep. John Smith, Mr. Henley, and local Trustees, and all Councilman to come. Mr. Waggoner seconded. In favor: Waggoner; Wall; Edwards; Branton, & Sweat.
10. Mr. Sweat turned the meeting over to Mr. Wall. Mr. Wall read a petition signed by all the residents on Woodland Drive (27) opposing their street to be used as an access road to Elementary School. Mr. Wall motioned to oppose any access through Woodland Drive or any other road in Subdivision. Mr. Branton seconded. Mr. Wall said there is other routes. He was also opposed to Edisto Drive. He said he wanted to go through the clay pit even if it cost \$200,000.00. Mr. Branton said he would go for the last street because it is cheaper near canal and only about two houses on this street. Cost of about \$90,000.00. Vote was one for and 4 opposed. Motion did not carry. Mr. Wall then motioned that Dorchester County Council go on record as opposing route down Woodland drive as the access route to Newington Elementary School. Mr. Branton seconded. Motion carried.
11. Claims - Mr. Sweat asked if there was any questions about the claims. Mr. Branton questioned the excessive use of gas in the Departments. He recommended that Mr. Wilbanks get Department heads to explain the gas bills and get mileage reports in. Some other claims were questioned. Mr. Wall motioned to pay the claims

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in the amount of \$39,774.92 with one held up for a check into in the amount of \$202.82. Revenue Sharing will be \$25,969.35 and County Ordinary \$13,805.57. Mr. Rollins seconded. All in favor. The claim held up may be paid later.

12. Mr. Wilbanks read a request for \$700.00 transfer from the Contingent fund to supplies in 102-84, for revenue records for computer. Mr. Wall motioned that funds be transferred from contingent to 102-84. Mr. Canaday seconded. All in favor.

Mr. Wilbanks said he had a number of request but the parties had no money in accounts as follows:

St. George Magistrate -- chair -- \$129.00  
& also an electric typewriter.

Clerk of Cts. office - books (plat) rebound  
& index books (8 at \$177.00 each (no funds budgeted)

Mr. Don Canaday made a motion that Administrator check and see which items are needed urgently and report back.

Mr. Sweat had a request from the road department in Summv. for pipe. Mr. Wall motioned for Mr. Wilbanks to order pipe. Mr. Waggoner seconded. Four in favor and one opposed.

Mr. Branton asked if a check could be made and see if Mr. Flemming was on County payroll on August 3. Council agreed to hold up claim until Mr. Wilbanks checks.

13. Request for space in Hospital - Youth Services. Mr. David Jordan, Regional Supervisor, Youth Service, -- requested space in the Hospital for status offenders and delinquent children within the Community. Said he could pay \$175.00 per month but County have to furnish utilities and would like to look to County for the heat. Requesting three rooms on side of Hwy. 17. Said they would hire a social worker and a clerical worker. Can do minor renovations. Mr. Jordan requested a lease agreement for 13 months. They will put a door in and request permission to rewire at their own expense. Mr. Canaday made a motion that County rent the three rooms to them and Mr. Branton seconded. All in favor. They said let them renovate.

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Mr. Branton motioned that Dr. Johnston be notified that the County will furnish space, water, and electricity, for the Health Department in the Old Hospital building. Mr. Don Canaday amended that the telephone bill be furnished not to exceed \$100.00. Mr. Rollins seconded. Mr. Branton accepted Mr. Canaday's amendment. All in favor.

Mr. Branton made a motion that all County Agencies that County pays rent for move in the Hospital by October 30, 1976 and no rent be paid after named Sheriff's sub office and Summerville Magistrate's office. Seconded by Mr. Edwards. Vote two for and three opposed.

Mr. Branton then motioned that the deadline to cut off rent be Dec. 1st. Mr. Rollins seconded. Three for and three opposed. Motion a tie and failed.

14. Minutes -- Mr. Canaday motioned that the Council accept the minutes of the Sept. 7th. meeting as read. All in favor.
15. Situation of Mrs. Way's salary. She was promised a raise when she changed positions but was never paid for some reason. Then the new budget set her salary at the increase and she was given a 10 per cent increase on that figure which really gave a greater increase than the rest. Sal. of \$5,700.00 was paid July and August., which is about a 19½ per cent increase. Mr. Branton made a motion that the salary be reduced to 10 per cent. Mr. Wall seconded. Three in favor and three against. The motion was a tie and did not carry.

Council adjourned at 10:45 p. m.

Respectfully submitted:

  
Lucille P. Kizer, Clerk

DORCHESTER COUNTY COUNCIL

Courthouse Grand Jury  
Room

Oct. 4, 1976

The regular meeting of the Dorchester County Council was held on Oct. 4th, at 10 o'clock, Grand Jury room. All members were present including Mr. John Wilbanks, the Administrator.

- I. The invocation was given by Rev. Bundy Bynum, Pastor of the St. George United Methodist Church.
2. Newington School Road - Mrs. Canant presented a resolution to County Council and gave it to Mr. Wally Wall. She read the following:

Resolution

Newington Plantation Estates Property Owners Association

This resolution is presented to Dorchester County Council to insure Council is aware of the Property owners' earnest and sincere desires concerning access to the Newington School property.

We request and expect our District #5 Councilman Wally Wall to represent us with vigor and purpose before Council in this all important issue. In addition, the entire member group of Council is petitioned to objectively review and act positively to resolve the traffic problem on a complete and permanent basis vice a fragmented or piecemeal fashion. The Property Owners specifically request:

- (1) Axtell Drive be restricted to walking and bike traffic to the property of Newington School. In essence, that area of Axtell Drive, traffic circle and school property be prohibited to vehicular traffic.
- (2) A primary access road to the school property from Bacons Bridge Road through the Poor Boys entry straight through the clay pits turning and following that basic area of frontage road for the new Sawmill Branch parkway connecting to the 17A access to the new school.
- (3) That in view of the time element we realize that another access to the School be also built. We would propose an alternate route to achieve that purpose. Without backing off from our basic primary choice of access, the alternate route, because of timing would connect the new school to Bacons Bridge via Holly Street and along the outer perimeter next to the Sawmill Branch drainage ditch. It is reemphasized that the connection between Holly Street and the school be that part of King Charles Circle which parallels Sawmill Branch drainage ditch. It is further resolved that this entrance way be considered as the primary entrance to the new housing development in the area of the new school.

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In summary, members of the Property Owners' Association take the position that monies purposed by Rep. Smith to finance an access road on the part of the State follow the Poor Boys entrance across the clay pit and along the future frontage road. This is our primary choice for expenditures of previously committed funds.

Sept. 26, 1976

Signed: B. J. Wallance, President  
Newington Plantation Estates  
Property Owners' Association"

The Property Owners Association wanted to request that County Council go on record as opposing Axtell Drive as a vehicular route to Newington School.

Mr. Branton recommended that Mr. Wilbanks set up a meeting at School with the trustees, Mr. McGill and officials, of school District II. This was agreed upon and they were to meet at 7:30 on Tuesday night, Oct. 5th. They called this meeting after receiving a letter that Assistant Attorney General Hardwick Stuart, Jr., had replied to County Attorney Jim Bell, in which he ruled that school trustees may purchase land for a road right-of-way to the school building.

Mr. Wall made a motion that Council go on record to oppose Axtell Drive as a vehicular route to Newington School site. Seconded by Mr. Branton. Mr. Branton made an amendment for a safety feasibility study from the State Highway be made before the road is chosen. Mr. Wall accepted this amendment. Vote was two opposed and three for so both motions carried.

Mr. Branton made a motion for Council to make a contribution of at least \$15,000.00 toward cost of putting road in provided the school district would furnish the rest. Mr. Wall seconded. The vote was two for and two against. So motion did not carry.

3. Mayor Kizer - appeared before Council to request the County furnish & install 40' of 18" concrete pipe for the extension of Ridge street, part in City limits of St. George and part in County. Mr. Canaday made a motion to grant the request for the two crossings. Mr. Branton seconded. Five in favor and one opposed. The motion carried.

4. Committee Reports.

- A. Public Works:

- Mr. Branton motioned that Council accept the preliminary Coastal Plains Budget proposed by Administrator and that Mr. Wilbanks go ahead with work under the grant. First, to be renovating Dorchester

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Hospital-exterior painting and essential repair; second furnishing heat to the old St. George Elementary School where some County offices are located; and last the Reevesville School, in order to move the Social services there. Mr. Waggoner seconded. Mr. Wall amended the motion that unless the Reevesville school is used no money be spent on Reevesville school from the grant. Mr. Branton accepted the amendment. Vote five in favor of motion.

B. Social Services:

EMS contract -- This was discussed in full, as the contracts were out. Mr. Edwards made a motion that the contracts be extended again until Dec. 31, by Dorchester County Council. Mr. Kizer seconded. Mr. Waggoner and Mr. Edwards of the Social Services committee said the extension was necessary until the committee could further study some of the costs involved in providing the service.

C. Bids & Purchases:

Mr. Waggoner, Chairman of the committee, opened bids from three firms bidding for excavating ditches at the landfill. Bids covered not less than 2000 yards of dirt with the price to be firm until June 31, 1977. The bids were as follows:

Tideland Utilities, Inc.,  
606 N. Magnolia, Summerville, S. C. ----- .30 per C. Y.

D. & W. Excavating  
Rt. 2, Box 24, St. George, S.C. ----- .35 per C. Y.

Banks Construction Co.  
P. O. Box 4426  
Charleston Heights, S.C. ----- .41 per C. Y.

Mr. Wall motioned to accept Tidelands' bid and his motion was seconded by Mr. Edwards. The motion was discussed. Mr. Kizer said he would like to amend the motion to buy equipment and have the County personnel do this work. Mr. Kizer said he would like to go on record as not necessarily having to accept the lowest bid all the time. Mr. Branton then amended Mr. Wall's motion to continue this motion and allow D. & W. Excavating to go ahead and dig another trench. Mr. Wall does not accept Mr. Branton's amendment. The vote was only two for so the motion didn't carry. Mr. Branton:

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C.-- Continued:

Branton then made a motion that Mr. Walters, of the D. & W. Excavating go ahead until Council could work something out. This carried.

Mr. Wilbanks said the Committee recommended the Council appoint W. E. Gilbert & Associates as the County Engineer. He had a letter outlining the proposal agreement which he read to Council about water and wastewater agreement, cost of \$1.00 per month as County Engineers. Mr. Wall motioned that Council authorize Mr. Wilbanks to contact the County Attorney to draw up a formal contract with this agreement and this contract be referred to Legislative, & Intergovernmental Committee and be presented to Council at the next meeting for their approval or disapproval. Mr. Branton discussed the need for action now instead of holding up his letter and felt as the Committee had recommended this appointment. Mr. Wall said he would go along with this temporarily until a contract could be put together. Mr. Wall withdrew his motion. Mr. Branton said the committee recommended the appointment of Mr. W. E. Gilbert & Co., Engineers, and accepts his letter as a temporary contract until such time as a formal contract can be put together by Mr. Bell and the County Administrator & at that time the contract be presented to the Legislative & Intergovernmental committee before it's presented to Council for official signing. Mr. Don Canaday seconded. All in favor.

5. Old Business:

1. Allocation of Hospital Space.

Mr. Branton made a motion that the Alcohol & Drug Abuse Commission move into the Hospital and County would provide water, electricity, rent free. Mr. Edwards seconded. motion carried.

Referred to the Hospital Committee a request from the Dorchester County Mental Health Department to move into five upstairs rooms in the old Hospital, thereby sharing the second floor with the Youth Services.

Mr. Branton made a motion that two rooms be authorized by Mr. Wilbanks to Mrs. Steel, and the County will provide water, lights, and basic telephone. (not to exceed beyond June 30, 1977) Mr. Canaday seconded. All in favor.



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5. Policy on future requests: This was discussed by Council and Mr. Waggoner made a motion that nobody else move in Hospital until they see what's left. Mr. Wall seconded. All in favor.
6. Mr. Wilbanks said the Alcohol & Drug Abuse requested \$7,000.00 of their funds. Mr. Branton recommended that this request be deferred until next time. All agreed.
7. Consideration of tax mapping proposals - Mr. Limehouse.  
  
Mr. Limehouse read the bids he had for tax mapping, and the Council discussed them. Mr. Limehouse recommended to hire 7 or 8 and let them do it themselves. Said when indexing is complete he'll need from 5 to 6. He also said it would take a minimum of three years to index. Mr. Branton said he thought they didn't have time to try to train people, and he thought it should be done by professional people, and also said he didn't want to wait three years for relief. Mr. Sweat suggested that the Legislative & Intergovernmental committee get with Mr. Limehouse and come back to Council. Mr. Limehouse was asked to come up with a three year budget. Get with committee and come back by next meeting. Mr. Limehouse to notify Mr. Wall when he had budget made.
8. Set dat for meeting to establish priorities. Date was set Thursday, October 14, at 7:30, Vocational School. Mr. Wilbanks to send reminder.
9. Mr. Branton said he wanted the Legislative & Intergovernmental committee to come up with a uniform policy on fees.
10. Mr. Branton said Mr. Bell was to get opinion on time clocks. He also said he thought Mr. Wilbanks had done a good job for the short time he's been here. Mr. Branton then put a motion on the floor for Mr. Wilbanks to go ahead and implement the time clocks and let him seek opinion from Attorney General. Mr. Wilbanks said he would implement and see how it works. Mr. Canaday seconded this motion. A roll call vote as follows:

Branton	-	in favor.	Sweat	-	against.
Canaday	-	in favor.	Waggoner	-	against.
Edwards	-	in favor.	Wall	-	against.
Kizer	-	in favor.			

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11. Mr. Branton made a motion to move the Summerville Magistrate in the Hospital as soon as possible and put him on the 1st. floor on account of his hearings, etc., Mr. Canaday seconded. Roll call vote as follows:

Branton	- in favor	Sweat	- against
Canaday	- in favor	Waggoner	- against
Edwards	- in favor	Wall	- against
Kizer	- in favor		

Mr. Branton made a motion to let the Sheriff move where he wants to for his sub-office. There was no second. Motion failed.

12. Teeth for prisoner. A Deputy had reported they had a prisoner with a lot of trouble with teeth. Council told Mr. Wilbanks to handle.
13. Bids on Baby Cribs. A Church placed a bid on 7 cribs at \$7.00 each. Mr. Sweat said the Social Service might have need for some. Mr. Sweat asked Mr. Wilbanks to see about them first.
14. Request for cleaning Gum Branch ditch. Mr. Canaday made a motion to put in Public Works Committee. All agreed.
15. Naming of road, that runs by Boonehill Church. Mr. Wall motioned that we let it be named Parsonage Avenue and send a letter to School Office, Post Office officials. Mr. Waggoner seconded. All in favor.
16. Request to establish a Community Services Advisory Board to be made up of one member from each district, with the member being recommended by the district council representative no later than November 1. Mr. Wall motioned that this new Board be set-up as requested and a chair person be elected. Mr. Branton seconded. Mr. Branton amended that the terms be termed with that persons term of office. All agreed. Mr. Sweat said he would like to have the people here by the next meeting and Mr. Wall added that the Administrator drop a line to the Chair person and he can notify others and keep them abreast of what's going on.
17. Pilot Life Insurance. Mr. Wall would like to have a meeting with the Administrator and members of the Legislative & Intergovernmental Committee. He presented a proposal of Pilot Life Insurance and showed that they could save \$5,000. for the County and some for the employees. Mr. Wall motioned that we send a letter to Tommie Salisbury requesting the agent to work up a record on insurance plan and bring to Council and they could either accept or reject. A life insurance of \$1,000. could be attached. Mr. Waggoner seconded. All in favor.

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18. Claims - The claim list was discussed by Council. Mr. Don Canaday made a motion to accept and pay all claims in the amount of \$41,754.89. (\$31,396.52 Revenue Sharing & \$10,358.37, regular County funds). All in favor.
19. Minutes - Mr. Canaday made a motion to accept the minutes of the Sept. 20th, 1976, meeting as written. Seconded by Mr. Wall. All in favor.
20. Mr. Wilbanks said he had a number of items not budgeted he wanted to find out what to do:
  1. Dor. County Board of Education - James A. Bell. charge of \$685.00. He had a letter that Mr. McGill said this procedure was necessary. Mr. McGill asked that County Council pay, \$685.00 to Mr. Bell for furnishing information to United States Justice Dept. Agreed to hold in abeyance.
  2. Request from St. George Area Recreation football for \$1,000.00. Mr. Don Canaday said refer Mr. Grady to him.
  3. Request for pipe, over a \$1,000.00. (Did not approve). Mr. Canaday made a motion if the price of cement pipe is the same or cheaper to use the cement pipe. All agreed.
  4. Health Dept. request for 3 boxes stationery & 6 boxes envelopes. No money for printing. No action taken.
  5. Mrs. Carn, Clerk of Court, needs seven, Session Docket books, at \$177.00 each. Voted to buy the least amount unless you had to buy seven to get a good price.

Council adjourned at 5:30 p. m.

Respectfully submitted:

BY: Lucille P. Kizer  
Lucille P. Kizer, Clerk  
Dorchester County Council

COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING

OCTOBER 18, 1976

SPECIAL

County Council held a special meeting at 7 p. m. with Mr. Jim Bell, County Attorney, in re: Frigitemp. All members present, & Mr. Wilbanks.

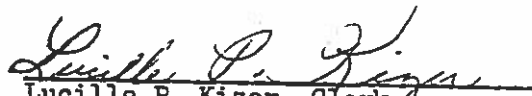
Mr. Bell said they advertised for a public hearing on bond issue for Frigitemp, which is a new Corporation in the Summerville area, so they could go ahead and build the building. Council approved all papers necessary in selling the bonds. Had the public hearing to see if anybody is opposed. Not seeing anybody present Mr. Bell said he respectfully request that the meeting be held open a few minutes.

Mr. Bell said he would recommend that Council allow Frigitemp to go ahead and get some more revenues.

Mr. Branton motioned that Council go ahead and allow Frigitemp to sell bonds and have necessary Revenue bonds prepared. Mr. Canaday seconded. All in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 7:20.

Respectfully submitted by:

  
Lucille P. Kizer, Clerk  
Dorchester County Council

DORCHESTER COUNTY COUNCIL

Courthouse Grand Jury

Room

Oct. 18, 1976

The regular meeting of the Dorchester County Council was held on October 18, at 7:30 p. m., Grand Jury room. All members were present including Mr. John Wilbanks, the Administrator.

1. The invocation was given by Rev. Richard Abel, Reevesville Baptist Church.
2. Minutes of previous meeting. Mr. Don Canaday made a motion to accept the minutes of Oct. 4, 1976 meeting as read. Seconded by Mr. Waggoner. All in favor.
3. Request for fire hose, Councilman Lee Felder, Reevesville. Mr. Harold Herndon was present in Mr. Felder's place as he was late getting to meeting. Mr. Herndon asked Mr. Canaday to present the request. Mr. Canaday said Reevesville had just developed a new fire dept. and put in a new shed. They have a truck and needs some equipment, a hose and other fire fighting equipment and needs \$2000.00.. This was discussed by Council members. Mr. Don Canaday recommended Council give this some studying and see if Council can come up with some funds for this the first of the year. Council accepted this request and said they would try to come up with something by Jan. Mr. Wilbanks asked if a State grant had been checked out and Mr. Herndon said they had but the town was too small.
4. Dr. Appleby - Feasibility study for the nursing home he is working on. Dr. Appleby said the study Council requested has been finished and it was at the printers now. Dr. Appleby said that the verbal recommends a 132 or 88 nursing home for Dorchester County. They believe a nursing home through borrowed money, F.H.A., or other source, would pay for itself. Because there has been a change in routine of obtaining a license to build a nursing home the present Comprehensive Health Care Groups have gone out of business and we now have to deal with the Health System Agencies. They have a meeting of their group coming up shortly. Dr. Appleby said he would like to apply for a letter of intend to build an 88 to 132 bed nursing home in Dorchester County so that we can use this feasibility study as an application study to that Agency. Mr. Canaday made a motion to send the letter of intent to the State. Mr. Waggoner seconded. All but one in favor.
5. Mrs. Chinnis in re: Newington School Access road. Mrs. Chinnis said she would like to thank Mr. Wilbanks for the copy of the letter to Congressman Davis regarding the request for Environmental and Economic impact statements on the Newington area. Said they would like to continue to be informed of the status and would appreciate copies of further correspondence. She also said they believe their need for a road has a much higher priority than Parsonage drive along side of

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5. Continued-- Boonehill Church and that she would like to go on record as opposing the removal of even one tree stump until something is done for them. Said they had worked hundred's of hours for something they feel was rightfully theirs in the first place. Mrs. Chinnis asked Mr. Wall why he made a motion for the Boonehill road to be built. Mr. Wall said the people from the Church approached him first because they were going to build a parsonage and needed a road. She asked where they stood and said they would like to be apprised of whatever developments took place on their road. She also requested that School District II pay for guards and not the County. Said they go on record as being opposed to County Council paying the School guards salary.
6. Mr. Sealey - Eastman Kodak Micro film for Clerk of Court's office. Mr. Sealey showed a Micro film of how the records in the Clerk of Court's office can be filmed and kept. Said a budget of \$5,000.00 can be cut to \$250.00, after purchase of machine. He also showed a picture screen. He recommended the use of the two units. Estimated life, 15 to 20 years. Cost for all equipment \$35,122.77. Mr. Sweat thanked Mr. Sealey for coming.
7. Caire Yellow Subdivision - This subdivision was discussed again and Mr. Wall motioned that Mr. Richard Sweat go out and check again. Mr. Branton seconded. All in favor.
8. Appointments of Community Advisory Board. The Council told Mr. Sweat they would have names by next meeting. Mr. Wilbanks said they could call him and let him put it in the memorandum. Mr. Wilbanks said he had a call about changing the name. Mr. Branton asked for the duties and responsibilities of this Board.
10. Mr. Wilbanks & the Public Works Committee met with Mr. W. E. Gilbert and committee recommended authorizing County Council through W. E. Gilbert & Associates, Inc. to make application for grant & name Dor. County as the grant applicant, and adopt Resolution. Mr. Branton motioned that Council accept committee recommendation and resolution. Seconded by Mr. Edwards. All in favor. Original Resolution, showing Step 1-A application for the Sewer System Evaluation Survey as an amendment to the Step 1 grant, and etc., is attached to original minutes.
11. Alcohol and Drug Abuse, request for \$7,000.00. Mr. Branton made a motion to grant the request if money can be found & also ask Mr. Lines to send Council a copy of their minutes and audit report. Council then decided to hold open until money was available.
12. Time Clocks - Mr. Branton asked why they had not been installed. Council discussed this. Mr. Branton motioned that County Council install time clocks in Courthouse, Jail, and the Road Departments as soon as possible. Seconded by Mr. Kizer, provided it be spelled

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12. continued:

out to Sheriff that it would not include him nor his deputies, and that they would be all at one time after they were purchased. Mr. Branton accepted the amendment. Four in favor as the rest did not vote. Mr. Sweat said it was same as unanimous as rest did not vote.

13. Time for Courthouse workers to put in. Mr. Canaday made a motion that Courthouse workers come to work at 8:30 and to knock off at 5, with one hour for lunch. Amendment by Mr. Branton that lunch hour be from eleven to two o'clock. All in favor but Mr. Kizer & Mr. Waggoner.
14. Financial report. Mr. Wilbanks said the fiscal year audit revealed the County in a deficit. He showed figures and Council discussed them. It was revealed that for the last two years the County spent more money than it took in. Mr. Wilbanks said even if County receives all of its anticipated revenues for the current fiscal year and sticks to it's budget it will have a \$305,000 deficit come June 30, 1977. Besides this the County has \$185,000.00 note outstanding on the Vocational School. Mr. Wilbanks said the County Council will have to do something about this situation. He also said the budget needed to be revised. Said they needed a contingency fund that really is a contingency. He also discussed the different things that should be done to work out a balanced budget. He said he would like permission to go through budget and amend it. Mr. Wall motioned that Council grant Mr. Wilbanks the authority of revising the budget so we can meet the necessary needs for the sale of the bonds. Mr. Kizer seconded motion. A majority voted in favor. One opposed.
15. Sale of bonds, Mr. Canaday motioned the 1st. reading of the Ordinance for sale of bonds be read by title only tonight. All agreed but one. Council agreed to meet this Wednesday night at 7:30 at the Vocational School for the second reading on the Ordinance to issue bonds on the Vocational School. Third reading to be Oct. 28th. at 10 o'clock for the Ordinance to issue the bonds.
16. Library site in Summerville -- Mr. Wilbanks said he was instructed to have Mr. Bell prepare option for the "Anna Myer" property. They have agreed to give option for one year. The \$2,500.00 would come out of the building fund. Mr. Wall motioned that Council reconsider vote on Library site. Mr. Kizer seconded. 3 in favor & 3 opposed, then Mr. Sweat, the Chairman, voted to reconsider, making 4 for. Mr. Wall then motioned that Council withhold the option of the "Anna Myer" property. There was no second. So original motion carried and still holds.

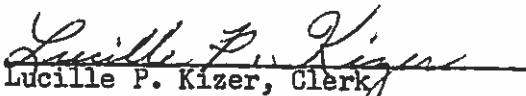
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17. Request for retarded children, Camp Joy. Mr. Wall motioned that the \$2000.00 that was put in the budget be forwarded. Mr. Edwards seconded. All in favor.
18. Mr. Henley requested that the Council give him authority for payment of bills from the Dorchester County Hospital that occur monthly. Such as telephone, water, bill and salary for the clerk that is working for the County, and electricity. Council approved this.
19. For the record Mr. W. S. Branton, Jr., gave Mr. Wilbanks a letter from Mr. W. S. Branton, Sr., stating W. S. Branton, Jr., has no interest in Branton Lumber Co.

Council adjourned at 10:35

Respectfully submitted by:

  
Lucille P. Kizer, Clerk  
Dorchester County Council



COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING

SPECIAL

Oct. 20, 1976

A Sepcial Meeting of Dorchester County Council was held at 7:30 p. m., October 20, 1976, at the Dorchester Vocational School. Present were Chairman Sweat and Councilmen Edwards, Kizer, Waggoner and Wall. Councilman Branton was absent and submitted a written proxy authorizing Councilman Edwards to cast his vote.

Mr. Waggoner moved that an ordinance authorizing issuance of up to \$400,000 General Obligation Bonds be given second reading. The motion was seconded by Mr. Wall. The motion carried with Councilmen Edwards, Waggoner, Wall and Sweat voting in favor and Mr. Kizer abstaining.

Mr. Wall moved, seconded by Mr. Waggoner, that the County authorize Dorchester Gas Co. to install six gas heaters (vented) in the old St. George Elementary School at a total cost of \$1,858.04. This motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted:

by:   
John F. Wilbanks, Acting Clerk

DORCHESTER COUNTY COUNCIL

Courthouse Grand Jury  
Room

Nov. 1, 1976

The regular meeting of the Dorchester County Council was held on November 1, at 10 a. m. Grand Jury Room. All members were present except Mr. Wallie Wall, Jr. and Mr. Rollins Edwards. Mr. John Wilbanks, the Administrator, was present.

1. The invocation was given by Rev. Eddie Fogle, Pastor of Memorial Baptist Church.
2. Minutes of previous meeting. MR. Don Canaday made a motion to accept the minutes of Oct. 18, 1976, as read. Seconded by Mr. Waggoner. All in favor.
3. Appointment of Community Services Advisory Board:
  1. Mr. Branton's District #7 - Mr. Reese M. Massey, Jr.  
208 Stratford Drive  
Summerville, S. C. 29483
  2. Mr. Kermit Kizer's District #2 - Mr. P. G. Bell  
Harleyville, S. C. 29448
4. Landfill report - Mr. Wilbanks brought the Council up to date on proceedings at the Landfill. He said there was only 45 days at the most left. Mr. Branton motioned that Council authorize Mr. Wilbanks to contact and get the man with the lowest bid to do work. Mr. Branton said continue on a per cu. yd. cost until such time as we get our own equipment.
5. Consolidated Road Shop Report - Mr Wilbanks said the cost of fencing the new place would be \$1,038.00 using County's labor. Mr. Branton said he thought they could use the post and fence from the old place and asked Mr. Wilbanks to look into it and he also said there was a little house. Mr. Wilbanks said the shed to be built would be about \$4,000.00. They want to get the Summerville road department off the rented property by 6th. of Dec.
6. Nursing Home Study - Mr. Ed Frye & Mr. Edgar Haire, Carolinas Hospital & Health Services: Mr. Frye and Mr. Haire came and explained the report they had sent in book form, and answered any questions

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Council had. They recommended the nursing home for the upper part of Dorchester County. He proposed an 88 bed long term facility be constructed in the upper part of the County. The estimated projected cost is 1.25 million. Mr. Hair said he felt that over a 40 year period the bonds would be retired. He said County could borrow at 3 per cent interest from Hill-Burton. Mr. Wilbanks said the letter of intent had been written. Mr. Kizer asked for the name of a nursing home that a County had built, as he would like to look at one. Mr. Haire said there was one 40 miles from Charlotte, N.C. Council agreed to ask representatives from Palmetto Lowcountry Health Systems Agency and the Department of Health & Environmental Control to attend the next Council meeting to discuss the proposal with them.

7. Briarwood Subdivision - Requested that their letter of credit be returned to them as all the work had been completed. Mr. Branton said the County Council should accept the roads, Mr. Branton motioned that bond be returned.

8. Mr. Sweat would like to make a request that we make some changes with the Subreview Board. Mr. Waggoner seconded. All in favor.

9 Revised budget. Mr. Branton motioned that we accept the revised budget by title only. Mr. Waggoner seconded. 4 in favor and 1 opposed. Council decided they would meet in a special meeting on the 9th. of Nov. at the Vocational School.

10. The Council signed a revenue sharing transfer of funds of \$26,893.90.

Mr. Branton motioned that 1 through 11-C be paid under Mr. Wilbanks discretion. Seconded by Mr. Waggoner. All in favor.

Mr. Don Canaday made a motion to pay Dieting of prisoners claim which had just been received out of Revenue Sharing. It is in the amount of \$1,445.50. Mr. Branton seconded. All in favor.

Mr. Wilbanks had a request for \$1000.00 for the Election Commission. (\$200.00 each.) Mr. Branton motioned to pay. Seconded by Mr. Canaday. All in favor.


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11. Mr. Branton recommended that County Council endorse Resolution of Berkeley-Char.,-Dorchester Council of Gov., which will assist Dorchester County in obtaining a Federal Grant from the Environmental Protection Agency for a sewer evaluation survey. The BCD Council of Governments shall be reimbursed by Dorchester County for any direct expenses it may incur as a result of this agreement. Mr. Branton motioned that this Resolution be signed and Mr. Canaday seconded. All in favor.
12. Autumn Company - Claire Yellow -- they requested approval but Council decided to get the County Administrator to write Mr. Jeffcoat and ask them to provide the County with a certification by a registered engineer indicating that the dam, causeway and associated drainage arrangements are constructed in conformity with generally accepted engineering practices and that the design and quality of this construction poses no hazard to adjacent owners.
13. Courthouse will be closed Nov. 2, for the General Election Day.

Adjourned at 12 o'clock.

Respectfully submitted by:

  
Lucille P. Kizer, Clerk  
Dorchester County Council

DORCHESTER COUNTY COUNCIL

Summerville, Town Hall

Nov. 15, 1976

The regular meeting of the Dorchester County Council was held on November 15, 1976, at 7:30 p. m. All members were present except Mr. Kermit Kizer, and Mr. Don Canaday. Mr. John Wilbanks, the Administrator, was present.

1. The invocation was given by Mr. Bill Branton, Jr.
2. Mr. Jeffcoat, in re: Caire Yelleau - Mr. Jeffcoat showed the Council a certification from a registered engineer, indicating that the dam, causeway and associated drainage pose no hazard to any of property owners. They discussed the situation and Mr. Waggoner made a motion to accept the plat for recording but not the roads. Mr. Edwards seconded. Mr. Branton said have written across the face of the plat that the roads were not accepted for County maintenance, drainage, etc. All voted in favor of this.
3. Mr. Quattlebaum: request for water line extension to trade zone. Mr. Quattlebaum appeared before Council with a request that Council pay a portion of the cost of extending a water line to the Carolina Trade Zone. He said he had bids on the cost and it would be around \$30,000.00 and was asking for County to pay half. Mr. Branton said this should be put in the Public Works Committee, and also if Mr. Quattlebaum, and the Water Commissioners could meet with them. Said for Mr. Wilbanks to set the date and take care of this. Mr. Quattlebaum said time is very important as they have to be in by the 1st. of year.
4. Dr. Appleby and Mr. Bowers, of the Palmetto Lowcountry HSA, and a representative from the State Department of Health and Environmental Control. They discussed and advised Council on the next step to be taken in securing establishment of a nursing home in the St. George area. They said by 1981 the projected need for Dorchester County would be 188 beds. 851 for Trident Area, by 1981. Mr. Branton said he did not think that any thing should be done to stop the Care Inn from moving on. Dr. Appleby seemed to think that the one in St. George should be built first, and seemed to think the need for both wasn't there at this time 1976 but would be by 1981. Mr. Frank Lundy, an architect, out of Columbia, told the Council about the feasibility of the nursing home and said he would establish an economic feasibility study and propose what should be built and how it should be financed, and give Council a report back at no additional cost to the County. Mr. Lundy said in conversation with Frank Elliott, the Director of Farmers Home Adm. in Washington, D. C., he found they have financed nursing homes in the State already and they have funds they would like to loan for a nursing home. Said it would be low interest, long term

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pay back. Mr. Waggoner made a motion for Mr. Lundy to make the study and report back to Council on the next meeting (Dec. 6th.) in St. George. Mr. Branton seconded. All in favor.

5. Mr. Wilbanks reported that Joe Wamer wrecked his ambulance Friday night, and has no authorized vehicle, using what he has available. Said he would get back with Mr. Wilbanks and let him know when he gets it fixed up. Mr. Edwards asked if Mr. Wilbanks could get the meeting set up for the discussions with the EMS about the contract with the County for another year. Mr. Wilbanks said he would set up a date for meeting, but he thought Monday night Nov. 22 would be O. K.

6. Request for Encroachment, Kings Grant. Mr. Wilbanks received a request from Mrs. May Watson through her Attorney, Mr. John M. Bleeker, Jr., of Charleston to grant permission to encroach on an easement in the Kings Grant area. After purchasing her home in Kings Grant, Mrs. Watson learned that the chimney and rear steps steps of her residence encroached some two to three feet on a public easement which had been established at the time Kings Grant was developed. She requested Council to adopt a resolution which will abandon that two to three feet presently encroached upon in order to allow her to sell her property. Mr. Branton motioned that Council accept the resolution. Mr. Wall seconded. All agreed.

7. Mr. Wall said he had a name to be representative in his district for the Advisory Board (Community Service). Mrs. Beatrice J. Watson  
Bacon's Bridge Road  
Summerville, S.C. 29483

He also requested the Council to accept the following as duties and responsibilities of the Community Service Advisory Board:

"Purpose of this board to investigate programs of Dorchester County and report all information and price to councilman in their respective districts and monitor the program so that accountability can be shown as well as the area of service. This Board, however, will not in any way have a decision making power."

Mr. Wall motioned that Council adopt this as the responsibilities of the Community Service Advisory Board. Council said they thought the Advisory Committee would go along with this. Mr. Wall recommended that Mr. Wilbanks draft a letter to members of the Committee. Mr. Wilbanks said he would prefer to wait until they are all named.

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Mr. Edwards said he was ready to name his representative from his district: Mrs. Alice Tucker  
Bryant Street  
Summerville, S. C. - 29483

8. Budget Report: Second reading of budget.  
Mr. Wilbanks discussed the budget in its second reading and said he sees no way Dorchester County can balance this year to eliminate a \$143,000.00 deficit it had at the beginning of July. He had trimmed almost \$100,000.00 but still expects a deficit of about \$109,000.00, June 30, 1977. Mr. Branton said he would like to see Council look for additional places to cut. The Council and Mr. Wilbanks decided to have a special meeting to go over the budget again and get it ready for public hearing and third reading on first Monday. Mr. Branton made a motion to accept second reading. Mr. Wall seconded. All in favor but one.
9. Minutes of previous meeting, Nov. 1, 1976. Mr. Waggoner made a motion to accept the minutes as read. Seconded by Mr. Wall. All in favor.
10. Authorization to advertise for Engineer Proposals (201-208).  
Mr. Branton motioned to authorize Mr. Wilbanks to go ahead and advertise for Engineer proposals. Seconded by Mr. Wall. All in favor.
11. Mr. Wilbanks informed Council that Mayor Kizer would like a letter endorsing their project, water & sewer. Mr. Branton motioned that if it is resolved between this project and the Reevesville project to send letter that County endorses it. Mr. Wall seconded. All in favor. Mr. Wilbanks to see Mr. Gene Dukes, Attorney for both.
12. Mr. Wall motioned that Council authorize Mr. Wilbanks to proceed with building the maintenance shed for the Road Dept. at the fork of road where they are to be combined. Mr. Waggoner seconded. This was then discussed at length by Council. Mr. Branton wanted to know where the money was coming from. Mr. Wall said first of all it was a special call meeting to discuss budget when the motion was made to wait. He said they would have better control and would save money. The estimate to finish was given at \$7,978.00. (The motion carried three to one.)

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13. Request to abandon road - Mrs. Henry Branton: This was discussed at length. The question was, if the County Council had the authority and the repercussions. Mr. Wall motioned that we send Mrs. Branton a letter to contact her Attorney and bring all information and necessary legal resolutions to Council and also get Mr. Bell to say if it's legal. Three for and one oppose.
14. Request for filing cabinet, Clerk of Court's office: Mrs. Carn does not have this in the budget, and the cost will be \$100.00 or a little over. Mr. Wall motioned that Council purchase this cabinet for Mrs. Carn if the amount is not over \$101.00. Seconded by Mr. Waggoner. All in favor.
15. Request for membership dues - Four Hole Indian Organization: Chief Davidson wanted to get the sum of \$616.00 for his Indian Organization. Council said they wanted the Chief to meet with them at the next meeting.
16. Nursing Homes: Mr. Branton said based on information of Mr. Bowman and Mr. McNeeley, he wanted to make the motion that a letter be sent to the Dept. of Health & Environmental Control requesting that a certificate of need be granted the nursing home in Summerville, Care Inn, and we endorse the concept of a nursing home in St. George area. Mr. Wall seconded. Three for and one oppose.
17. Resolution: Mr. Branton motioned to adopt the resolution and give W. E. Gilbert & Associates, under the Regional Planning Council, the go ahead to get the six projects going. Mr. Wall seconded. All in favor. (water lines, water tank, two libraries, road shop)
18. Request - Westoe Plantation Land Co., wanted Council approval for them to pave Westoe Drive and Westo Parkway. Mr. Wall motioned Council grant the request and let them pave according to specifications of the Hwy. Dept. Mr. Waggoner seconded. Three voted for and one voted present. Mr. Wall motioned to accept the plat as shown, first 49 lots, (lands of Dr. G. S. Way, Jr., Westoe Country Club) Seconded by Mr. Waggoner. Three in favor and one voted present.
19. Town of Summerville wants a letter to say that they have permission to move Summerville Hospital and say if they are going to guaranteed to stay a certain length of time. Council decided Mr. Wilbanks and Mr. Blackwell get together and work out a time.



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20. Mr. Branton introduced Mr. Doug Kelsie from Jamison Terrace to County Council.
21. Mr. Wall motioned that Council authorize Mr. Wilbanks to bring forth the necessary information about the Simmons property. He said Mr. Simmons had 72 acres of land to sell, and would sell it to the County for a landfill (\$60,000.00 - \$10,000.00 down (Jan. 3, 1977) and \$10,000.00 per year for five years with 8% interest per year.) The property was discussed by Council.

Mr. Wilbanks said in the next 10 days they would run out of option on the DeLee property. Mr. Wilbanks said he could probably get the information in two or three days. Would have it before next meeting. Three for and two against.

Adjourned at 10:40 p. m.

Respectfully submitted by:

  
Lucille P. Kizer, Clerk  
Dorchester County Council

DORCHESTER COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING  
Grand Jury Room  
St. George, S. C.  
Dec. 6, 1976

The regular meeting of the Dorchester County Council was held on December 6, 1976, at 10 a. m. All members were present. Mr. John Wilbanks, the Administrator, was present.

- I. The invocation was given by Rev. John Mitchell, Pastor, of Calvery Baptist Church, Pregnall.
2. Public Hearing - Budget Revisions:
  - (1) Sheriff Knight - Mr. Knight requested the Council to restore the amount cut from his budget as this was for the purchase of three new vehicles needed to replace a 1971 Chevrolet with 143,000 miles on the speedometer and two 1973 Chevrolets with 123,000 and 143,000 miles. Mr. Knight's cut was for \$10,469.00.
  - (2) Mr. Gary Banks, Summerville Parks and Playgrounds Commissioner, appeared before Council and asked that their cut be restored as they had obtained a 20 year lease for 7.1 acres of land for \$1.00 with the assumption they would have the County money that had been appropriated, and said if County cuts their money they will lose the BOR funds. Said they desperately needed the remaining \$6,000.00.
  - (3) Berkeley-Dorchester Economic Development Corporation, Director, Mr. Thomas Myers, and Board member, Ardie Brown, appeared before Council and requested that their agency not be cut. Said they would have to terminate an employee and that the salaries would be cut for others. He said they had received \$7,374.00 and had anticipated receiving the balance. He said if they could get \$8,626.00 no one would be affected then at all.
  - (4) Mrs. Mary Kirby, Director Social Services: Mrs. Kirby came before Council to ask if they had funds to renovate the Reevesville School building, and if not to let her stay where she is until June 30th, 1977. They discussed this, and it was decided that she and Mr. Wilbanks will look and see what needs to be done.

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2. Public Hearing cont'd:

- (5) Mr. William Harbeson, a Harleyville resident, who said he was "from the taxpayers." Mr. Harbeson asked Council to tax the people for what they needed in order to give service to the county, or go out and borrow the money.
- (6) Mrs. Virginia Norred, Auditor, appeared before Council to complain about the pay raises. Said some had gotten more than a 10 per cent. She felt her office didn't get as much as others, and that some of the offices had more than one on the top scale.
- (7) Dorchester County Alcohol and Drug Abuse Commission, Director Barry Lines, said that if his department received the \$6,500 cut proposed, the ASAP program would have to be cut and also the outpatient program. He requested the money restored.

Mr. Wilbur Sweat, Chairman, then declared the Public hearing on the budget closed.

3. Minutes of previous meeting, Nov. 15, 1976, Mr. Wall corrected the word price to advice on page 2. All other minutes were approved as read.
4. Scheduled Appearances:
  - (A) Water Authority, Mr. Frank Berry and Mr. Freddie Zeigler. They requested permission from County Council to add the word "sewer" to their title of "Dorchester County Water Authority". Mr. Zeigler said they would be in line to get more Federal funding later if this was done and that they already had a grant from the State. Mr. J. Don Canaday made a motion that Council change the name of Dorchester County Water Authority to Dorchester County Water and Sewer Authority. This was discussed and Mr. Branton said he didn't know if Dorchester should get in the water & sewer business. Mr. Canaday withdrew his motion to put in Intergovernmental committee provided that they would have it worked out by next meeting. Mr. Branton said they should get together with the engineers.
  - (B) Chief Robert Davidson, Membership dues: Mr. Wilbanks said the requested \$616.00 was included in the budget. He said it was about \$600.00 more than necessary to satisfy provisions under the grant. Mr. Davidson said there was a road problem.

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- (B) He said on one side there was no ditch and water lays up in trench made by road plow and across the road. Mr. Waggoner said he would take care of it as it is in his area.
- (C) Mr. E. G. Maxey said the road going into some river property he had needed to be worked up, and he requested road grader for a day and half to work it up. Mr. Don Canaday made a motion that the County do this when Mr. Maxey get the right-o-way deeded to the County and at the convenience of the road Dept. Mr. Waggoner seconded. All in favor.
- (D) Mr. Lundy, Nursing Home request. Council had requested Mr. Lundy give Council a follow-up about the proposed nursing home, especially the economic feasibility of establishing a nursing home in the St. George area. Mr. Lundy said the proposed 15,000 sq. foot, 88 bed facility would cost an estimated \$1 $\frac{1}{2}$  million, plus whatever land costs would be involved. Mr. Lundy said the Farmers Home Administration would be willing to work with the County to make a long-term low-interest loan through the sale of general obligation bonds. Mr. Lundy introduced Mr. William Duffy, Administrator of Forest Hill Nursing Home in Columbia and he spoke to Council. Dr. Appleby also came in on the discussion. Mr. Lundy and Mr. Duffy felt such an operation would make a profit that would retire the debt. Mr. Branton and Mr. Wall both felt that taking on this obligation might become a burden to the taxpayers of the County. Mr. Sweat said he thought it boiled down to whether Dorchester County wants to get in the nursing Home business. Dr. Appleby said he would like to see County do it. Mr. Sweat asked what happens if it doesn't. Mr. Branton said if this is justified and it is a priority lets go but until we determine what do we do? Mr. Kizer said he put this ahead of the playing. Mr. Don Canaday made a motion to go ahead with plans for the nursing home and go through the Farmers Home Administration to build a nursing home in upper Dorchester County. Mr. Waggoner seconded. The motion was discussed at length. Mr. Wall

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4. Scheduled Appearances cont'd.

- (D) said he thought Dorchester Council should try to get private enterprize in this. The vote was a tie. Three for and three against and one didn't vote. Mr. Kizer said appoint one day to go Bamberg and see theirs and also the records. Mr. Sweat agreed and said this should be put on a priority list and something done. Mr. Wilbanks to call to Bamberg and make a date to visit in about a week. Mr. Branton wanted to get Dr. Way to discuss medicaid program and the reason he closed his nursing home. Council agreed to this and will take this matter up again after the visit to the Bamberg Nursing Home and the discussions with Dr. Way.

5. Committee Reports:

(A) Social Services: EMS Contracts: New Vehicle.

Mr. Reich talked to Council and explained the Low Country EMS goals and functions. Said he would like the County Council to appoint a staff along with Mr. Wilbanks. Can furnish application. Adhock EMS Committee. He said it would be a 13 County connection. Mr. Kizer said he would like to look into this matter further. This was referred to the Social Service Committee. Mr. Wilbanks asked if County wanted him to go ahead and get the second vehicle. Said it was a new form to fill out and would be 100% grant up to \$16,000.00. Mr. Canaday made a motion to buy the new ambulance. Seconded by Mr. Edwards. All in favor.

The Social Services Committee recommended that they send out bids for the EMS, County ambulance service, and take repairs part out. Mr. Kizer recommended to go along with the committee recommendations. This was discussed by all. Mr. Branton said go along with local vendors until June 30, 1977. Mr. Sweat then recommended that committee go back and renegotiate until fiscal year 77. Mr. Edwards then motioned that Mr. Wilbanks write a letter to the vendors and ask if they will continue until June 30, 77. Mr. Kizer seconded. All in favor but Mr. Wall. Mr. Waggoner was asked to draw up invitations to bids and bring back to Council.

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6. Old Business:

- (A) Approval of terms for Hospital space, by Town of Summerville. Mr. Wilbanks informed Council that Mr. Blackwell indicates that the total capital investment by the town of Summerville is expected to be in the neighborhood of \$25,000.00. It is suggested that Council consider authorizing the town of Summerville to use space for a period of not less than seven years. The Council discussed all the agreements and a motion by Mr. Waggoner to accept the quoted terms from Mr. Wilbanks report. Mr. Wall seconded. All in favor.
- (B) Approval of Engineering Agreements-Public works Bill. Mr. Wilbanks said the applications which were sent in under the Public Works and Employment Act (Jobs Bill) for the two libraries, road shop and water line extensions require the inclusion of an engineering agreement. Mr. Branton motioned to pass a resolution that Council retain W. E. Gilbert to do the engineering work. Seconded by Mr. Edwards. All in favor but one.
- (C) Final Reading & Adoption of Revised Budget. Mr. Branton motioned that Council accept this budget as printed with a grant total of \$2, 075,502.00. Mr. Canaday seconded. Mr. Branton said it was a mistake to put back funds requested.

Mr. Wall motioned to amend Section 501, Law Enforcement, Sheriff's Dept., item 53 - Capital outlay, instead of cutting the \$10,439.00 he would vote to restore it.

Mr. Wall also motioned that in Section 803, Berkeley-Dorchester Economic Development Corporation, that \$8,626.00 be restored to them.

Mr. Wall also motioned that in Section 803, item 103, Alcohol & Drug Abuse, the \$6,500.00 be restored to them.

Mr. Wall also motioned that in section 114, item 900, Soil Conservation, that the \$5,000.00 be restored to them.

These amendments were discussed by Council. Mr. Kizer said he couldn't see putting some back unless it's put back to all. He also wanted to know where the money would come from. Mr. Wall discussed different ways to get the money. Mr. Branton said Mr. Wall was asking the County to swallow a bitter pill later on in June. Mr. Branton then motioned to table the amendments as proposed here today, and pass the budget. Mr.

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6. Old Business:

- (C) Don Canaday seconded the table motion. Four in favor of tabling and one oppose.

Mr. Wilbanks read Section 3: No amendment to this Ordinance shall be enacted except in accordance with the provisions of Act 283 of the S. C. General Assembly (1975); provided however, that changes which do not effect the total appropriations contained herein may be made in accordance with the provisions of Section 4 of this Ordinance.

Also Section 4: The County Council of Dorchester County shall have authority to transfer appropriations from one budget category to another or from the contingency fund to a particular departmental line item by Resolution, provided that in order to become effective such resolution must receive the affirmative vote of not less than four members of Council at a regularly scheduled meeting; provided further, that the County Administrator is authorized to transfer appropriations from one line item to another within a departmental appropriation, provided such transfer by the County Administrator does not change the total appropriation for that department.

Mr. Branton said it should have five members and in no case less than a majority. This was discussed. Mr. Branton then motioned to amend Section 4, to five affirmative votes instead of four, in a change of money from one department to another. Mr. Edwards seconded. Four in favor and two opposed.

All in favor of budget of \$2,075,002.00. Four for and two oppose.

- (D) Option on 50 acres of land from DeLee and approval of landfill operations: Mr. Wilbanks said the option to close by Wednesday. Total of \$19,500.00 at closing; \$15,000.00 a year later; \$15,000.00 year after that; \$500.00 paid for option. A total of \$50,000.00 Mr. Wilbanks said the road dept. had done an excellent job of getting a road in there and will have a gate out by Virgil's house. He said they would need signs with hours of operation, dates to be closed for holidays. Mr. Kizer made the motion to get the necessary papers and exercise this option. Mr. Waggoner seconded. All in favor.

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7. New Business:

- (A) Receipt of Engineering Proposals:  
Mr. Wilbanks said he had Engineering Proposals in his office. He gave Council a list of 12. He said Council should choose at least three. This was put in Mr. Branton's Committee, Public Works and Property.
- (B) Insurance Proposal - their plan as to our plan, Blue-Cross/Blue Shield. Mr. Sweat referred to Purchase & bids committee but Mr. Wilbanks to get some more information.
- (C) Equipment Proposal: A plan whereby (Jeff-Hunt) would buy all the County's heavy equipment and then lease new equipment back to County and furnish all maintenance on said equipment. The Jeff-Hunt representative wants to know if he can bid on this. This was put in the Purchase & Bids Committee and Mr. Waggoner to look into this.
- (D) Revenue Sharing Anticipation note: Mr. Wilbanks said they needed to pay out almost \$20,000.00 on DeLee property, had payroll and claims listed in back of folder. It would have to be a tax anticipation note or Revenue Sharing Anticipation note. County needed money for cash flow. Mr. Henley recommended we go to bank and float a note due Jan. 15, said Bank in Summer-ville will loan at  $\frac{3}{2}$  per cent. This was discussed and decided Council would have to go by the Resolution and Ordinance or it would not be legal. Mr. Wall then made the following motion for Council to accept:

An Ordinance

Making provision for the borrowing by Dorchester County of the sum of One Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (150,000) in Anticipation of the receipt of Federal Revenue Sharing Funds.

Mr. Wall also asked Council to accept the following Resolution:

A Resolution

Fixing the time and place for a public hearing to be held in connection with an Ordinance Making Provision for the Issuance of \$150,000 Grant Anticipation General Obligation Notes of Dorchester County and to Prescribe the Form of Notice to be Published.



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7. (D) Continued:

Mr. Wall motioned that the ordinance be accepted as 1st. reading today and Monday, Dec. 13th, at the Vocational School, 7:30, be set for the second reading, and Dec. 20th, be set for the public hearing and third and final reading of both ordinances and resolution. Mr. Don Canaday seconded. All in favor.

Mr. Wall motioned that Council authorize Dorchester County Treasurer to issue \$150,000.00 tax anticipation note--upon receipt of Federal Revenue funds. Mr. Branton seconded. All in favor.

(E) Mr. Wilbanks requested Council to set special meeting on priorities. Council said they could do this at the meeting of the 13th at Vocational School.

(F) Approval of Claims: Mr. Wall motioned that Council accept the Revenue Sharing claims in the amount of \$18,092.51. Mr. Branton seconded. 4 in favor.

Mr. Branton motioned to pay the claim list, County Ordinary, number 1 through 3, in the amount of \$2,314.42. Mr. Wall seconded. All in favor.

Mr. Wall motioned that the County Ordinary Claims list plus the Retirements and others listed below be accepted in the amount of \$45,978.84. Mr. Canaday seconded. All in favor.

Mr. Sweat wanted to know the total amount paid the Auditors. Mr. Branton motioned that Council withhold the payment of claim for Auditors until later. All agreed.

Mr. Branton motioned that we pay items 2 through 7, \$13,314.42, on list of Federal Revenue Sharing claims. Seconded by Mr. Waggoner. All in favor.

8. Council decided to give Thursday, Dec. 23, and 24th, for Christmas holidays and Friday, Dec. 31st. for New Years Holiday.

9. Mr. Wall said a citizen he represented paid taxes in error. He said for the man to receive his reimbursement it would have to come through County Council. Mr. Wall motioned that Council pay Mr. Shaw \$18.59 in taxes. Mr. Waggoner seconded. All in favor.

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9. Mrs. Carn in dire need of two books. Mr. Waggoner made a motion to give her these two books. This was discussed as she has no funds for this. Mr. Wilbanks to talk with her.
10. Mr. Wilbanks brought up the drainage of the Fairlawn Subdivision. Mr. Branton moved that Mr. Wilbanks send a letter so these people can move in their homes. All in favor.

Mr. Donald Ruff -- easement and drainage system. Mr. Wilbanks said he didn't see where it was going to be any serious problem. Mr. Wilbanks said he didn't see where they needed additional pipe. Mr. Branton asked Mr. Wilbanks to notify and give him the reason why.

Mr. Wilbanks had a request for 352 ft. of 15 in. pipe \$1,204.40. Mr. Waggoner motioned to approve. Seconded by Mr. Wall. All in favor.

Mr. Branton requested that each month when they get financial statement to also include a report on pipe on hand.

11. Council adjourned at 6 o'clock to go into a few minutes of executive session.

Respectfully submitted by:

  
Lucille P. Kizer, Clerk to Co. Council

DORCHESTER COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING

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7:30 P. M.

County Council met with all members present. Also, Mr. Phillip Hudson, County Administrator.

Chairman Kizer, opened the meeting at 7:30.

- A. Mr. Jim Bell, County Attorney, appeared before Council and said the bids had been let for \$635,000 General Obligation Bonds of 1975, of Dorchester County, for Trident Tech. Mr. Bell read the following resolution into the minutes and for Council:

"THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

WHEREAS, in pursuance of the call for bids heretofore published in THE STATE, a daily newspaper published in the City of Columbia, South Carolina, and having general circulation throughout the County, on Friday, November 21, 1975, the County Council of Dorchester County did on Wednesday, December 3, 1975, receive bids for the purchase of \$635,000 General Obligation Bonds of 1975, of Dorchester County, South Carolina, dated December 1, 1975, as shown on the attached schedule which is marked "EXHIBIT A" and incorporated herein as part and parcel hereof; and

WHEREAS, after canvassing said bids, it was determined that the bid submitted by White, Weld & Co., Incorporated. The Robinson-Humphrey Company, Inc. Associates was the most advantageous and should be accepted; and

WHEREAS, the said purchaser has requested that the bonds, both principal and interest, be payable at the principal office of First National Bank of South Carolina, in the City of Columbia, State of South Carolina; and

WHEREAS, it is satisfactory to the County Council of Dorchester County that the above-named Bank be named as Paying Agent of the bonds;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF DORCHESTER COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA, IN MEETING DULY ASSEMBLED,  
SECTION 1

It is hereby declared that the facts set forth in the preambles to this Resolution are in all respects true and correct and that all of the bids received for said bonds are those reflected by "EXHIBIT A" attached hereto.

SECTION 2

That the bid of White, Weld & Co., Incorporated, The Robinson-Humphrey Company, Inc. Associates for the purchase of \$635,000 General Obligation Bonds of 1975, of Dorchester County and the purchaser of the bonds.

SECTION 3

That the principal office of First National Bank of South Carolina, in the City of Columbia, State of South Carolina, be named as Paying Agent of the above-described bonds.

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EXHIBIT A

BIDS SUBMITTED FOR

\$635,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS OF 1975,  
 OF DORCHESTER COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA  
 DATED: DECEMBER 1, 1975

(5525-10/12 BOND YEARS - 8.702 YRS. AVG. MAT.)  
 SALES DATE: DECEMBER 3, 1975

		NET INTEREST COST IN DOLLARS	AVERAGE INTEREST RATE
White, Weld & Co., Incorporated, The Robinson-Humphrey Company, Inc. Associates	1977-1981 - 7.00%	\$362,775.77	6.565%
	1982-1983 - 6.00%		
	1984-1985 - 6.25%		
	1986-1987 - 6.50%		
	1988 - 6.60%		
	1990 - 6.90%		
	Premium - None		
The South Carolina National Bank	1977-1981 - 7.00%	\$367,683.33	6.654%
	1982 - 6.25%		
	1983 - 6.00%		
	1984 - 6.15%		
	1985 - 6.30%		
	1986 - 6.45%		
	1987 - 6.60%		
	1988 - 6.75%		
	1989-1990 - 7.00%		
	Premium - None		
North Carolina National Bank	1977-1983 - 7.00%	\$372,004.17	6.732092%
	1984 - 6.10%		
	1985 - 6.20%		
	1986 - 6.40%		
	1987 - 6.60%		
	1988 - 6.75%		
	1989 - 6.90%		
	1990 - 7.00%		
	Premium - None		

Mr. Walter Limehouse made a motion to accept the bid of White, Weld & Co. Incorporated and Mr. Coke Weeks seconded. All in favor.

A. (b) Mr. Bell then gave each Council member a copy of the letter he received from the Attorney General regarding the fees that the Sheriff collects. The opinion under Act No. 236, of 1969,

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established the Dorchester County Council; nowhere in that legislation is there any language either expressly or impliedly granting to the Dorchester County Council the authority to require the Sheriff to turn his fees over to the county general fund. In fact, Section 7, subdivision 13 of that Act provides in part that:

.....the duties and functions now provided by law for the offices of sheriff, ... shall not be altered.

The opinion of this office is, therefore, that the Dorchester County Council cannot require the Sheriff of Dorchester County to deposit his fees and commissions into the county general fund."

This letter is signed by Karen LeCraft Henderson, Assistant Attorney General.

- B. Mr. Parks -- gave a summary report of all the emergencies, and other calls his ambulances had answered. Had 221 emergencies; 88 non-emergencies; 47 where they did not transport a patient but answered. furnished an ambulance for all foot ball games. (staffed with men off duty) He said they had refused no calls. He said he had punched two tires and thought the County should refund along with some other bills. Mr. Limehouse made a motion to pay the bills as of Dec. 15th. Mr. Branton seconded with the idea of a itemized copy being sent in. Mr. Parks said the bills were \$799.14. All Councilmen were in favor of this motion. He said he was in desperate need of an ambulance.

Mr. Parks, also, asked the status of his contract. Said he had not received his copy back yet. Mr. Branton motioned that the contract be signed and forwarded to Mr. Messervey. Mr. Limehouse seconded. All in favor.

- C. Al Baker -- appeared before County Council and talked in regards to year round recreation programs. He said it would help keep down juvenile delinquency. He passed out several books of proposals of Recreation and Parks Department for other Counties. He said we could spend a few dollars now or thousands later. Mr. Hudson told Council the schools were taking a second look at opening their schools for Year round recreation. Mr. Branton said he hoped Council could hire a County wide Recreation Director later on. Mr. Kizer said the budget committee would probably like for Mr. Baker to come back later on when they go to work in the spring. Mr. Baker said he would be glad to. Mr. Baker is a graduate of Clemson College.

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D. Bids and Purchases Committee Report -- Mr. Sweat, Chairman reports: (Aerial photography for Dorchester County)

Mr. Sweat said the bids were as assessed on the cost of the 1" = 400' mylar for the entire county; the costs per print of the 1" = 100' for urban areas; and the location and experience of each firm. It was shown that all firms bid the same work so there were no difficulties in qualifying the projected cost.

The following bids were omitted for cost reasons:

Alster Association	\$14,850
Landmark Engineer	\$16,787.25

The following were omitted due to location of the firms and lack of knowledge concerning background:

Chicago Aerial Survey	\$6,690.
Charles T. Main	7,900.

Special consideration was given to bids received by firms located within Dorchester County.

The bid by Richard Whaley was discussed thoroughly on its merits, the cost was minimized but the County would not have a guarantee for services and the bid was open ended. The County would have to hire the employee(s) provide space for the work, pay for all equipment except photographic. Also, the bid of \$5,000 did not include the 1" = 100' scale for urbanized areas.

The bid by W. E. Gilbert and Associates was discussed thoroughly to determine its feasibility. The cost of \$8,900 for the 1" = 400' scale mylars was not the lowest bid but the \$30 per 1" = 100' scale was low.

The bid from Continental Aerial Surveys was \$6,640. for the 1" = 400' scale and \$30 per 1" = 100' with negative prints costing \$4.30. Due to the background of the firm and their solid reputation throughout the southeast, the Committee recommended accepting the bid. An additional factor was that Continental has been contracted to fly Berkeley and Colleton Counties and their could be a possibility of flying all three counties at one time for a reduced rate.

Mr. Sweat asked the Council to study carefull before they make up their mind.

Mr. Limehouse made a motion to give the bid to Continental Aerial Surveys and authorize Mr. Hudson to proceed to try to get a reduced price, but if not, to authorize Mr. Hudson to enter into a contract not to exceed the present bid, \$6,640.00 with negative

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prints costing \$430. Mr. Weeks seconded the motion and all in favor.

E. Mr. Limehouse -- report on the Hospital

Mr. Limehouse reported the findings of Consulting Engineer, Mr. George B. Rast. Mr. Rast said he visually inspected the electrical, plumbing and boiler systems to the extent possible and without drawings. As a general comment, he said he was overwhelmed by the large number of electrical panels, disconnects, and their locations. Said some are in closets, stairwalls, under tables, in rooms, halls, in the basement and probably others that he did not see. Said there are three services to the hospital, two are 120/240 and one is 120/208 3 phase. The latter is relatively new but does not meet the NEC. It was installed to serve one wing of the building after an electrical fire severely damaged the wing's electrical distribution system.

Most of the wire used in the building is Romex and type BX installed prior to 1940. The panels and circuit breakers are, for the most part, of the same vintage and of questionable quality. Most of the existing light fixtures are in good condition.

He said the plumbing fixtures look good for the most part and many could be used again. The pipes, however, are of the galvanized and black iron variety and are no longer serviceable.

He also said the steam heat system is apparently in need of major boiler overhaul and pipe insulation. The boiler room is a shamble and the boilers are in a very deteriorated condition.

He said in summary, there is no doubt that the existing electrical, plumbing and steam systems will not meet the current applicable code requirements. The plumbing fixtures and light fixtures could be selectively reused and possibly some of the newer electrical devices as well. For the most part, however, there is little else worth salvaging.

F. Mr. Limehouse -- report on Additions & Renovations to  
Dorchester County Courthouse.

Mr. Limehouse read the following and presented the drawings from Demetrios C. Liollio, AIA:

"Additions & Renovations to the Courthouse which encompasses the addition of approximately 2,000 square feet in a two-story arrangement, hydraulic elevator, and paving the available area surrounding the Courthouse Buildings for maximum utilization to be used for parking. The attached

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"drawings will provide you with one solution to accomplish the above and our estimated cost for accomplishing the above work is approximately \$185,000.00 but, we recommend that a 10% contingency be attached to this price for unforeseen situations which may be discovered at a later date at the time a thorough investigation will take place."

G. Mr. Limehouse -- report on Dorchester County Library (new)  
Mr. Limehouse read the following from a report of Demetrios C. Liollo, AIA:

"The Library requirements are 5,000 square foot one-story building to be located on a lot of approximately 154' deep x 108' wide and facing the front of the Building on the 108' demension. The attached drawings will provide you with one solution of a preliminary floor plan of simple geometric shape for maximum economy and flexibility. However, we would like to bring to your attention that we feel the lot is out of proportion for a 5,000 square foot building and on site parking recommended which is minimum one car for every 200 square feet of building area. Also, any future expansion will be prohibited. If it is possible to obtain a lot of at least 150' x 175', it would provide a much better flexibility for the proposed building as well as for future expansion and on site parking facilities. We have estimated the cost of the Library Building to be approximately \$135,000.00; site work and paving to be approximately \$5,5000.00; and furnishings to be approximately \$25,000.00, and by adding a 10% contingency factor, it appears the total estimated cost for the Library will be in the neighborhood of \$180,000.00."

Mr. Limehouse made a motion to get a feasibility study made that would include cost estimates for renovating the hospital. After a long discussion and a roll call vote the motion failed, Branton, Canaday, Browning, and Kermit Kizer voting against, and Limehouse, Sweat, and Weeks voting in favor. Mr. Limehouse also suggested that the senior citizens organization in Summerville be permitted to use a couple of rooms in the hospital and the kitchen. This was not acted on.

Mr. Limehouse recommended the building program get moving and said, "I think it's time a move was made to get this library under way so we could move on to something adequate for the population in Summerville area. I know I'm leaving Council and maybe that's why I'm anxious to make these recommendations."



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Mr. Coke Weeks said he would like to proceed with the Library building and have advertisement of bids sent out. Mr. Canaday seconded. Five in favor and one opposed.

- H. Mr. Browning turned over plans for a Health Center building in Ridgeville.
- I. Mr. Limehouse brought up Ordinance No. IV and recommended that Council accept. Mr. Sweat seconded. After discussion against its acceptance at this time, the vote was three in favor and two opposed, so the motion was not carried.
- J. Mr. Hudson read a letter from Rep. John Smith in regard to the proposed location of National Waterlift Co. and agreement with Mr. Humphries of the Charleston Development Board to assist in securing this industry for our county. Mr. Humphries requested Mr. Smith to recommend that the highway commissioner authorize the paving of service entrances to the proposed plant. The Co. Council agreed in 1972 to provide paving for the parking area. Mr. Branton motioned to confirm the prior commitment and Mr. Kizer seconded. All in favor.
- K. S.P.C.A. request for approximately \$3000.00, and to be set up to receive approximately \$1000.00 per month. Mr. Limehouse made a motion to give the \$1000.00 per month out of revenue sharing. Mr. Branton seconded. Four in favor. Mr. Branton suggested that Mrs. Willis meet in the meeting in Jan., when the Council will meet in Summerville (Jan. 16th.)
- L. Christmas bonus -- after some discussion of the pros and cons Council agreed to go ahead and give a \$25.00 Christmas bonus to employees. Cost of \$3,475.00. Mr. Limehouse motioned to give a \$25.00 bonus and Mr. Weeks seconded. Roll call vote as follows:
- |         |      |           |       |
|---------|------|-----------|-------|
| Canaday | - No | Weeks     | - Yes |
| Branton | - No | Limehouse | - Yes |
| Kizer   | - No | Sweat     | - Yes |
|         |      | Browning  | - Yes |
- M. Mr. Hudson asked if there was any questions about claims to be paid. Mr. Sweat motioned to pay all claims. Mr. Canaday seconded. All in favor.

There was also a motion for the minutes of the last meeting be approved. All in favor.

Mr. Hudson asked for approval of a claim for \$2,451.00 for work on the Tom and Kate Canal/Little Walnut. Mr. Hudson also said they had 18 hours more work. Mr. Canaday made a motion to approve claim. Mr. Weeks seconded. All in favor.

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4. Mr. Hudson told Council of the grant for Juvenile Officer. Mr. Sweat recommended that County go with criminal juveniles. Council decided to delay this until first Monday. All in favor.
  5. Mr. Hudson said he thought it was time to hire a tax assessor. Mr. Branton motioned to advertise for an assessor. Mr. Limehouse seconded. All in favor.
  6. Mr. Hudson told the Council that the Auditors had recommended hiring a financial manager. Council said put this off.
  7. Mr. Hudson said on Monday, Dec. 22nd. would be the final signing of all documents for the \$635,000. Bond issue. Chairman, Treasurer, and clerk to County Council, will go to the SCN Bank in Charleston.
- N. Mr. Canaday presented an (Inventory and Evaluation) from the Soil and Water Resources by Soil Conservation Service, for a boat landing on the Edisto river. The proposed Dorchester Recreation Facility is located approximately 10 miles west of St. George just off S. C. Hwy. 19 or the "Wire Road", 5 miles from the Orangeburg County line. The site consists of 2.4 acres with 77.5 feet frontage on Wire road and 130 feet frontage on Edisto River. The boat launching facility would provide greater access to the river for the citizens of the county. Total cost would be approximately \$60,705.00, for everything, park and boat landing. Boat landing only would be \$48,850.00. Mr. Canaday said RC&D would furnish half. Mr. Canaday made a motion to give RC&D a letter on intent. Mr. Weeks seconded.. Four in favor. Mr. Sweat said he thought the site should be more in the center of the County.
- O. Mr. Sweat motioned to send out bids for new cars for the Sheriff's Dept. Mr. Weeks seconded. All in favor but Mr. Branton. The Sheriff requested four.
- P. The Sheriff asked the Council's opinion on what to do about a prisoner needing false teeth, at the cost of \$290.00, here in St. George. Council decided to tell the Sheriff to go ahead and get them here.
- Q. Mr. Barnes asked for a bridge to be repaired. Said Mr. Sweat proposed to get tile put in. Water keeps washing bridge out. He said the major cost would be the pipe, about 30 ft. Mr. Sweat made a motion to authorize pipe and seconded by Mr. Limehouse. All in favor.

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R. Mr. Kizer, Chairman, said he enjoyed working with all the Council members and hoped to get along good with the new members the coming year. He commended the ones not staying and said they all worked hard. All Council members responded, and said they had enjoyed working on Council and with the others.

S. Executive Session:  
County Council declined to act on hiring a Landfill Supervisor until such time as the position could be justified. At that time, all applicants would be considered.

In other action Council elected to pay Mr. Harry Limehouse \$50.00 per month travel expenses.

Council adjourned at 12:10 a. m.

Respectfully submitted

by *Lucille P. Kizer*  
Clerk to County Council

DORCHESTER COUNTY

ORDINANCE NO. TWO

TO PROVIDE FOR BUDGET CONTROL OF SAID APPROPRIATIONS BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL AND TO MAKE PROVISIONS FOR THE FISCAL AFFAIRS OF SAID COUNTY FOR THE 1975-1976 FISCAL YEAR.

BE IT ORDAINED by the County Council of Dorchester County:

SECTION 1: Bonded Indebtedness:

(1) The necessary amounts are hereby appropriated to meet the payment of principal and interest maturing during the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1975, and ending June 30, 1976, on all bond issues and other indebtedness now outstanding against the County of Dorchester.

(2) Upon the written approval of the County Council of Dorchester County, and in anticipation of the collection of 1975 taxes, the County Treasurer is hereby empowered to borrow for county purposes during the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1975, and ending June 30, 1976, to the extent of the tax levy and other income or revenue of the county, if so much be necessary, upon the note of the county executed by him, and is empowered to pledge as security for such money borrowed, and interest thereon, the taxes for the year 1975, together with any other revenue or income of the county for the fiscal year 1975-1976.

SECTION 2: All sums received by the County Treasurer from officers formerly receiving fees in Dorchester County shall be credited to the general fund of the county, and the treasurer shall keep a separate record of the monthly remittance from each such officer. Provided, however, each officer shall make a record of such work or services of same with the County Treasurer in making his monthly statement. The County Treasurer is directed by County Council to withhold the periodic compensation of any such officer holder or employee who fails to comply with this provision.

SECTION 3: All sinking funds or county funds not needed for a period of ninety days or longer shall be invested by the treasurer in interest-bearing accounts or County, State and United States short-term obligations; subject, however, to maintaining sufficient cash balances to meet current and accruing obligations of the county and school district. The County Council shall be informed of such actions by the Treasurer in his monthly report to the Council.

SECTION 4: Upon written approval of the County Council of Dorchester County and the Superintendent of Education of Dorchester County, the trustees of each school district of the county are hereby authorized and empowered to borrow sums of money as are necessary for the operating expenses of the schools for the 1975-1976 year and to pledge as security for the payment of any sums or sums borrowed under this authorization the taxes levied upon the school districts for the general operating expenses for the school year 1975-1976.

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SECTION 5: Every county official, department, commission, institution, or board receiving grants or appropriations from the county, State or Federal funds shall, on or before the first day of February of each year, make a full and detailed annual report to the County Council of its financial status, activities and expenditures for the past fiscal year, showing all balances in all accounts controlled by such official, department, commission, institution or board. On or before the first day of April each year every official, department, commission institution or board will submit an itemized and detailed budget showing all requests for the next fiscal year. The Council shall, from the reports received, prepare a budget for the operation of the county for the ensuing year which must receive a majority vote of its members before it becomes effective. The County Council shall have the proposed budget displayed on the bulletin board at the County Courthouse showing in detail the proposed appropriations, the purposes for which they are made and millage to be levied by virtue of the same.

Any official, department, commission, institution of board failing to comply with the above will have the following year's appropriations withheld until such is complied with.

SECTION 6: All County employees will adhere to the Employment Practices of Dorchester County as passed by the Dorchester County Council that became effective January 1, 1976.

SECTION 7: The salaries fixed herein for the clerk of court, county treasurer, judge of probate, county auditor, and tax collector shall be in full compensation and all fees to be collected by law for items placed in their hands, on or after July 1, 1975, shall be turned over to the County Treasurer; provided, that should any officer fail to comply with the above stated acts, the county governing body shall withhold payments of salary of such officer until such is done.

SECTION 8: Any necessary expense incurred by any county official pertaining entirely to county business will be reimbursed out of the contingent fund by furnishing the county governing body with a sworn statement of expenditures.

SECTION 9 : No long distance calls shall be charged to the county except such as are necessary in performing a public duty in connection with the administration of the affairs of the county, and no claim for any such calls shall be approved or paid unless on a verified, itemized claim showing the name of the person making the call, the person to whom the call was made and the date and purpose thereof.

SECTION 10: All Courthouse offices shall remain open: Monday through Friday and shall maintain office hours from 9:00 a.m. to 5 p. m.; provided, offices with only one office holder or employee shall close one hour for lunch; however, each office holder or employee shall not take more than one hour for lunch. The head of each department is expected to be present during working hours unless official county business required his presence elsewhere.

SECTION 11: The purchase of any material or supplies for any official or agent of Dorchester County will be done so through the procedures espoused in the purchasing manual of Dorchester County as approved July 22, 1974.

SECTION 12: It is hereby requested by County Council that all purchases paid for by the county shall be made from business concerns within the county, insofar as same is economically feasible, and such purchases shall be fairly divided among the concerns in the county. All purchases will be made through the standardized purchasing procedure as espoused in the purchasing manual of Dorchester

County as approved July 22, 1974.

SECTION 13: The county treasurer is authorized to appoint various individuals or agencies to sell mobile home and trailer licenses.

SECTION 14: All County Offices in the Dorchester County Courthouse shall observe the following holidays:

Friday, July 4, 1975	-	Independence Day
Monday, Sept. 1, 1975	-	Labor Day
Monday, Oct. 27, 1975	-	Veterans Day
November 27, 28, 1975	-	Thanksgiving Holidays
December 24, 25, 26, 1975	-	Christmas Holidays
January 1, 1976	-	New Year's Day
Monday, February 16, 1976	-	Washington's Birthday
Good Friday		
Memorial Day (National)		

- a. Constitutional officer can designate another day for holiday in lieu of prescribed holiday.
- b. General Election Day will be taken on the first Tuesday following the first Monday in November on even numbered years.
- c. Whenever any of these days fall on Sunday, the following Monday is prescribed.

SECTION 15: Upon the expiration of this ordinance all unencumbered balances remaining in any special fund appropriated for herein shall revert to the County General Fund after its purposes have been fulfilled.

SECTION 16: Department heads are bound to their expenditures as detailed in the budget document and may not exceed the amounts provided herein.

SECTION 17: Any employee or office holder violating any provision herein, shall forfeit his position of employment of the office held.

SECTION 18: If any section of this ordinance shall be bound to be unconstitutional, it shall not be construed to effect the validity of any other section hereof.

SECTION 19: The records and audits pertaining to the business of Dorchester County shall be open to inspection by any citizen of the county.

SECTION 20: All of the foregoing appropriations are maximum, conditional and proportionate, and are subject to the proportionate reduction by action of the County Council in the event that the county's revenue accruing to its general funds, as provided in Section 1 hereof, shall fail to be efficient to pay the same, to the end that the cost of operation of the County government shall remain at all times within its income.

DORCHESTER COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING  
COURT ROOM  
ST. GEORGE, S. C.  
DECEMBER 20, 1976

The regular meeting of the Dorchester County Council was held on December 20, 1976, at 7:30 P. M. All members were present with the exception of Mr. Kermit Kizer. County Administrator was present.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Sweat and invocation given by Councilman Branton.

Mr. Sweat asked for a motion from the floor that Mrs. Ammons be temporary clerk of the Council for the night of December 20th meeting. Motion was made by Mr. Waggoner and seconded by Mr. Canaday. Motion carried.

Chairman Sweat asked if anyone in the public audience had any questions or comments about the Public Hearing on the Revenue Sharing Anticipation Note. There were none and after repeating his request for comments, the Public Hearing was declared closed.

Minutes of previous meetings, December 6, 1976 and December 15, 1976 were approved as read.

County Administrator gave a brief report on activities of the past four months and commended the councilmen for taking positive steps towards improving the financial status of the County.

County Attorney, Jim Bell discussed the Bond issue on Frigitemp. First reading on the Ordinance which would be by Title only authorizing issue of two and one quarter million dollars worth of Dorchester County Industrial Revenue Bonds, Series 1976 Frigitemp Corp. A motion was made by Mr. Canaday and seconded by Mr. Edwards that Ordinance be accepted by Title only. Motion carried.

Mr. Bell requested that a special meeting be called for December 21, 1976, at 9:00 A. M. and be held in Summerville for the second reading of Bond Ordinance. It was decided that the meeting would take place on that date. The third reading scheduled for regular meeting in January.

Mr. Dick Bell, Delinquent Tax Collector, appeared before Council requesting extra help for the tax sale. He requested too, that Council give Mrs. Norred, Auditor, authority to take outstanding taxes (taxes which he termed uncollectable on personal property, due to people moving) off her books. Mr. Branton asked that Mr. Bell prepare a list regarding the names and the amount of taxes he thinks should be removed. This would have to be presented to Council before any action is taken. In regards to the request for extra help, Mr. Branton pointed out that this was not allowed for in the budget at the present time and that it would take five (5) affirmative votes to grant such funds. He recommended that since all members were not present, that this be given to the Finance Committee and Mr. Bell be given a decision after the first of January.

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County Administrator gave a report on the meeting of the Public Works Committee which met prior to Council Meeting. This was to review resumes which had been received in connection with the 201 plan. The Committee suggested four (4) firms be interviewed, with interviews being set for the 28th day of December at the Summerville Town Hall. The firms being: J. E. Surrine Co., W. E. Gilbert & Associates, Davis & Floyd Engineers and L. B. C. & W. -Harwood- Beebe Co. Mr. Branton moved that Council adopt the Committee report, seconded by Mr. Waggoner. Motion carried.

Mr. Branton stated a request for a water line to the Foreign Trade Zone in Summerville had been received. The committee recommended that the Council not entertain that project due to shortage of funds. It was recommended that Mr. Mac Quattlebaum be notified by letter that due to the shortage of funds, Dorchester County was not able to give favorable consideration of his request. A motion by Mr. Branton was made that a letter be sent to Mr. Quattlebaum. Motion carried.

With reference to offices being renovated at the County Hospital, a discussion was had as to what type floor covering should be used in offices being renovated. Indoor-outdoor carpeting was considered along with tile. Mr. Canaday made motion that tile be used and be replaced as necessary. Mr. Branton seconded. Motion carried.

#### OLD BUSINESS

Third reading & adoption of Ordinance to issue \$150,000.00 Revenue Sharing Anticipation Note. To be paid back in two payments of \$75,000.00 each. The first being due on the 31st of January, 1977 and last due on May 2nd, 1977. Interest rate being 3½ percent. Mr. Wall made motion that the third and final reading of the Ordinance be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Waggoner. Motion carried.

County Administrator requested that Council extend the purchasing policy which was adopted on a trial basis in September. All members were in favor of extending this policy through June 30th., 1977.

In reference to a request from Mrs. Kirby, Social Service, Director, as to Council's approval of methods to draw and expend funds from Columbia, due to lack of information, no motion was made until further information could be obtained.

Council approved list of names as appointed to the Community Service Advisory Council. A Copy is attached.

Mr. Branton moved that Council accept the request for the return of the Letter of Credit for Jamerson Terrace. Motion carried.

Mr. John Murphee of Ware Brothers Construction Co. appeared before Council in reference to acceptance of certain roads in Newington Subdivision into the County road system. No action was taken on this.



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CLAIMS

Regular claims list was presented to Council. Motion was made by Mr. Canaday to withhold \$1,700.00 on the claim to Gamble, Humphries, Givens & Moody. This reduced the amount on the claims list from \$20,583.70 to \$18,883.70 to be paid at this time. Motion seconded by Mr. Branton.

Revenue Sharing Claims list number 767-2 in the amount of \$8,210.46 was approved by Council for payment.

Request for payment of \$400.00 from Carolina Dixie Youth Baseball League was granted. This is to be paid from account 1201 - 69.

Mr. Willbanks read list of items bought in connection with the election. Council approved payment of \$730.00 booths and installation and \$175.00 rent. The claim in the amount of \$3,000.00 for commissioners and secretary was not approved.

County Administrator asked permission of Council to withhold one weeks pay from all county employees. At the present, time employees are actually receiving pay for days not yet worked. After discussion, Council agreed to bring the subject up at a later date.

Information brought by Councilman Wall regarding Federal Funds not specified for, but possibly available for use in the Summerville area for access road to Newington Elementary School was discussed and agreed upon to write a letter to Representative John Smith requesting his help in this project.

A Discussion of County Priorities was open to each Council member. Mr. Waggoner discussed the garbage situation in his area and said this would be his first priority. Mr. Wall had on his list county zoning, water-sewer system, possibility of seeking additional sources of revenue. He discussed the contract with the Charleston Disposal Co. Mr. Waggoner made a motion that Mr. Willbanks check on prices and make available to the council a price range and yardage fee. This was seconded by Mr. Edwards.

Mr. Branton's first priority is Tax Assessment and Equalization. Mr. Branton pointed out that until property is reassessed and tax assessment ratio worked out so that fair tax burden would be on each tax payer. At the present time some individuals are paying more for services than others are. This being a violation of the Constitution. Second on his list would be Zoning. Third would be water sewer system.

Mr. Sweat had a request from Sheriff Knight requesting another telephone line from Summerville area. Mr. Willbanks said that he would look into the possibility of having a direct line in the Court House set up so that in the evening when not being used, could be plugged in direct to sheriff's office. This was agreed on by all Councilmen.

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Council adjourned at 10:00 P. M.

Respectfully submitted by:

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