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MINUTES
DORCHESTER COUNTY COUNCIL
KENNETH F. WAGGONER SERVICES CENTER
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, ST. GEORGE
OCTOBER 15, 2018
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. David Chinnis
Mr. Willie R. Davis (Vacant Seat)
Mr. Larry S. Hargett
Mr. William R. Hearn, Jr.
Mr. Jason L. Ward, County Administrator
Mr. Daniel Prentice, Deputy Administrator/CFO
Ms. Rebecca Vance, Deputy Administrator/Community Services
Mr. John Frampton, County Attorney
Mr. Bradley Mitchell, Deputy County Attorney
Ms. Tracey L. Langley, Clerk to Council

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 Bailey.

CHAIRMAN'S TIME

REQUESTS TO ADDRESS COUNCIL

- Mayor Clarence Hughes, 487 South Railroad Avenue, Ridgeville, he spoke about roads and drainage issues on Mill Street, South Railroad Avenue by Horseshoe Street, Highway 173, and Highway 27. He asked for Council's assistance in getting something done with these roads.
- Mr. Ken Battle, 8578 Royal Palms Lane, N. Charleston, he spoke about noise issues and requested that County Council assist the residents to make it better between businesses and residents.
- Mr. George Ortiz, 9616 Blue Jay Court, Ladson, he spoke about noise problems in his community and said businesses located close to his home have made it worse. He said a fence is being put up and trees will be planted but he would like assistance from County Council to help them in dealing with nearby businesses.

MINUTES

1. On the motion of Councilman Hearn, seconded by Councilman Chinnis, County Council voted unanimously to adopt the minutes from the October 1, 2018, County Council Meeting.

ADOPTION OF 2018 COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING SCHEDULE

2. On the motion of Councilman Hargett, seconded by Councilman Hearn, County Council voted three in favor, with one opposed (Chinnis), and two abstentions (Chellis and Bailey), to adopt the 2018 County Council meeting schedule with a new start time of 6:00 p.m.

EDWARD BYRNE MEMORIAL JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT PROGRAM

Chairman Byars announced that Dorchester County is eligible for a grant of \$28,181 from the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program. He said the Sheriff's Office plans to use the grant to enhance the capabilities of the hostage negotiators on their Specialized Entry Team (SET). To minimize the risk of injury to deputies, suspects and bystanders during hostage situations. The Sheriff's Office is also planning to purchase a "Throw Phone" communication system. This system will enhance their communication and intelligence gathering capabilities.

The public hearing is a requirement of the grant, and no vote of County Council is required.

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

PUBLIC HEARING: 3RD READING OF ORDINANCE #18-19, TO AMEND THE FY 2018-2019 DORCHESTER COUNTY BUDGET ORDINANCE

Chairman Byars announced Council would hold a public hearing for 3rd Reading of an Ordinance to Amend the FY 2018-2019 Dorchester County Budget Ordinance Number 18-11, to Recognize Revenues in the General Fund and Hospitality Tax Special Revenue Fund, and Increase Expenditures in Both Funds.

He struck the gavel, opening the Public Hearing. He invited the public to come forward to speak on this issue. In the absence of any additional requests to speak, Chairman Byars struck the gavel again, closing the Public Hearing.

APPROVAL OF US HIGHWAY 78 PHASE 2A CONDEMNATIONS

3. On the motion of Councilman Hearn, seconded by Councilman Hargett, County Council voted unanimously to give 3rd Reading of Ordinance #18-19, to Amend the FY 2018-2019 Dorchester County Budget Ordinance Number 18-11, to Recognize Revenues in the General Fund and Hospitality Tax Special Revenue Fund, and Increase Expenditures in Both Funds.

1ST READING OF AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE AND PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE AND SALE BY DORCHESTER COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA OF NOT EXCEEDING \$36,000,000 PRINCIPAL AMOUNT SUMMERS CORNER IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT ASSESSMENT REVENUE BONDS

4. On the motion of Councilman Hearn, seconded by Councilman Bailey, County Council voted unanimously to give 1st Reading (By Title Only) of an Ordinance to Authorize and Provide for the Issuance and Sale by Dorchester

County, South Carolina of not Exceeding \$36,000,000 Principal Amount Summers Corner Improvement District Assessment Revenue Bonds, in One or More Series, for the Purpose of Defraying the Costs of Certain Public Improvements Within the Summers Corner Improvement District; to Limit the Payment of the Bonds Solely to the Assessments Imposed on Real Property Within the Summers Corner Improvement District; to Approve the Form of and Provide for the Execution and Delivery of a Master Trust Indenture and One or More Supplemental Trust Indentures Relating to the Bonds; to Make and Provide Other Covenants and Agreements in Connection with the Foregoing; and to Provide for other Matters Relating Thereto.

CORRESPONDENCE: No correspondence received.

GUESTS

MR. DANIEL PRENTICE, DORCHESTER COUNTY DEPUTY ADMINISTRATOR/CFO

Mr. Prentice gave a summary of revenues and expenditures for the County's major funds through September 30, 2018. He also included a summary of cash on hand in the major funds and status updates on major Water & Sewer, and Stormwater projects.

MR. JASON S. WALTERS, DORCHESTER COUNTY CHIEF INFORMATION OFFICER

Mr. Walters gave Council a demonstration of the new online 4% legal residence application. The application allows citizens to apply for the 4% assessment online by completing the application and uploading required documents. The application is live on the County's website.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S TIME – MR. JASON WARD

1ST READING OF ORDINANCE TO CREATE THE DORCHESTER COUNTY RIVERS AND WATERWAYS COMMISSION (DCRAW)

5. On the motion of Councilman Chellis, seconded by Councilman Hargett, County Council voted unanimously to give 1st Reading an Ordinance to Supplement the Dorchester County Code of Ordinances to Create the Dorchester County Rivers and Waterways Commission (DCRAW) by Adding a New Division 11, Sec. 2-419, ET SEQ.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

CHAIRMAN CHINNIS – PLANNING, DEVELOPMENT AND BUILDING COMMITTEE

Chairman Chinnis reported that the Committee met at 6:45 p.m. to discuss the following items:

6. On the recommendation of the Committee, County Council voted unanimously to approve 2nd Reading of Rezoning Request #772 by Christina Weatherford to rezone 2.27 acres located at 110 Barton Lane near Summerville from Multi-Family Residential (R-4) to Single-Family Residential Manufactured Housing (R-1MA), TMS #143-02-00-042.
7. On the recommendation of the Committee, County Council voted unanimously to give 2nd Reading of an Amendment to the Official Zoning Map by Dorchester County to Rezone TMS#s 160-00-00-007, -039, 161-00-00-001, -002, -004 thru -011, -015 thru -020, -035, -040, -041, -098, -099, -105, -107, -112, -113, -116, -117, -121 thru -125, 170-00-00-001 thru -003, -005 thru -007, -009 thru -016, -018, -020 thru -027, -029 thru -031, -036 thru -039, 171-00-00-045, -057, -062, -065, -069, -133 thru -136, -143, -149 thru -154, -156 thru -159, -182, -206, -219, -222 thru -224, 180-00-00-001 thru -003, -005 thru -009, -012, -014, -016, -020, -021, -023 thru -033, -040, -041, -047 thru -049, 189-00-00-001 thru -013 from R-4, Multi-Family Residential District to RR, Rural Residential District; and TMS#s 161-00-00-013, -021, -023, -092, 169-00-00-003, and 180-00-00-002 from R-4, Multi-Family Residential District to CV, Conservation District (The purpose of this amendment is to rezone properties in the Ashley River Historic Overlay District from R-4 to CV or RR, which will allow the zoning of these properties to match the standards of the ARHOD.)

CHAIRMAN BYARS – WATER AND SEWER COMMITTEE

Chairman Byars reported that the Committee met at 6:55 p.m. to discuss the following items:

8. On the recommendation of the Committee, County Council voted unanimously to approve a request for new water and sewer service by the Spectrum Companies for a 286-unit apartment complex near Meeting Oaks Drive and Patriot Boulevard in the City of North Charleston, TMS #163-00-00-031.

APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS: There were no appointments.

COUNTY ATTORNEY’S TIME – MR. JOHN FRAMPTON

RESOLUTION #18-29, LONGLEAF PACKAGING, LLC

9. On the motion of Councilman Chinnis, seconded by Councilman Hearn, County Council voted unanimously to adopt Resolution #18-29, a Resolution to Approve the Amendment of That Certain Amended and Restated Agreement for Development of a Joint County Industrial Park Between Dorchester County and Orangeburg County so as to Enlarge the Park (Longleaf Packaging, LLC).
10. On the motion of Councilman Bailey, seconded by Councilman Hargett, County Council voted unanimously to approve US Highway 78 Phase 2A Condemnations as requested by the Dorchester County Sales Tax Authority, TMS #086-00-00-011, TMS #087-00-00-034, and TMS #098-00-00-158 so that the acquisition of right-of-way can be expedited if negotiations with the owners fail.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The County Attorney requested Council’s consideration to enter into Executive Session at 7:43 p.m. to discuss the following:

- Legal Advice
 - Quitclaim Deed for Bock XX, Pinehill Acres to Thomas A. Limehouse

RECONVENE FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

At approximately 7:52 p.m., Mr. Frampton reported that Council discussed the previously announced items, but no action was taken.

11. On the motion of Councilman Hearn, seconded by Councilman Chellis, County Council voted unanimously to authorize the County Administrator to execute a Quitclaim Deed to Thomas A. Limehouse for any interest the County may have in Block XX, Pinehill Acres as shown on Plat in Book 16 at Page 119, now filed in Cabinet B Slide 94.

ADJOURNMENT

12. On the motion of Councilman Bailey, seconded by Councilman Hearn, County Council voted unanimously to adjourn at approximately 7:53 p.m.


Tracey L. Langley, Clerk to Council