

COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING

ST. GEORGE

JAN. 6, 1975.

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

Rev. Parker gave the invocation.

All councilmen were sworn in by Mrs. Margie Carr, Clerk of Court, for a one year term.

Mr. Kizer called for the election of a Chairman to be the first order of business. Mr. Don Canaday nominated Mr. Kermit Kizer, and Mr. Walker Browning seconded. Mr. Branton nominated Mr. Walter Limehouse, and Mr. Coke Weeks seconded. The nomination was then closed and the voting as follows:

Branton	-	Limehouse
Browning	-	Kizer
Canaday	-	Kizer
Kizer	-	Kizer
Limehouse	-	Limehouse
Sweat	-	abstained
Weeks	-	Limehouse

The Council then asked for a five minute recess, after that, they reopened the nomination. Mr. Don Canaday nominated Mr. Kermit Kizer, and Mr. Walker Browning seconded. Mr. Sweat nominated Mr. Branton, and Mr. Coke Weeks seconded. Mr. Canaday moved that the nominations be closed and Mr. Browning seconded. The roll call vote follows:

Branton	-	Branton
Browning	-	Kizer
Canaday	-	Kizer
Kizer	-	Kizer
Limehouse	-	abstained
Sweat	-	Branton
Weeks	-	Branton

The Council then decided to have another five minute recess, and reopen the nominations again. Mr. Don Canaday nominated Mr. Kermit Kizer, and Mr. Walker Browning seconded. Mr. Branton nominated Mr. Weeks and Mr. Sweat seconded. Mr. Canaday made a motion to close the nominations and Mr. Branton seconded. The roll call vote follows:

Branton	-	Weeks
Browning	-	Kizer
Canaday	-	Kizer
Kizer	-	Kizer
Limehouse	-	abstained
Sweat	-	Weeks
Weeks	-	Weeks

Mr. Branton moved for a five minute recess. All agreed, and said they would open the nominations again. Mr. Sweat nominated Mr. Branton, and Mr. Coke Weeks seconded. Mr. Don Canaday nominated Mr. Kizer and Mr. Browning seconded. They decided to close the nominations. The roll call vote follows:

Branton	-	Branton
Browning	-	Kizer
Canaday	-	Kizer
Kizer	-	Kizer
Limehouse	-	Kizer
Sweat	-	Branton
Weeks	-	Branton

Mr. Branton moved that his name be withdrawn from consideration as Chairman and Mr. Kizer be declared Chairman by unanimous vote.

After a brief discussion it was decided that the Council would elect a vice-chairman even tho there are no stipulations in the legislation. On a motion by Mr. Canaday and a second by Mr. Browning. With that the Chairman declared the floor open for nominations. Mr. Canaday nominated Mr. Branton. Mr. Browning seconded. Mr. Branton nominated Mr. Coke Weeks and Mr. Sweat seconded. Mr. Weeks withdrew his nomination. Mr. Weeks nominated Mr. Limehouse and Mr. Kizer seconded. The roll call vote follows:

Branton	-	Branton
Browning	-	Branton
Canaday	-	Branton
Kizer	-	Limehouse
Limehouse	-	Limehouse
Sweat	-	Branton
Weeks	-	Limehouse

Mr. Branton recommended that Mrs. Lucille Kizer be reappointed as Clerk to County Council. Mr. Browning seconded and all voted unanimous.

Concerning reappointments to the Regional Planning Council:
Mr. William Branton is the Government representative to the Regional Planning Council and the citizen's member was held up until the next meeting of Council

Mr. Davidson, President of the Four hole Indian Organization, came before Council to restate his request for the Council to pay the membership dues for 22 members at \$22.00 per member. Mr. Limehouse made the suggestion that Mrs. Kirby, County Director of Social Servies, investigate the need and make a recommendation to Council. Upon her recommendation the Council will appropriate the necessary funds.

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Mr. Browning amended this motion to state that as soon as the report was given to the Administrator he would have the authority to write a check for the memberships. It should also be noted that the request should be included in the budgetary process for 75-76 fiscal year.

Mrs. Jacobs, Representative of the coalition of Eastern Native Americans, briefly explained the type of funding available to the County as a result of the Indian Organization.

Mr. Hudson brought up a problem of one of the road crew, who had entered the national guard and had no job to come back to. Under the law, Military Selective Service Act of 1967, he is entitled to his former position or equitable job. The Council directed Mr. Hudson to place the man back on the payroll effective January 6 and find a position for him.

The problem of Marshall Platt, Sr. was brought to the Council's attention. Mr. Platt had been responsible for a prisoner who was allowed to obtain alcoholic beverages and proceeded to become inebriated. Mr. Kizer had suspended this employee until further action could be taken by the Council. Mr. Branton raised the question that Mr. Kizer acted out of his authority but under the circumstances, the council agreed with his actions. Mr. Infinger, the upper end road foreman was in the hospital and this is his responsibility as approved by the Council. Mr. Branton suggested that Mr. Hudson draw up a revised set of regulations which would prevent further incidents like this from occurring and that the Chairman appoint a Committee to review these guidelines. (Mr. Platt appeared before the Council and admitted his negligence. Also, the Sheriff stated a new policy that his staff would search the prisoners in the future and the responsibility would be removed from the county guards.

Mr. Jim Bell, County Attorney, and Mr. Randy Bell, legal consultant, presented final plans for location of precincts to be presented to Judge Simons concerning the reapportionment suit. At the request of Mr. Branton and approval of the Council, they are to try and delay the election until 1976. They informed the Council that there are very slim chances of this happening but it would be of help if the county could claim a financial burden and time restrictions under oath. At present no one could provide this type information, but if at all possible Mr. Branton volunteered his services. The lawyers stated that they had received \$7,500.00 for their services thus far and another bill completing their services in conjunction with this case would be forthcoming in the amount of \$2,500. If their services are needed in the registration they will charge an additional \$1,000.00.

The Sheriff made the following requests:

(1) He requested to use Mrs. Margaret Segrest as female jail attendant as required by law. He will appoint her as Deputy Sheriff and clerk, plus raising her salary to \$600.00 per month and allow her to join the S. C. Police Officers Retirement. Motion in favor by Mr. Limehouse, second by Mr. Browning. All voted in favor.

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(2) The Sheriff asked if he could hire two more Deputies?

Mr. Hudson asked if he could wait until Public Service jobs become available. Mr. Browning made a motion to set jobs up pending funding or County will have to absorb total costs for 2 deputies. Limehouse, seconded, and all voted in favor.

Salary for Mrs. Weathers, as telephone operator for the Courthouse, was set at \$5,600.00. Mr. Canaday made the motion and Mr. Limehouse seconded. All voted in favor.

Garbage Disposal:

Mr. Limehouse suggested buying or leasing 100 acres between 78 and 26, on highway 27. He said they would need only a bulldozer to level garbage daily. Mr. Sweat made a motion to appoint a committee to study landfill. He then made a motion to vote for a landfill for the County in order to see if that is what the Council wants. Mr. Limehouse seconded. All voted in favor. Mr. Kizer then appointed Mr. Canaday, Mr. Limehouse, Mr. Weeks, and Mr. Sweat, to work out solution, at that time, and will call a special meeting next week. Council wants landfill at Char. Disposal site opened until 12 noon on Sat. Mr. Bennett to be called.

The Council all agreed that Mr. Hudson pay Sirkler and Gibbs the bill of \$2,898.60.

Council approved to pay \$200.00 for float (inaugural parade that will represent the whole County.)

On request to clean out easement ditch of County--(as long as it is cleaning and not digging - it is O. K.

Mr. Hudson passed out a letter from Mr. Leeke, Director, Department of Corrections, concerning County prisoners that were in for more than 30 days. Before anything is decided, Mr. Hudson will investigate to clarify various points in Mr. Leak's letter.

Mr. Branton brought up the point that Mrs. Sullivan complained about her drainage not being fixed. Mr. Hudson stated that the road was under jurisdiction of the State and he believed it was a State Hwy problem. Council agreed for Mr. Hudson to clarify this.

At the January 20th. meeting the Council will appoint a zoning committee to study and recommend to the Council, zoning standards, a land use plan, building codes, and review the subdivision regulations. Mr. Hudson stated that the Committee's whole purpose is to study and recommend to the Council and the Council would remain the Legislative body to enact the necessary jurisdiction.

Council adjourned at 4:45., p. m.

Signed

Lucille P. Rizer

SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING
JANUARY 13, 1975

The meeting was called to order by Vice-Chairman William S. Branton. Those present were Don Canaday, Walker Browning, Walter Limehouse, Wilbur Sweat, and Coke Weeks.

Mr. Bill Sullivan appeared before Council to restate his drainage problem on the Old Golf Road. Mr. Hudson brought the Council up to date on the problems incurred during the five previous months. Essentially, the State Highway Department had accepted the responsibility but had disavowed this position as of December. The problem now is to ascertain who is responsible for the maintenance of this area. Mr. Limehouse suggested that Mr. Bilton, St. Highway Commissioner; Mr. Padgett, Maintenance Supervisor; and Mr. Richard Sweat, County Road Foreman; meet with Council at the next meeting to settle this matter. Council agreed and meeting will be scheduled for January 20th in St. George at 3rd Monday meeting.

The next topic was the selection of a landfill site, the purpose of the meeting. Mr. Hudson informed the members of the results of tests by Soil Conservation on two different sites off Highway 27. The acreage owned by the Hilton Estate was acceptable on preliminary testing and the Riley Tract was unacceptable. Other tracts were brought up at this time and Mr. Hudson will work with Soil Conservation on their location and will attempt to have all the results by next Council meeting.

Mr. Branton suggested that the tests should be evaluated under the regulations of the State Board of Health, all agreed.

On the matter of the ultimatum by Charleston Disposal, Mr. Hudson gave a brief synopsis of their position. Mr. Hayne Waring offered some remarks as to the effect a service charge would have on his business which would in effect destroy competition. After a brief exchange of ideas on the County's position each Councilman voiced his opinion as to the proper course the County should pursue.

On a motion by Mr. Limehouse which was seconded by Mr. Canaday, the Councilmen voted to continue under the existing terms of the contract and if Charleston Disposal closes the dump, the Council will proceed with legal actions. All were in favor.

Mr. Sweat asked if the Council would approve of placing three containers in the Pine Hill Acres Subdivision. Mr. Rudd intervened to report on the use of containers in the various areas of the County. Mr. Sweat amended his motion to read that two six yard containers be placed in a vacant lot in the subdivision. Mr. Branton seconded, all were in favor. Mr. Rudd will get a form signed to protect the County against complaints and moving of the containers.

Mr. Weeks brought up the matter of a bathroom for the St. George Maintenance Shop. This was approved almost two years ago but nothing was ever done. Mr. Weeks and Mr. Canaday will get bids as soon as possible.

Mr. Hudson brought up several points:

- (1) Sunday, January 19th is a holiday and according to an ordinance passed, Monday should be celebrated as the remembrance of this event. However, Council will still meet Monday night, January 20th at 7:30 p.m.
- (2) Mr. Bell had stated that he could have the primary postponed from June to August 1975 but he did not feel that he could delay the November General Election. All present were in favor of this postponement.

(3) Mr. Hudson stated that he had conferred with Sheriff about hiring two deputies (approved at January 6 meeting) through the Public Service Employment funds; because of the restrictions involved in the hiring regulations. Mr. Hudson felt that this would not be fair to the Sheriff. Council agreed and stated that they would attempt to hire these deputies no later than March 1, 1975.

(4) Mr. Hudson gave a brief synopsis of the Public Service Act, explaining why the County only received \$57,700. of the County's portion (\$18,000+) he had to make a quick decision to the positions to be filled. He applied for a rabies control officer and two auto mechanics. Generally, the Councilmen were pleased with the rabies control officer but were apprehensive about the auto mechanic. Mr. Hudson explained that if these two positions did not work out, they could be assigned to different tasks. That met with Council's approval.

(5) Mr. Hudson brought up the Legislative Act that raised Council's salary to \$250/month for Councilmen and \$350/month for the Chairman. After considerable debate, Mr. Limehouse made the motion to appropriate the necessary funds to reach this level, Mr. Browning seconded. Mr. Branton called for a roll call vote which was as follows:

Branton	No
Browning	Yes
Canaday	Yes
Kizer	Not Present
Limehouse	Yes
Sweat	Yes
Weeks	Yes

Mr. Branton stated that this had to go through three readings because it dealt with financial matters, Mr. Hudson will check for ruling from Mr. Bell, County Attorney.

Mr. Branton gave a brief talk on the tax inequities in the County, emphasizing the possible unconstitutional nature of the present condition. His presentation revealed the following facts:

<u>District #2</u>	<u>Districts #1 and #3</u>
\$25,000 value (cost or market)	\$25,000 value
<u>.06</u> assessment ratio	<u>.04</u> assessment
1,500 value or house	1,000 valuation
<u>29</u> mills for county puposes	<u>20</u> mills
\$ 43.40 in taxes	* \$ 29.00 in taxes

*15 mills needed to relieve inequities.

Mr. Branton pointed out the inequities in this method of valuation and emphasized that he was not proposing a reassessment but only an equalization.

Mr. Limehouse suggested that Mr. Henley, Mrs. Norred, and Heads of the Board of Assessors meet with Council at the next meeting to discuss this situation and attempt to resolve this issue.

Council adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Phillip Hudson

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7:30, JANUARY 20, 1975

MINUTES

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

Mr. Kizer, Chairman, called the meeting to order.

The minutes of the last meeting had been mailed to each member and they were accepted by Council.

Mr. Hudson reviewed the semi-annual report with the Council.

Mr. Hudson brought up the matter of extending the parking lot by Sherriff's office.. Mr. Canaday suggested placing sard-clay until County can afford asphalt at a latter date--after the new budget. Seconded by Mr. Brantor. All in favor.

Mr. Infinger brought up matter of maintaining branches from Conservation District of Tom & Kate. Before anything else is done we should receive money for pipes.

Dan Infinger - Senior Citizens

Nutrition site needs a larger freezer and a refrigerator.

Canaday recommended that County buy freezer and refrigerator but would revert back to County if not needed by Senior Citizens at a later date.

Mr. Canaday seconded this motion, and all voted in favor. Council instructed Mr. Hudson to take care of the purchase--freezer from Mizell and refrigerator from Bennett's.

Mr. Sullivan stated his drainage problem. He said he was aware of the flooding before he purchased the houses. Mr. Bilton, Hwy. Commissioner, read a letter concerning the problem on RS-341. Mr. Sweat made a motion that the State Highway (Mr. Padgett and Mr. Bilton) study situation and come back and make recommendation. Mr. Kizer agreed.

Barry Lines, Exec. Director, of Dorchester County Commission on Alcohol and Drug Abuse, reiterated previous request of \$12,000. He said they served 700 people from March 24th. He needs \$12,000. to operate on for 12 months. Several Councilmen asked pertinent questions concerning the financial aspects of the Commission and the scope of their program. Mr. Lines, also stated he wanted to hire another person to work with the Commission, and needed \$2,000. per month to operate. Mr. Brantor made a motion to appropriate \$5,000.00 for remaining fiscal year. Seconded by Mr. Limehouse. Amended by Mr. Kizer to include \$6000.00. All voted in favor. Mr. Canaday recommended hiring person but whithdrew until certainty of federal funding.

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Mr. Fred Ballard, et. al. representing Summerville Dixie Youth Baseball League asked for financial assistance to upgrade the existing field. Mr. Sweat made motion to appropriate \$2,500.00 and Mr. Limehouse seconded. All in favor.

Mr. Gordon Bennett, President of Charleston Disposal Service, requested that he be permitted to charge private collectors 75¢ per cubic yd. Mr. Branton proposed that Council meet with Bennett and Waring to set price for commercial containers but motion was not made. Mr. Canaday made motion to pay \$5,000.00 per month for containers and landfill cost until July 1, 1975 or until the County opens its own landfill. Mr. Limehouse seconded. All in favor except Mr. Sweat.

Mr. Hudson read request from Mr. McGill, Supt. of Education, for funds amounting to \$800. for two board members to attend the Assoc. of School Administration Convention in Dallas, Texas. After a brief discussion, Mr. Limehouse made the motion for the Council to appropriate \$400. for one person to attend. Mr. Branton seconded. Limehouse, Sweat, Branton, Weeks, Kizer, voted affirmatively.

Mr. Kizer brought up fact that Harleyville-Ridgeville would be needing \$100,000. more shortly and the Council should be informed of such. After a discussion it was moved that the Council approve \$50,000. note now and when the bond issue is introduced, another \$50,000. can be borrowed. Mr. Browning made the motion and Mr. Branton seconded. All were in favor.

Mr. Branton suggested that the Council decentralize to form seven standing committees with each member serving as head of one committee with the provisions that: (1) each committee (except Ways and Means, which will incorporate the full Council, with the Chairman as Leader) will consist of three (3) members.

(2) The Chairman will be elected by the Committee.

(3) No person can serve as Chairman of more than 2 committees and can not serve on more than 3 committees.

Each member is to send the Chairman his committee requests and he will make the decision as to the committee placement. The suggested committees are as follows:

1. Ways & Means
2. Public Works
3. Bids & Purchases
4. Health, Safety, & Welfare
5. Education
6. Zoning & Ordinances
7. Agriculture & Forestry

A committee is to be appointed at the next Council meeting to recommend a productive use of the Dorchester County Hospital. Members will be from

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the Community as well as the County.

Mrs. Kirby asked for more money to be appropriated to her emergency relief fund to aid her operation. She has funds available at present but if she overspends the County will appropriate a designated amount.

Mr. Limehouse made several recommendations for members of the Zoning Commission but because of other members being unprepared to make nominations and because the size of the committee is unsettled the appointments were delayed until the next Council meeting.

Bids were opened for the rest room on the St. George Maintenance shop:

George Knight	-	\$2,885.00
S. Smith	-	\$2,625.00
W. Westbury	-	\$2,225.00

The Council discussed the building and requested Mr. Weeks to re-submit bids for construction of the rest room in the interior of the building. Mr. Canaday made the motion to table any action until further investigation and Mr. Limehouse seconded. Branton, Browning, Sweat, Limehouse, and Canaday, were in favor.

At the next Council meeting, February 3rd., at 10:00 a. m. the Council requested Mr. Templin and the Vocational Board be present.

Mr. Hudson was instructed to obtain a ruling from the Attorney General's office as to who has ownership of abandoned school property, and can this land/building be deeded to the County.

The meeting adjourned at 11:35 p. m.

Submitted by: Lucille P. Rizer

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10 A. M., Feb. 3, 1975

MINUTES

All members were present and Mr. Hudson, County Administrator

Mr. Kizer, Chairman, called the meeting to order.

Mr. Ernest Williams, citizen of Old Forte area, appeared before the Council to ask for permission for County to repair an old road so they could have a way to get in and out of their property, approx. 2½ miles, while their main entrance road is being paved. Mr. Branton recommended that it be turned over to Mr. Sweat to handle. Mr. Branton said he thought they could work with Char. County. Mr. Williams also asked about Twin Lakes paving. It seemed they wanted to ask if a little more road could be paved to the bus stop. Mr. Kizer said it would be a matter to take up with the Delegation. Mr. Kizer said he believed the highway could add on without the contractor rebidding on same and it was decided that the delegation should ask and it is in Rep. Gene Dukes' district.

Mr. Kizer asked Mr. Limehouse to read his proposal. Mr. Limehouse said it was something he talked about during the campaign and he thought people in Dorchester County was entitled to. He said it was a recommendation, not a proposal.

- (1) The Landfill --"and we are making progress on that."
- (2) Mapping the County --"reassessment is a must, and something that that must be done. It will get property on the books that haven't been on before. It will aid the Auditor. I would like to see it included in budget for the coming year, sufficient to take care of a third of it. I asked Mr. Hudson about 5 months ago to look into the cost of mapping."
Zoning - Mr. Limehouse said he thought that was a must. He also said, "We've got subdivisions that are springing up all over the County with no regulations at all. We are getting in trouble on streets. Some people claim they are in the State systems, others say they are in the County system. Who knows, I don't know. Streets are being deteriorated and are falling apart, and if they are not in the State system, the State will not accept them in those conditions. So it will fall County's responsibility to repair them and if we had zoning which ties into the mapping program that I am recommending. These things are debatable."
- (3) Feasibility Study - Mr. Limehouse said he would like to see a feasibility study made on all buildings of the County. He said, "that's starting right here in Courthouse, the Jail, and what other buildings the County owns, including the Dorchester County Hospital."

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- (4) Better Police Protection - Mr. Limehouse said, "we need to give the Sheriff's Department the proper equipment and help. The population is exploding in the lower part of County and unless we give him proper facilities and proper equipment he can't do the job that's expected of him. He is going to be criticized and we will be criticized. Our County jail doesn't meet Federal regulations and specifications."

Mr. Limehouse also said facilities for juveniles are being limited and this ties right in with a bill that is being introduced by our delegation in Columbia, to establish a family court. He said once this family court is established we will have to have a place to put them.

Mr. Limehouse said he thought the County Jail ought to be closed and another one built in the middle of the County. He said Mrs. Carn could be given the whole side of the Court-house. He said he thought an independent study should be made.

Mr. Limehouse also said according to the Grand Jury report, we'll be building new schools soon if buildings aren't properly maintained. He said these are the things people are interested in.

Mr. Limehouse said he had done some research and came up with these rules for consideration:

- (1) Members of County Council or Council as whole shall deal with various agencies, offices, and employees of the County solely through the County Administrator and shall not give orders to any subordinates of the County Administrator either publicly or privately. However, this is not to be construed as prohibiting any Councilman from relaying complaints to department heads.
- (2) County Council as a whole shall conduct such inquiries into the operation of the County Government and the conduct of the County's affairs as it may deem necessary.
- (3) All proposed ordinances and resolutions shall be in writing and in sufficient numbers of copies for each member of Council to be provided with a copy at the time of introduction.
- (4) All proposed ordinances and resolutions shall be referred by the Chairman to appropriate committees for consideration and report unless reference shall be dispensed with by unanimous consent.

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- (5) Committee reports on proposed ordinances and resolutions shall be in writing and made at the regular meeting next following that at which the same were referred unless the time thereof be extended by majority vote of the Council.
- (6) Ordinances levying a tax, incurring indebtedness, or imposing regulations for the health, safety, or welfare of the County shall not be passed unless voted for on each reading by at least four (4) members.
- (7) Ordinances which levy a tax, appropriate money, or incur bonded indebtedness shall be read and passed at each of three regular meetings of Council.
- (8) The effective date of each ordinance passed by Council shall be fixed so as to permit its publication in full at least once in a newspaper of general circulation in the County not less than five days before such effective date.
- (9) A quorum for the transaction of official business of the Council shall consist of four (4) members.
- (10) The Chairman, when addressed by a member, shall name the member being recognized. The member who shall be first heard shall be recognized first. The Chairman, when several shall address the Chair at about the same time, shall decide who was first.
- (11) A roll call vote on any motion, ordinance or resolution shall be had on the request of any member. The roll shall be called and the votes recorded by the clerk.
- (12) The question before the Council shall be suspended by:
 - (1) Question of order.
 - (2) Question of privilege.
 - (3) Question of taking a recess.
- (13) When a question is under debate, no motion besides those mentioned in the next preceding rule shall be received except:
 - (1) A motion to adjourn.
 - (2) A motion to lay on the table.
 - (3) A motion to adjourn debate to a subsequent meeting.
 - (4) A motion to commit or recommit.
 - (5) A motion to strike out the ordaining or resolving words.
 - (6) A motion to amend, which shall have precedent in the order listed and only the first shall be permitted to interrupt the speaker.
- (14) All motions, except motions to adjourn, to recess, and to lay on the table, shall be debatable.
- (15) Amendments to proposed ordinances and resolutions shall be reduced to writing before being voted on.
- (16) All proposed ordinances or resolutions except those which levy a tax or appropriate moneys or incur bonded indebtedness, shall be

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read and passed by a majority vote, and three separate meetings, provided that no more than two readings may be had at any one meeting.

- (17) No member shall take any books or papers from the possession of the clerk without first acquainting the clerk and if required giving a receipt to return the same in a reasonable time or on the clerk's demand.
- (18) The Chairman in the absence of the Vice-Chairman or the Vice Chairman when he is presiding, may name a member to fill his place during an occasional absence from the Chair but such substitution shall not extend beyond an adjournment. In the absence of the Chairman and the Vice-Chairman, the Council shall select an acting Chairman to serve until the return of the Chairman or Vice Chairman.
- (19) In all particulars not determined by these rules or by the Act creating the Council, the Chairman or the other presiding officer shall be guided by the previous usage of Council or by parliamentary law as it may be collected from the best authorities.
- (20) All committee recommendations both standing and special committees which will require formal action by Council shall be mailed to all members of Council prior to consideration and adoption by Council; provided that if any matter is considered by the majority of any committee to be an emergency, the mailing of such report may be waived and in lieu thereof copies furnished each member of Council at the time of said Council meeting.
- (21) No meeting of the Finance Committee of County Council shall be held without twenty-four hours notice to all Councilmen prior to such meeting unless such notice be waived by a majority of the Committee.
- (22) Any board set up or created by County Council may have as many as two (2) members of Council serving as ex-officio members thereof.
- (23) All meetings of the Finance Committee shall be open to the public, but when a question of salaries, budgets, or personalities, is involved, the Committee shall go into executive session and no information shall be released except by the Chairman upon the approval of a majority of the members present.
- (24) Standing committees shall be appointed by the Chairman, who shall designate the respective Chairman thereof at the second meeting in each January as follows and these shall function as advisory Committees to the County Administrator when the Administrator so request.
 - (1) A Finance Committee which shall consist of all the members of County Council.
 - (2) A Roads, Bridges, and Public Property Committee, which shall consist of four (4) members.
 - (3) A Public Welfare and Education Committee, which shall consist of four (4) members.

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- (4) A County Offices and Department Committee, which shall consist of four (4) members.
 - (5) An Industrial and Agricultural Development Committee, which shall consist of five (5) members.
 - ✓(6) A Purchases and Bids Committee, which shall consist of three members.
 - (7) A Legislative Committee, which shall consist of three members.
- (25) There shall be a standing committee on rules, consisting of three (3) members of County Council who shall be appointed by the Chairman who shall designate the Chairman thereof, at the second meeting in each January.
- (26) The Chairman of the County Council shall be the Chairman of the Finance Committee and shall also be ex-officio member of all other committees.
- (27) All committee meetings shall be open unless the Chairman of the Committee calls an executive session.
- (28) Regular meetings of County Council shall be held the first (1st.) and third (3rd.) Mondays of each month, and special meetings may be called by the Chairman, but no such special meeting shall be held at any time or place other than on the hour and date and in the place of which the Chairman shall give three days notice by publication in a newspaper of general circulation in the County.
- (2) It shall be the Council's Clerk's duty to have notices of all regular and special meetings published in newspapers of general circulation in the County.

Mr. Kizer thanked Mr. Limehouse for his views and said we would come back to a discussion on this at a later time.

Mr. Robert M. Bunch, former Councilman, and Mr. Robert Jacobi, SPA, explained to Council what a foreign trade zone was and the function. It is an enclosed area in U. S. but outside Custom area; do not pay any duty. Carolina Trade Zone, is 20 acres. They want to get Federal approval and have it in an Industrial Park. Mr. Jacobi passed out brochures, explaining the trade zone. Mr. Branton made comments about the efforts incurred in this process. Mr. Limehouse proposed a letter of support to SPA. Seconded by Mr. Branton. All voted in favor.

Col. Templin, Mr. Joe Wimberly, of Vocational School met with the Council. Col. Templin explained all the financial sheet he had prepared for each Councilman and the Administrator. Taking it step by step to show how the funds were received and paid out and also to show how much he had on hand. He said they would pay off $\frac{1}{2}$ of note out of circulating account, then when equipment is purchased we can borrow money from bank. A copy of Col. Templin's accounting is attached to minutes.

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Col. Templin showed the Council a drafting of the rest room to be built for the road maintenance crew. The Council decided to let the Vocational carpentry boys do the work and the County would pay for the material. The motion was made by Mr. Canaday and all agreed.

Mrs. Virginia Morred, Auditor, Mr. Wayne Welch, Mr. John Brodie, of the State Tax Commission, Mr. George Cuthbert, and Mr. T. S. Westbury, Assessors, appeared before Council. Mr. Brodie gave a synopsis of Tax Commissioner's responsibility, where everything is assessed at 9.5 %. He explained all the State would do. Equalization, sales assessment, ratio study, mapping program, value of property at market value. Mr. Branton moved that Mr. Hudson write Mr. Robert C. Masson, Chairman of S. C. Tax Commission, for sales assessment ratio study, and Mr. Sweat seconded. All but Mr. Weeks voted in favor. It is called a sales assessment study. This study will be by school districts. Mr. Branton asked about the County's law to give 10 yrs. free from Co. taxes but Mr. Brodie said this was unconstitutional. Constitutional provision for new industry is five years. Mr. Kizer thanked Mr. Brodie for coming down and talk to them..

Mr. Gene Dukes, and Mr. John Smith, Representative, talked about the family Court. He said the family court is all the Constitution will allow at this time. He said the bill was passed in the House last week. Mr. Smith explained about all the different types of courts and said he foreses a long battle for judicial reform. Said they wanted to give a Family Court if they could do it. He would like to see the Family Court pass but he told the Council there is no clear cut answer if this Court can be set up. Mr. Dukes said he would concur on all Mr. Smith said. Mr. Smith said he felt there was a real need in the Probate Judge's office for help. Mr. Smith said he thought an Assistant Probate Judge would have to be appointed.

Mr. Smith thanked the Council for telling him he could use the Sec'y. hired at the lower part of County Road Dept. but said he had plenty Sec'y. help and would not be using her and if any other agency the County wanted her to help please feel free to do so.

Mr. Kizer asked the opinion of the number of magistrate's the County should have. Mr. Smith said he thought two in Sumnerville and two in St. George or upper part. He said they would probably wait until the Home rule bill is passed State wide.

Mr. Sweat made a motion that the Magistrate find space for 6 mo. until the decision be made about the Hospital. Mr. Branton seconded. All voted in favor.

Mrs. Kirby, Director of Social Services, appeared before the Council and thanked them for Remington-hand Revolving file; problem of inactive files, wants to use open-end filing. Mr. Canaday made a motion to use open end filing and Mr. Sweat seconded. All in favor. Micro-film will not be used with a savings of \$1,000.00 dollars.

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Mrs. Kirby also asked for \$5,000.00 until rest of fiscal year for operating funds and \$1,000.00 for emergency fund. \$5,000.00 to come from revenue sharing. \$500.00 for emergency on motion by Mr. Kizer and seconded by Mr. Linehouse. All in favor. Mr. Branton not present.

Mrs. Etheridge appeared before the Council in re. mental commitment Act causing work load problems. Motion by Mr. Linehouse to permit Mrs. Etheridge to find a lawyer for \$125.00 per case. Mr. Weeks seconded. All in favor.

Resolution by County Councilmen:

WHEREAS, The South Carolina State Ports Authority has by Board action approved the execution and submission of a formal application to the Foreign-Trade Zones Board for the creation of a Foreign-Trade Zone in South Carolina; and

WHEREAS, The Carolina Trade Zone has entered into an agreement with the South Carolina State Ports Authority to establish, maintain, and operate a Foreign-Trade Zone in Dorchester County; and

WHEREAS, The creation of such a Foreign-Trade Zone is believed to be in the best interest of the county and state population by enhancing the county and state posture in world trade and climate for industrial development; now, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, That the County Council of Dorchester County does hereby express their complete support for and endorses the concept of a Foreign-Trade Zone in Dorchester County; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the South Carolina State Ports Authority, the South Carolina Congressional Delegation, and the South Carolina State Development Board.

The Council decided that the Rabies Control Officer to be dropped in favor of a maintenance employee.

Mr. Cliff Henley, Treasurer, asked for a Deputy (Assistant) Treasurer to maintain continuity of office. He requested Mrs. Mary Wimberly and asked for her salary to be increased to \$7,200.00 and he would appoint her as Assistant to Treasurer. Mr. Branton made the motion to agree to this and it was seconded by Mr. Weeks. All in favor.

Council wanted figures in Tax Collector's office to compare with expenses.

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National Guard - Mr. Branton brought up the matter of radio's per Mr. Ackerman's request, and said it should be at the Sherriff's discretion. Mr. Linehouse made a motion and Mr. Branton seconded. Mr. Hudson to determine how many the County needs; after study made, the National Guard will get one.

Mr. Canaday made motion to pay ROAD Commissioners \$300. annual, Mr. Linehouse seconded. All in favor.

Solid waste Disposal & fire Protection through Community Development Project were designated as target areas in applying for a grant which has to be in by March 1, 1975.

Mr. Branton brought up raise for Mr. J. D. Wagers. He wanted it to be \$50.00 per month. Mr. Sweat made the motion to raise him and Mr. Branton seconded. Five in favor; Mr. Canaday abstained.

The Council adjourned at 5:30.

Submitted by

Lucille P. Kizer
Lucille P. Kizer, Clerk

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

Mr. Kizer, Chairman, called the meeting to order, and Rev. Barry Owens gave the invocation.

Mr. Barry Owens appeared before Council to reiterate his request for a bridge to be built across Timothy Creek at his property. Council deferred action until Soil Conservation could determine the type of bridge needed and the cost.

Bids were opened for three (3) Sheriff's cars, the specification as attached:

Jim Bilton Ford	---	\$13,636.58
Grayson Ford, Inc.	---	13,628.16
Sojourner Chevrolet Co.	---	13,714.18
E. M. Jones Chev. Co.	---	13,790.40
Antley's Garage	---	13,724.25

On a motion by Mr. Branton and seconded by Mr. Limehouse, the Council voted to accept the bid by Grayson Ford.

Dr. Bill Blanton, Director, Charleston Area Mental Health, and Mr. Bob Bentley, from Char. Area Mental Health. Dr. Blanton explained the operations of the Mental Health Clinic in Dorchester County as such that 2 caseworkers visit the Summerville site twice a week and twice a month they hold a group session in St. George. Mr. Bentley pointed out that the County is requested to pay 9 % of the local share which amounts to \$13,000 plus but the County has only appropriated \$6,000 to cover their portion. If the Mental Health attempts to expand their services to incorporate full time staff at the Summerville facility the Mental Health Organization will need the County's full share. Mr. Branton moved to pay the County's balance, out of revenue sharing (10,000) and Mr. Limehouse seconded. On the ensuing discussion Mr. Canaday suggested deferring additional appropriations until the new budget for fiscal year 75-76. Mr. Branton withdrew his motion for immediate funding and recommended that the Council include in the budget the 9 % portion. Mr. Limehouse again seconded but no vote was taken but it was understood that this would be considered during the budgetary process.

Mr. Bentley also pointed out that there were no representatives on the Mental Health Board and the County and the County was designated two slots. The County should recommend to the Legislative Delegation the names for approval by the Governor.

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Mr. Kennerty, Director, Preparedness Agency, requested the Sheriff's radio's be turned over to his agency so he could comply with forthcoming Federal regulations in developing an emergency communications network. This was deferred until all requests were in and the actual needs could be assessed.

Mr. Hudson was directed to supervise and monitor the additional expenses of the Registration Board in their rush for reregistering the entire County. Claims are to be paid through normal purchasing procedure. Mr. Limehouse made the motion as such and Mr. Weeks seconded. All in favor.

Mr. Charles McGill, County Supt. of Education, appeared before the Council to discuss several matters concerning school related problems that will be forthcoming:

- (1) Proposed that the Vocational School be contracted to construct a 3000 sq. ft. facility on property at the Vocational Center for Lunchroom storage. The County would have to furnish the supplies for the building and the Vocational School would provide the labor and professional services. The cost should not exceed \$10,000.00. (Mr. McGill asked to use the money set up for remodeling office space and the rent for lunchroom, and said he would only need an additional \$4,000.00) Mr. Limehouse made the motion to accept this proposal and Mr. Canaday seconded. All were in favor.
- (2) He also asked Council to appropriate \$400.00 for County Board member, Mr. Bufort Blanton, to attend the National Conference in Dallas, Texas. After a brief discussion, Mr. Limehouse made the motion to appropriate the money and Mr. Browning seconded. In the following vote all were in favor except Mr. Don Canaday, who abstained.
- (3) Mr. McGill stated that a joint audit by one firm would save the County money and provide a more cohesion system. This was taken under advisement by the Council, to be discussed at a later date.
- (4) Mr. McGill also elaborated on the need of a centralized computer network with the schools and County--possibly even the municipalities at a cost of \$100,000.00. The Schools would pay their proportionate share.
- (5) Mr. McGill asked that the Chairman appoint an education committee to work with the various districts on formalizing their budgets and other school matters.

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At this point, Mr. Limehouse moved that the Council adopt Rule #24, of his proposal that would set up various committees. Mr. Branton amended the motion to adopt, Rule 25, which would provide a Rules Committee, he made recommendations to the Council as to the necessary Committees and their nomenclature. Mr. Sweat seconded.

Mr. Limehouse withdrew his motion. All were in favor of Mr. Branton's motion. Mr. Kizer appointed the following to the Rules Committee:

Mr. Bill Branton
Mr. Don Canaday
Mr. Walter Limehouse, Chairman

They are to make recommendations for Committees at the next Council meeting.

Mr. Hudson:

- (1) Explained the reason for the letter concerning designation of the County Jail as a non-State facility under the Dept. of Corrections. After conferring with the Sheriff, a decision will be made.
- (2) Asked that he be permitted to order a new door for the Courthouse. The doors at present are safety hazards. The Council approved purchasing a reinforced glass door.
- (3) Asked that the Council approve matching Mr. Weathers' retirement back-up so that he will qualify for 17 additional years that he served in local government. Mr. Browning made the motion, Mr. Weeks seconded. All were in favor.
- (4) Asked for additional funds from revenue sharing to incur the cost of clearing out and expanding two ditches in Summerville area. Mr. Branton requested that information be obtained from Soil Conservation as to the requirements for cutting those drainage ditches. Mr. Sweat made motion to accept the proposal with Mr. Branton's request. Mr. Branton seconded. All in favor.
- (5) Mr. Canaday made motion to purchase plaques for the three former Councilmen and Mr. Shields Hussey, with a resolution commemorating the outstanding service of the former Probate Judge. Mr. Branton seconded. All in favor.
- (6) Several minutes were used to answer pertinent questions about the purchasing system, in particular, several bills from the road department. Mr. Hudson explained that the services needed could not be acquired within the County on an emergency basis and necessitated going out of the County. The matter of issuing purchase orders was restated

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and the Council strongly supported Mr. Hudson in enforcing the purchasing system.

For information purposes, Mr. Hudson stated that the Council would be receiving an invitation to visit the TEC school within the next week and the Summerville Water Commission would be asking for financial support - extending sewer lines outside the town limits.

Upon request by Mr. Sweat for a tire changer, Mr. Hudson was asked to obtain information as to the number of changes needed.

Mr. Weeks inquired about the land the County was supposed to buy from Mrs. Inez Smoak. After a candid discussion, the Chairman asked that before any purchase is made the matter be cleared up for he never understood that the County would haul some of the dirt for a race track.

Mr. Hudson passed out a letter from Mr. Jim Bell concerning the hauling of dirt on private property, explaining the legal ramifications of continuing this practice. This information was understood by each member.

The meeting adjourned at 11:30 p. m.

Submitted by:

Lucille P. Kizer
Lucille P. Kizer, Clerk

MINUTES

DORCHESTER COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING

MARCH 3, 1975 - 10 A. M.

The County Council of Dorchester County met on March 3, 1975, with all members present and Mr. Hudson, County Administrator.

Col. Templin appeared before Council to discuss different procedures of the Vocational School graphic arts class, such as, printing of books to advertise for towns, etc. He had an order for the Town of Harleyville, to print their book for the See-Saw Daze festival. After quite a bit of discussion, Mr. Limehouse made a motion that this project be dropped by the School in favor of Mr. Owens this year and that a policy be drawn up by the Board of Trustees of the School and be brought back to Council for consideration. Mr. Branton seconded and all voted in favor. Mr. Kizer said he would not like to do anything to hurt free enterprize. Col. Templin also explained how he could have the students build small houses and if they could sell them and not have to tear them down to build more they would have more training time. Col. Templin said his Trustees would meet in about a week and that he would report back.

Mr. Jerry Blackwell appeared before County Council seeking help for recreation. He wanted financial help both now and to be considered more favorably in the next budget. He said the recreational demands for the Summerville area were increasing rapidly. They are providing recreation for 79% of County residents living outside of town limits. Mr. Limehouse made a motion for \$3,500.00 at present. Mr. Branton seconded with recommendation that County make movement toward County Recreation program based on pro-rate share.

Council gave approval to town of Reevesville for filling in low area for recreation facilities in the area. The town has enough funds for purchase of equipment. All in favor.

Mayor Sojourner, of the Town of St. George, appeared before Council to inform them that the St. George dump is ordered closed May 1, 1975. Mr. Sojourner said the town picks up every day from the Cafe's and twice a week from the residences. The Council asked Mr. Sojourner to make up a cost estimate for expenses of running operation.

There was a request to sell the County an ad for See-Saw Daze for the Town of Harleyville, at the price of \$50.00. Mr. Canaday made the motion to buy the ad and Mr. Browning seconded. All in favor.

Mr. Hudson told Council there was a problem in the Courthouse Court room of people not being able to hear. Said the Judge spoke in a very low voice and he has been asked to see about getting some kind of P. A. system. The Council discussed this and decided that Mr. Hudson should get the price and report at the next meeting.

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Mr. Santos, of the Emergency Medical Service, and a group of his employees came to demonstrate what they go through when they find a person with a pulmonary arrest. They also had a vehicle and all the Council went out to inspect it. Mr. Santos said this was bringing health care to where the people is located. No decision has been made about one for Dorchester County as of this time. Mr. Santos said it would take about two to service Dorchester County.

Mr. Hudson asked about advertising for various publications of the State. The Council decided they would give the Association of Counties and V.F. W., ads and the others would be cut out but local ads in County publications would be a different matter and the Council would consider acting on them separately.

Mr. Hudson told them of the invitation to the Tec School, Monday at 6:30. All the Councilmen are invited.

Mr. William Murray wants extension of water line to his property. Approx. cost of \$65.00 - \$75.00. Mr. Weeks made a motion in favor and Mr. Limehouse seconded, all in favor.

Mr. William Coleman, of the State Dept. of Corrections, and Mr. Jim Tupper, members of a survey team. Their job to survey prisoners, how long they have been there, etc. Mr. Coleman told the Council what they were doing and said he would answer any questions. Said this was the 24th County they have visited. They are to survey the prison and find out how many persons are in the prison, how long they have been there, cost, and etc. Said they were to work out an agreement. The State is offering the County a contract about the prisoners, and Mr. Don Canaday made the motion that Mr. Hudson and the Sheriff get together and go over it and if they agree that it is the best thing to do they are to bring it back before the Council at their next meeting. Mr. Weeks seconded. All voted in favor.

The subject of dirt hauling and of a Councilman giving permission for a person to get the dirt in his truck direct from the sand-pit came up and was discussed fully. Mr. Weeks said the party got 4 loads of dirt on a rented truck from sand pit and he had given permission. Mr. Kizer said he wanted to go on record as being against this dirt hauling on private property. Mr. Branton said if they sent a truck and the operator loaded it with dirt, what's to keep him from selling? Mr. Kizer said again that he was against this free hauling and let's once more go back to working on the public roads of this County and he wanted that shown on the record. Mr. Kizer also said he wanted his name inserted in the record as being opposed to free giving away tax payers money and Mr. Branton and some of the others said they wanted their name added. Some of the confusion is that the operators are doing things that Mr. John Infinger doesn't

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know about. Mr. Branton said he thought it should all be worked through the Road Foreman. Nothing was voted in this matter but the Councilman left with the understanding that the County vehicles would not haul dirt on private property, but the County would load dirt on private vehicles of which there is no difference under the law.

Mr. Limehouse asked Mr. Kizer to name the members he was appointing to the various Committees. Mr. Kizer named the following to the following committee's:

1. Finance - all members of County Council.
2. Public Works & Property (roads, bridges, buildings, etc.)
Mr. Limehouse, Mr. Canaday, & Mr. Browning
3. Social Services (Welfare & Health)
Mr. Weeks, Mr. Branton, Mr. Sweat
4. Education & Recreation.
Mr. Branton, Mr. Browning, Mr. Canaday
5. Industrial, Agricultural & Forest Development
Mr. Browning, Mr. Canaday, Mr. Branton
6. Purchases & Bids
Mr. Limehouse, Mr. Sweat, Mr. Weeks
7. Legislative & Intergovernmental (Zoning, Ordance, etc.)
Mr. Sweat, Mr. Weeks, & Mr. Limehouse.
8. Public Safety(Police & Fire Protection, Civil Defense, etc.)

Recommended for all members of County Council, but not decided upon yet.

There was a motion by Mr. Canaday to have each committee select it's Chairman, seconded by Mr. Branton. All in favor.

A request was made to buy carpet for the Sheriff's office and some for the Dispatcher. Mr. Browning made the motion to buy carpet for the Sheriff's office, and Mr. Limehouse seconded, with the request that cost, space be provided for next meeting.

A motion was made by Mr. Branton, to stop buying tobacco for the prisoners. Mr. Canaday seconded. Defeated by 5 to 2.

Mr. Hudson was requested to write a letter to Mr. Charles Mills to get up estimate of yds. of dirt that needs to be moved, and if they would supervise the work (Tom & Kate). They were waiting on them to get something done.

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Mr. Kizer asked for County to pay for dragline work being done near Harleyville. The immediacy of the problem caused work to begin before Council approval. Drag line work @ 400 - 500. Mr. Branton recommended that County pay for it.. All in favor.

Forestry Board request -- \$100 per yr. for Board Chairman and \$25.00 per yr. for members. For information only.

Mr. Sweat made a motion to get the maintenance man a vehicle (panel truck) by bids. Mr. Branton seconded. All agreed. To be a new one and red.

The Council adjourned at 4:15.

Signed

Lucille P. Kizer
Lucille P. Kizer, Clerk

DORCHESTER COUNTY COUNCIL
SUMMERVILLE TOWN HALL
MARCH 17, 1975

Minutes:

The regular meeting of the Dorchester County Council was held at 7:30 p.m, at the Summerville Town Hall, March 17, 1975. All members were present including Phillip Hudson, County Administrator. Minutes of the March 3, 1975 meeting were approved.

In the first order of business, Mr. Bobby Bunch presented to the Council a drawing of the existing land and roads to the New Precision Metal Products, Inc., property located behind the airport which is owned by Nick Jones. Mr. Bunch explained to the Council that there are roads that are in need of repair but he could not give a determination of which roads to repair.

In other business, Mr. Ken Fujishiro, Acting Director of the Berkeley-Charleston-Dorchester Regional Planning Council, told the Council that there would be a cooperative effort from the Regional Planning Council to help with the implementation of a Zoning Ordinance. Staff members from the Regional Planning Council would be available to assist the Council once a Zoning Commission is formulated. Mr. Fujishiro stated that preferably a Commission should consist of seven people from a spectrum of citizens. A group of lay citizens should also be included for input purposes. Mr. Branton presented a proposal to the Council whereby the Committee could be set up with a Zoning Steering Committee of nine members, which would be an advisory committee to the Council, to formulate a plan for zoning and work with the District Committees consisting of five members appointed by district County members and whereby a Chairman would be chosen by each committee. Mr. Branton felt this would help organize matters so that the plan could be carried out expeditiously. (See Attachment One)

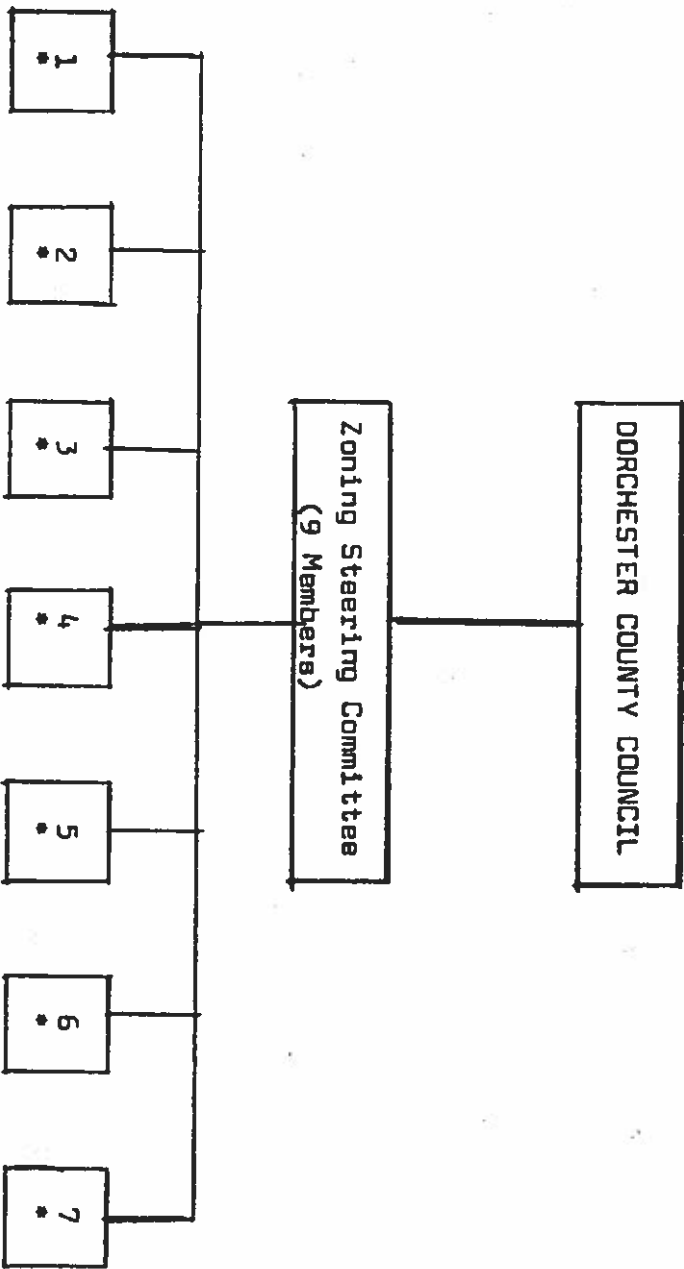
Mr. Limehouse recommended that this be turned over to the proper committee for further study. Mr. Branton stated that he felt a decision should be made concerning the structure of the Committee at this time. Mr. Limehouse moved that the matter be turned over to the Legislative and Intergovernmental Committee for determination of structuralization and member make-up. All present were in favor of this motion as directed by the Chairman.

Next, Messrs. Robert Cuthbert and McAlhaney from the Summerville Commission of Public Works informed the Council that the State Health Department has advised them that their oxidation pond does not meet the water quality standards. A determination by the Department of Health and Environmental Control indicated that they would need \$286,000 to upgrade the pond to meet the standards. At present the Commission services 5488 of which only 1649 are in the City of Summerville. The remainder of persons reside in the outlying areas of Dorchester County. The upgrading of the system would provide four million gallons per day as compared to the present rate of 1.7 gallons per day. It was recommended that the County should develop a Public Service Commission.

Councilmen Limehouse and Branton questioned Messrs. Cuthbert and McAlhaney concerning the jurisdiction, financial standing, and annexing policies of the Commission. A discussion followed.

DORCHESTER ZONING STEERING COMMITTEE
(9 Members)

1 Real Estate	Summerville	Female	White
1 Retail Business	St. George	Male	White
1 Agriculture	Reesville	Male	White
1 Manufacturing	Harleyville	Male	White
1 At Large Member	Ridgeville	Female	Black
1 Education	Summerville	Female	White
1 Attorney	Summerville	Male	White
1 Engineer-Surveyor-Planner	Summerville	Male	White
1 At Large Member	Summerville	Male	Black



* District Committee -- 5 Members appointed by district council members
 Chairman chosen by each committee

Zoning Steering Committee-- Advisory committee to County Council
 -- Formulate a plan of zoning for Dorchester County
 -- Work with District Committees

DORCHESTER COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR
DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

COUNTY ADMINSTRATOR

The County Administrator of Dorchester County shall be the administrative head of the County government for the County Council and shall be responsible for the administration of all departments, commissions and agencies of the County government which the County Council has the authority to control. He shall hold his office at the will of the County Council and shall be entitled to such reasonable compensation for his services as County Council may determine.

The County Administrator shall have the following specific responsibilities and duties:

- (1) To be the administrative head of the County government for the County Council.
- (2) To direct and conduct the business of County Council under policies established by the Council.
- (3) To transmit all the policies, orders, resolutions, and regulations of the County Council to those concerned thereby; to oversee the faithful execution thereof; and from time to time to report to the County Council as to the operation thereof.
- (4) To attest the signature of the Chairman on all ordinances, resolutions and directives of the Council, and sign with the Chairman all deeds, leases, bonds, contracts, and other legal instruments affecting the County.
- (5) To make arrangements and plans for all meetings of the County Council, including the preparation of an agenda, giving legal notice of special meetings, and specific notice to all persons expected to appear at all meetings, and himself to attend all meetings, regular and special, of the County Council, unless excused. He shall from time to time recommend to the

County Council such measures for adoption as he shall deem desirable in carrying out the administration, improvement, and efficiency of County government, and he will ordinarily be expected to participate in all discussions and to present his views on all matters coming before the Council.

(6) To make arrangements for all committee meetings of the Council and be present at such meetings.

(7) To keep the County Council informed of the operations of all the departments, commissions and agencies of the County government which the County Council has the authority to control, and to make reports to the Council from time to time upon the affairs of the County and to keep the Council fully advised as to the financial condition of the County and its future financial needs.

(8) To appoint, with the advice and consent of the County Council, department heads for the general administration of County affairs, which positions and the compensation for such have heretofore been established by the County Council except such officers as are required to be elected by popular vote or whose appointment is otherwise provided by law.

(9) To suspend such department heads, officers and agents as he may appoint, and upon suspension shall report the same to the next meeting of the County Council and, further, to permanently dismiss such department heads, officers and agents with the advice and consent of County Council.

(10) To represent the County Council in conferring with all departments, commissions and agencies of the County government in the evaluation of their operating and capital outlay needs and shall prepare the annual operating budget for consideration and approval of the Council. Before appropriations and annual budget requests are submitted to the County Council, he shall make such recommendations concerning the appropriations of funds as he may deem desirable and appropriate.

(11) To serve as agent of the County Council in coordinating the responsibilities and duties of all departments, commissions and agencies of the County government.

(12) To prepare and recommend policies for adoption by the County Council when in his opinion the inauguration and development of such policies would tend to promote efficiency and economy in the County government.

(13) To act as the information center of the County government, both in the courthouse and by contacts with the public through speaking engagements, newspaper releases, radio and television appearances, and periodic printed reports to the people of the County.

(14) He shall perform such other duties as may be assigned to him by the County Council.

Inasmuch as the County Administrator is responsible for the administration of all departments of the County government which the County Council has the authority to control, it is desirable and a prerequisite to the efficiency and operation of the County government that the County Council and the members thereof conduct and channel all administrative services of the County through the County Administrator. This policy is not intended to imply that a member of the Council should feel restrained in making his or her own investigations of the County departments, functions and problems, nor dealing with the press on such problems. It is important, however, that every member should refrain from transacting County administrative responsibilities except through the County Administrator in the same manner as the County Administrator should refrain from policy making. Good communication between the County Administrator and the County Council is the first requisite for the establishment and continuity of a good chain of operations in County government.

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The Representatives from the Summerville Commission of Public Works requested that the County pay one-half of funding for upgrading the system. This would amount to approximately \$143,000. It was brought to the Commission's attention that that County has contributed \$37,000 to the Exxon Company in the Industrial Park Area for a water tank. Mr. Kizer then referred this matter to the Public Works Committee for study which would report back to Council in thirty days.

Messrs. Ted Guerard and Duell, representing Middleton Place Gardens, expressed a desire to Council for the annexation of this property into Dorchester County. At the present time 1200 acres of Middleton Place Gardens are located in the County of Charleston and 5300 acres are located in the County of Dorchester. It was explained that a petition from each property owner in the area would be necessary before the annexation could take place. Also, two elections, one by the property owners and one by the residents of Dorchester County, would have to be held. Following this, if the residents of the County approve the measure, the Act will have to go through the State Legislature for their approval. The advantages of the above annexation were cited. Included in these were the tax value to the County and also the aesthetic value of the land. Mr. Limehouse asked whether or not a poll had been conducted among the residents in the area to see whether there was a favorable opinion of the annexation. He was told that there had been a poll and those questioned had given approval. The Council suggested that Messrs. Guerard and Duell contact Mr. Jim Bell, the County Attorney for the proper procedure in which to follow. Councilman Branton moved to proceed along proper channels to annex the area into Dorchester County. All were in favor.

Mrs. Shirley Laing, representing the Old Fort Estate Fire Department, addressed the Council. She presented a statement of the use of their funds appropriated the previous year and stressed the shortage of funds this year. At present they have only \$400 left. Chief Montoga briefly described the manpower of the volunteer organization. The Council was asked to continue their support of Old Fort and to approve a loan of \$3,000. Councilman Sweat asked that a budget be prepared so that the Council could get a better picture of the financial situation of the fire department. Councilman Kizer recommended that the request by Old Fort be tabled for later action. All approved.

Next, Mrs. Hazel Spell, Summerville Senior Citizen's Center, informed the Council of the problems presently confronting her organization in regards to funding and building location. She added that they are in need of a bus for proper transportation, a refrigerator, a freezer and other supplies in order to properly function. Councilman Canaday questioned her as to whether they could get Federal funding. At this time Mr. Kizer suggested that Mrs. Spell meet with Mr. Phil Hudson, the County Administrator, so that the problem can be worked out with Mrs. Barnes from the United Way/Program for the Aging.

In other matters, Mr. Jack Parks, owner of Parks Funeral Home in Summerville addressed the Council concerning the problem he is having in providing ambulance service to the County. At the present time his company is experiencing an overload of expense in providing this service. Due to this, \$25,000 yearly will be needed to continue operating at the present rate until such a time when the County can establish an adequate service. A dispatcher is needed on a 24 hour basis plus additional personnel to maintain the vehicle. Councilman Limehouse made a motion that the Social Service Committee consider this request and bring their findings before the next meeting of Council for final approval/disapproval. Mr. Sweat seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Mr. Don Handelsman, representing the Kings Grant Subdivision, questioned the Council concerning the upkeep of the roads in the area and also expressed a concern about the speeding on Highway 642. He requested that the Council make steps to install speed signs along this area of Highway 642 to relieve the danger. The Council advised Mr. Handelsman get in touch with Mr. Jim Bilton, State Highway Commissioner. Mr. Handelsman asked whether the Council would support him in this endeavor by writing a letter. Councilman Kizer recommended that he contact the members of the Public Works Committee and they would work with him.

Mr. Gordon Bennett of Charleston Disposal proposed that the Charleston Disposal Company and the County of Dorchester jointly operate a solid waste disposal system in the County. He stated that if the County bought the land he would lease it. This matter was considered for information purposes only.

A letter from the Soil Conservation Service on the cleaning out of Tom and Kate Channel was presented to the Council. It was decided that an estimate should be given by Soil Conservation and made available to the Council.

For information purposes the Council entertained a letter from the NAACP requesting that a representative from the County attend their next meeting on Sunday, April 13th, at Canaan United Methodist Church, and also a request from Old Fire Estate for purchase of radios for \$1,800.

In other matters, Councilman Branton made a motion that Dr. Johnston, Director of the Health Department, turn all Health Department fees over to the County Treasurer each month so that it can be invested.

Councilmen Branton and Canaday questioned the \$63 what is presently being spent for tobacco for the prisoners.

Councilman Kizer questioned the cost for Magistrate's supplies, Mr. Hudson explained that this was for warrants and printing of forms for this office. Councilman Canaday recommended that the Vocational School help the County with printing.

Councilman Limehouse made a motion that the carpenter be loaned to the SPCA so that that building could be finished. The SPCS will furnish the material. Councilman Weeks seconded the motion and all were in favor. Mr. Limehouse will discuss this with the proper authorities.

Next, Corp. R. D. Way requested that the old Magistrate building adjacent to the Dorchester County Hospital be designated for State Highway Department use. He also requested that the County pay the light bill for the building. All present were in favor of this as directed by the Chairman.

Mr. Hudson then asked the Council for a change in paydays in regard to paying employees on the first business day after the first or 31st. Councilman Limehouse made a motion that a statement of pay days be prepared for Council. Councilman Branton made a motion to pay off bi-weekly on Fridays, beginning with the new fiscal year.

The Councilmen were then informed that the backhoe used for the upper part of the County needs repairing and that the Road Foreman would like to rent another one. Councilman Canaday made a motion to rent a backhoe while the County's is being repaired, Councilman Branton seconded. All were in favor.

Mr. Richard Sweat, Road Foreman for the lower end of the County, requested that the Briar Lane off Possum Road be closed. All present were in favor of this and it would be duly advertised.

A bill was then presented to the Council from Bell and Bell in regards to legal work done on the re-apportionment suit. Council agreed to pay this.

The Council then received a copy of the bid for a panel truck to be used by the maintenance man. This was considered for information purposes only.

Council agreed to pay \$50 for advertisement for the Miss Dorchester County Pageant.

Council decided that March 28, 1975, Good Friday, would be considered a County holiday.

Mr. Weeks questioned the pre-facto paying of claims. Mr. Hudson explained that all the claims in question here were from Revenue Sharing Account and in all cases were approved prior to any expenditure being made. The minutes of the previous meeting will reveal this. Mr. Weeks then questioned the over-running of one project but it was explained that this was a misinterpretation of the minutes and the motion made by Mr. Branton was to complete the project and a \$500 limit was not set.

Being no further business or discussion, the meeting adjourned at 11:30 p.m.

DORCHESTER COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING

DORCHESTER COUNTY COURTHOUSE

APRIL 7, 1975

Minutes:

The regular meeting of the Dorchester County Council was held on Monday, April 7, 1975, at the Dorchester County Courthouse in St. George. All members were present including Mr. Phillip W. Hudson, County Administrator.

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman, Kermit Kizer, at 10 a.m. First order of business was the approval of the claims for the month. Each Councilman reviewed the requests for payment and a discussion followed. Mr. Hudson explained to the Council why the total of the claims was higher than the County's normal monthly expenditures. This was due to the fact that this month all of the County's quarterly reports were included in the amount. A brief discussion followed concerning the policy of the County in regards to paying for employee's travel expenses and meals. Councilmen Branton and Kizer both felt that some policy should be set by the County for these matters. Mr. Hudson recommended that now would be a good time to decide on a policy governing travel expenses and meals since the budget preparations have now begun. Councilman Branton agreed to this and felt that the matter should be turned over to the Budget Committee. All agreed. Councilman Branton stated for the record that Purchase Order 2805 was for work done on the Givhans Voting Precinct and not for supplies in the Magistrate's Office as had been stated on the claims list.

After all questions concerning the claims were answered, a motion was made by Councilman Canaday and seconded by Councilman Branton to accept the claims as submitted and to authorize payment. All present were in favor of this motion.

Next, Messrs. Charles Mills, representing the Soil Conservation Service, and Ray McLin, RC&D Project Coordinator, addressed the Council concerning County sponsoring of drainage projects. Mr. Mills explained to the Council that at the present time all RC&D drainage projects are approximately 80% financed by the federal government with the remaining amount being financed by the local participant. All projects completed thus far in Dorchester County have been organized into water shed districts which now makes them a legal entity of the State. In order to do this though, each project has to go through a long process of having legislation introduced in Columbia which takes approximately one year's time. At present there are two projects under proposal; Duncan Chapel and George Felder. Each of these projects will have to go through this long process. However, this problem can be alleviated if the Council would agree to become the legal sponsor for such projects. Messrs. Mills and McLin proceeded to explain what this would actually entail. Councilman Branton questioned Mr. Mills as to what the actual cost of this would be to the County and what would be the pro-rata share. Mr. Mills explained that the County would have no share. As in previous projects, the money is borrowed from Farmers Home Administration and an additional millage assessed on landowners in that watershed area, which is collected through County taxes. A discussion then followed on previous drainage projects and also projects that are now under construction.

After considerable discussion on the matter of the County becoming a legal sponsor for drainage projects, a motion was made by Councilman Canaday and seconded by Councilman Branton to endorse this proposal. All present were in favor. Chairman Kizer instructed Mr. Hudson to inform the County Attorney of this so that proper steps can be taken.

Chairman Kizer then recognized Councilman Canaday. Councilman Canaday informed the Council of a matter concerning the Reevesville School which he thought was of great importance to the County. Councilman Canaday felt that this school, which is presently partially vacant, could be used in a manner which would be of greater value to the upper portion of the County. He went on to say that he has been in contact with the Board of Trustees who have agreed to give the County a 5-year option, with an option to buy. The selling price would be negotiated at that time. Councilman Canaday explained to the Council that this is a large building which could house some of the County offices as well as County affiliated organizations. This proposal would in effect aid the School District in that the monies received from the rent (and eventually the sale) would be used to retire bonds so that a new Agriculture Building at the St. George High School could be constructed. At the present time, students who participate in this course have to be bused to the Reevesville School from St. George which takes up a good portion of their school day. Councilman Canaday further explained that at present the County is paying enough rent on County affiliated buildings to substantiate such a move by the County.

Councilman Branton stated that he felt there was in deed a need for better utilization of the school, but he could not understand why the citizens of School District #1 would have to pay for the building a second time. He felt that the school should be made available for the citizens in that district and that the Council should eventually make more services available to the citizens of the lower end of the County where there is a larger concentration of people.

Councilman Canaday was questioned as to the condition of the schools and what repairs would actually be involved. Councilman Canaday explained that the school is well-kept and that the only repairs that would be involved would be a general cleaning and some painting.

After considerable discussion on the pros and cons of such an endeavor by the County, a motion was made by Councilman Canaday to entertain such a move at this time due to the fact that if the idea is approved the School District will have to be out by July 1st. Chairman Kizer stated that he would recommend such a move by the County due to the amount of rent presently being spent by the County would be eliminated. This motion was seconded by Councilman Sweat with Councilmen Kizer, Browning, Limehouse, and Weeks voting in favor.

Mrs. Mary Kirby, Director of the Social Services Department, and Ms. Anne Kilpatrick, representing the Regional Planning Council, addressed the Council concerning day care facilities in the County. Mrs. Kirby stated that at the present time there are 975 children under the age of six in poverty in which the head of the household is a woman. The only way for these families to raise their level of income is for the women to go to work; however, this cannot be done unless day care centers are provided.

Mrs. Kirby stressed the demand and need for day care facilities in the County and informed the Council that matching funds are available through federal sources on a four-to-one basis which would help in the operation of the centers. Mrs. Kirby stated that their main problem at this point was the location of a suitable building. This was the case in the organization of a day care facility for the Four Hole Indian Organization. Mrs. Kirby stated that the Reevesville School would be an ideal building for such a center.

Councilman Branton asked whether such a move would interfere with the proposed plan for the school to house several offices. Charles McGill, Supt. of Education, stated that the school is so designed that the day care facility can be housed on one end of the school and kept completely separate from the office area.

Councilman Branton further asked whether a complete plan for the County which would include cost and building sites had been prepared. Ms. Kilpatrick stated that several meetings had been held to devise such a plan for Dorchester County.

Ms. Kilpatrick went on to say that programs could be implemented for such day care centers by July 1, 1975. Also, by July 1st a day care facility for the Indian community which would house approximately 20 children could be organized. A Community Services Council would be established with possibly two staff members, which would be a planning, a coordinating, and where necessary a direct service agency.

Ms. Kilpatrick showed the Council a model building of the proposed day care center which is presently being constructed at the Dorchester Vocational School. The cost of such a building would be approximately \$14,000 and would house 18-24 children. This building would be located on Indian community lands.

An extensive discussion followed on the proposed day care centers and several pertinent questions were asked concerning the need for such facilities and the cost to the County.

Mrs. Kirby added that with Council approval, funds can now be received until July 1st for renovations so that the Reevesville School can be used for a Day Care Center

Councilman Limehouse made a motion that this matter be turned over to the Social Services Committee for their study and then have the Committee report back to the Council with their recommendation. All were in favor of this.

Councilman Browning then made a motion that the Council go ahead and start making plans for the Four Hole Indian Organization day care center. Councilman Limehouse seconded the motion and all were in favor. A question was asked concerning ownership of the building after it is placed on the Indian Community land and whether a lease should be obtained by the County for the property where the day care center is to be located. All Councilmen agreed that something should be determined in regards to this and that the County Attorney should look into the steps the County should take.

Mrs. Delores Melfi, representing the Bicentennial Committee presented to the Council an award from the S.C. Bicentennial Committee for community endeavor. Mrs. Melfi explained

that Dorchester County was among the first to receive such an award and that the plaque will be exhibited in the Bicentennial Committee's future office. Mrs. Melfi also presented the County scrapbook and an award for second place in our population category. Mr. Hudson then thanked Mrs. Melfi for all the time and effort that she has put into this project.

Next order of business, Mr. Eric Harris, representing the Dorchester County Aeronautics Commission, addressed the Council. Mr. Harris asked for Council's approval of the airport obtaining an option for property adjacent to the airport in the event that this land should prove necessary for the airport's expansion. A Master Plan presently being prepared will show a need for this land in the future. An appraisal has been performed on the land and is appraised at the value of \$6,000 per acre. The airport would like to obtain an option for \$1,000 on a 6.1 acre tract of land bordering Highway 78 and the runway and a \$500 option on a 3 acre tract owned by Mr. Nick Jones.

After a thorough discussion on the matter, a motion was made by Councilman Limehouse and seconded by Councilman Weeks to support the Aeronautics Commission's endeavors to obtain options on the above mentioned property. All present were in favor.

Mr. Harris then presented to the Council a request for a grant agreement with the FAA for the completion of a Master Plan for the airport which would include alternate site selection studies, runway studies, wind analysis, etc. Mr. Harris explained that the County portion of such a study would be \$8,200. The entire study would cost 24,000. Mr. Harris stated that what is actually needed at this time is the County endorsement of a resolution for the preparation of such a Master Plan.

After extensive discussion and answering of several questions raised by the Councilmen, a motion was entertained by Councilman Limehouse and seconded by Councilman Browning to adopt the following resolution which was read in full:

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING, ADOPTING, APPROVING, ACCEPTING AND RATIFYING THE EXECUTION OF GRANT AGREEMENT FOR PROJECT NO. A-45-0053-01 BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICAN AND THE COUNTY OF DORCHESTER AND DORCHESTER COUNTY AERONAUTICS COMMISSION.

BE IT RESOLVED, by the County Council of Dorchester County:

SECTION 1: That said County Council hereby authorizes, adopts, approves, accepts and ratifies the execution of Grant Agreement between the Federal Aviation Administration on behalf of the United States of America and Dorchester County and Dorchester County Aeronautics Commission.

SECTION 2: That the execution of said Grant Agreement in quadruplicate on behalf of said County of Dorchester by Phillip W. Hudson, County Administrator and the impression of the official seal of the County of Dorchester and the attestation of said execution by Phillip W. Hudson, County Administrator is hereby authorized, adopted, approved, accepted and ratified.

SECTION 3: That the County Administrator is hereby authorized to execute payment requests under this Grant Agreement on behalf of said County Council.

SECTION 4: That the Grant Agreement referred to herein above shall be attached hereto and made a part of this Resolution as though it were fully copied herein.

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All present were in favor of this resolution and the motion carried.

In other matters, Mr. Harris informed the Council of the need for repairs to the road which runs into the St. George Airport. Chairman Kizer told Mr. Harris that the Council would make a recommendation to the State Highway Commissioner to make the needed repairs to the road.

Next order of business, Mrs. McLaughlin, representing the Givhans Elementary School, addressed the Council concerning the problems that presently exist at this school in regards to drainage. Mrs. McLaughlin urged the County to have something done about this problem as it is developing into a serious health hazard for the students who attend the school. Mrs. McLaughlin stated that she has been in touch with the State Highway Commissioner who has agreed to run a pipe for drainage as well as lower the existing pipe if the County will construct a drainage ditch to run from the school to the Ashley River.

Councilman Branton recommended that the Soil Conservation Service, the Road Foreman, and any other persons who could provide an input into this problem to conduct a study to see if something can be done to alleviate this problem. If something can be done, the County will then go in and install a pipe. This was put in the form of a motion by Councilman Branton and seconded by Councilman Weeks. All were in favor.

Councilman Branton then informed the Council of a request for a trash container for this same school. Councilman Branton recommended that the Council have Charleston Disposal, which runs the container service for the County, place a container at the school and have this organization bill the school for the service each month. All were in agreement on this. Chairman Kizer instructed Mr. Hudson to contact Mr. DuBose of the school and refer him to Mr. Gordon Bennett of Charleston Disposal.

Mrs. McLaughlin informed the Council of another problem the school is experiencing in regards to the parking situation. She stated that cars are presently parking on the lawn and causing erosion problems on the property. She went on to say that land is available for parking if steps can be taken to renovate the space for such a purpose. It was determined by the Council that the County does not have the jurisdiction in such a matter and Mrs. McLaughlin should get in touch with the Board of Trustees of the school.

Next, Mr. Jack Parks of Parks Funeral Home in Summerville appeared before the County in regards to whether a decision had been made on the supplementing by the Council of his ambulance service. Councilman Branton informed Mr. Parks that at this time no decision had been made. Mr. Parks stated that he could no longer afford to continue his ambulance service at the present rate unless he is supplemented for the cost of operating such a service. Mr. Parks continued by saying that unless he was given an affirmative answer in regards to the supplementing of his service, he will have to discontinue operation of his ambulance for emergency calls. Mr. Parks asked that the County appropriate to his organization \$25,000 for operation this year. A lengthy discussion followed on the benefits of such a program in the County and whether the need existed for such a costly venture by the County. Mr. Parks was told that the Council would have to discuss further on this matter, but that he would be contacted before the day was out in regards to the Council's decision.

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After considerable discussion among the Councilmen and after determination that the County could not supplement only one private enterprise for emergency ambulance service without appropriating funds for all operators throughout the County, a motion was made by Councilman Branton and seconded by Councilman Weeks to contact Mr. Parks and inform him that the Council could not make a final decision on this matter until July 1st. In the meantime the matter will be turned over to the Social Services Committee for further consideration and study. Councilmen Kizer, Browning, Sweat, and Canaday were in favor of such a move. Mr. Hudson was so instructed to contact Mr. Parks.

Councilman Walker Browning presented to the Council a request from the Campbell Thickett Recreation Association for \$400 to be used for recreational purposes. All Councilmen were in favor of approving such an expenditure by the County. This was put in the form of a motion by Councilman Canaday and seconded by Councilman Limehouse. All were in favor.

Councilman Wilbur Sweat informed the Council of a request from a newly organized church in the Jedburg area that is implementing plans for construction of a church building. Mr. Benjamin Bozardt of the Health Department has informed them that the property on which they want to build is too low to support a structure, and that more fill would have to be brought onto the property before it can be approved for construction. At least 25 loads of fill would have to be brought in before the land can pass Health Department tests. A motion was made by Councilman Branton to have the County bring in the necessary fill. Councilmen Limehouse, Weeks, Sweat, Browning, Canaday were in favor of this.

Chairman Kizer presented the Council with a request from the A & C Civic Club in Summerville for \$700 to continue operation of their fire department for the remainder of the year. After a brief discussion on the matter, a motion was made by Councilman Sweat and seconded by Councilman Branton to approve of such an expenditure by the County due to the fact that they are in desperate need of such financing.

A request from the Old Fort Fire Department for \$1800 to be used for the purchasing of radios in lieu of receiving the radios directly from the County was brought before Council. A motion was made by Councilman Browning and seconded by Councilman Sweat to approve of this expenditure and to authorize payment out of the revenue sharing funds. All were in favor of this.

Mrs. S.W. Hughs addressed the Council in regards to a matter in which she was greatly concerned. Her husband operates a landfill business in Dorchester County and it is her feeling that the County's practice of hauling dirt to citizens of the County was causing a financial loss to their business. Mrs. Hughs explained that her husband in no way could compete with the County since the County has no charge for hauling of dirt. Mrs. Hughs went on to say that on each load of dirt that she sell, a 4% sales tax has to be charged on each load. The County does not charge this sales tax. After a thorough discussion of the County policy for issuing dirt to citizens of the County, as well as to private enterprises, and after a roll call opinion of this matter by each Councilman; it was the general consensus among the Council that each case should be judged on its own merit and in the future all request for dirt will be handled before the Council in this manner. The Council will not haul dirt on private property except in cases of 10' of driveway as stated in the State Law.

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Mr. J. R. Bell, Delinquent Tax Collector for the County, addressed the Council in regards to whether the amount of delinquent taxes now on the books warranted having to hold a land sales at this time. Mr. Bell distributed to each of the Councilmen a list showing the present status of real estates taxes collected and uncollected throughout the County. Mr. Bell explained that there is a relatively small amount that has to be paid to the County and of that amount the majority is from vacant property. Councilman Canaday asked whether all back taxes have to be paid when a transition of ownership takes place. Mr. Bell answered by saying that all back taxes owed on the property do have to be paid, therefore, the County will eventually get the majority of the back taxes owed to them paid in a matter of time.

Mr. Bell further explained to the Council that there is a problem concerning the collection of \$6,793.94 of uncollectable taxes for automobile taxes, poll taxes, or property taxes in which the people have moved and that will be hard to collect. This is posing a problem to the Auditors in that they have to check these records each year which in the long run is costing the County more money. Mr. Hudson interjected that Mrs. Norred, County Auditor, stated that she would take these taxes off the books if a letter is received by her office from County Council instructing her to do so.

Councilman Limehouse asked whether a statue of limitations existed on such matters. Mr. Hudson informed him that a ten year limitation did exist and that the County would be within the law to remove these taxes from the records. Poll and road taxes which have been abolished as collective items which do not meet the statue of limitations can be removed from the records in that these taxes no longer exist.

After further discussion on this matter, a motion was made by Councilman Weeks and seconded by Councilman Limehouse for the County Administrator to meet with the County auditor to remove all poll and road taxes and even car taxes which are uncollectable and those within the statue of limitations. A letter from Council to the Tax Collector will be forthcoming on this matter. All Councilmen were in favor of this motion.

Chairman Kizer then asked all Council members if they would be in favor of not holding a land sales for delinquent taxes at the present time and delay this sale for a two or three month period to see whether the taxes can be collected. All present were in favor of this move. Mr. Bell would appear before Council in the near future to keep them apprised of the situation.

In other business, Councilman Branton informed the Council of a letter received from the State Development Board in reference to a conference that will be held in New York May 4-8 to help solicit industry into the State as well as Dorchester County. Councilman Branton stated that the estimated cost of the trip would be \$500 or less, and that he felt it would be of value to have someone from the County attend. After a brief discussion on the value of having a representative from the County attend, it was recommended that Mr. Bobby Bunch, who is working with the Foreign Trade Zone for the County, attend the conference. A motion was made by Councilman Canaday and seconded by Councilman Limehouse to send Mr. Bobby Bunch to the conference and to authorize a \$500 expenditure for his expenses to and from New York. All present agreed.

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Councilman Branton further suggested that the County Administrator write Mr. Beauchene, former President of the Charleston County Development Board, who has shown an interest in attending the conference, and inform him that Mr. Bunch will be attending the conference and to thank him for the interest he has shown in the development of Dorchester County. All members agreed to have Mr. Hudson do this.

Councilman Weeks presented a request from (1) Old St. George Church, (2) Pregnal Baptist Church, and (3) Alton Judy, Independent Baptist Church, all for three loads of dirt. A motion was made by Councilman Weeks and seconded by Councilman Browning to issue the needed dirt to the churches. Councilmen Branton, Limehouse, Sweat, and Canaday were in favor of this move. Motion carried.

Councilman Weeks then presented a request from residents of the Texas Community for the County to authorize County equipment to level a field for the use as a ball park and one load of dirt for bases. Mr. Hudson stated the recreational money is available and the the County road equipment will be working in that area next week. After a brief discussion all Councilmen were in favor of this request.

Councilman Weeks informed the Council that he has been contacted by Marshall Platt, and Cecil Newton and they are requesting a salary increase. Councilman Branton made a motion to table that request until the first of July when the budget requests are prepared. Councilman Browning seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Councilman Kizer presented a request for a waterline to be constructed from St. George to I-95. Councilman Kizer stated that this venture would be a great asset to the County and that it would help attract industry into the County. Councilman Kizer went on to say that he was planning to meet with the Town of St. George who operates the water works in that area to discuss the possibility of the Town and the operators of the businesses which will eventually be constructed in the area to pay part of the expense, and then try to derive an amount the County would appropriate. A committee of Councilmen including Councilman Kizer and Mr. Hudson would be appointed to meet with the Town of St. George. Councilman Branton suggested that Councilmen Weeks, Browning, and Canaday, who represent the upper part of the County be included as members of the committee. All agreed.

Chairman Kizer presented a letter from Everett Knight Agency in regards to the road between Correy Woods and Waring Hall Subdivision requesting that the road be taken over by the County Maintenance System. Mr. Hudson explained that this actually is not a road but is used by school buses as a connector between subdivisions, consequently parents began using it as a short-cut. Mr. Hudson explained that if the road is opened as a County road, the County will experience many drainage problems with it. Councilman Sweat stated that he felt that the residents of the two subdivisions would prefer that the road be closed due to the fact that it is being used as a thoroughfare. Councilman Branton suggested that Mr. Hudson and the representative from the Everett Knight Agency, meet with the Road Foreman, Richard Sweat, and make an inspection of the road, then report their findings to Council. All agreed.

Chairman Kizer informed the Council of the drainage problem that a Mrs. Sullivan was experiencing. After a study by the Highway Department, their recommendation was to place 48-inch pipe by the present pipe and then if it requires a larger pipe further down, the State Highway Department will place one there. Councilman Limehouse felt that the State Highway Department should place their pipe first since the problem area is concentrated further down than where the existing pipe is placed.

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Councilman Kizer stated that he would question the official from the Highway Department and report back to Council. All agreed to have Councilman Kizer do this.

Mrs. Virginia Norred, County Auditor, appeared before Council to request that she be able to attend a Auditors and Treasurers Conference in Columbia the end of this week, and also to attend an assessing school being held in Myrtle Beach, April 25-27. After a discussion a motion was made by Councilman Branton and seconded by Councilman Weeks to authorize payment of expense for the above mentioned conferences. All were in favor.

Mr. Hudson explained that there was a good possibility of the Summer Work Program beginning in June of this year. He asked the Councilmen if they knew of any organization that could use this help and if so to contact him. Mr. Hudson also informed the Council that the EEA participants program was to end March 31, 1975 but had been continued for four more months.

Mr. Hudson requested the Chairman appoint a subcommittee from the Finance Committee to recommend changes in the personnel policy and review the budget with him before the County begins work on it. Mr. Kizer appointed Mr. Branton, Limehouse, and Canaday to work with Mr. Hudson in this important facet of the budget.

Mr. Hudson advised the County that there was a great possibility of obtaining a \$115,000 grant from Economic Development Administration for renovation of County buildings. It would require a match from the County of approximately \$25,000. The Council approved of Mr. Hudson to obtain funding if the grant goes through.

At the request of Mr. Branton, the Council voted to send out bids for audit work on the County finances. Mr. Kizer instructed Mr. Hudson to do so.

Mr. Hudson briefed the Council on the computer operations proposed by Supt. of Education, Charles McGill. Mr. Hudson briefly described the level of sophistication of the operation and the type of services it would render to the County and the schools. He also stated that it would require hiring a programmer/analyst to run the operation. Mr. Limehouse commented that he had attended the meeting and was very much in favor of the proposed system. Mr. Kizer asked Mr. Hudson to set-up an appointment with NCR for the next Council meeting to further examine the costs and benefits of this system.

Bids were opened for the van to be used by the carpenter. There were as follows:

Sojourner Chevrolet	\$ 3,097.00
Grayson Ford	\$ 3,232.89
Jim Bilton Ford	\$ 3,099.54

Sojourner Chevrolet was given the bid on a motion by Mr. Branton and second by Mr. Sweat, all were in favor.

Mr. Hudson stated that each member had received a copy of the Sales Assessment Ratio Study prepared by the South Carolina Tax Commission. The Councilmen briefly discussed the study but decided it was too soon to fully discuss the results of the Study.

Mr. Hudson presented two bids for repairing the Courthouse Air Conditioning System -

J. W. Long: \$42,000.00
Holly Hill Heating and Air Conditioning: \$48,000.00

The Council felt that this expenditure could not be afforded at this time and directed Mr. Hudson to work with Mr. Bennett, Bennett's Appliance Co., on repairing the existing system.

Mr. Hudson brought up the matter of a secretary for Tom Kennerty, Civil Preparedness Director. After a brief discussion the County directed Mr. Hudson to do what he thought was best, especially what the County could afford.

On a motion by Mr. Branton, a Community Services Advisory Board was formed, seconded by Mr. Limehouse. The members of the Committee will consist of:

Charles McGill - Supt. of Education
Mary Kirby - Director of Social Services
Dr. R. Johnston - Director of Health Dept.
Wilbur Sweat - Social Services Committee
Kermit Kizer - Chairman of County Council

Mr. Hudson will serve as a non-voting member of this Council.

The purpose of this Council will be to coordinate various activities within Dorchester County, recommend programs to County Council, and monitor programs so that accountability can be shown as well as the area of service.

Mr. Limehouse entertained a motion for sending out requests for bids for a rubber-tire backhoe to be used by the Road Department in Summerville, Mr. Weeks seconded. Mr. Branton moved to table Mr. Limehouse's motion until a restructuring of the road department has been completed, no second. Mr. Kizer asked for any further discussion, Mr. Branton stated that until we know what we're going to do with the landfill. We should wait for a crawler type machine which would serve a two fold purpose. On the ensuring vote, Mr. Limehouse and Weeks voted for the letting of bids, the remainder of the Councilmen abstained. At this point the matter was tabled.

With no further business or discussion, the Council adjourned at 6:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Anne Patrick

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DORCHESTER COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING
APRIL 21, 1975-7:30 p.m.

MINUTES

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

Mr. Kizer, the Chairman, called the meeting to order and asked if the minutes from the last meeting were approved. Mr. Hudson requested one change, on page ten about the air-condition, correction from \$42,000.00 to \$62,000.00. Mr. Limehouse motioned that minutes be accepted and Mr. Branton seconded. All in favor.

Mr. Hudson told the Council about the meeting of the Charleston Trident Chamber of Commerce meeting. All decided to attend on the 5th at 1 o'clock. It is to be a dutch treat. Everyone pays and Mr. Hudson said it would be good to attend.

Mr. Branton said on the 1st of May the Berkeley, Charleston, Dorchester Regional Planning Council will hold a meeting and request that we invite representatives from the papers and the heads of offices, representatives and etc. There will be people from Berkeley and Charleston Counties, It will be at the Iron Kettle Restaurant. Mr. Branton said the policy in the past was that various Counties paid for the supper and he was hoping the County would pay for it.

Mr. Woody Goode, NCR Representative, appeared before Council to present a proposal for a County wide computer service. He said the schools needed relief. That Charleston County couldn't go the other direction because of the ocean and all the growth was coming this way. Said he had all the Superintendents of Schools at a meeting and all agreed and wanted to do it right. He showed Council a drawn step by step on a stand and explained different phases of what the computer would do.

Phase I

A- Payroll

1. County Schools
750 payroll checks, at present on a monthly basis.
This does not include 125 bus drivers.
2. County Government
122 Semi-monthly
35 Monthly
35 Weekly
3. Payroll Reports
941-A Quarterly Reports
W-2 Forms
Retirement Reports

B- Budgetary Accounting

1. County
2. Schools
 - 3 Districts
 - 1 Vocational High School

C. Tax Billing

1. County
2. St. George
 - Summerville
 - Harleyville

Phase II

A. Student Scheduling

B. School supply inventory and allocation

Mr. McGill, Supt. of Education spoke briefly in support of getting the computers for use by the County and Schools, and said it should be located in the Courthouse.

Mr. Goode, said the cost of this computer system was about \$96,765.00 but that they had 1, 3, and 5 yr. plans and also monthly plans, @ 12¢ interest. They would give \$2,000.00 on educational allowance. The recommendation was for a regular or large not a mini.

They discussed this and decided to refer it to the Financial Committee and when it gets over this committee then to the Educational Committee. Mr. Goode said salary range for a man to operate would be from \$10,000 to \$13,000 a year. exactly where he didn't know. Mr. Hudson said the Auditor was paying \$4,000.00 now to a computer system in Charleston County and this could be saved.

Mayor Kizer, appeared before Council. He said his purpose was money for the benefit of the Town and County. He asked for topsoil for the St. George Town Hall and Council agreed. The garden clubs will beautify. He also requested a 15 ft. ditch to be cleaned out said it was stopped up. The Council agreed to this.

Mayor Kizer, then informed Council about the May 1st deadline for the town dump to be closed. Said he was requesting one more delay to give them a little extra time. Mayor Kizer wanted help from the County. The Council informed him of the plans to go ahead with a landfill for the County and St. George could haul to the landfill when it was realized but until such time the Council would have to subsidize them with expenses to haul to Ladson, and also they had appropriated \$6,000.00 for the Town of St. George to be used on a new garbage truck. Mayor Kizer was delighted to hear this and said he would be around the next day for same and they would certainly proceed to get one. Mr. Limehouse told Council about the land he had the promise of and what had been done but

said he needed permission to go ahead and have some borings done on the property owned by Westvaco to see if it would make suitable site for a land fill. Council debated on this for some time but finally decided for Mr. Limehouse to go ahead and get the borings on land.

Dr. Appleby appeared before the Council and brought them up to date on all proceedings of the future nursing home plans for Dorchester County to be located in St. George. Dr. Appleby said a commitment on the equipment, valued at several hundred thousand dollars, was necessary before a management firm could conduct a feasibility study for the project and also needed the Council to guarantee to cover any operating deficit up to \$25,000.00. Mayor Kizer also spoke in support of the nursing facility and said the Town of St. George would see that the sewage line was run to it if building was in St. George. He said, "this end of the County is in dire need of such a medical facility as this." Mr. Canaday made a motion that Council accept resolution the Council will provide up to \$25,000.00 and will bring all the equipment up here that is not used for other county purposes. Mr. Limehouse seconded. All in favor. Mr. Branton said he would vote for the first reading but may not for the second and third. It was discussed then whether it had to go the other readings and was decided this would be final unless the County Attorney ruled different. Mr. Kizer said his opinion was that it did not have to have 3 readings but would abide by what the County Attorney said.

Mr. Hudson brought up the County Fogging Program. He said he met with the State Health Committee and told them what they recommended. Mr. Hudson said he felt this should be turned over to the committee to study, and Council agreed.

Mr. Hudson then explained the mail-o-gram from the Association of Counties concerning home rule for the Counties. Mr. Hudson said all forms of the Government will be on the ballot and whatever people want to have will be their choice was one of the points they were trying to get in it. It was also recommended for Council to run every two years and they were trying to get the 5th form of Government in it. Mr. Kizer said he would agree to Mr. Hudson to draw up what they wanted and write to the Representative and Senators. All agreed and they discussed different things they wanted.

Trident for aging. They want a member on Committee. Mr. Branton recommended that Mr. Hudson be appointed by Mr. Kizer. Mr. Kizer appointed Mr. Hudson.

Mr. Hudson then read a letter from Mr. Thomas Myers, Dorchester, Berkeley, Colleton Corp. First referring to man power program. He wants site supervisors like last year for the help in lunch programs and supervising. He wants \$6000 like he got last year or as much as County will give. Council said this should go to the Finance Committee.

Mr. Hudson said Ordie Brown wants \$500.00 like he got last year for the Dorchester County Rest Home or anything he could get. This went to the Finance Committee.

Mr. Hudson told Council about a program of the Regional Planning Council on the funding sources from Environmental Protection Agency. The meeting will be at

Charleston on April 28, 10:30 a.m., Charleston County Office Building.

All Claims were approved.

Mr. Sweat brought up the drainage in Corey Woods. Said a ditch needed to be cleaned out. \$27.00 per hour, around \$2,200.00 for the machine. It was recommended by Mr. Kizer and Mr. Branton to clean ditch out. Mr. Hudson to see Soil Conservation and they will check and see. Mr. Sweat made the motion to clean ditch out, seconded by Mr. Browning. All in favor. This to come from Revenue Sharing Funds.

Mr. Don Canaday brought up the subject of the Reevesville School. They discussed this fully. Opposition was from the St. George merchants who wanted the food stamp program to remain in town and by members of the Social Services Department who objected to being relocated were taken into consideration. Mr. Branton moved to table the previous action on leasing the Reevesville School from District #1 until a further date, seconded by Mr. Browning. All in favor except Mr. Don Canaday who did not vote.

Mr. Branton asked Mr. Hudson to send a letter to all office holders asking that they cut down on expenditures until the new budget goes into effect. Council supported this emphatically.

Mr. Branton proposed that the County Council endorse the provision of the Home Rule Bill that would permit the existing governing body to initially choose the form of government. Mr. Hudson was directed to draft a letter for the Senatorial Delegation that expresses this view point.

Mr. Kizer presented a petition by Mrs. Delores Melfi concerning the use of the Hospital. Mr. Kizer referred this petition and all request for usage of the Hospital to the Public Works & Property Committee.

Mr. Limehouse made motion to entertain bids on a rubber tire backhoe for the Summerville Road Dept. Mr. Sweat seconded. After a brief discussion all were in favor. Referred to Bids & Purchases to draw up specifications for submission to bid.

Budget Committee to meet on Friday night a Kizer's sawmill.

Meeting adjourned at 11:55.

Luille P. Kizer,
Secretary

approved 5/5/75

Recommendations for operation of animal shelter as requested by Mrs. Carolyn Westbury and approved by SPCA.

1. Shelter to be operated by:

Director: Duties to be:

Make all decisions as to handling of animals. accepted, adopted, and disposed, of. Supervise volunteer help and paid employees. Take emergency calls after hours.

(b) 2 part time employees (to avoid overtime) to clean, feed, and take care of animals and Shelter.

(c) Volunteer help.

2. Hours of Shelter operations.

10:00 - 12:00 and 3:00 - 5:00 Monday - Saturday
2:00 - 5:00 Sunday

(No visiting of animals after 4:30)

3. After hours emergency calls directed to answering service or Sheriff's office. They in turn will contact director of Shelter for disposition.

4. The Shelter will pick up no animals. All animals must be brought to Shelter by private citizen, county or city personnel.

5. Charges for animals brought in by private citizens:

- Dogs - \$5.00
- Cats - 1.00
- Puppies - .50

6. County is requested not to hire a County Control Officer for first 3 months Shelter is in operation. That they pay Shelter \$1000.00 per month for this period to help get Shelter in operation. At the end of this period, policies and terms to be discussed and re-negotiated.

7. Charges for adopting animal at Shelter:

(a) \$15.00 per animal. This includes distemper shot given animal when it comes into Shelter and a visit to veterinarian of choice for worming and check. Owner must pay cost of rabies shot if animal is old enough or when animal is old enough.

(b) If a lost dog is claimed by owner, owner must pay Shelter \$15.00 before animal is released.

Adoptable animals will be kept a minimum of 10 days.

All animals will be euthanized by an acceptable method.

Forms used by John Ancrum Shelter copied and used for our operations.

(a) All animals kept for adoption will be given distemper vaccination and wormed upon entering Shelter. All medicines furnished at cost to Shelter.

- (b) All animals will be euthanized for the cost of medicine.
 - (c) The above two items to be administered by Dr. Westbury or his authorized assistant.
12. Spaying of animals will be performed in accordance with fees agreed on by John Ancrum Shelter.
 13. Cruelty charges will be made to SPCA. Then referred to Sheriff's office for investigation and a report made back to SPCA Director.
 14. County and city personnel to pick up injured animals and bring to Shelter.
 15. Shelter to take reports of dead animals on streets and highways. They will then call highway department to pick up.

DORCHESTER COUNTY COUNCIL
MEETING
10 A. M., May 5, 1975
MINUTES

The Council met with all members present. Mr. Kermit Kizer, Chairman, called the meeting to order.

Mr. Kizer asked if the minutes were approved of the last meeting. Mr. Don Canaday made a motion that minutes be accepted and Mr. Weeks seconded.

SPCA, Dr. & Mrs. Brunson Westbury, Mrs. Smith, and a group, appeared before Council. Mrs. Westbury asked if there was any questions about the letter of request she had sent. Said she was asking this for a three month trial basis, and would come back and work out any problems. She said complaints will go to the SPCA office and they will have the Sheriff's Dept. look into it. Said they needed a full time Director and two part time employees. Mr. Limehouse made a motion to give \$1,000.00 per month for three months. Mr. Branton seconded (provided it come out of revenue sharing). Mr. Limehouse made the stipulation that they report back in three months. All the Council voted in favor. Council also decided that Mr. Hudson would meet with the Sheriff and Mrs. Westbury and they would explain what they are doing.

Mr. William Gibson, of the New Hope Road, came before Council to complain about a ditch putting water on his property. Said he had been in touch with the Road Dept. (Mr. Sweat) and he had nothing done as of today. Said the County put a ditch through some land and ended in a way that it put water on his land and has no place to go. He wants it ditched across to another side and pipe under the road so his property will drain. Council told Mr. Gibson they would get Mr. Sweat to make ditch and pipe to keep water off his land.

Mrs. Margie Carn, Clerk of Court, appeared before Council and said she had a problem. She needed more help. She asked for Mrs. Virginia Riley full time and a part-time employee to help when behind with work. She asked for five full time and one part-time. Said she needed to know today. Mr. Sweat made a motion to keep Mrs. Riley. Seconded by Mr. Don Canaday. All in favor. Mrs. Carn also asked for more space. Said she needed it very bad, and that they did not have enough space to work. Some space was promised in the form of the former Sheriff's office.

Mr. Sweat made a proposal to County Council to adopt the following rule:

- A. County Employment:
1. File application for employment with County government.
 2. All persons seeking employment should be given a written or oral test for type of employment he is seeking. This test will be given by the County Administrator (Example-- typing and shorthand for a secretarial position.)

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3. All persons if qualified after testing and seeking employment will have a physical examination by a qualified physician. The County will pay for this examination. The form will be filled out by a doctor and returned by mail from the physician along with his bill for the service. The form should contain a statement by the doctor if the individual is qualified to work.
4. This proposal if accepted by Council would include all departments of the County Government.

Mr. Sweat then put this as a motion and Mr. Canaday seconded. All in favor. (To be effective May 5, 1975)

Mayor Vernon Kizer, appeared before Council, and said he would like to make a few more request from Council. He wanted the prisoners to clean out a ditch for the town. Council said the Town could use the prisoners some. Mr. Kizer wants the ditch cleaned out between Gavin Street and the Railroad and on to the big canal. Council agreed to this and said Mr. Hudson could talk with Mr. John Infinger. Mayor Kizer said he got a delay or extention with their landfill. He then asked about the County's landfill and wanted to be brought up to date. Mr. Limehouse said it was in the State's hand right now and he is looking for an answer any time. Mayor Kizer said the town's garbage truck is on it's last leg. He wanted to know if he would have to go to landfill? Mr. Canaday said they would have a Landfill somewhere. Mayor Kizer said he was talking with the former Mayor and he said the \$6,000.00 could be used anywhere the town wanted. Mayor Kizer wanted this clarified. The Council said it was put there for a garbage truck. Mr. Kizer said go ahead and give the Mayor the money.

Mr. Jim Bell, County Attorney, came before Council at their request, to bring them up to date on the Registration, precincts, etc. of the County. He said precinct meeting will be the last two weeks in June. On June 30th., Mr. Bell will have a local newspaper article and notify what is going on. He will notify when the election will be. He said everything is working out good.

Mrs. Joan Owens, President of Association for Retarded children, appeared before Council in re recreational program and day camp for retarded children. She had Mrs. Jane Melton with her, who has been working with the program. She wants to hire her as the Director and was seeking funds to help pay her salary and expense. Said she needed about \$1,200.00. Mr. Limehouse made a motion to help to the tune of \$1200.00, the amount needed to go until July. Mr. Don Canaday seconded, (provided it comes out of Revenue Sharing.) All voted for.

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Mr. Branton motioned that the motion to buy the house be tabled until they could get an estimate of the cost of renovation. Mr. Sweat seconded the table. Only two voted to table.

Mr. Branton then put this motion on the floor for \$30,000.00 be set-up for library in Summerville area. Mr. Sweat seconded this motion. Then Mr. Branton withdrew for Mr. Sweat to make a motion.

Mr. Sweat motioned that the Council send and get three qualified contractors and get the total cost of bids to see exactly what the cost will be before the house is purchased. Mr. Branton seconded. Roll call vote as follows:

Weeks	-	no	Sweat	-	yes
Canaday	-	no	Branton	-	yes
Browning	-	no	Kizer	-	abstained
Limehouse	-	no			

Mr. Branton then made a motion to provide a library for the Summerville area. Mr. Kizer seconded. All voted in favor.

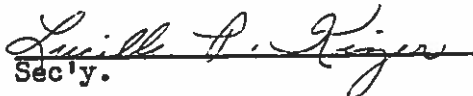
A note was signed for \$100,000.00 to be repaid when the bonds were sold for the Harleyville-Ridgeville School.

The budget committee will meet on Thursday night, the 15th of May.

Mr. Sweat made a motion that payday be every 2 weeks beginning July 1, 1975. All agreed.

The Council adjourned at 4:45 p. m.

Submitted by:


Sec'y.

DORCHESTER COUNTY COUNCIL

MEETING

7:30 P. M. May 19, 1975

MINUTES

The Council met with all members present. Mr. Kermit Kizer, Chairman, called the meeting to order.

Mr. Kizer asked if the minutes were approved for the last meeting. Mr. Don Canaday made a motion that minutes be accepted and all in favor.

Dr. Richard Johnston appeared before the Council to present a check from the Health Department for vital statistics. He told them about both Sanitation officers living in Summerville but said more of the work was down there. He asked the Council to decide if this was O. K. and whatever they decided he would tell them.

Mr. Blease Judy appeared before Council in regard to a road that had been closed. It seemed that one road had been closed and then reopened but that was a narrow road and only one car could travel at a time. Another road was closed which was a good road and a car could pass, this has been planted. The Council told him they would have the County Attorney look into and abide by his decision.

Mr. Bobbie Bunch, Dr. Menke, and Mr. Dan Pendarvis, appeared before the Council as Trident Tec Representatives. Mr. Bunch briefly thanked the Council for sending him to New York with the State Development Board. He said Mr. Richard Waldrop could not attend and had asked him to come in his place to explain the bill sent to the Senate concerning the bond issue for the Tech School. He said the bill was merely making it available for the sale of bonds. Mr. Bunch said Industries are impressed with the Technical Center. Dr. Menke said when money was used the pay back period would be about 15 to 20 years. Mr. Canaday spoke on the benefits that Tec had provided for the County. He said at these benefits, 3 mills would be worthwhile. Mr. Branton questioned the financial capabilities of the County when so many other projects need funding. Mr. Pendarvis also spoke on the benefits of the Tech School. He said it may be a year or year and one half before they need any money. Mr. Canaday made a motion to support the passing of legislation. Seconded by Mr. Limehouse. All in favor.

Mr. Browning said Mr. Butler Nooney had 25 acres near Ridgeville he would sell for landfill. The Council thought it might be too small but decided they would have Soil Conservation to check out.

All voted in favor for Mr. Sweat to buy pipe he needed.

Mr. Hudson read a letter from Mr. McGill for permission and expense to go to a conference on Drug & Alcohol abuse, sponsored by the Gov. The Council agreed for this trip. The amount \$150.00.

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Mr. Limehouse reported that reports and progress on the land for the landfill looked good.

Zoning

Mr. Limehouse asked if the Council would consider a 9 member steering committee and made a motion to this effect and Mr. Branton seconded. All in favor. The nine members were thus named as follows:

1 - Mr. J. R. Bell	-	Harleyville
2 - Mr. J. C. McAlhany	-	Reevesville
3 - Mr. Wayne Welch	-	Ridgeville
4 - Mr. Robert Utsey, Jr.	-	St. George
5 - Mrs. J. B. Wilhoit	-	Summerville
6 - Mrs. Francis Townsend	-	Summerville
7 - Mr. Sidney Jones	-	Summerville
8 - Mr. Thomas W. Bailey	-	Summerville
9 - Mr. Scott Wallenger	-	Summerville

The following District Committees were named:

District #1

1-Mr. Ray Judy
2-Mr. Dickie Minus
3-Mr. T. S. Westbury
4-Mr. W. P. Hartzog
5-Mr. Cash Stewart
6-Mr. F. L. Sweatman, Jr.
7-Mr. Will Canaday

District #2

1-Mr. J. R. Bell
2-Mr. Ervin Way
3-Mr. Howard Pendarvis
4-Mr. Shields Hussey
5-Mr. Harry Parker
6-Mr. William Kizer
7-Mr. P. G. Bell

District #3

1-Albert Heatley
2-C. W. Hutto
3-Buster Sweatman
4-Allen Hilton
5-Lang Strobel
6-George Hill
7-Henry Hilton, Jr.

District #4

- 1-
- 2-
- 3-
- 4-
- 5-
- 6-
- 7-

District #5

- 1- Mr. William F. Rubertus
- 2- Mr. Alex Goodwine, *RT. 3, box 126, Seaman.*
- 3- Mr. Thomas Michales
- 4- Mr. Jack Salisbury
- 5- Mr. Charles Dunning
- 6- Mr. Donald Jones
- 7- Mrs. Gayle Schoen

District #6

- 1- Mr. James B. Waring
- 2- Mr. Harold Brown
- 3- Mr. Floyd Williams, Jr.
- 4- Mr. Robert Suddeth
- 5- Mrs. Deloris Melfi
- 6- Mr. G. W. Parker
- 7- Mr. William Collins

District #7

- 1- Mr. Ernest Williams
- 2- Mr. Dick Starkey
- 3- Mr. J. W. Miles III
- 4- Mr. Hayes
- 6- Mr. Willard Grayson
- 7- Mrs. J. R. States

The purchasing committee reported the following bids for a backhoe:

State Machinery:

Dynahoe 190	\$34,700.00
Case 580 B	20,900.00
Case 780	33,780.00

Van Lott Inc.:

Allis Chalmers 715	19,312.80
Allis Chalmers 816B	27,507.70
Allis Chalmers 918	30,966.10
Used Bucyrus Erie 20-H	45,000.00

Construction Equipment Sales:

John Deere - 50410	\$17,837.20
John Deere - JD500C	24,076.90
John Deere - JD510	27,902.00

The purchase committee recommended the Dynahoe 190 from State Machinery Co. to be purchase for \$34,700.00 Mr. Limehouse made the motion that the County purchase from State Machinery. Mr. Browning seconded the motion. Mr. Branton said he thought the machine was too big. Mr. Canaday made a motion to table purchasing backhoe until issue was decided on landfill. Vote to table: Mr. Canaday and Mr. Branton. In favor of purchasing backhoe: Mr. Limehouse, Mr. Sweat, Mr. Browning, and Mr. Weeks. Mr. Branton made a motion to have demonstration before purchasing the backhoe, and they all agreed.

Mr. Kizer gave the 1st reading of budget by title only.

Mr. Hudson read the bids for the audit of the Courthouse records, etc. Muckenfuss of Char. -- no price stated; Chellas \$10,000.00 to 14,000.00; Givens and Moody --\$7,950.00 was low bidder and was given the bid upon motion of Mr. Branton and seconded by Mr. Sweat. All in favor Mr. Hudson has the written bid going into details about the audit.

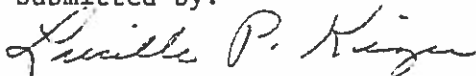
Mr. Hudson presented several claims that had been paid because of extenuating circumstances and asked that several more be paid out of revenue sharing. All in favor.

Mr. Hudson read several letters concerning County Council that were referred to committees:

- (1) Letter from State Manpower office requesting funding for Dorchester County Educational Project through Title VI funds. Referred to Social Services.
- (2) Resolution concerning 208 water treatment project that will be funded 100% by Enviromental Protection Agency. Dorchester County will be included in tri-county area. Unanimously adopted.
- (3) Explained letter from State Department of Mental Retardation requesting expansion of Community Services Council to encompass a broader base of the Community - All in favor.

Mr. Kizer suggested the Council go into executive session to complete the budget but Mr. Branton objected and they had a short debate. Mr. Limehouse made a motion that Council adjourn, and all agreed at 10:30.

Submitted by:



Lucille P. Kizer, Clerk
County Council

DORCHESTER COUNTY COUNCIL
MEETING

10 a. m., June 2, 1975

MINUTES

The Council met with all members present but Mr. William S. Branton, Jr., who was away at National Guard. Mr. Kizer called the meeting to order.

Sheriff Carl Knight, appeared before the Council to discuss the following:

- (1) Deputy J. D. Wimberly - sick leave. Mr. Knight said Mr. Wimberly had been off about 90 days and is now in Hospital. Said he hated to cut a man while sick but this had been so long he would like to put him on $\frac{1}{2}$ pay for 6 mo. and then see if he could come back. Sheriff could hire a new Deputy temporarily until the decision is made. Mr. Limehouse made a motion to carry Mr. Wimberly on $\frac{1}{2}$ pay for 6 mo. and then come back before Council, and Mr. Canaday seconded. All agreed.
- (2) Sheriff Knight said he lost a good man to the Town of St. George and would like to hire a man with experience and qualifications at a higher salary than the starting salary. He asked to hire a man at \$9,000.00 per year. This was referred to the budget committee. The budget committee approved a salary of \$9,600.00 for the new detective.

Minutes of last meeting approved by all.

Mrs. Sullivan appeared before Council in regard to the ditch by her property. Mr. Hudson brought the Council up to date on developments concerning ditch and Mr. Wiggins decision to put off the part the Hwy. was to do. Mr. Limehouse said he was willing to go down and talk with Mr. Wiggins. Mr. Sweat will go with Mr. Limehouse. Mr. Limehouse promised to see if Mr. Wiggins would take care of it.

All claims for expenditures were approved and some in Revenue Sharing.

Mr. Hudson asked if they were ready to pay the backhoe claim of \$36,088.00. All voted to pay and take it out of Revenue Sharing. They said it was tried out and was just what Mr. Sweat wanted.

Mr. Don Canaday made a motion to give the St. George Pony League \$500.00. This was seconded by Mr. Kizer. All in favor.

Mr. John Infinger, Road Foreman, came before Council to ask for a load of pipe. Mr. Canaday made the motion to let Mr. John order the pipe and it was seconded. All in favor.

Forestry Board was approved for \$125.00 for Chairman and \$25.00 for each member per year requested. All approved.

Fogging Machine -- The Council decided to go along with the fogging machine spraying. They said it would start in about 2 weeks.

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Mr. Hudson explained the Revenue Sharing Planned Use Report. He said he put \$290,000.00 for Environmental Control and rest for Library. The Council agreed to the second reading.

Summer Program (to last 2 months)

Mr. Sweat made a motion to hire these boys. Some of them to work two days a week in Ridgeville. Will be paid every week at \$2.10 per hour. County will hold back one week. They will start on the 16th of June, and last for two months.

Mr. Richard Sweat wanted to hire a big backhoe operator --(\$2.10 per hr.) All agreed.

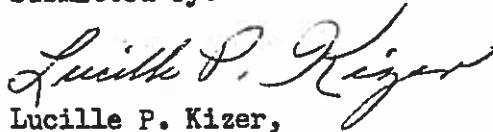
Jimmie Dyal, Bobby Herbert, Joe Wamer, discussion of Herbert's ambulance and offer to the County. The Council referred Herbert's proposal to the Social Services Committee for further study.

Mr. Sweat made a motion and Mr. Limehouse seconded for Mr. Hudson to proceed, with a standardization of the bookkeeping systems in the Courthouse.

Mr. Limehouse brought up the subject of providing day care for young children and this was discussed by Council and how much the County should get involved in. This was sent to the Social Service Committee. They will try to reach a decision by July 1, 1975.

Council adjourned for lunch. They came back and went into executive meeting to discuss salaries and personnel for fiscal 76. Adjourned about 4:45.

Submitted by:


Lucille P. Kizer,
Secretary

Zoning District Committee

District #4

1. Mr. E. W. Stapleton, Rt. 1, Summerville, S. C.
2. Mr. Bobby G. Vandiver, Box 1024, Summerville, S. C.
3. Mr. Hubert Edens, Rt. 1, Summerville, S. C.
4. Mr. Wes Stephens, 255 Highland Drive, Summerville, S. C.
5. Mr. Gorman Rogers, 706 Greenwood Ranches, Summerville, S. C.
- Tucker. ↔ 6. Mr. Willie B. Tacker, Rt. 1, Summerville, S. C.
7. Mr. Clyde Carroll, 102 Thomas Dr., Summerville, S. C.

*Please list these names in your May 19, minutes for District #4
as we did not have this list at the time the minutes were typed.

DORCHESTER COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING
JUNE 16, 1975
SUMMERVILLE TOWN HALL

MINUTES:

The regular meeting of the Dorchester County Council was held on June 16, 1975, at 7:30 p.m., at the Summerville Town Hall. All members were present including Mr. Phillip Hudson, County Administrator.

The minutes from the June 2, 1975, meeting were approved as read.

Mr. Tom Kennerty, Civil Preparedness Director, appeared before Council to ask that he be allowed to convert a surplus vehicle into a mobile base/communications center in lieu of obtaining a bus for the same purpose. The County would have to pay the license and insurance, and any other additional surplus equipment. Mr. Kizer referred proposal to Finance Committee. With the recommendation of the Finance Committee, the Council approved this request with monies deriving from this year's budget.

Mr. Jack Parks reviewed his written proposal with the Council that would provide Emergency Medical Services for the Summerville area. Mr. Parks elaborated on his qualifications and the enormous expense it was taking to operate his vehicles.

Several of the councilmen asked pertinent questions to the operation of Mr. Parks business, i.e., how much was he asking for? Would he still collect fees? These were not satisfactorily answered.

Mr. Hudson read the recommendations of the Social Services Committee concerning EMS. (see enclosure one) Mr. Branton moved that the Council adopt this format in order to expedite the cumbersome task over a forty-five day framework. The ensuing discussion centered around the local ambulance vendors having input into what format the bids would follow. This was promised by the Council that they would meet with the Social Services Council before bids were sent out.

Mr. Limehouse seconded Mr. Branton's motion and it was approved unanimously.

Mr. Weld Coxe, First Land Housing, appeared before Council to seek advise on submitting a Planned Unit Development (PUD) Project for recording. The problem is that there are no regulations regarding such developments in the Subdivision Review Act, therefore, the Review Board properly refered Mr. Coxe to the Council for advisement. The Council unanimously instructed the Subdivision Review Board to follow guidelines set in Charleston County for such projects until the new Subdivision and Zoning Ordinances come into effect.

Mr. Gordon Bennett, Charleston Disposal, briefly appeared before Council to inform them that he was looking for a new landfill site because his present site would be fully capacitated in thirty days.

Mr. Hudson asked if there were any questions about claims to be paid. Mr. Canaday moved for their approval, Mr. Browning seconded. All were in favor.

The Council had the Third Reading on the Budget for fiscal year 1975-76. The budget was passed unanimously as read with the following amendments:

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- (1) insert position of Community Services Coordinator under Administration Department for Day Care site at Ridgeville at a salary of \$7,200.
- (2) insert Tax Assessor's Department with a budget of \$50,000 into document reducing the appropriation for landfill by the same amount (to \$240,000).
- (3) Council will match raises given by State to Auditor, Treasurer, and Supt. of Education to those of Clerk of Court and Probate Judge in order to equalize any salary increase.

The Budgetary Control Ordinance and the Employee Regulation were both given second readings.

Mr. Branton made the motion that District #2 taxes remain the same. Mr. Limehouse seconded. All in favor. Mr. Kizer made the motion that District #3 taxes remain the same. Mr. Browning seconded. All in favor. Mr. Weeks requested an 8 mill increase for District #1, Mr. Branton seconded. Mr. Canaday object to the increase. Mr. Weeks voted yes, remaining six voted against.

Council then voted that millage would remain the same for the entire County.

Mr. Limehouse requested that the Legislative Committee begin setting up legislation for a Summerville water and sewer district that would preclude any other such agency now in existence. Mainly for the purpose of enabling this body to sell bonds for updating facilities and extending service areas. All were in favor.

Being no further business, the Council adjourned until 10 a.m. July 7th.

SPECIAL MEETING
DORCHESTER COUNTY COUNCIL
JULY 1, 1975 - 8 p.m.
DORCHESTER VOCATIONAL SCHOOL

Minutes:

Chairman Kizer stated that the meeting was called to discuss two problems he felt were necessary to address in a special session.

Mr. Limehouse moved to reopen discussion on the tax levy for the Vocational School and St. George School District #1, Mr. Browning seconded. All in favor.

The Chairman explained that he was concerned with the \$60,000 note the County had borrowed for the Vocational School and how the note was to be repaid.

Mr. Templin reiterated his need for increased millage and distributed a detailed budget analysis to each member.

A rather lengthy discussion ensued concerning how the note was to be settled and the County's obligation to repay the loan. The general consensus was that the school would have to be more frugal in its operation in order to proceed for a year with a six mill levy and the \$60,000.

Mr. Sweat moved that the millage should be left at six mills and Mr. Branton seconded. Sweat, Browning, Branton, Canaday, and Weeks voted in support of this motion.

A five minutes recess followed.

Mr. Batson, School District #1 Superintendent appeared in behalf of the "educational welfare of students in School District #1." The biggest problem the District is faced with is maintaining the minimum state standards. After a brief discussion, Mr. Weeks moved to raise the millage to eight mills in the building fund, Mr. Kizer seconded. A discussion followed in which the point was made that the school could not build until their bonded indebtedness limit was raised to 15%.

Mr. Canaday moved that the motion be tabled. Branton, Browning, voted for, and Weeks, Limehouse, Sweat, and Kizer opposed.

On previous question to raise levy by eight mills, Browning, Branton and Canaday were against and Limehouse and Weeks were in the affirmative. The motion was defeated.

Mr. Canaday moved that County Council endorse plans for District #1 building program and Mr. Branton seconded. Sweat, Limehouse, Branton, and Browning voted in support of the issue.

Mr. Limehouse made the motion that Council lease the hospital hub facilities as requested by Grange Cuthbert pending final details on Monday. Mr. Sweat seconded. All were in favor.

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The Council met with all members present. Mr. Kermit Kizer, Chairman, called the meeting to order.

The minutes of the previous meeting was approved.

Hospital Board -- Mr. C. R. Downs, Chairman; Mr. Salisbury; Mr. Tom Myers; Mrs. Evelyn Segal, and also, Dr. Price, met with the Council to clear up things concerning the closing down of the Hospital in Summerville. Mr. Downs said they would have revenue to cover the loan Dorchester County Council made to the Hospital when they get their bills in and some monies from the sale of some equipment. He said it should be around \$50,000.00 and if they collect 80% it should be enough to cover the loan. He said he feels the equipment belongs to the Hospital Board. Money was borrowed from bank and Hospital paid back. Heart Care Unit was bought from eleemosynary funds. Mr. Downs said the Board would prefer closing the Hospital as soon as possible. He also said he had only about 3 girls working in the Hospital now. Most of the girls have already gone to the new Hospital. Said the walk in cooler would not work this morning and he would have to have that fixed. He said he had checked into hiring a night watchman to stay in the building as a security guard. Mr. Branton asked how the money will be handled when the Hospital was closed. Mr. Downs said it was an eleemosynary Institution, the assets could be turned over to another eleemosynary Institution but in the case of the County Council, as a governing body, may be different. Anyway, Mr. Jim Bell was to write a letter on this but he hadn't got it yet. Mr. Branton then asked if there was anything the EMS could use, would they turn it over and Mr. Downs, said, "yes". He asked if when they paid all the debts would County take over what's left? Mr. Branton asked if they had a listing of all equipment. Mr. Downs said they were making one but had not kept one all along. Mr. Limehouse asked the Chairman if the building committee could meet with the Hospital Board on Mon. night the 14th at the Hospital. They all agreed to meet, Mr. Canaday, Mr. Browning, and Mr. Limehouse, at the Hospital on the 2nd Mon. night in July, (8 p. m.).

Mr. Hudson read subcommittee's report on emergency medical services. Motion to proceed made by Mr. Branton; seconded by Mr. Limehouse. Discussion followed. They decided to send copies to appropriate authorities for further clarification. Parks asked if privately owned vehicles had to comply with insignia. Parks also stated that a per call basis would be impossible to bid on and that he would prefer to have control over the communications. The subcommittee proposed that the bids include the following: vendor will provide 24 hour service with two trained EMT's present at all times; personnel costs to provide service; provide dispatching; all emergency calls will be collected and retained by the County. Individual advertising on County owned vehicles will be prohibited (identification will be proper emergency insignia as stipulated by the State). All bidders must have licensed vehicles by the State Dept. of Health and Environmental Control. County will provide necessary equipment when obtainable through federal/state

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funding sources. The County retains the right to accept and--or refuse all bids and bids will not be judged solely on the merits of cost projection. Mr. Branton said the next move would be to see if there was any State or Federal money available through the Regional Council on this. Mr. Parks to meet with Mr. Weeks and the committee and find out what can be done, Thurs. night of this week at the Vocational School. Mr. Weeks, Mr. Branton, and Mr. Sweat. They asked to have Mr. Jim Bell to meet with them too.

Ricky Lynch - arm broke while at National Guard, will draw active duty pay while injured (until he can come back to work). County will pay the difference if any.

Richard Sweat -- road for foreign trade zone as requested by Mr. Quattlebaum. They asked if Council would agree to build the foundation for the road? Mr. Sweat will confer with Mr. Murdaugh about cost estimate by next Council meeting on July 21st.

Mr. Richard Waldroup, Trident Technical College President, appeared before the Council and thanked them for endorsing the legislation for the bond issue for expansion of the TTC. He said the bonds in the amount of \$635,000. would have to be sold before Dec. 31, 1975. He asked the Council to agree to a resolution he brought with him. This was discussed and Mr. Branton made a motion for this to go to the finance committee for further study; seconded by Mr. Sweat. Branton & Sweat voted for and the rest against so the motion failed. Mr. Limehouse made a motion that this Council go on record as favoring the issuing of the bonds for the \$635,000.00, with the understanding the money is to be invested until used with the interest earned applied against the interest that the County has to pay. Mr. Don Canaday seconded this motion and all voted in favor. A resolution of authorization to carry this out was read by all Councilmen and they all agreed for the Chairman to sign same. A copy is herewith attached. Mr. Branton said that he was afraid they could not take the interest and pay the interest but said they would get the lawyer to find out. Mr. Richard Waldroup said any interest money will either be refunded to Dor. County or they would reduce their operating budget by the amount. Mr. Kizer said he would prefer to let the Treas. handle this and Mr. Waldroup said he would prefer this too.

Lucas and Stubbs - Engineering Firm - appeared before Council to explain how they went about to make a study of County buildings and show their needs. He left a study made at Berkeley County. Mr. Kizer said he would prefer they work this out with Mr. Hudson and find out how much it would cost and come back to the Council. From their experience this cost is paid for by the County.

Jacob Banks, Mrs. Richardson, of the O.E.O. program appeared before the Council and explained the feeding program and the cost of site supervisors.

They requested \$9,350.00 to pay the expenses. Mr. Branton moved that County provide this money, provided a list is put in the paper where these sites are and who can qualify. Seconded by Mr. Sweat. All in favor. Federal Revenue Sharing funds to be used.

Mayor Vernon Kizer, appeared before Council, and said he had several request to make.

- (1) He wanted to know how near ready was the landfill? Mr. Limehouse stated that negotiations were in the final stages. Mayor Kizer said the extension for the St. George Dump had run out. Mr. Ohlant had been to St. George and was after Mr. Kizer to close the St. George dump. He quoted the alternatives -- haul to Walterboro or to the Char. Disposal right now until County's new site is ready. Mayor Kizer said he has to have two foot of dirt to cover the St. George dump and wanted to know if County could help him cover it. He would like the County's equipment and help to cover. Mr. Kizer said dirt at site could be used.
- (2) He needs road built near pumping station or North 15, and would need some pipe. Recommended about 40 loads of dirt for new bed; approved by Council.
- (3) He wants to borrow backhoe and truck to dig holes for gas tanks. Approved by Council.
- (4) Recreation money - Kizer said St. George had not received their share. Mr. Canaday moved for \$2,000.00 and Mr. Weeks seconded. Weeks, Canaday, Limehouse, and Sweat for.

All bills approved except Gulf Oil.

Mr. Sweat recommended that County Accept the 2nd bid for panel truck. Mr. Branton seconded. All in favor. That is, if Sojourner cannot deliver their bids, then bids will be given to next bidder at same price.

Mr. Sweat moved for \$300.00 for Pinehill Acres for recreation. All in favor.

Mr. Hudson read a letter from a lawyer concerning a bridge that was promised the Owens family. Mr. Browning said 3 big pipes would do it. Mr. Kizer said they better get an Engineer to look at it.

Mr. Branton moved to transfer 2 mills from the County Bond Sinking Fund to Vocational School Sinking Fund. Mr. Sweat seconded. All in favor.

Aeronautics Commission wants a new pump because the old one want go down far enough. Cost of about \$600.00. Mr. Branton recommended that they tap in to the Town of Summerville.

Mr. Hudson said the Briarwood Subdivision wants letter of approval.

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Mr. Branton said the letters that was returned to the Registration Board should be put in alphabetical order and listed again in the paper. The Council agreed.

Mr. Hudson explained that containers had been placed in Stratton Capers and Old Fort Estates on a trial basis at no cost to the County. All agreed.

Mr. Sweat moved to adjourn and Mr. Weeks seconded and all agreed at 2:45.

Submitted by:

Lucille P. Kizer

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JULY 21, 1975

7:30

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

The minutes of the July 7th, meeting were approved as read.

Mr. Branton introduced Mr. Earl Pruitt from Atlanta and he in turn introduced the new manager of the Charleston Disposal Co., Mr. Van Weingarden, who had been with the company in Acron, Ohio. They said Mr. Gordon Bennett was no longer with the company. Mr. Pruitt said he was here to answer any questions the Council might have and informed the Council that the Ladson site would be closed up in about 2 weeks, as it is completely filled and they were running out of space. They are looking for additional land and had some in mind but didn't want to reveal where at the present time. He will use the shredder if necessary.

Mr. Green from the Edisto Rest Home in Orangeburg wants to buy, or lease, or rent, the Hospital in Summerville to set up a nursing home. Asked to set up an appointment to confirm interest.

Mrs. Mary Kirby, Director of Social Services, and Mr. Jackie Walters, Food Stamp office Supervisor, appeared before the Council with the following request:

- (1) Unhappy with emergency funds as she has 22 foster children that are wards of the County. She will need more.
- (2) Juvenile problem -- needs help with this.
- (3) Rent - increase in Wamer building rent to \$425.00 per month of which the County will pay \$212.50. Wamer said this was due to a utility increase.
- (4) Lourie Building the Food Stamp office is now sold and they have to move somewhere. Mrs. Kirby and Mr. Walters recommended the Council rent the Widelitz building. Said this building is being purchased by Mr. Gene Dukes and his brother. They are willing to rent to them for \$250.00 per month, but the County and State will have to pay for the renovation into the necessary stalls, etc., and fix the floors. She gave a total estimated figure of \$13,000.00 of which the State will pay half. A long discussion followed as Mr. Branton, Mr. Sweat, and Mr. Limehouse, wants a larger part of the Welfare

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offices moved to Summerville. No decision was reached. The sub-committee on County buildings will report to the next meeting on their findings.

Mr. Myers, and son, came before Council with a request for a road to be paved. They said it was only one mile and four tenths length of road. The Highway Commissioner, Mr. Jim Bilton, explained the length of time it takes to have a road paved but said he was willing to ask or request it be done. They were referred to the Legislative Delegation and Mr. Bilton will consult with them.

Timothy Green - Ridgeville Magistrate, appeared before the Council and said he needed space for office to perform his duties. He was told to see what he could rent and price and have information for next Council meeting.

Al Green - appeared before Council and said Pigeon Bay road needs to be re-surfaced. He was informed it had been put in for paving. Second, he wanted to know if County is going to continue containers in that area. Said they were hurting his business. He wanted to know what was going to happen to the refuse disposal?

Chris Fishbourne, appeared before Council asking again for County Council to support using part of the Dorchester County Hospital in Summerville for the Alcohol & Drug Abuse Program.

Mr. Branton wanted Mr. Hudson to get a report on the amount of money spent on track type backhoe work for the last year. Mr. Limehouse added that he would like a report on rubber-tired backhoe as well as other rented equipment.

Council also instructed Mr. Hudson to have Mr. Mills come before Council and explain his report and request for so many books printed. Council wanted to have the printing done in Dorchester County if possible.

County will pay Mrs. Marjorie Carn and Mrs. Marietta Etheridge, \$688.00 for salary adjustment which will revert to beginning of fiscal year. Mr. Sweat moved for adoption of salary adjustment and Mr. Branton seconded. All in favor.

Association of Counties Convention - Council decided that only one person from each office could go, and they would hand in an itemized bill for food, hotel room, registration fee, and travel expense, when they returned.

Council agreed that Mr. Don Edwards should receive 2 weeks pay at former salary for his vacation.

Council made a resolution to hold off a decision concerning Dorchester County Rural Medical Center until September 30th, because of classification with HCA and possible FHA grant/loan.

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Council approved claims for Vocational School projects. Reaffirmed verbal commitment to build a bathroom for Sheriff when Vocational School begins on site behind County Jail. Mr. Browning made the motion and Mr. Canaday seconded. All in favor.

Also, agreed to pay claims presented and approved additional appropriations and transfers on attached sheet.

Mr. Branton asked if Mr. Hudson could contact Mr. Robert Wrenn - Social Security and ask for an office to be put in Summerville. All agreed.

(Robert Wrenn, Branch Manager
Social Security Administration
P. O. Box 413
Walterboro, S. C. - 29488)

Mr. Sweat asked the Council to appropriate funds for cleaning out of drainage ditch that is confluent to Pinehill Acres, at an estimated cost of \$1200.00. Mr. Browning seconded. All in favor.

Mr. Branton asked that the Council reaffirm its position on use of public equipment on private property and hauling dirt. The Council restated its position that no public equipment will be used on private property; the matter of hauling dirt was discussed on the merits of a March 3rd. decision whereby private individuals could have their trucks loaded at the pits if a Councilman has given his written permission of not more than 4 loads. The matter was referred to the Public Works and Property Committee for a recommendation at the next Council meeting.

Mr. Branton then asked for a format on the progress of the landfill site acquisition. A lengthy discussion ensued concerning the procedures in acquiring the property and the costs of the site. The Committee was given an extension to August 21, 1975 for a definite proposal for the County to decide upon. Mr. Limehouse said that no definite price had been discussed but talk had centered around \$3,000.00 per acre.

Mr. Weeks gave a report by the Social Services Committee with the recommendation that the County extend an invitation for bids on Emergency Medical Services as previously discussed by Council. Bids will be received until prior to the August 18th meeting.

Council approved the following notes:

- (1) \$100,000 Tax anticipation note for Harleyville-Ridgeville District #3 @ 5% for 6 months (January 23, 1976).
- (2) \$35,000 renewed for Dorchester County Hospital at 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ % until December 30, 1975.
- (3) \$125,000. renewed for Dorchester County Vocational School at 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ % until June 30, 1976.

Council adjourned at 12 o'clock.

Submitted by:

Lucille A. Kiger Sec'y.

DORCHESTER COUNTY COUNCIL

AUGUST 4, 1975

DORCHESTER COUNTY COURTHOUSE

MINUTES:

The regular meeting of the Dorchester County Council was held on Monday, August 4, 1975, at the Dorchester County Courthouse in St. George. Councilmen in attendance were Kermit Kizer, Chairman; William S. Branton, Vice-Chairman; Walker Browning, Don Canaday; Walter E. Limehouse; Wilbur Sweat; and T. Coke Weeks. County Administrator, Phillip W. Hudson, was also present.

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman at 10 a.m. Minutes of the July 21, 1975, meeting were accepted as submitted, as well as the list of proposed expenditures.

1. Mr. Hudson introduced to Council Mr. Charles Mills from Soil Conservation Service and reminded the Council that they had requested Mr. Mills to appear at this meeting to explain the cost for having the Water Management Study printed. Mr. Mills told the Council that the total cost for having the Study printed would be \$7,500. This price would include 2,000 copies which would be made available to citizens throughout the County of which 500 copies alone would be necessary for the Summerville area. Mr. Mills added that this amount was included in their budget request for 1975-76.

Councilman Kizer questioned Mr. Mills as to why so many copies were needed. Mr. Mills stated that his organization was in hopes that the County Road Department, Highway Department, developers, builders, farmers and anyone else who is interested in water drainage throughout the County would use and benefit from this study.

Councilman Canaday asked whether storage facilities would be available if the 2,000 copies were printed. Mr. Mills stated that storage space was available for the Study.

After a brief discussion on whether the 2,000 copies were warranted, a motion was made by Councilman Canaday and seconded by Councilman Branton to approve the printing of 2,000 copies of the Water Management Study. All were in favor.

Mr. Mills informed the Council that one of the counties RC&D drainage canals, St. George/Gum Branch, is in bad need of repair. This canal was inspected by Soil Conservation Service in December and a report of recommendation has been forwarded to the Council. Councilman Kizer asked what the cost would be to the County. Mr. Mills stated that a cost estimate has been submitted to the County Administrator. Mr. Mills went on to say that cost calculations could not be done on a yardage basis due to the fact that most of the work would be cleaning out the ditch which would be done on an hourly basis. Due to the fact that the drainage canal work is included in the 1975-76 Budget for the County, the Councilmen agreed to have the necessary work on the canal completed by the Conservation Service.

The next item on the agenda was Mayor Hilton of the Town of Ridgeville and Rev. Newman, Chairman of the Ridgeville Health Committee, who presented a request from the Town for an appropriation by the County for the construction of a Health Building for that community. Rev. Newman emphasized that a definite need existed in the Town of Ridgeville for a Health Center. Rev. Newman further explained that the Town was losing many health services which could be made available to the Town if proper facilities could be found.

He went on to say that equipment is presently laying dormant because proper space is not available for installation. Rev. Newman presented to the Council a floor plan of a proposed Health Center which would cost \$15,000 for construction. This plan has been viewed by the Director of Health Services for the County and meets with his approval.

Rev. Newman further explained that the present Health Center served approximately 3500 to 5000 residents of the Ridgeville area, with an average of fifty persons per day. The land for a new center has been donated by the Town of Ridgeville and would be located in the town limits of Ridgeville.

Councilman Branton questioned Rev. Newman as to whether he was asking the County grant the Town of Ridgeville \$15,000 to building a structure or were they asking that the County build a structure and retain ownership for \$15,000. Rev. Newman stated that they would agree to any decision that the Council made.

All Councilmen were concerned as to whether the building could actually be built for \$15,000. Rev. Newman assured the Council that the building could be built for the \$15,000 by the contractor and if problems arose where the price would exceed this amount, volunteers could be contacted to perform the necessary work for completion.

Councilman Branton asked whether Mayor Hilton and the Town of Ridgeville would be in favor the the County granting \$15,000 for the building but if after the bids are returned on the building, the cost exceeds the \$15,000, the Town would reappear before Council to inform them of the change before construction begins. If the cost does not exceed \$15,000 construction can begin immediately.

This was put into the form of a motion by Councilman Browning and seconded by Councilman Branton to approve a \$15,000 appropriation of a Ridgeville Health Center which would be retained by the County. All present were in favor of this.

3. Next order of business, Mayor Berlin G. Myers, Jerry Blackwell, and T. W. Bailey, representing the Town of Summerville, addressed the Council in regards to the landfill problem now facing the Summerville area as well as the entire County. Mayor Myers stated that the landfill problem has been facing the County for a long time and he felt that now is the time to relieve the people of Dorchester County of this situation. Mayor Myers further reassured the Council that the Town would be glad to do their share in alleviating the situation.

At this time, Councilman Sweat, asked that a report be given to the Council by the Chairman of the Landfill Committee as to what progress has been made thus far.

Councilman Limehouse stated that the County is presently ready to purchase the land which is located at Highway 78 and 178 an area away from any populated area. The selling price for the land is very reasonable considering the circumstances the County is presently faced with. The land has been checked for sand clay. It has not been bored but a portion of property just below this area has been bored and has been termed marginal. Councilman Limehouse further explained that the negotiations on the land could be closed today, but reminded those present that even if this were the case it would take a while before the landfill could be opened for use due to the fact that many requirements will have to be made first.

Councilman Branton felt that to locate a landfill site on the property at Highway 78 and 178 would not be economically feasible for the people of Dorchester County and would not be in the citizens best interest. Councilman Branton went on to say that he felt that a parcel of land which is located adjacent to Teal on the Ashley and contains approximately 69 acres which has been previously been approved for a landfill site could be used for a landfill site to benefit the people in that area. Councilman Branton further stated that 20 acres to the front of this property could be set aside for a recreational program for the residents of that area. Councilman Branton then asked that Mr. John Ohlandt, S.C. Department of Health, address those present concerning the landfill site.

Mr. Ohlandt stated that to economically serve the people of Dorchester County, a landfill site should be located near the population center of the county and not near the geographic center of the County. He went on to say that the big cost would be hauling; therefore it would be feasible to place the land near the garbage generating area. Mr. Ohlandt stressed to Council that now is the time to take positive action and begin a landfill site.

A resident of Summerville then asked how the landfill would be maintained. Mr. Ohlandt explained that the Dorchester County landfill will be a trench style landfill. In this type of landfill the trench must be dug down not closer than two feet from the water table. The garbage is then packed into this trench on an angle and then six inches of dirt between this. When this trench is filled to capacity then two feet of dirt is placed on top.

Council proceeded to hear views of residents of Teal on the Ashley in regards to a landfill site being located adjacent to the subdivision. All those present from this area expressed concern for property values and voiced their objections to the County purchasing the property for the purpose of using it as a landfill site.

After considerable discussion on the pros and cons of locating the landfill site on the two sites in questions, Councilman Canaday moved that the County proceed to obtain an option on the property located at the intersection of Highway 78 and 178 at a cost of \$1,200 per acre provided it meets with all regulations of the State Health Department. Mr. Ohlandt interjected that the Health Department could give tentative approval to this site. Councilman Limehouse seconded the motion.

Councilman Canaday asked Mr. Ohlandt whether or not it would be possible to retain an engineer immediately to begin designing the landfill site in conjunction with the State Health Department and with approval of the present landowner provide a temporary dumping area for the citizens by Monday, August 11th due to the fact that no facilities will be available countywide for elimination of waste materials after Friday, August 8th. Mr. Ohlandt replied by saying that it would be possible but he could not give a definite confirmation.

Councilman Branton then moved that Councilman Canaday's motion to obtain an option on the Highway 78 and 178 property be tabled until other property throughout the County can be checked and in the meantime find suitable property for the people to dispose of trash until acceptable property can be found for a landfill. Chairman Kizer called for a vote on this motion. Councilmen Weeks, Canaday, Limehouse, Kizer and Browning voted against the motion to table Mr. Canaday's earlier motion and Councilmen Sweat and Branton voted in favor of the motion to table proceedings on the Highway 78 and 178 property.

Chairman Kizer then called for a vote on Councilman Canaday's motion to obtain an option on the Highway 78 and 178 property so that landfill proceedings can begin immediately. Councilmen Weeks, Canaday, Limehouse, Browning and Sweat voted in favor of this motion and Councilman Branton carried a dissenting vote. The motion carried as stated by Councilman Canaday. Authorization was given to Mr. Hudson to employ an engineering firm.

4. After a brief recess, Mr. Hudson introduced to Council Mr. Bert Friday head of Jail Inspections for the S.C. Department of Corrections. Several months ago the Council received a contract from the Department of Corrections which would give the County jurisdiction over prisoners who serve sentences over 90 days. By law, these prisoners are under the S.C. Department of Corrections. This contract would give the County the right to house these prisoners at the County Jail otherwise they would have to be sent to the jail at Columbia. Sheriff Knight stated that this contract was introduced to the Council at a previous meeting but at that time the exact contents of the contract was not available to the Council and no decision was ever reached.

Sheriff Knight stated that he was in favor of this contract as it would not cause any additional financial burden to the County but further stated that he would like for an amendment to be placed in the contract stating that if the contract proved to be unsatisfactory, the County would have an option to withdraw provided that at least a four month notice be given to the S.C. Department of Corrections. This would give the State Department time to prepare for the additional prisoners being sent to them.

Mr. Friday informed the Council that at any time if either party (Dorchester County or S.C. Department of Corrections) determined to terminate the contract this would be permissible provided due notice was given.

Mr. Phillip Hudson then questioned Mr. Friday as to a prison report that was recently forwarded to his office which included an inspection by the S.C. Department of Corrections of the Dorchester County Jail. Included in this were several items which are lacking at the Jail. Mr. Hudson wanted to know whether the County would have to meet these requirements or would that just be a voluntary effort by the County. Mr. Friday replied by saying that the Jail is satisfactory at the present time but recommendations were made which would upgrade the Jail system. These recommendations are not binding but could be done when monies were available. Mr. Hudson further recommended that he felt that the fact that these recommendations are not binding should be so stated in the contract so that in future years the County would not be forced to make the changes as recommended.

After brief discussion, Councilman Limehouse moved that the Chairman of the County Council be authorized to endorse the contract in behalf of Dorchester County with an amendment that the County had the option to terminate the contract provided that three months notice be given the S.C. Department of Corrections. This would be typed at the bottom of the contract in accordance with Article 16. Councilman Weeks seconded the motion with the amendment and all were in favor. The motion carried.

Sheriff Knight then informed the Council that the padded cell at the Jail would have to be redesigned in order to accommodate mental cases. He went on to say that it will also be necessary for the County to acquire a straitjacket to control mental cases when they are brought to the Jail. Sheriff Knight told the Council that the cost for reworking the Jail and the straitjacket should not run over \$500.

Councilman Canaday stated that if the cost was not over \$500 he would be in agreement to have the necessary work done on the cell and that the County Administrator could authorize payment not to exceed \$500. All Councilmen were in full agreement.

6. In other matters, Chairman Kizer informed the Council that the Department of Social Services which presently rents a building for its food stamp office in St. George has been instructed that they will have to move from the building. The owners of the building have agreed to let the food stamp office remain for a few months provided that an additional amount of rent be paid.

Councilman Weeks who resides on the Social Service Committee in charge of locating another building for the office, recommended that the Widelitz Building in St. George be rented for \$250 a month and be renovated for office space by using moveable walls. This would cost approximately \$10,000. The State will reimburse the County for one half of this. Councilman Weeks felt that the present building being used for a food stamp office is in deplorable condition and the Widelitz Building will be a great improvement and there is also ample parking available behind the building.

Councilman Sweat moved that the Council take steps to rent the Widelitz Building and make provisions for the necessary renovations which would be 50% funded by the State Department of Social Services. Councilman Branton seconded the motion.

Councilman Canaday then made a motion to table Councilman Sweat's motion until such a time that further study can be done to see whether such an expenditure would be warranted. This motion was dropped, and the Council voted to reconsider the original motion to rent the Widelitz Building and renovate it for office space. Councilmen Weeks, Branton, Browning and Limehouse voted in favor of this, with the remaining Councilmen casting a dissenting vote.

7. Councilman Branton then brought before Council a problem which has been plaguing the County for a long time. Councilman Branton distributed to the members a copy of a proposal for a Dorchester Audit Department which would be similar to the audit department that the General Assembly uses. The purpose of this would be to determine if funds appropriated to other agencies have been used in a effective and efficient manner. This department would include the County Administrator, the County Treasurer, a member of Council, with the Chairman of Council serving in a ex officio capacity. Councilman Branton felt that this is a very worthwhile proposal and asked that the Council give a first reading on the document and then refer it to the Legislative Committee for study and amendments. All Councilmen were in agreement for the Legislative Committee to give this proposal further study.
8. Councilman Branton, in another matter, recommended that the Dorchester County Hospital building be designated as a "Dorchester County Service Center." After the building has been designated as a service center the Council could determine what exactly could be located in the structure. Councilman Branton stated that this would be in the best interest of the people of Dorchester County and would help alleviate any rumors as to what the building was going to be used for. Councilman Branton put this into a form of a motion which was seconded by Councilman Sweat. Branton further emphasized that this is a name only and nothing specific has been decided on as to what exactly will go there.

Councilman Branton requested that the Chairman call for a roll call vote on this motion. Councilmen Weeks, Limehouse, Branton, Sweat and Browning were in favor of the naming of the building as a "Dorchester County Service Center" with Councilmen Kizer and Canaday abstaining.

9. Chairman Kizer then read a letter from Mrs. Bryant, Railroad Avenue, St. George, in which she stated that she is selling a house and lot in St. George and would like to offer it to the County for purchase. This letter was turned over to the Public Works Committee for determination as to whether the County could benefit from the property.
10. Councilman Limehouse asked that the Council endorse a resolution pertaining to the Timrod Library in Summerville. The resolution read as follows:

"Be it Resolved that:

1. Dorchester County Council goes on record as favoring the merging of the Timrod Library of Summerville into the Dorchester County Library System and that this Branch be called the Timrod Library Summerville Branch of the Dorchester County Library.
2. That should this branch cease to exist the building and its improvements will revert to the Timrod Library Association."

Councilman Limehouse requested that the Council adopt this resolution so that residents in the Summerville area will know for a fact that Dorchester County is not opposed to the merging of Timrod Library into the Dorchester County Library system. After a discussion of the Timrod Library, the Council agreed to go on record as adopting this resolution and being in favor of the merge. This was put into the form of a motion by Councilman Limehouse and seconded by Councilman Weeks. A copy of this resolution will be forwarded to the Chamber of Commerce in Summerville and the Timrod Library Association.

11. Next, Mr. Hudson presented to Council to agreements for the Wamer Building which houses the C and F Center for the Dept. of Social Services. One agreement would be based upon heating, lights, fuel and rent, while the seconded agreement is based on \$300 rent per month with the County absorbing the lights and fuel bills. The first agreement would be \$425 per month. After discussion, the Council felt it would be to the County's interest to pay the \$425 as stated in the first agreement. In this way, the State would reimburse the County for 50%.
12. Mr. Hudson also asked that the Council expand a Community Service Council which would work in the areas of child day care, retarded children, transportation, etc., to develop programs in these areas and help secure funds. The Council has previously adopted a five man board but in order to make it a more response board Mr. Hudson felt the Committee should be expanded. Each Councilman was presented a list of these names. A motion was made by Councilman Limehouse and seconded by Councilman Weeks to adopt the expanded Community Service Council as proposed by the County Administrator. All were in favor of this.

13. Mr. Hudson further reminded the Council that the County of Dorchester has been granted federal funding by the Coastal Plain Regional Commission for \$40,000 for renovation of County buildings. The County would have to contribute \$20,000 to this for in kind contributions. Through this grant, many county owned buildings will be painted, refurbished and generally improved.
14. Mr. Hudson presented a proposed request for a change in the printing machine presently being used by the County. Mr. Hudson stated that he would like to purchase a Minolta Copier for \$2,495, a stencil cutter, and a mimeograph machine at a total cost of \$4,985. This would reduce the amount presently being spent on a copying system considerably. Through the Minolta method, the Courthouse will be able to do envelopes, letterhead, etc., which has up to now been done through private vendors. Councilman Sweat moved that the County Administrator begin procedures for implementing this new system due to the fact that it was a budget item. Councilman Browning seconded, with the remainder of the Councilmen in favor.
15. A request for the purchase of galvanized pipe at a cost of \$3,783 was presented by the County Administrator for use by the Road Department in Summerville. All Councilmen were in favor of this purchase.
16. Mr. Hudson informed the Council that the Road Department would like to purchase an asphalt packer. Councilman Limehouse asked that it be referred to the Bids and Purchases Committee. All agreed.
17. Mr. Hudson informed the Council that the Summer Work program for the County will end this Friday. Councilman Browning made a motion to extend the program for another week due to the fact that there is still work that needs to be done. All agreed.
18. The Council was informed that the Manpower Office in Charleston has contacted Mr. Hudson concerning the County receiving monies for Title VI Employment. Mr. Hudson explained that a work program would have to be in the Manpower Office by Wednesday, August 6th, and he would like to have the Council's input as to what they would like to have included in this. Councilman Sweat stated that he would like to see a landfill supervisor included in this program. All Councilmen were in agreement with this job classification.

Mr. Hudson told the Council that District #3 has lost approximately \$200,000 in funding under the Right to Read Act and that he would like to have some of the job slots available under the County's Title VI Act for their use to help supplement for the loss. All Councilmen were in agreement for District #3 to be allocated money under Title VI.

Mr. Hudson further explained to the Council that the County is presently handling at least five federal programs and with each program there is a great deal of paper work that has to be completed each month. Due to this, a burden has been placed on the Administration Staff; and with the upcoming Day Care facility, someone will have to be hired to handle this and help coordinate other federal grants. Mr. Hudson asked that he be authorized to hire a secretary under the Title VI Program to handle these federal programs and the coordination of such. All Councilmen agreed.

19. In other matters, Chairman Kizer requested that County authorize the Sheriff to deputize the Litter Office so that he will be able to penalize those who violate rules which govern the trash containers. At the present time he is not authorized to give tickets for violations and furthermore does not have a uniform where the general public could

recognize him as being the Litter Officer.

20. Chairman Kizer also requested that the Council authorize the building of a road for the Freign Trade Zone. Mr. Kizer felt that this would assist in the attraction of industry for the County. Councilman Sweat felt that the Road Foreman should retrieve the cost calculations for such a project before the County begins construction. A motion was made by Councilman Canaday and seconded by Councilman Browning to authorize the construction of the road.
21. Councilman Sweat then asked for a progress report on the van truck that had been ordered some time ago. Mr. Hudson stated that the truck has not yet arrived but that he had been assured that the truck would be in within the next few weeks. Councilman Sweat felt that the County has waited long enough for the truck to arrive and that if it had not come in by the next meeting of Council, new bids would be sent to vendors throughout the County. All were in favor of this.
22. Councilman Sweat presented a request from the Clemson Azalea Fire Department for \$1,000 of the money which has been budgeted for them to be used for repairs to their fire truck. Since the money has been budgeted, all Councilmen were in agreement.
23. A motion was entertained by Councilman Canaday and seconded by Councilman Limehouse to send out bids on two service trucks to be used by the Road Department. Councilman Sweat felt that the present system being used by the Road Departments is inadequate and the use of a service truck would eventually save the County a great deal of time as well as money. The Bids and Purchases Committee will draw up the specifications for the service trucks and the County Administrator will send out bids.
24. After a brief recess, the Council voted to pay each employee attending the Association of Counties Convention in Myrtle Beach \$210 for expenses (Norred, Carn Wimberly, Kennerty, McGill, Sweat, and Hudson).
25. Also, the Council voted to approve the auditing firm request to perform additional bookkeeping which will increase the auditing cost to \$12,000 approximately.

Being no further business or discussion, the meeting adjourned at 3 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Anne Patrick

Emergency County Council Meeting
Monday, August 11, 1975
Dorchester Vocational School

All members present except Councilman Browning who could not be reached. Chairman Kizer opened the meeting with a request that Mr. Hudson explain the purpose of the session.

The meeting was called to discuss the problem of securing land for a temporary landfill site due to the seriousness of the solid waste problem. A site had been located adjacent to the Way property owned by Virgil Delee. It was felt that one acre could serve as a stop-gap measure until the proposed site could be approved and properly designed by the George A. Z. Johnston engineering firm. The deep borings had been performed on the site and would be sent to Columbia on Tuesday; it was promised by Mr. Stillwell of DHEC that an answer to the Way property's feasibility as a permanent landfill site would be returned within the week.

A team from DHEC would be at the Delee property on Tuesday morning to inspect and hopefully consent to its use as a temporary site.

The question was whether or not the Council should approve the lease of this property @\$1,000 per acre.

Mr. Weeks made the motion to lease the Delee property for \$1,000.00 per acre with the option to lease additional acreage if necessary at the same price. Mr. Limehouse seconded the motion. Mr. Canaday, Limehouse, Sweat and Weeks were in favor and Mr. Branton abstained from voting.

The Council agreed that private collectors be permitted to use the site at no cost.

The Council agreed that the terms of the lease should include returning the property to Mr. Delee in its prior condition and the lease should be for one year. The Council agreed to Mr. Ohlandt's recommendation that as soon as the landfill site was designed and operational, the County would abandon the DeLee land as a landfill and close the site in accordance with DHEC regulations.

Mr. Branton made the motion to designate the acreage behind the Vocational School as an alternative site in the event the DeLee property would not be approved, seconded by Sweat. After a lengthy discussion concerning the pros and cons of this site, Mr. Branton requested a roll call of the Council.

The vote went as follows:

Branton - Yes
Canaday - No
Limehouse - No
Sweat - Yes
Weeks - Abstain
Kizer - No

By a vote of 3 - 2 the motion was defeated. At the suggestion of Mr. Branton the Council agreed to being polled by phone if the DeLee site was

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not acceptable.

The meeting adjourned at 9:30 P. M.

Phillip W. Hudson

COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING

August 18, 1975

7:30 p. m.

County Council met on August 18th, at 7:30 p. m. with all members present, and Mr. Hudson, County Administrator.

Mr. Kizer called the meeting to order. Mr. Limehouse made a motion for approval of the minutes of August 4th, and Mr. Sweat seconded. All in favor.

Mrs. Virginia Norred, Auditor, thanked the Council for sending County Officials to Myrtle Beach. She gave the 208 bill to each member. She also informed Council of dates of new seminars regarding assessment. These will be seminars on tax assessment programs. They are interested in the one in Charleston as they will give computer information. Mrs. Norred said the tax assessor should go. She said look over the 208 and she will be glad to come back and talk to them again.

SPCA - The immediate need of SPCA was additional appropriation of \$1,000.00 per month. They thanked the Council for the approval of a full time Assistant through the manpower program. Mr. Branton recommended the Council appropriate \$2,000.00 for two months. Mr. Limehouse seconded. All in favor. On the first Mon. in Oct., representatives from SPCA will make a financial report to the Council to ascertain the benefits of the center and the need for future funding.

Mrs. Sullivan -- the County will have to furnish \$13,000 of pipe (700' of 48" metal pipe) and some labor while the State Highway Department will lay the pipe and furnish the necessary grading. Mr. Limehouse moved that the County proceed with the project with Mr. Sweat's amendment that the County contact residents on which the water will fall. Mr. Kizer, Mr. Browning, Mr. Sweat and Mr. Limehouse voted for this. Mr. Branton asked that they dredge out town canal back to this property. Mr. Hudson was to get a letter from Mr. Hoover.

Clarence Jones -- dispute over County built roadway (14 yrs. ago) and has been maintaining. Mr. Jones was concerned with closing of road deeded to public use. Said he had been harassed by Mr. J. T. Green to maintain egress and ingress. Problem of right of way either 25' or 15'. Council gave no opinion due to legalities and suggested proceeding with Courts.

E.M.S. -- Bids. Mr. Hudson opened the bids and they were as follows:

Bryant Funeral Home	--	\$166,000.00	(upper County)
James A. Dyal	--	88,515.00	(lower ")
Herbert's Ambulance	--	87,259.00	(" ")
Parks	--	32,000.00	(" ")

Mr. Sweat moved to accept Mr. Parks bid of \$32,000.00. Mr. Branton seconded. Mr. Sweat felt that the Council should proceed with plans, especially Mr. Parks bid. Mr. Branton voiced an opinion similar to Mr. Sweats, including a proposal to establish voluntary unit to cover upper Dorchester County. They asked for a roll call vote, as follows:

Branton -	yes	Limehouse -	yes
Browning -	yes	Sweat -	yes
Canaday -	yes	Weeks -	yes

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Mr. Canaday moved to accept this bid by Bryant. No second.
Mr. Branton made a motion to provide service beginning Sept. 1, 1975 for lower end of Dorchester County, with Mr. Parks, Mr. Hudson, and Mr. Bell, County Attorney, to work up contract for next meeting.
Mr. Canaday then made a motion to bid the whole County together. Mr. Browning seconded, but Mr. Branton amended that the Council stick to separate bids and keep the lower part separate, and resubmit bid for upper end of County. Mr. Branton motioned to reject the 166,000 bid for upper end. Mr. Sweat seconded.

In favor: Mr. Sweat, Mr. Branton & Mr. Limehouse.

Opposed: Mr. Browning, Mr. Canaday & Mr. Weeks. Mr. Kizer abstained.
Mr. Weeks suggested to Mr. Kizer that the Social Service Committee study the upper end bid, but Mr. Kizer appointed Mr. Weeks, Mr. Limehouse and Mr. Browning. Mr. Branton stated that he felt the Chairman was not playing fair ball, so Mr. Kizer then appointed Mr. Weeks, Mr. Branton, & Mr. Sweat (the Social Services Committee).
Mr. Limehouse suggested that Social Services Committee be given one more week to work out problem of upper end of County.

Mr. Thomas Myers -- needs budgetary information for his not programs. Stated that Berkeley County was giving \$42,000. Said they need \$1,400. per month or \$8,400. more. Employees 13 from Dorchester County. Mr. Branton motioned to send B. D. \$1,560. to cover additional expenditures for July and August. Seconded by Mr. Sweat. All in favor.

Dr. Gavin Appleby -- Dr. Appleby gave a progress report on nursing home and health center. He said F.H.A. loans money for such projects if backed by obligation bonds. Walters advised that general obligations are in accordance - 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ % interest rate of 2 million - amortized over 40 years period - \$116,560. per year. Canday made motion for Dr. Appleby to contact Carolina Services to make the study. Weeks seconded motion. All in favor. Mr. Branton asked if the building could be put on the forks of road going to Summerville.

It was agreed that August 26th would be a holiday for County employees due to the election.

Labor Day, also a holiday, and Council will meet on Tues. a. m. at 10 o'clock, Grand Jury room.

Council discussed the Harry Myers additional month of salary. All was in favor of giving this.

Operation of temporary landfill - was 9 to 5, but Council decided to set the operation from 8 to 4 and Saturday 8 to 12. They will try this and see if it works.

There was a discussion about a Van for the carpenter. They said it would be shipped on the 21st but no guarantee. Mr. Sweat made a motion if it's not here by 28th to go ahead and get a truck or a panel from another place. Council said they would wait until the 1st. Tues. meeting.

Mr. Sweat gave specifications for a truck to be used as service truck for the County maintenance officer. There was some disagreement among Council. A concrete proposal will be presented at the next meeting by Mr. Sweat.

Mr. Hudson read the lease for Virgil DeLee property. \$1000. per acre, with option. Accepted by Council.

Bill for landfill for Town of Summerville was referred to landfill committee.

All claims on list presented by Mr. Hudson was approved to be paid. Mr. Limehouse motioned that the bills be paid. All in favor.

Additional claims to be paid out of revenue sharing -- Backhoe claim-- \$981.85; Old Fort Estates -- \$937.50 to A. T. Hanson; Owens & Knight - travel. Approval given for all to be paid.

Mr. Hudson presented a bill passed by the State General Assembly for informative purpose for rural and municipal water & sewer facilities.

Mr. Branton suggested that Council meet every other 3rd. Monday in Summerville. Mr. Sweat seconded. All in favor.

Mr. Browning said magistrate at Ridgeville found space at \$75.00 per month and made a motion that Council go ahead and let him rent it. Mr. Sweat seconded. All in favor.

Trade Zone - Mr. Sweat will have a cost on the road if possible by next meeting.

Council adjourned at 12:05.

Respectfully submitted:

Lucille P. Kizer
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COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING

SEPT. 2, 1975

10 A. M.

The County Council met on Sept. 2, 1975, at 10 a. m., with all members present but Mr. Walter E. Limehouse.

Mr. Kizer called the meeting to order and they approved the minutes, of August 18th.

Mr. Charles Mills, Soil Conservation Service - concerning Tom & Kate, Little Walnut, drainage ditches. These water-shed districts need the ditches cleaned out. Mr. Mills said it would be hard to estimate the price. Mr. Kizer recommended that they clean out the ditch by paying by the hour. Mr. Branton said he thought it should be put up for bids on a per hour basis. Mr. Branton made a motion for this to be referred to the bids and purchase committee.

Mr. Paul Scarberry, Southeastern Waste Control Co., presented a slide made by the Consumat Energy Production Systems, featuring controlled air incinerators specializing in production of commercial energy production. Mr. Scarberry said that the incinerators operate to resolve the problem of solid waste disposal and can be used as a source of fuel. He said for further information if desired write: Southeastern Waste Control Co., P. O. box 253, Charleston, S. C. - 25402.

Construction Equipment salesmen - concerning equipment of landfill, expressing desire to contract services with Dorchester County. Interested in renting John Deere excavator on a dig hole basis. The Council decided for Mr. Hudson to mail out bids.

Mrs. Victoria DeLee -- asked for permission to speak concerning EMS system. She said Parks does not serve all the people of the County and practiced discrimination; does not serve the black people. Presented a young man who had been refused service by Parks ambulance on Saturday, August 30th. Mr. Sweat moved to refer back to Social Services Committee and Mr. Browning seconded. Mr. Sweat, Mr. Browning, Mr. Weeks, in favor. Mr. Branton opposed. Mr. Kizer and Mr. Canaday did not vote.

Mr. Ben Bozardt, Sanitation Officer - explanation of fogging machine operator's time of 77 hours overtime for period of Aug. 6, to Aug. 19th. Mr. Canaday made motion to pay \$154.00 for extra fogging. All in favor. Council decided that all request for extra fogging will go to Mr. Bozardt.

Tom Kennerty - report on weather damages: small tornado in Harleyville. Damaged only one persons' property. Water all over Summerville, (Thurs. night). Started in Flowertown, Tranquill Acres, Corey Woods. Mr. Kennerty said he had to be prepared to move people or gamble. The water backed up and came into the streets, and at 7 o'clock still had water across Ladson road. He said three houses flooded in Corey Woods. He is having a report typed up and will be sending to Councilmen.

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Mr. Cliff Henley, Mrs. Virginia Norred -- concerning computer services available to County in lieu of purchasing new equipment. Problem centers around release of tax forms to those who will pay personal property taxes for Form 406. Present Burroughs 4000 is too slow for amount of work. They asked to do away with present Burroughs 4000 and go with Computer Services, from Charleston County. Mr. Branton moved to approve it provided that study be made for next year's work. Mr. Weeks seconded; all in favor.

Mr. Henley asked if County would pay him in lieu of his collecting $\frac{1}{2}$ of trailer licenses fees. Mr. Branton made a motion to direct Mr. Henley to discontinue practice of collecting fees and make an additional appropriation to compensate for this loss through a salary supplement. Mr. Browning seconded. Mr. Branton, Mr. Sweat, Mr. Weeks, and Mr. Browning in favor. Mr. Canaday abstained.

Mr. Weeks gave report of Social Services Committee:

"Emergency Medical Care for St. George Area.

1. Hire person to head up EMS system who has experience in the field of such services.
2. With manpower funds hire four (4) individuals to serve as a nucleus for twenty-four hour (24) service.
 - A. They have to be unemployed for thirty (30) days to meet Title VI regulations.
 - B. If they are not trained they will have to undergo EMT training to be certified.
3. Salary scales should be comparative to that of beginning Deputies salaries and should include incentives that as they successfully complete advanced training their salaries should be adjusted accordingly.
4. Because of the time schedule, forced upon implementing an EMS system, negotiation should be made with Bryant Funeral Home to purchase it's vehicle which can be used for five years under the new State regulations.
 - A. Because this vehicle is not purchased with Federal funds, the requirement of two (2) maned EMTs is not mandatory.
5. The organization of volunteer rescue squads should supplant the manpower needs of the system until the County can financially support the total system.

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Council approved claims on list presented by Mr. Hudson.

Mr. Thomas Myers -- B. D. Economic Development Corp.--discussed his budget needs. Mentioned budget need for \$26,000 - Berkeley gives them near \$42,000.00 per year. Needs \$1,560.00 per month for 1 year & \$3,000.00 for improvements to Wamer building. Mr. Canaday moved to approve and Mr. Weeks seconded; all in favor. Mr. Weeks moved to appropriate additional monies to B. D. \$1,560.00 per month for 10 months. Mr. Canaday seconded. All in favor.

Mr. Branton made a motion to subsidize Mr. Parks at one twelfth of the \$32,000.00 for the period until contract is ironed out. Mr. Browning seconded. All in favor.

Mr. Weeks reported on EMS system for the upper end of the County. Mr. Canaday made a motion to hire Wamer to provide emergency ambulance service for the upper end of Dorchester County for one month at the price of \$2,666.67. Mr. Branton seconded. All in favor.

Mr. Carl Knight - request for a dispatcher to have increase in salary. Mr. Branton made motion to grant the request and Mr. Sweat seconded. All in favor.

Council asked Mr. Hudson to send a certified letter to Mr. Cantley, Mr. Myers, and the Sullivans, concerning right of way.

Council discussed several personnel problems.

Mr. Hudson was asked to send out bids for trucks with service bodies and flat bed.

The Council decided that next Tuesday, Sept. 9th., would be a holiday for all County employees for the Democratic primary run-off election.

Council adjourned at 4:10 p. m.

Respectfully submitted

by: 
Lucille P. Kizer

COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING

SEPTEMBER 15, 1975

SUMMERVILLE TOWN HALL

All members of County Council present, Chairman Kermit Kizer presiding.

Minutes of September 2, 1975 meeting dispensed.

A. Bids opened on drainage for Little Walnut, Tom & Kate Canal:

1. R. F. Hammock \$28.50/hour with estimated cost between \$8,000. - \$9,000.
2. R. B. Nelson \$35.00/hour with estimated cost of \$12,500.
3. A. T. Henson \$30.00/hour with estimated cost of \$9,000.

Mr. Canaday made motion of accepting Hammock bid of \$28.50/hr. Mr. Branton seconded. Amended not to exceed \$9,000. and weekly progress report should be furnished to Council office. All in favor.

B. Mr. Jack Parks and Attorney, James Messervey to respond to allegations of discrimination charges in operation of Parks Ambulance Service. Mr. Parks presented his case showing how calls were received and recorded. Mr. Parks requested that a non-discrimination clause be included in the contract. He also stated that there would be an open house at Parks Funeral Home on Friday, September 19th @ 2:00 p. m. for public inspection of the facilities.

Mrs. Verbenia Jefferson, representative of the group alleging discrimination stated her grievance:

1. Bid was not enough money to cover the entire area.
2. Should serve the entire County.
3. Proved that Parks practices discrimination in his service.

Mr. Peter Pringle, person who charged discrimination for alleged refusal of services by Parks on August 30 @ 5:30 p. m., reiterated his version of what transpired.

Mr. Parks described his knowledge of the situation which consisted of:

- (1) Mr. Pringle was driven to Parks Funeral Home.
- (2) Trained EMT from Parks looked at the wound and felt the injury was not serious enough to warrant vehicle transportation.
- (3) EMT suggested patient continue to Hospital for treatment.

Several citizens in the audience made comments as to the exemplary service of Parks in the past. Mr. Parks fielded questions as to the type of service he would provide and he assured them of his policy to strive toward continued improvements.

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Mr. Branton made the motion to accept Mr. Parks bid with the addition of the non-discrimination clause. Mr. Browning seconded. Mr. Limehouse requested that the contract be read and then discussed. After the reading Mr. Branton requested a roll call:

Mr. Branton	-	yes
Mr. Browning	-	yes
Mr. Canaday	-	yes
Mr. Limehouse	-	yes
Mr. Sweat	-	yes
Mr. Weeks	-	yes

Mrs. Verbenia Jefferson requested that her objections be recorded in the official minutes.

C. Old Golf Road Drainage:

Registered letters were sent to residents of the road in question. Mrs. Sullivan was not present. The other residents questioned the County Council of pouring an increased volume of water on their property through the proposed drainage plan (Mr. Thorton, Mr. Cantley, Mr. Meyers, Mrs. Wilhoit). They asked that County Council consider cleaning out the canal in question from the Summerville Creek upward to the Dorchester Swim Club. It was their contention that serious flooding was caused by flash floods and not by normal rainfall. Several of the residents stated that the houses owned by the Sullivan's were situated on property that was below street level and the area was a holding pond for water drain off in the area.

Mr. Limehouse moved that until further study could be made concerning the proposal by the residents, the installation of the proposed drainage pipe be delayed, seconded by Mr. Branton. All in favor.

D. Mr. Chairman brought up a problem involving Magistrate Timothy Green and former Magistrate Verbenia Jefferson. It was reported that Mrs. Jefferson refuses to turn over to the new Magistrate, equipment bought by the County through LEAP funds. Mrs. Jefferson claimed that the equipment was hers for compensation for not receiving rent on a building owned by Dorchester County. Further information was requested concerning this report before any action would be taken.

E. Bids were opened: (Before opened Mr. Limehouse requested that the County lease equipment for 6 months then let that apply toward the purchase price. Mr. Branton seconded. Brief discussion followed to the pros and cons of this practice. - On the vote, Mr. Branton and Mr. Limehouse were for remainder opposed.

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Bids were as follows:

(1) Industrial Equipment Center

JD 64613	\$70,377.50
Discount-----	11,028.84
Total-----	<u>\$59,348.66</u>

(2) Spartan Equipment Co.

Hyster Model C-441A	\$59,240.00
New Hyster Model C-441A	62,110.00
Dem.Hyster Model C-441A	49,500.00

(3) Construction Equipment Sales

JD 646	\$47,000.00
JD 646B	52,325.00

(4) State Machinery Company

K 301 Koehring Compactor	\$82,620.00
Discount -	15,120.00
	<u>\$67,500.00</u>

(5) Jeff-Hunt Machinery

Caterpillar 816	\$77,310.00
Discount -----	5,810.00
	<u>\$71,500.00</u>

Mr. Canaday made motion to accept bid of Jeff-Hunt due to the noted quality of their products. Seconded by Mr. Browning.

Mr. Branton questioned the wisdom of purchasing the equipment at this time. Mr. Sweat responded that all the equipment had been demonstrated at the landfill site and he had received advice from several experts in the solid waste business. Mr. Branton moved to table Mr. Canaday's motion. The motion failed by 2 to 4 vote. Mr. Sweat requested a vote on the previous motion with Mr. Canaday, Mr. Weeks, Mr. Limehouse Mr. Browning, and Mr. Sweat, in favor.

F. Mr. Limehouse made the motion to purchase approximately 55 acres of land @ \$1,200/acre, with \$25,000.00 being deposited in an excrow account and the remainder being paid when the County receives clear letter. Mr. Weeks seconded.

Mr. Branton voiced strong objections to this motion based on the inability

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to receive clear title, the depth of the landfill, lack of written approval by the State Department of Health and Environmental Control.

Mr. Limehouse stated that after a Court hearing the County should be able to receive clear title (estimated to be at least 45 days) because action was proceeding; he felt that no area of the County in this section could contain a consistent 8½ foot depth; also, he had received verbal approval from the State today and a letter would follow.

Mr. Branton then questioned the nature of how the property was acquired and the price the County was forced to pay.

The motion was called to vote with Mr. Limehouse, Mr. Canaday, Mr. Weeks, Mr. Browning, Mr. Sweat - the affirmative and Mr. Branton opposed.

G. Mr. Browning proposed that the County purchase a lot in Ridgeville for the new Health Center for \$1,700.00. Mr. Limehouse made the motion to purchase with a second by Mr. Weeks. All in favor.

H. Approval of claims (to include payment for Town of Summerville using Charleston County's Shredder and Soil Consultants for borings.) Moved by Limehouse, seconded by Browning. All in favor.

I. Council adjourned to executive session in order to discuss personnel problems as requested by Mr. Branton.

Mr. Hudson is to prepare personnel policies for next Council meeting to include age limit of all County personnel at 65 and each year following a physical will be required to determine the ability of the individual to perform his duties.

Mr. Branton moved to advertise landfill operator's position in the paper. Seconded by Mr. Canaday. All in favor.

J. Items introduced by the Administrator:

- (1). Bid for renovation of Whetsell house for County Library for \$28,000.00. Council requested submitting bids for building new building.
- (2). Council, as a group, felt that an election for form of Government should not be initiated by County Council.
- (3). Council altered the landfill hours from 8-4 p. m. to 9-5 p. m. on week days and Saturday will remain from 8-12:00.
- (4). Mr. Hudson presented the plat of Caire Yelleau Sub-division that was recommended for approval by the Subdivision Review Board pending acceptance of the roads by the County Road Foreman. Mr. Hudson explained

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the condition of the roads and proposed alternatives available to the Council:

- (1) Approve the roads but not recommend their acceptance into the County Maintenance System.
- (2) Accept the roads into the County system.
- (3) Not accept the roads until further improvements made.

Council unanimously chose the alternative of not accepting the roads until further improvements are made.

Meeting adjourned at 11:30.

Respectfully submitted:

Barbara French

A RESOLUTION

APPROVING THE FINANCING OF THE ACQUISITION, CONSTRUCTION AND EQUIPPING OF CERTAIN MANUFACTURING FACILITIES IN DORCHESTER COUNTY (TO BE LEASED TO PNEUMO CORPORATION) THROUGH THE ISSUANCE OF FOUR MILLION TWO HUNDRED FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$4,250,000) DORCHESTER COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA, FIRST MORTGAGE INDUSTRIAL REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 1975 (PNEUMO CORPORATION - LESSEE); AND AUTHORIZING THE PETITION TO THE STATE BUDGET AND CONTROL BOARD OF SOUTH CAROLINA FOR ITS APPROVAL OF SUCH UNDERTAKING PURSUANT TO ACT NO. 103 OF THE 1967 ACTS OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY, AS AMENDED.

As an incident to the adoption of this Resolution, the County Council of Dorchester County, which is the governing body of Dorchester County (the County Board), has made the following findings:

1. Pneumo Corporation, a Delaware corporation (the Lessee), has proposed that the County Board undertake to finance the acquisition, construction and equipping of proposed facilities for the manufacture of aircraft and missile parts to be located in Dorchester County, South Carolina, through the issuance of Industrial Revenue Bonds pursuant to the authorization of Act No. 103 of the 1967 Acts of the South Carolina General Assembly, as amended (the Act). In connection with its proposed acquisition, construction and equipping of such facilities the Lessee seeks the assistance which the County might render through the sale of \$4,250,000 Industrial Revenue Bonds pursuant to the Act (the Bonds). The County Board has agreed to acquire that portion of the Lessee's plant site on which a manufacturing facility of approximately 60,000 square feet shall be constructed at an approximate cost of \$1,000,000 to \$1,250,000. The

remaining proceeds of said issue will be allocated to the land acquisition (\$38,000) and to the equipment (\$2,850,000) (the said land, buildings and new machinery and equipment being hereinafter referred to as the Project), and the County Board adopts this Resolution to evidence its approval of the issuance of the Bonds as aforesaid and to authorize a petition to the State Budget and Control Board (the State Board) setting forth the facts required by Section 14 of the Act.

2. The County Board has determined that the Project will subserve the purposes of the Act and neither the Project nor the Bonds will give rise to any pecuniary liability of Dorchester County or a charge against its general credit or taxing power.

3. The amount necessary to finance the Project is Four Million Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$4,250,000).

4. Under the Lease to be entered into with the County Board, the Lessee will unconditionally agree to pay as rent the amount necessary to provide the annual payments of principal and interest on the Bonds.

5. Under a Guaranty Agreement, the Lessee will unconditionally guarantee to the Trustee bank to be named on behalf of holders of the Bonds the payment of sums sufficient to pay the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on the Bonds.

6. The proposed Lease will also obligate the Lessee unconditionally to pay other costs in connection therewith and will contain an appropriate provision requiring the Lessee to pay in lieu of taxes, such amounts as would otherwise be

paid if the Lessee owned the Project.

7. In view of the credit of the Lessee and the successful arrangements to effect a sale of the Bonds without the establishment of reserve funds for the payment of the principal and interest, no such reserve funds will be established.

8. The Lessee has advised the County Board that it has arranged for the sale of the Bonds to Hornblower & Weeks-Hemphill, Noyes Incorporated, New York, New York. The Bonds will bear interest at an average rate of approximately 8% to 10% per annum. The Bonds will mature in 1995 but will be subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption in each of the years 1978 to 1994.

9. The Bonds will be issued as tax exempt bonds by virtue of an election to be made pursuant to the provisions of Section 103(c)(6)(A) and (D) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, as amended.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF DORCHESTER COUNTY, IN MEETING DULY ASSEMBLED:

That the County Board finds that the facts set forth above are in all respects true and correct, and on such basis determines to finance the Project above described, and to authorize the sale of the Bonds by Dorchester County as aforesaid.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

That the Petition in form substantially as attached hereto be presented to the State Board to seek the approval required by Section 14 of the Act; and that said Petition shall be

duly executed by the Chairman and attested by the Secretary
of the County Board.

Done this ____ day of October, 1975.

(SEAL)

Chairman, County Council of Dorchester
County

Attest:

Secretary, County Council of
Dorchester County

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

COUNTY OF DORCHESTER

TO THE STATE BUDGET AND CONTROL)
BOARD OF SOUTH CAROLINA)

PETITION

The Petition of the County Council of Dorchester County (the County Board), respectively shows:

1. The County Board is the governing body of Dorchester County, South Carolina, as established by law, and such is the County Board referred to in Act No. 103 of the 1967 Acts of the South Carolina General Assembly, as amended (the Act).

2. The Act authorizes and empowers the County Board, if it shall comply with the provisions set forth in the Act, to acquire land, buildings, equipment, machinery and other improvements deemed necessary, suitable and useful by any manufacturing or processing enterprise, and in connection with such acquisition, to enlarge, improve and expand the same; to lease the same; and to finance such acquisition, construction and equipping through the issuance of bonds payable from and secured by a pledge of the revenues to be derived from the leasing of such land, buildings, equipment and machinery.

3. The County Board has agreed with Pneumo Corporation, a Delaware corporation (the Lessee), that the County Board

will undertake to finance the acquisition, construction and equipping by the Lessee of new facilities for the manufacture of aircraft and missile parts to be located in Dorchester County, South Carolina, through the issuance of Industrial Revenue Bonds pursuant to the Act. In this connection, the County Board has agreed to acquire from the Lessee certain real property on which a new 60,000 square foot manufacturing facility shall be located, and to finance the construction and equipping of such new facilities; and the County Board has agreed to issue Four Million Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$4,250,000) Dorchester County, South Carolina, First Mortgage Industrial Revenue Bonds, Series 1975 (Pneumo Corporation - Lessee) (the Bonds) pursuant to the Act in order to finance such acquisition, construction and equipping which, when completed will be new facilities for the manufacture of aircraft and missile parts (the real property upon which a 60,000 square foot manufacturing plant will be located, together with such plant and the new machinery and equipment necessary therefor, being hereinafter referred to as the Project).

4. The County Board is advised by the Lessee that the cost of acquiring, constructing and equipping the said facilities will amount to approximately \$4,250,000; and, that therefore, in order to finance the acquisition, construction and equipping of the Project by the Lessee, including the costs and charges incident to the issuance and sale of the Bonds, it will be

necessary that the County Board issue the Bonds in the principal amount of \$4,250,000.

5. The Lessee presently owns facilities for the manufacture of aircraft parts in Charleston County which employ 55 persons. This operation together with the present employees will be transferred to the Project. The Project will employ approximately 225 persons by 1977.

6. For the reasons above set forth and hereafter disclosed, the County Board has found:

(a) The proposed Project will subserve the purposes of the Act.

(b) By reason of undertaking the Project no pecuniary liability will result to the County nor will there be a charge against its general credit or taxing power.

(c) The proposed Lease between the County Board and the Lessee will unconditionally obligate the Lessee to pay rent in an amount adequate to provide for the principal and interest payments on the Bonds which will bear interest at an average rate to be established of approximately 8% to 10% per annum and which will be term bonds maturing December 1, 1995. The Bonds will be subject to sinking fund redemptions during each of the years 1978 to 1994 in such fashion that the total debt service, both principal and interest, will be substantially level during the life of the Bonds.

(d) Pursuant to a Guaranty Agreement (the Guaranty Agreement), the Lessee will unconditionally guarantee to a trustee bank the payment of a sum sufficient to pay principal

of, premium, if any, and interest on the Bonds.

(e) The Lessee has negotiated for the sale of the Bonds through Hornblower & Weeks-Hemphill, Noyes, Incorporated, as Underwriter, without the creation of any reserve and, therefore, it is unnecessary to establish reserve funds for the payment of such principal and interest.

(f) The terms of the Lease will require the Lessee to carry proper insurance and to pay all costs of maintaining the Project in good repair.

7. Pursuant to Section 14 of the Act, the County Board sets forth the following information:

(a) The Project consists of the acquisition of necessary land and the construction and equipping of a 60,000 square foot facility for the manufacture of aircraft and missile parts.

(b) The Project, when completed, will provide employment for approximately 225 persons and will have a beneficial effect upon the economy of the County and areas adjacent thereto.

(c) The cost of the entire Project will amount to approximately \$4,250,000, including the proposed building and the new equipment and machinery, and all other expenses to be incurred in connection therewith, including the cost of land acquisition and expenses incident to the issuance of the Bonds.

8. The proposed Lease will provide, among other things, the following:

(a) To finance the cost of the proposed acquisition, construction and equipping, the County will issue \$4,250,000 Dorchester County, South Carolina, First Mortgage Industrial Revenue Bonds, Series 1975 (Pneumo Corporation - Lessee) (the Bonds). The Bonds will be secured by a pledge of the rents to be paid by the Lessee and will be further secured by a Trust Indenture, as authorized by Section 5 of the Act, to a bank yet to be named, as Trustee.

(b) The proceeds derived from the sale of the Bonds will be deposited with the Trustee and will be withdrawn on requisition of the Lessee and the County and applied solely for the payment of costs incident to the acquisition and construction of the Project, and the issuance of the Bonds.

(c) The Lease will contain a specific provision by which the Lessee will unconditionally agree to make payments to Dorchester County, to any School District in Dorchester County and to all other political units in which the Project is situated, in lieu of taxes, in such amounts as would result from taxes levied on the Project by Dorchester County, by any such School District, and by said political units if the Project were owned by the Lessee, but with appropriate reductions similar to the tax reductions, if any, which would be afforded the Lessee were it the owner of the Project.

(d) The Lease will contain no provision imposing any pecuniary liability upon the County or which would create a charge upon its general credit or taxing power.

(e) The Lease may contain provisions which would provide for its amendment in order to make provision for the issuance of additional bonds under the conditions therein set forth and more fully set forth in the Indenture.

9. The proposed Trust Indenture will be in conventional form and constitute a forecloseable mortgage upon the Project. Included in the granting clause will be:

(a) All real property, equipment and machinery and interests therein, acquired or to be acquired for the Project.

(b) All Lease Rentals (as defined in the Lease Agreement) derived by the County under the Lease.

The Indenture will make provision for the initial issuance of Four Million Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$4,250,000) of Bonds to be secured thereunder. It may make provision for the issuance of additional bonds to the extent and in the manner to be set forth in the Indenture. It will provide for the payment and redemption of the Bonds, the establishment of a Bond Fund into which the proceeds of the rents payable by the Lessee are placed, and the use of said fund for the payment of the Bonds. It will impose upon the Lessee the obligation to pay, in addition to the moneys required for the payment of the principal and interest of the Bonds, all other costs and expenses resulting from the execution and delivery of the Indenture and the issuance of the Bonds pursuant thereto.

10. The proposed Lease, Guaranty Agreement and Trust Indenture will be in substantially the form heretofore used

in the issuance of Industrial Revenue Bonds pursuant to the Act; initial working drafts of such documents have been furnished to the State Board.

Upon the basis of the foregoing, the County Board respectfully prays:

That the State Budget and Control Board accept the filing of the Petition presented herewith and that it do, thereafter, and as soon as practicable, make its independent investigation of the Project and the terms and provisions of the Lease, the Indenture and the Guaranty Agreement, as it deems advisable, and that thereafter, the said State Board make a finding that the proposed Project will promote the purpose of the Act and that it is reasonably anticipated to effect such result, and on the basis of such finding, that it does approve the Project, including changes in any details of the said financing as finally consummated which do not materially affect the said undertaking, and give published notice of its approval in the manner set forth in Section 14 of the Act.

Respectfully submitted,

DORCHESTER COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA

(SEAL)

By _____
Chairman of the County Council of
Dorchester County

Attest:

Secretary of the County Council
of Dorchester County

October __, 1975

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

COUNTY OF DORCHESTER

I, the undersigned, Secretary of the County Council of
Dorchester County, South Carolina, DO HEREBY CERTIFY:

That the foregoing is a true, correct and verbatim copy
of the Resolution unanimously adopted by the said County
Council of Dorchester County at a duly called and regularly
held meeting at which the following members attended and
remained throughout on October 21, 1975: _____

_____.

That the said Resolution was offered by Councilman
_____ and was seconded by Councilman _____,
and the same is now in full force and effect and has not been
modified, amended, repealed or rescinded.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and the
seal of the said County Council of Dorchester County, South
Carolina, this ____ day of October, 1975.

(SEAL)

Secretary of the County Council of
Dorchester County

DORCHESTER COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, OCTOBER 6, 1975
7:30 P. M., St. George,

All members of County Council present, Chairman Kermit Kizer presiding.

- A. Mr. C. R. Downs, Chairman of the Hospital Board, reported the financial status of the old Dorchester County Hospital. He said they would be paying the remainder of the loan they owed to the County this week. Said they had a sizable checking account \$17,600.00 and would be depositing \$2,000.00 tomorrow. Had \$9,800.00 in an escrow account; \$3,446.00 in bills; \$2,000.00 outstanding Blue Cross/Blue Shield account; Medicare - some, not sure. He said he would like to turn everything over by Nov. 1. He said Mr. Leonard has a job on Oct. 29th., but the secretaries would stay on if the County wanted them to.

He said they had hired 2 security guards at a cost of about \$1,300.00 to \$1,400.00 per month and wanted to know from Council whether they wanted to retain them or not. He said he was suppose to give 30 days notice. This was fully discussed by Council and Mr. Limehouse made a motion to terminate the Security Guards when the 30 days notice is over and then the Council would reaward to a local firm. Mr. Branton seconded. All in favor.

Mr. Downs said the coronary unit was still in the Hospital. Said he only had one offer and it was too low. They paid \$10,000.00 for it and the only offer was for \$1,800. Mr. Downs said all beds, linen, and blankets, were in tack. Mr. Branton suggested the Council appoint a five-member committee to work out the hospital building once it becomes available. He read a list of members he proposed serve on the body, including Summerville Mayor Berlin G. Myers, James Messervy, Bill White, Marion Pennington, and Ronnie Strawn. A visitor to Council, suggested the list be revised to include women because, she said, they do most of the volunteer work in the social services area. Mr. Branton said he would take her advice under consideration. The Council decided Mr. Hudson could decide together with the Auditors how many girls to keep at the Hospital after the closing.

- B. Library - Mrs. W. T. Spivey, president of the Thursday Afternoon Book Club, appeared before Council, and handed out diagrams of the Orangeburg County Library which she suggested would be a good model for Dorchester County. She said the structure could be constructed at a cost of \$20-\$25. per square foot, a rectangular building measuring 60 feet by 80 feet would be adequate. The State Library Association estimates the county needs 5,430 square feet of floor space to house its library. Contractors estimated the present building on the library site would need \$30,000.00 in repair to make it usable. The Council rejected the renovation route, and decided to get bids to tear the building down, and bids to build a new library building. Mr. Canaday made a motion to put out bids to

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remove building and also to get specifications and bids on new building. Mr. Branton seconded. All in favor.

The Timrod decision came under sharp criticism from two council members from summerville area after Mr. Hudson read the Willard Grayson letter from the Chamber of Commerce. The letter stated that after several months of study and meetings with State Librarian Ms. Estellene Walker, County Librarian Mrs. McMahan, numerous members of the Timrod Library board and representatives from the Regional Planning Commission, the committee made the following findings:

- (1) Dorchester County's support for library service, compared with the other 45 counties in South Carolina, is woefully inadequate. The county contributes 65 cents per capita to library service. Only four counties in the state are lower in their support.
- (2) Summerville's reading public is presently being served by the Bookmobile from the county library in St. George and by the Timrod Library, an independent library founded in Summerville approximately 75 years ago. The Timrod has a collection in excess of 20,000 volumes and is housed in a building erected and paid for with private donations. The library is not airconditioned so during the summer months it is open only two hours in the mornings. This is not adequate to meet the needs, even the Timrod board agrees.
- (3) The Chamber study committee felt the best and most expeditious way to improve public library service in Summerville would be to have the Timrod become a part of the county system. This was discussed with the Timrod board and they gave it consideration.

However the Timrod Board does not want the library to become part of the county system. They feel service at the Timrod can be improved considerably with the expenditure of much less money than it would take to operate a county library branch in Summerville.

The Chamber committee understands the feelings of the Timrod board but feels a public library open at least eight hours a day is needed in the Summerville area.

- (4) Numerous Summerville residents use the library facilities available in adjoining Charleston County -- that county's library branches, the Baptist College Library as well as the facilities at the military installations, The Citadel and the College of Charleston.

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A discussion followed about the solutions of a library or library branch in Summerville but no decision was reached.

- C. Dr. Richard Johnston - Dr. Johnston was called to Council meeting because they wanted to talk to him about the school nurses. Mr. Branton said they needed another school nurse in the Summerville area. Dr. Johnston agreed, but said the third nurse should help some in the Ridgeville area. Mr. Branton made the motion for the third nurse indicated that the salary should be in line with the other two nurses who work in the County's public schools. Seconded by Mr. Limehouse, All in favor.
- D. Bill Gilbert and Jack Ellis (Engineering Firm) gave a proposal to photograph the County and prepare tax maps for reassessing all property in the County. A new State law requires this re-assessment of the County. They said it would probably take \$250,000. for this. This was discussed fully by all members. Mr. Gilbert said the Tax Commissioner felt the maps at the Co. Agricultural Dept. would not be adequate. Mr. Limehouse made a motion that purchasing & bids committee (Weeks, Limehouse, & Sweat) & Mr. Gilbert, along with Mr. Hudson, get together and study this plan and report back to the next Council meeting. Mr. Branton seconded. All in favor.
- E. Mr. John Infinger, Road Foreman, wanted advice on what to do about a new transmission for a truck. He was told to get a few more prices and he and Mr. Hudson to work something out.
- F. Mr. Hudson informed the Council of the following:
1. Mr. Bo Shetterly, President of the South Carolina Assoc. of Counties, will be here October 14, 75, at 2 p. m. to discuss the Home Rule Legislation. All members said they could be here.
 2. Mr. Dan Infinger wanted to ask Council to rent a nutrition center for \$75.00 per month. Present site from Town of St. George to be closed. This was referred to next meeting and wanted to have Mayor Kizer explain why the present site could not be used.
 3. Tom & Kate Project - County can levy up to 5 mills for maintenance of watershed.
 4. Trident Area establishing a E.M.S. committee. They requested five members on the committee. Mr. Hudson gave the following:

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Jack Parks; Joe Wamer; James Dyal; Mr. Ling; & Mrs. Aiken.

Mr. Branton recommended that they go ahead and do this. He also said the Regional County Planning Council needed to appoint an at large member. Mr. Branton said they thought it should be an elected minority official. Mr. Limehouse suggested the Council wait until after the election. All in favor.

5. Coastal Plains grant received - \$60,000.00. Mr. Hudson suggested pairting the Jail and Courthouse, outside and inside. Mr. Sweat said he thought this would be a good thing to do. Mr. Hudson was instructed to get bids.
6. Mr. Hudson asked if we could use County Council office for more officè space. Said he wanted to put mail machine upstairs. No decision was made.
7. Sheriff asked that Mr. Hudson mention the rising cost of food. Said \$1.75 per person is not enough to feed prisoners adequately. This was discussed.
8. Trident Tech. College - asked that County sign necessary papers for bonds. Treasurer and Auditor signed and filled in their part and what is left is for Council to do their part. Mr. Limehouse motioned that the Chairman sign and then all the Council.
9. Council signed the contract for Parks Ambulance service. Mr. Sweat made a motion to give Mr. Wamer the same contract as Mr. Parks and hire 3 or 4 manpower persons to work with Mr. Parks and Mr. Wamer. These persons to be trained with manpower training money as emergency medical technicians. This to be for one year. All agreed.
10. Mr. Hudson asked about paving and the use of parking lot behind Courthouse. He was told to have it packed down good and use as it is for right now.

Mr. Kizer said he would like to get approval for minutes for the last two meetings. The minutes stand approved.

Mr. Don Canaday made a motion to pay all bills. Seconded by Mr. Branton. All in favor.

Mr. Sweat told Council about the Mitch Graham award each year and he would like for our County to get it this year. He asked for each member to work hard to win this award.

Mr. Hudson said he sent the Council in mail two ordinances. He would like for each one to read them. Mr. Branton said he would move that we accept 1st. reading by title only for the personnel book, and make some amendments at the next meeting.

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Bids on truck. Only one bid was received and it was for \$4,647.62, plus tax, by Grayson Ford of Summerville. Mr. Sweat made a motion to accept bid for truck and all agreed.

All Council members voted in favor of the \$3,000.00 for the St. George Area Recreation Department.

Mr. Sweat said Mr. McGill has requested a raise of \$100.00 per month on his travel expense. Mr. Limehouse made the motion to raise Mr. McGill up to \$150/mo. (increase of \$100.00 per month) Seconded by Mr. Sweat. Mr. Branton asked for a roll call vote and it was as follows:

Branton	- no
Browning	- yes
Canaday	- abstaining
Limehouse	- yes
Sweat	- yes
Weeks	- yes

The motion carried and Mr. Kizer did not vote.

Mrs. Spivey asked about dirt for cemetary in holes for road. Council said they thought road department would do it next week.

Council adjourned at 11:15.

Respectfully submitted:

Lucille P. Kizer
Lucille P. Kizer

DORCHESTER COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, OCTOBER 20, 1975
7:30 P. M.

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

Mr. Kizer, Chairman, called the meeting to order.

A. Mr. Bell, County Attorney, appeared before Council and said he had two resolutions he would like for Council to adopt.

1. A Resolution to provide for the issuance and sale of Six Hundred Thirty-five Thousand Dollars (\$635,000) General Obligation Bonds of 1975, of Dorchester County, South Carolina, to prescribe the purposes for which the proceeds shall be expended, to provide for the payment thereof, and other matters relating thereto.

Mr. Bell asked the Council to approve and adopt this by title only as the first reading. He said these bonds were Dorchester County's share of the cost acquiring, construction, equipping and furnishing additional facilities at Trident Technical College.

Mr. Don Canaday made a motion this be accepted by title. Seconded by Mr. Limehouse. All in favor.

2. A Resolution approving the Financing of the Acquisition, Construction and Equipping of certain manufacturing facilities in Dorchester County (To be leased to Pneumo Corporation) Through the issuance of Four Million Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$4,250,000) Dorchester County, South Carolina, First Mortgage Industrial Revenue Bonds, Series 1975 (Pneumo Corporation - Lessee); And Authorizing the Petition to the State Budget and control board of South Carolina for its approval of such undertaking pursuant to Act. No. 103 of the 1967 Acts of the South Carolina General Assembly, as amended.

Mr. Limehouse made the motion to accept and Mr. Canaday seconded. All in favor. This is first reading.

B. Carolina Hospital Association - Mr. Ben Latimer & Mr. Jack Millburn. They gave a brief introduction of their background. Wanted Council to agree to a new study of the bed need, etc. for a nursing home in the St. George Area, with a total cost of about \$8,000.00. They want to be the planner and have the survey done. Mr. Don Canaday made a motion that this be referred to the finance committee and Mr. Branton seconded. Four agreed.

C. Mr. Hudson asked about the holidays. The Council decided to give October 27th. - Veterans Day, and November 4th, Election Day, as holidays.

Mr. Hudson reminded Council of the open house for the food stamp program on Oct. 23rd.

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Second reading were held on the budgetary control Ordinance (2) with the following changes approved by County Council:

Section (4) The Superintendent of Education of the County was deleted so that the sentence will read; upon the written approval of the County Council of Dorchester County and the trustees of each School District of the County.

Section (8) was omitted.

Section (11) was changed to read; All Courthouse offices should remain open Monday through Friday and should maintain hours from 9 to 5 p. m. Mr. Kizer made the recommendation that Courthouse hours stay the same. Mr. Weeks made a motion for 9 o'clock. Seconded by Mr. Kizer. Four in favor.

Section (15) Subsection (c) Constitutional offices can prescribe another day for a holiday in lieu of the designated holiday for that office's employees.

Mr. Hudson gave a report on the Hospital and said he would have a complete report on next meeting.

The Administrator also informed the Council that Mrs. Kirby could not come to the meeting but had written 2 letters requesting her need for office space at Summerville. She requested office space in the Hospital and said she needed 13 rooms or partitions. Mr. Limehouse recommended that this be referred to the building committee.

A petition was presented to Council from residents of Stratton Capers Subdivision, in re: removal of health hazard. They also showed a photo of a container with litter on the ground. They requested removal of the containers.

Community Development Block Grants - Mr. Hudson to write a synopsis for Council.

Mr. Hudson said they would begin work on radio's.

D. Mr. Branton, and Mr. Don Canaday, requested Mr. Reeves, Chairman of the election commission to come before Council and discuss payment of poll managers and number, etc., for the upcoming election. Mr. Branton made a motion to pay poll managers \$25.00 and number of managers to be at discretion of election commission. Mr. Weeks amended to \$20.00. Mr. Branton then withdrew his motion and Mr. Weeks made a motion for the \$20.00 per day and let Mr. Reeves use his judgement in the number. All agreed but Mr. Kizer, who opposed.

E. All agreed on the payment of claims.

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- F. Mr. Kizer asked for approval of minutes and it was agreed that they be accepted.
- G. Mr. Sweat made a motion that Council get two vehicles from Mr. Grayson. Mr. Branton seconded the motion. Four for and two against. Mr. Hudson was to call and get price on the service body.
- H. Mr. Weeks asked for progress on the Library. Mr. Hudson said that the Architect from the Orangeburg County Library had been contacted and he didn't advise for the plans from Orangeburg County Library be used. Mr. Hudson said bids would come in Friday for tearing down the building.

Council adjourned at 10:30

Respectfully submitted by:

Lucille P. Kizer

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DORCHESTER COUNTY COUNCIL

MONDAY, 10 A. M.

NOV. 3, 1975

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

Mr. Kizer, Chairman, called the meeting to order.

A, Mrs. Norred, Auditor, appeared before County Council to explain the tax assessment. First, she said they got the deed from the Clerk of Court's office. They mail out a form letter advising of his responsibility to make returns. Then send out a card later which is second notice. They give a date if they do not agree and want to complain they can. Mrs. Norred said it was a new law that the lawyers have to put the addresses on property titles.

B. Mr. Sweat, read a resolution concerning Revenue Sharing. The Resolution is as follows:
WHEREAS, County governments in nearly half of the states budget from July through June and all counties must make long term budget commitments to efficiently meet the needs of their citizens;

WHEREAS, Counties depend on general revenue sharing dollars for essential county programs;

WHEREAS, Revenue sharing dollars enable counties to fill locally determined vital needs with minimal redtape and federal restrictions;

WHEREAS, Efficient county government calls for well-planned advance budgeting;

WHEREAS, Responsive county government depends on efficient county planning and budgeting and ample time for citizen participation;

WHEREAS, The current revenue sharing program expires December 31, 1976, and July through June fiscal year counties must begin budgeting the previous spring;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by Dorchester County, that general revenue sharing be re-enacted by the first session of the 94th Congress providing counties with advance dollar figures that can be used for efficient, responsive planning of programs and budgets and that can be identified for more than half of their fiscal '76 year and can be incorporated in long term effective planning.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution along with summary report be immediately forwarded to the Senate and the House of Representatives.

The summary report showed a population of 41,700 and the County had received \$1,127,364 in Revenue Sharing funds since 1972.

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Mr. Sweat made a motion to adopt the Resolution.. Mr. Kizer seconded.
All in favor.

- C. Mr. Hudson explaining the mapping specifications and what is to be done and how it's to be done. The committee also stated that they felt like County should send out bids for re-flying County, instead of using any old maps the A.S.C. office had. Mr. Don Canaday made the motion to accept the following notice of bid and all in favor.

"Dorchester County is now receiving bids for:

1. The aerial photography of the entire County, at a scale of 1" = 400' on reproduceable mylar on a gridded system. The size of these sheets should be 25" x 35" for the work area with a 3" overlay into adjacent work area on all sides.
2. The aerial photography and production of 1" = 100' scale mylars of any area of Urban Development as designated by County Council on the same size sheets with an estimate of the number of sheets required.
3. All work will be done to recommended specifications by the South Carolina Tax Commission.
4. Bids should include schedule of estimated starting and completion dates.
5. All proposals should be received by the County Council no later than 5 p. m., November 21, 1975.

- D. Mr. Kizer asked if there were any questions about the claim list to be paid. Mr. Branton discussed the slag & rock used on some roads. He made a motion that any roads to be slag-rocked come before the Council. Mr. Don seconded. After further discussion and a decision that the Councilmen be informed about this in his district before it was done, he decided to withdraw his motion. Mr. Branton then motioned that all bills be paid. All in favor. Mr. Hudson presented a bill for expense for the Treas. and Auditor, in the amounts of \$93.30 and \$69.30. Mr. Limehouse motioned for payment of same and Mr. Sweat seconded. All in favor.

- E. Mr. Branton voiced objections to paying the \$74,490.00 for the landfill compactor. After discussions, Mr. Don Canaday made a motion to go ahead and pay Jeff Hunt for the compactor. Mr. Limehouse seconded. All in favor but Mr. Branton. However, it was agreed that Mr. Hudson and Mr. Sweat would ascertain that the compactor did meet specifications before the check was mailed.

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- F. Mr. Jim Messervy, Attorney, brought the contract up for Mr. Parks concerning the E.M.S. for Dorchester County's lower end. He said Mr. Parks would have two ambulances. He will get a new one. Said they would charge \$15.00 for each hour after the first hour for persons carried to the Hospital. Mr. Parks to collect the funds for ordinary wear and tear on the ambulances. Minor repairs to be done by Mr. Parks and he will retain the fees. Report to be made by quarter.
- G. Hospital closing - Mr. Hudson informed Council of the following:
1. The Guards finished, Oct. 31.
 2. Three ladies still working on medical reports. List of all medicare and medicaid.
 3. Loan of \$35,000.00 paid in full.
 4. Ice machine taken out and given to Mr. Sweat for the Rd. Dept. use.
 5. List of what was taken out and what was sold would be given.
 6. They are getting a floor plan drawn up. Mr. Canaday said a gentlemen from the State Social Services will do the floor plan and his services are free.
- Mr. Canaday said a lot of kitchen utilities were sold.
- H. At the first meeting in Sept. the Council authorized \$3,000.00 for repairs to the Wamer building. This was paid.
- I. Mr. Hudson was instructed to schedule two public hearings on the Community Development Act.
- J. Mr. Kizer informed Council about Mr. John Infinger's retiring. Mr. Don Canaday motioned to authorize Mr. Melvin Pendarvis to fill temporary Mr. John's duties of road foreman. Mr. Kizer said Mr. John had not taken a vacation in a number of years and he made a motion to pay him one month's salary as a vacation. Mr. Don Canaday seconded and all agreed.
- K. Mr. Coke Weeks brought up the subject of pipe used by the Road Department. They said some paid and some the County should not charge for. The question of the pipe was referred to the Road Committee.
- L. Mr. Bell, County Attorney, came to the meeting and told Council he had deed ready to go on the permanent landfill site but had to wait until it was clear. He suggested an option be taken by the County. It was discussed and Mr. Limehouse was to see what figure they would accept and report back.

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- M. Ordinance No. Two, budgetary control, third reading was held up to study further the feasibility of all fees being turned in.
- O. Mr. Bell, County Attorney, asked the second reading be given to the following Resolutions:
1. A Resolution to provide for the issuance and sale of Six Hundred Thirty-five Thousand Dollars (\$635,000) General Obligation Bonds of 1975, of Dorchester County, South Carolina, to prescribe the purposes for which the proceeds shall be expended, to provide for the payment thereof. For Trident Tech.
A copy of this resolution is attached to minutes.
 2. A Resolution approving the Financing of the Acquisition, Construction and Equipping of certain manufacturing facilities in Dorchester County (To be leased to Pneumo Corporation) through the issuance of Four Million Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (4,250,000) Dorchester County, South Carolina, First Mortgage Industrial Revenue Bonds, Series 1975 (Pneumo Corp.)
A copy of this resolution is attached to minutes.

A motion was made to adjourn at 12:45.

Respectfully submitted by?

Lucille P. Kizer
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DORCHESTER COUNTY COUNCIL
MONDAY, 7:30 P. M.
SUMM. TOWN HALL

Nov. 17, 1975

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

Chairman Kizer opened the meeting at 7:30 p. m. The minutes from the November 3 meeting were approved in motion by Mr. Canaday and seconded by Mr. Branton, all were in favor.

The next order of business was approval of claims. Chairman, Kizer questioned the claim from the election commissioners for \$2,800.00 to compensate commissioners for extra work during redistricting and special elections. Mr. Branton requested that Mr. Reeves, Election Commission Chairman, attend the next meeting to explain the claim. Mr. Canaday moved that this claim be withheld until the next meeting, Mr. Sweat seconded, all in favor. Mr. Limehouse questioned the claim from George Fleming (893.75) for crane work performed in Stratton Capers Subdivision and Mr. Branton concerned. Mr. Branton asked for an explanation on claim from J. D. Myers (\$350.) for dozer work at landfill site. Mr. Hudson stated that the Health Department had requested that the dirt from previous trenches be knocked down and leveled off.

Mr. Limehouse made motion to accept all claims (including additional items for Timothy Creek, Tom & Kate, and Soil Conservation) except the Election Commission and George Fleming. Mr. Canaday seconded. All in favor.

7:45 The Honorable Berlin Martin, Mayor of Harleyville requested that the County allocate \$2,000 for the town in order that they may obtain a matching grant from BOR for tennis courts. After a period of discussion Mr. Limehouse moved that the County appropriate \$2,000 out of the contingent fund. Mr. Canaday seconded. Limehouse, Canaday, Weeks, & Kizer in agreement.

8:00 Ms. Flora Adams, Assoc. Chairman for Girl Scouts, appeared before Council to express her concern over the condition of the Senior Citizens Center in Summerville. The present building has been condemned by the Town of Summerville. She requested space in the Hospital Building. Mr. Kizer directed the Social Services Committee to meet with Mrs. Adams, & Mrs. Barnes, to discuss the matter and recommend, an alternative to Council.

8:15 Mr. Robert Forbes complained that a County ditch running through his property and was washing his trailer away. He stated that approximately 65' of 24" pipe would be needed to alleviate the condition. Mr. Kizer directed that the Road Supervisor inspect the condition and report to Council at next meeting.

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8:20 Mr. Barry Lines and representative of Alcohol & Drug Abuse Commission. Mr. Lines informed Council that beginning July 1, 1976 the County would be responsible for placing drunks and abusers in quarters other than jails, providing medical supervision. The funds are very limited (\$6-\$10,000) and for that reason they were requesting space in the Hospital.

The contingent was informed that the Council was considering the Hospital and they would be informed of future developments.

9:00 Mr. Whitman Foster and residents of Jamison Road stated that they would like to be annexed into Dorchester County (representing 1050 acres and 130 residents). They had petitioned to Governor Edwards and they would be put on the next General Election in Dorchester County. Mr. Kizer stated that the County would welcome the annexation and help the residents in any manner possible.

9:20 Mrs. Ridgeway of Greenhurst Civic Club expressed their concern over getting relief in that subdivision. Council will meet with her to inspect the roads; in the meantime, the Road Foreman will obtain cost estimates on the patching of the areas of concern.

9:30 Mrs. Delories Melfi asked if the Council would obtain Bicentennial markers for signs in major arteries entering the County, If the County would purchase the standardized signs the State Highway Department will install them. Council agreed.

Mr. Hudson passed answer from Social Security Administration concerning branch office in Summerville. Mr. Guyton McCleod stated he saw no need for such an office at present. Mr. Branton requested that copies of both letters be sent to Congressman Davis.

Mr. Riddleburger of Security Patrol appeared before Council to inform them that his operation was based in Summerville and if the County needed this service they would like an opportunity to bid.

Mr. Hudson announced several grants the County had received:

1. Office of Community Development.
\$3,350 for technical assistance in drafting zoning ordinances.
2. Discretionary fund from Highway Safety Program in amount of \$7,700 for EMS communications.
3. LEAP for Juvenile Officer to work out of Probate Judge's office for \$10,000 plus dollars. Will receive funds to begin program in January, 1976.

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4. Received manpower funds for work experience/job training program for Four Hole Day Care Center, through New Careers Program. Four (4) persons work $\frac{1}{2}$ day and attend school $\frac{1}{2}$ day five days per week for two years.
5. Have received \$20,000 of Coastal Plains Grant to "beautify" the Courthouse/Jail. Total Grant will amount to \$40,000 with the County adding \$20,000 to match for \$60,000.
6. Have had two public hearings for Community Development funds on 11/13 and 11/14. Preapplication must be in by 2/1/76 and final draft by 3/15/76.

Council heard and approved of third readings on \$635,000 Bond issue for Trident Tec and \$4.25 million for Pneumo Corporation. Motion by Mr. Limehouse with second by Mr. Branton. All in accordance.

Mr. Hudson read request from Dorchester County Educational Project, Inc. for \$21,258.00 during next calendar year. Referred to Social Services committee.

The next order of business was opening of bids on removal/razing of Whetsell building for Library. Bids were:

James Gadsen -- no charge
Willie J. Lewis -- will pay \$100.00

Mr. Weeks made motion to accept Lewis bid, Mr. Limehouse seconded. All in favor.

The only bidder on painting the Courthouse/Jail under the Coastal Plains Grant was Melvin Spell (\$8,825. for Jail and \$61,535. for Courthouse) Council accepted the bid as information and will determine at the 12/1/75 meeting what should be painted.

Mr. Limehouse moved to have the third reading of ordinance #2 and accept it as amended the previous reading. Mr. Weeks seconded. After considerable discussion concerning the collection of fees by Mr. Branton. Mr. Canaday proposed to meet with the Sheriff before a decision is made. Mr. Limehouse withdrew the motion until the Dec. 1st meeting and everyone agreed to vote on the ordinance at that time.

Mr. Limehouse then moved to accept the third reading on the Personnel Regulations, Ordinance #3. Because of vacation/sick leave policy and nepotism clauses, Mr. Hudson recommended the approval be deferred until Dec. 1st meeting of Council. Council also agreed to have final reading on this ordinance at the next meeting.

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Mr. Limehouse introduced Ordinance #4 for Rules and Conduct of County Council. Referred to Legislative Committee and will be brought to floor at the next Council meeting for 2nd. reading.

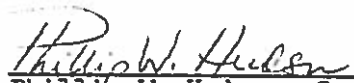
Mr. Sweat recognized two new Council members, Mr. Wally Wall from District 5, and Mr. Rollins Edwards from District 6.

Mr. Canaday made the motion to appropriate funds from the contingent fund to have Carolina Hospital and Health Services do an indepth study, concentrating on economic feasibility, on the rural medical center in St. George, Mr. Branton seconded the motion. Mr. Canaday and Mr. Browning in favor.

Mr. Sweat requested that the Council reconsider a previous vote on the George Fleming claim for he has talked to the Road Foreman and the claim represented extensive work in the Stration Capers Subdivision and he had approved of the claim. Mr. Limehouse & Mr. Branton withdrew their motion and the claim was approved.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:00 p. m.

Submitted by:


Phillip W. Hudson, County Adm.

DORCHESTER COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING
DECEMBER 1, 1975
10:A.M., GRANDJURY ROOM

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

Chairman, Kizer, opened the meeting at 10 a. m.

- A. Mr. & Mrs. Lewis Connell -- appeared before the Council with a petition complaining about their lot being turned down by Mr. Ben Bozardt as not being suitable for a trailer to be rented on. It seems that the Connell's had a trailer on lot for some 8 yrs. but had to move it because their septic tank was running over. The Connell's said Mr. Bozardt told them they would have to haul in 15 inches of dirt which would cost a couple hundred dollars and they were not able to do this as her husband was disabled. She wants to sell if she can't have a trailer on it. (719 Central Ave. one mile out of Summv.) Mr. Kizer promised to let her know something by the last of week. Mr. Hudson to get with Mr. Ben Bozardt and find out why he can't approve the land.
- B. The Council approved the minutes of the last meeting, Nov. 17th.
- C. Mr. Don Canaday made a motion to go ahead and have the Carolina Health Service make a study for the nursing home in St. George. Mr. Weeks seconded. Mr. Sweat said he would like the study to be made of the entire County, so Mr. Canaday then amended his motion to include the whole County but stated the nursing home would be built in St. George if the need came from the study. All in favor but Mr. Branton. Mr. Branton stated he would be in favor of it if the report came back that it could support itself.
- D. Mr. Shields Hussey, retired, former Probate Judge, was presented a beautiful plaque and a Resolution, which was read by Mr. Kizer, commending him on his long years of faithful service to Dorchester County. (Jan. 1, 1929 through July 31, 1974)

Mrs. Floy Behling, retired, former Clerk of Court, was presented a beautiful plaque and a Resolution, which was read by Mr. Kizer, commending her on her years of faithful service to Dorchester County. (Dec. 30, 1968 to Sept. 1, 1972)

Mr. Cliff Weathers, retired, and former member of County Council, and Chairman, was presented a beautiful plaque by Mr. Kizer in behalf of the Council.

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- E. Mrs. Mary Kirby, Director, DSS, & Ms. Cheryl Eintracht, case worker assigned to juvenile cases -- appeared before the Council to explain how bad they needed more workers in juvenile and to request to turn over their juvenile work to the Probate Judge's office. Mrs. Kirby asked for two counselors and one secretary and asked that they be assigned to the Probate Office. This will include the one that LEAP funds will hire. Eintracht explained juvenile court and related problems--worked with approximately 167 cases during past year (85 handled without going to Court). No resolution -- referred to Social Services Committee to meet and recommend at next Council meeting.
- Sheriff Carl Knight and Summerville Police Lt. George Whaley, stressed the need for more juvenile officers to work with the growing number of young people running afoul of the law. Also, Mr. Frank DeHaven said they were working on revamping the Juvenile areas. Said they would start on the weak areas first and something would be done soon as a result of their studies.
- F. Mr. Dukes and Mr. Frank Berry -- appeared before Council in re. the Water Authority. Mr. Berry is chairman, Mr. Carl Walters, Furman Harbeson, Donald Patrick, and Mathew Profit, are members.
- (1) They asked for the \$13,000. - \$18,000., as previous stipulated in letter of June 1974. Money will be used as a guarantee to establish federal funding base -- asking County to underwrite most of the taps.
- Canaday motioned to transfer guarantee to Dorchester County Water Authority from Polk Swamp Water Authority. Seconded by Weeks. All in favor.
- (2) They asked to include fire district -- referred to later date due to uncertainty of where the District would locate and what it would encompass.
 - (3) Asked for authority to govern the use of the existing water tower. Mr. Canaday made the motion to give the authority and Mr. Limehouse seconded. All in favor.
- G. Sheriff Carl Knight -- appeared before Council in regards to several matters.
- (1) Fee System:
 - (a) cited State Law in regards to summons and complaints for civil cases. He said under the law the Sheriff has a right to bill and collect fees. He collected \$2,500 last year and so far since Jan. to Nov. \$2,225.60.

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(b) Sheriff said he was protected from reorganization by County Council Act.

(c) He will not give up fees until directed by the Court.

Chairman ruled that the County Attorney consult the Attorney Generals office for a legal opinion.

(2) Ticket situation - Sheriff said he did not have a copy of the law. Said he only got a letter with the number of ticket books. In the letter they asked for the yellow ticket to be forwarded to the records department for point system. He said he didn't know anything until it came out in the Summerville Scene. He said nobody can say the yellow copies are not in the Highway Department.

(3) The Sheriff also asked for four new cars to replace ones he is spending a lot to repair at present. Said he spent \$4,000.00 in the last 3 or 4 months.

Mr. Limehouse made a motion that Ordinance #II be adopted as printed. Mr. Walker Browning seconded. All in favor but Mr. Branton. Mr. Kizer did not vote.

Mr. Branton recognized Mr. Don Handelsman from District 7.

G. A motion by Mr. Sweat and seconded by Mr. Limehouse with a recommendation that County equipment can be used to fix drainage ditch next to property of R. L. Forbes', 801 North Palmetto St. All in favor. Mr. Branton recommended that Mr. Hudson see what RC&D would do before any funds be put in.

H. County Council was informed that bids on Trident Technical School would be opened Wed., Dec. 3rd. Mr. Hudson and Treas. to be at the meeting.

I. Dr. Richard Johnston -- Council asked Dr. Johnston to bring them up to date on the School Nurse situation. He said he had a problem with the Health Dept. freeze on hiring and the cut-back of 8 per cent and they wanted the funds used for other purposes if it was given to the Health Dept. He, therefore, asked that Council give him permission to hire the School nurse direct out of the County funds and let her be paid direct. This permission was granted. He said she would work in Summerville schools and help some with the Ridgeville school.

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- J. Approved to be paid a total of \$6,585.00 for the salaries and expenses for the Nov. 4th. election. Mr. Limehouse made the motion and Mr. Weeks seconded. Mr. Limehouse also requested that the election member that served 3/4 of year be paid for the time he served. Four in favor.
- K. Approved payment of \$2,628. for the cleaning out of the Tom and Kate Canal and approved the necessary finishing up of the project.
- L. Mr. Sweat made a motion to get the Jedburg ditch cleaned out going toward road 22. Mr. Limehouse seconded. All in favor.
- M. Deferred decision on repair of Greenhurst subdivision streets until an exact bid is received.
- N. Accepted 7 bids for aerial mapping of Dorchester County and referred them to the Purchase and Bids Committee for study and recommendation.
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| Alster & Associates, Inc., Engineers ----- | \$14,850.00 |
| Landmark Engineering ----- | \$16,787.25 |
| Richard L. Whaley----- | (minimum) \$ 5,000.00 |
| Chicago Aerial Survey ----- | \$ 6,690.00 |
| Chas. T. Main, Inc.----- | \$ 7,900.00 |
| Continental Aerial Surveys, Inc. ----- | \$ 6,640.00 |
| W. E. Gilbert & Associates, Inc. --(A)-- | \$8,900.00 B.-- \$3,900.00 |
- O. Gave second reading to Ordinance IV dealing with the organization and rules of County Council. Mr. Kizer said the discussion will come at the next meeting. Mr. Kizer said send copies to the new members.
- P. Mr. Weeks made a motion to pay Christmas bonus, just what they did last year. They asked Mr. Hudson to come up with the figure, at the next meeting.

Council adjourned at 2:10.

Respectfully submitted

by: Luille O. Kizer
Clerk to County Council