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**MINUTES
DORCHESTER COUNTY COUNCIL
DORCHESTER COUNTY HUMAN SERVICES BUILDING
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, SUMMERVILLE
MAY 1, 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
Ms. 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 Hargett.

CHAIRMAN'S TIME

REQUESTS TO ADDRESS COUNCIL

- Ms. Angie Crum, 324 Coburn Town Road, Ridgeville, she thanked County Council for all they have done and will do in the future. She asked if there was anything else she needed to provide to County Council for the County's assistance with 2017 HTF funding.

- Mr. Scott Inabinet, 651 Gahagan Road, Summerville, he suggested areas in the Old Fort Fire District, contract with Summerville Fire Department or North Charleston Fire Department for fire protection services.

MINUTES

1. On the motion of Councilman Bailey, seconded by Councilman Hearn, County Council voted six in favor, with one absent (Chinnis), to adopt the minutes from the April 17, 2017, County Council Meeting.

ADOPTION OF PROCLAMATION #17-04, PROCLAIMING MAY 2017 BUILDING SAFETY MONTH

2. On the motion of Councilman Davis, seconded by Councilman Hearn, County Council voted six in favor, with one absent (Chinnis), to adopt Proclamation #17-04, proclaiming May 2017 as Building Safety Month.

CORRESPONDENCE: No correspondence received.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S TIME – MR. JASON WARD

1ST READING, BY TITLE ONLY, OF AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF WATERWORKS AND SEWER SYSTEM REVENUE BONDS NOT EXCEEDING \$2,500,000

3. On the motion of Councilman Davis, seconded by Councilman Hargett, County Council voted six in favor, with one absent (Chinnis), to give 1st Reading, by title only, of an Ordinance to provide for the issuance and sale of Dorchester County, South Carolina, Waterworks and Sewer System Revenue Bonds (Junior Lien), Series 2017 in the principal amount of not exceeding \$2,500,000; to provide for the payment thereof; and other matters relating thereto to assist with providing funding for water and sewer infrastructure for the Ridgeville Commerce Park.

1ST READING, BY TITLE ONLY, DORCHESTER COUNTY BUDGET ORDINANCE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2017-2018

4. On the motion of Councilman Hearn, seconded by Councilman Hargett, County Council voted six in favor, with one absent (Chinnis), to give 1st Reading, by title only, to the Dorchester County Budget Ordinance for Fiscal Year 2017 – 2018, an Ordinance to make appropriations for county government, educational and fire protection purposes for Dorchester County for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2017 and ending June 30, 2018; to levy taxes for the payment thereof; and to provide for the expenditure of said taxes and other revenues coming into the County.

2ND READING OF AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF NOT EXCEEDING FORTY-THREE MILLION DOLLARS (\$43,000,000) GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, SERIES 2017

5. On the motion of Councilman Davis, seconded by Councilman Hearn, County Council voted six in favor, with one absent (Chinnis), to give 2nd Reading to an Ordinance to provide for the issuance and sale of not exceeding Forty-Three Million Dollars (\$43,000,000) Dorchester County, South Carolina, General Obligation Bonds, Series 2017; to prescribe the purposes for which the proceeds shall be expended; to provide for the payment thereof; and other matters relating thereto; for the purpose of funding library facilities, parks and recreation facilities, and infrastructure.

REQUEST FOR APPROVAL TO USE PERSONNEL SAVINGS TO HIRE A NEW CHIEF INFORMATION OFFICER AND NETWORK ADMINISTRATOR

6. On the motion of Councilman Hargett, seconded by Councilman Davis, County Council voted six in favor, with one absent (Chinnis), to authorize the use of personnel savings to fund and hire a new Chief Information Officer and a new Network Administrator and allow them to overlap and engage in knowledge transfer for up to sixty (60) days with incumbents who are retiring at the end of the fiscal year.

REQUEST FOR APPROVAL TO ENTER INTO A PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT WITH THE SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS DIVISION OF YOUNG OFFENDER PAROLE AND REENTRY SERVICES

7. On the motion of Councilman Davis, seconded by Councilman Hearn, County Council voted six in favor, with one absent (Chinnis), to authorize the County Administrator to enter into a Partnership Agreement with the South Carolina Department of Corrections Division of Young Offender Parole and Reentry Services (the Division) which would enable the division to occupy a single office at the Dorchester County Offices Annex for a one year term.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

CHAIRMAN BYARS – WATER AND SEWER COMMITTEE

Chairman Byars reported that the Committee met at 6:45p.m. to consider recommendations by Council. No action was taken.

8. On the recommendation of the committee, County Council voted six in favor, with one absent (Chinnis), to adjourn debate on a request for New Sewer Service by Beach Village, LLC for a 267 Unit Apartment Complex Near the Town of Summerville, TMS #151-00-00-013, #151-00-00-014, and #151-00-00-063.

APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS: There were no appointments.

COUNTY ATTORNEY'S TIME – MR. JOHN FRAMPTON

3RD READING OF AN ORDINANCE –SCOUT BOATS, INC.

9. The County Attorney requested County Council's consideration to open the public hearing so County Council can receive public comments, for an Ordinance authorizing the execution and delivery of a First Amendment to Fee-In-Lieu of Tax Agreement by and between Scout Boats, Inc. and Dorchester County, whereby Dorchester County will enter into an amendment to its existing Fee-In-Lieu of Tax Agreement with Scout Boats, Inc. Project 1607 providing for payment by Scout Boats, Inc. of certain Fees-In-Lieu of Ad Valorem Taxes; providing for Special Source Revenue or Infrastructure Improvement Credits; and other matters relating thereto.

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 Hearn, seconded by Councilman Bailey, Council voted six in favor, with one absent (Chinnis), to amend the agreement as follows:

"The County agrees that, to the extent permitted by law, the investments in the Project by an affiliate of the Company, (including STTOP, LLC) shall be considered as an investment by the Company in the Project and entitled to the benefits hereunder."

10. On the motion of Councilman Davis, seconded by Councilman Hargett, Council voted six in favor, with one absent (Chinnis), to approve 3rd Reading of an Ordinance authorizing the execution and delivery of a First Amendment to Fee-In-Lieu of Tax Agreement by and between Scout Boats, Inc. and Dorchester County, whereby Dorchester County will enter into an amendment to its existing Fee-In-Lieu of Tax Agreement with Scout Boats, Inc. Project 1607 providing for payment by Scout Boats, Inc. of certain Fees-In-Lieu of Ad Valorem Taxes; providing for Special Source Revenue or Infrastructure Improvement Credits; and other matters relating thereto, as amended.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

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

- Boundary issue with Berkeley and Dorchester County

The County Attorney noted that the contractual matter item, potential library sites would not be discussed.

RECONVENE FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

At approximately 7:51 p.m., Mr. Frampton reported that Council discussed the previously announced item, but no action was taken.

ADJOURNMENT

11. On the motion of Councilman Davis, seconded by Councilman Hearn, County Council voted six in favor, with one absent (Chinnis), to adjourn at approximately 7:51 p.m.


Tracey L. Langley, Clerk to Council