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**MINUTES
DORCHESTER COUNTY COUNCIL
DORCHESTER COUNTY HUMAN SERVICES BUILDING
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, SUMMERVILLE
MAY 16, 2016
7:00 P.M.**

Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, a notice was posted on the bulletin board 24 hours before the meeting, and the following media outlets were notified: The Eagle-Record, The Summerville Journal Scene, The Post and Courier, WCBD Channel 2, WCIV Channel 4 and WCSC Channel 5.

PRESENT: Mr. C. David Chinnis, Chairman
Mr. George H. Bailey, Vice Chairman
Mr. Jay Byars
Mr. Willie R. Davis
Mrs. Carroll S. Duncan
Mr. Larry S. Hargett
Mr. William R. Hearn, Jr.
Mr. Jason L. Ward, County Administrator
Mr. Charlie Potts, Deputy Administrator
Mr. John Frampton, County Attorney
Ms. Sally K. Hebert, Clerk to Council

Chairman Chinnis called to order the meeting of Dorchester County Council. He invited all to stand for the invocation, given by Councilman Bailey, and followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

CHAIRMAN'S TIME

REQUESTS TO ADDRESS COUNCIL:

- Mr. John Nicholas Hayes, 319 Dupont Way, Summerville, thanked County Council for including \$90,000 in the proposed budget for the aerial spraying of mosquitoes and larvae. He stated precautions individuals can take to reduce the risk of being bitten by mosquitoes, such as wearing pants and long-sleeved shirts and eliminating standing water from yards.

- Mr. Steven Wright, 102 Hammerbeck Road, Summerville, noted that accessing the minutes from the county website requires multiple steps. He asked that the county webmaster provide an easier way. Additionally, he asked County Council to vote down a proposed ordinance imposing a local hospitality tax in the unincorporated portion of Dorchester County.

MINUTES

1. On the motion of Councilman Davis, seconded by Councilman Hearn, Council voted unanimously to adopt the minutes from the May 2, 2016, County Council Meeting.

CORRESPONDENCE: Staff forwarded items of correspondence upon receipt.

GUEST: MRS. TAMMIE SULLIVAN, DORCHESTER COUNTY CONTROLLER

Mrs. Sullivan presented the April budget report to County Council and answered questions.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S TIME – MR. JASON WARD

STORMWATER FUND: BLUE HERON DRIVE

2. On the motion of Councilman Bailey, seconded by Councilman Hearn, Council voted unanimously to approve the use of \$25,000 from the Stormwater Fund Balance to replace deteriorated corrugated metal pipe along Blue Heron Drive in the Quail Arbor Five subdivision as recommended by the Public Works Director.

STORMWATER FUND: BRALY DRIVE

3. On the motion of Councilman Davis, seconded by Councilman Hargett, Council voted unanimously to approve the use of \$22,000 from the Stormwater Fund Balance to replace deteriorated corrugated metal pipe along Braly Drive in the Greenhurst subdivision as recommended by the Public Works Director.

STORMWATER FUND: WHITE BOULEVARD

4. On the motion of Councilman Davis, seconded by Councilman Hearn, Council voted unanimously to approve the use of \$25,000 from the Stormwater Fund Balance to replace deteriorated reinforced concrete pipe along White Boulevard in the Millwood subdivision as recommended by the Public Works Director.

FUND RECOGNITION: SALE OF 2002 SUBURBAN

5. On the motion of Councilwoman Duncan, seconded by Councilman Hearn, Council voted unanimously to recognize \$2,510 from the sale of the 2002 Suburban in the FY2016 Budget and to authorize the use of these funds in the Vehicle Repairs and Maintenance line item so they can be used to make repairs to current fire trucks, as recommended by the Fire Chief and Deputy Administrator.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

CHAIRMAN CHINNIS – BUDGET, FINANCE, AND PURCHASING COMMITTEE

Chairman Chinnis passed the gavel to Vice Chairman Bailey. He reported that the Committee held a 5 p.m. meeting to receive budget presentations by Dorchester School District Two, Dorchester Seniors, Trident Technical College and Children in Crisis. None requested a millage increase.

Chairman Chinnis reported that the Committee voted unanimously to recommend 2nd Reading of the FY 2016-2017 budget.

6. Council voted unanimously to give 2nd Reading for Dorchester County Budget Ordinance for Fiscal Year 2016-2017, An Ordinance to Make Appropriations for County Government, Educational, and Fire Protection Purposes for Dorchester County for the Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 2016, and Ending June 30, 2017; to Levy Taxes for the Payment Thereof; and to Provide for the Expenditure of Said Taxes and Other Revenues Coming into the County.

CHAIRMAN CHINNIS – WATER AND SEWER COMMITTEE

Chairman Chinnis said the Committee met at 6:45 p.m. to consider one request, which the Committee recommends for Council approval.

7. Council voted unanimously to approve the use of \$605,000 of Water Impact Fees to rehabilitate the I-95 well at Shady Grove.

Vice Chairman Bailey returned the gavel to Chairman Chinnis.

APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

8. On the motion of Councilman Davis, seconded by Councilman Bailey, Council voted unanimously to appoint Ms. Rosa Brown of the Clerk of Court office to the Dorchester County Employee Grievance Board; Mr. Willie Jenkins to the Dorchester County Codes Board of Appeals/Contractors Licensing Board; and recommend Mrs. Joyce Davis to the Governor for appointment to the Foster Care Review Board 1B.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The County Attorney requested Council's consideration to enter into Executive Session to discuss the following:

- Contractual Matters
 - Joint Use Agreement with Dorchester Water Authority
 - City of North Charleston Municipal Solid Waste Disposal Cap
 - First Amendment to the Reservation of Sewer Capacity Agreement Between Dorchester County and White Horse, LLC, Pegasus Land Holdings LLC, and Unicorn Land Holdings, LLC
- 9. On the motion of Councilman Davis, seconded by Councilwoman Duncan, Council voted unanimously to enter into Executive Session at approximately 7:19 p.m. to discuss the previously stated matters.

RECONVENE FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

At approximately 7:40 p.m., Mr. Frampton reported that Council discussed the previously announced items, but no action was taken.

10. On the motion of Councilman Davis, seconded by Councilman Hearn, Council voted unanimously to authorize the County Administrator to execute the First Amendment to the Reservation of Sewer Capacity Agreement between Dorchester County and White Horse I, LLC, and others, to extend the deadline for the Developer to install the agreed-upon infrastructure until no later than December 31, 2018, and to add real estate owned by Unicorn Land Holdings, LLC, and Property of the Developer.
11. On the motion of Councilman Hargett, seconded by Councilman Byars, Council voted unanimously to authorize the County Administrator to agree to provide the City of North Charleston with a municipal solid waste subsidy as follows:
 1. Continue the rate of 380 tons per month until the end of the current fiscal year;
 2. Provide for a subsidy of 190 tons per month (\$56,452 annually) for fiscal year 2016-2017; and,
 3. No further subsidies after fiscal year 2016-2017.
12. On the motion of Councilman Davis, seconded by Councilman Bailey, Council voted six in favor, with one abstention, to authorize the County Administrator to negotiate an agreement with Dorchester Water Authority for the long-term lease by the Water Authority at no cost to the Water Authority of the Summer's Drive water line provided that the Water Authority reduce its rate to Dorchester County for water purchased by Dorchester County from the Water Authority. The final agreement would be subject to the approval of County Council. Councilman Bailey abstained from voting.

ADJOURNMENT

13. On the motion of Councilman Davis, seconded by Councilman Hearn, Council voted unanimously to adjourn at approximately 7:42 p.m.


Sally K. Hebert, Clerk to Council