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**MINUTES
DORCHESTER COUNTY COUNCIL
KENNETH F. WAGGONER SERVICES CENTER
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, ST. GEORGE
MARCH 6, 2017
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. Jay Byars, Chairman
Mr. George H. Bailey, Vice Chairman
Mr. Con Chellis
Mr. Willie R. Davis
Mr. Larry S. Hargett
Mr. William R. Hearn, Jr.
Mr. Jason L. Ward, County Administrator
Mr. Charlie Potts, Deputy Administrator/Community Services
Mr. Daniel Prentice, Deputy Administrator/CFO
Mr. John Frampton, County Attorney
Mrs. Tracey L. Langley, Clerk to Council

ABSENT: Mr. David Chinnis

Chairman Byars called the meeting of Dorchester County Council to order. He invited all to stand for the invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance by Councilman Hearn.

CHAIRMAN'S TIME

REQUESTS TO ADDRESS COUNCIL

- Ms. Peggy Bangle, 114 Ravenwood Court, Summerville, asked about upcoming roadwork on Dorchester Road. She also recognized Mr. Jason Ward and County Council for making parking improvements to the HSB parking lot.

- J.J. Messervy, 500 N. Main Street, Summerville, recognized Mario Formisano and EMD staff for their hard work. He also recognized Jessica Shuler for her hard work on the Budget.

MINUTES

1. On the motion of Councilman Davis, seconded by Councilman Hearn, Council voted six in favor, with one absent (Chinnis), to adopt the minutes from the March 6, 2017, County Council Meeting.

ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION # 17-XX – NEW HUMAN RESOURCES MANUAL

2. On the motion of Councilman Bailey, seconded by Councilman Hargett, County Council voted six in favor, with one absent (Chinnis), to adjourn debate on adopting Resolution #17-XX.

CORRESPONDENCE: No correspondence received.

GUESTS

DISTINGUISHED BUDGET PRESENTATION AWARD

County Council recognized Mrs. Jessica Shuler, Dorchester County Budget Officer, for efforts resulting in the Distinguished Budget Presentation Award for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2016. The budget award is from the Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada. For the 11th year in a row, Dorchester County has received this award, known as the highest recognition for governmental budgeting.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION AGENCY OF THE YEAR AWARD AND EMERGENCY MANAGER OF THE YEAR AWARD

Mr. Sam Hodge, Georgetown County Emergency Management Director and Mr. Brandon Ellis, South Carolina Emergency Management Association Treasurer presented an award from the South Carolina Emergency Management Association to Mario Formisano and Emergency Management personnel, recognizing the Dorchester County Emergency Management Department as the Emergency Management Agency of the Year and recognizing Mr. Formisano as the Emergency Management Director of the Year.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S TIME – MR. JASON WARD

ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION # 17-XX – REIMBURSEMENT RESOLUTION

3. On the motion of Councilman Davis, seconded by Councilman Hearn, Council voted six in favor, with one absent (Chinnis), to adopt a Reimbursement Resolution which will allow the County to be reimbursed from Water and Sewer Revenue Bond proceeds or Special Source Revenue Bond proceeds, for the design and construction of water and sewer infrastructure for the Ridgeville Commerce Park.

COMMISSIONING OF MS. JAN SPITZER AND MR. MARK STEWART

4. On the motion of Councilman Hearn, seconded by Councilman Hargett, Council voted six in favor, with one absent (Chinnis), to appoint and commission Ms. Jan Spitzer and Mr. Mark Stewart as Environmental Services Officers, pursuant to S.C. Code of Laws Section 4-9-145, to issue summonses for violations of Dorchester County Code of Ordinances.

APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS:

5. On the motion of Councilman Chellis, seconded by Councilman Davis, Council voted six in favor, with one absent (Chinnis), to appoint Arthur DeHay to the Board of Zoning Appeals.
6. On the motion of Councilman Hargett, seconded by Councilman Davis, Council voted six in favor, with one absent (Chinnis), to appoint Ron Brantley to the Dorchester County Transportation Authority.
7. On the motion of Councilman Hearn, seconded by Councilman Hargett, Council voted six in favor, with one absent (Chinnis), to appoint Rebecca L. Harper to the Board of Zoning Appeals.
8. On the motion of Councilman Bailey, seconded by Councilman Hargett, Council voted six in favor, with one absent (Chinnis), to appoint Janet Turner to Dorchester Seniors, Inc.

COUNTY ATTORNEY'S TIME – MR. JOHN FRAMPTON

ORDINANCE – GREEN HILLS LAND HOLDING, LLC

The County Attorney requested County Council's consideration to open the public hearing so County Council can receive public comments, for an Ordinance Authorizing Certain Economic Development Incentives For Green Hills Land Holding, LLC, including entering into a Fee in Lieu of Property Tax Agreement for the Project, and Other Related Matters, Between Dorchester County, South Carolina and Green Hills Land Holding, LLC, Pursuant to Title 12, Chapter 44, Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, as Amended.

Chairman Byars struck the gavel, opening the public hearing.

Chairman Byars invited the public to come forward to speak on this issue.

In the absence of any requests to speak, Chairman Byars struck the gavel, closing the public hearing.

On the motion of Councilman Bailey, seconded by Councilman Hargett, Council voted six in favor, with one absent (Chinnis), to give 3rd Reading for an Ordinance Authorizing Certain Economic Development Incentives For Green Hills Land Holding, LLC, including entering into a Fee in Lieu of Property Tax Agreement for the Project, and Other Related Matters, Between Dorchester County, South Carolina and Green Hills Land Holding, LLC, Pursuant to Title 12, Chapter 44, Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, as Amended.

373 OLD FORT DRIVE

The County Attorney requested County Council's consideration to open the public hearing so County Council can receive public comments on the potential sale of 373 Old Fort Drive, Summerville, South Carolina, TMS #154-15-01-009.

Chairman Byars struck the gavel, opening the public hearing.

Chairman Byars invited the public to come forward to speak on this issue.

In the absence of any requests to speak, Chairman Byars struck the gavel, closing the public hearing.

ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION – MAGNOLIA SOLAR, LLC AND PEONY SOLAR, LLC

On the motion of Councilman Hearn, seconded by Councilman Hargett, Council voted six in favor, with one absent (Chinnis), to adopt a Resolution to Amend that Certain Amended and Restated Multi-County Park Agreement, Dated May 17, 2010, as Subsequently Amended, Governing a Joint County Industrial Park by and Between Dorchester County, South Carolina, and Orangeburg County, South Carolina, to Authorize the Expansion of the Boundaries of the Park; and Other Related Matters.

ORDINANCE – SUMMERS CORNER IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

On the motion of Councilman Hearn, seconded by Councilman Bailey, Council voted six in favor, with one absent (Chinnis), to give 1st Reading and Referral to the Planning, Development, and Building Committee for a Recommendation for an Ordinance Authorizing the Creation of the Summers Corner Improvement District; Approving and Authorizing the Implementation of the Improvement Plan - Summers Corner Improvement District; Providing for the Financing of Improvements Within the Summers Corner Improvement District By Assessment; Approving the Rate and Method of Apportionment of Assessments; Approving the Assessment Report; Ordering the Preparation of Assessment Rolls and the Sending of a Notice of Such Assessment to Property Owners; and Other Matters Relating Thereto.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

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

- Contractual Matter
 - Lease to allow the Town of St. George Police Department to Occupy Old Detention Center
 - Offer(s) to Purchase 373 Old Fort Drive

RECONVENE FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

At approximately 8:05 p.m., Mr. Frampton reported that Council discussed the previously announced item, but no action was taken.

9. On the motion of Councilman Hargett, seconded by Councilman Davis, Council voted six in favor, with one absent (Chinnis), to authorize the County Administrator to execute the contract for the sale of 373 Old Fort Drive with Antonio Martinez.
10. On the motion of Councilman Chellis, seconded by Councilman Davis, Council voted six in favor, with one absent (Chinnis), to authorize the County Administrator to lease a portion of the old Detention Center in St. George to the Town of St. George for a term of one year at the rate of \$5.00 per foot together with \$400.00 per month toward utility costs.

ADJOURNMENT

11. On the motion of Councilman Davis, seconded by Councilman Chellis, Council voted unanimously to adjourn at approximately 8:08 p.m.


Tracey L. Langley, Clerk to Council