

**RICHLAND COUNTY COUNCIL
DEVELOPMENT AND SERVICES COMMITTEE
Tuesday, June 25, 2002
5:00 p.m.**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Susan Brill, Chair; J.D. "Buddy" Meetze; L. Gregory Pearce, Jr.; Bernice G. Scott; Thelma Tillis

OTHERS PRESENT: Joseph McEachern, Paul Livingston, James Tuten, Joan Brady, Pam Davis, Roxanne Matthews, Tony McDonald, Larry Smith, T. Cary McSwain, Marsheika Martin, Ralph Pearson, Chris Eversmann, William Dennis, Ashley Jacobs, Amelia Linder, Stephany Snowden, Milton Pope, Michael Criss, Rodolfo Callwood, Carrie Tolley

SPECIAL PRESENTATION – Proclamation - On behalf of Council, Ms. Brady presented a proclamation honoring Judge William T. Smith's retirement.

CALL TO ORDER – The meeting was called to order at approximately 5:08 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – May 28, 2002 – Mr. Pearce moved, seconded by Ms. Scott, to approve the minutes. The vote in favor was unanimous.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA – Mr. Pearce moved, seconded by Ms. Tillis, to adopt the agenda as submitted. The vote in favor was unanimous.

I. ITEMS FOR ACTION

a. Legal: Ordinance Amendment – Animal/Solid Waste Services Department

Mr. Larry Smith, County Attorney, stated the ordinance legally separates Animal Control from Solid Waste. He reported that initially the ordinance had both of them under the same section.

Mr. Pearce moved, seconded by Ms. Scott, to approve an amendment to the Code of Ordinances (Chapter 2, Article V, Division 3), regarding the Animal and Solid Waste Services Department, to delete reference to Solid Waste Services and to create an Animal Care Department. The vote in favor was unanimous.

b. Public Works: County Road Ordinance Amendments

Mr. T. Cary McSwain, County Administrator, informed the committee of proposed amendments to Chapter 21 of the Richland County Code of Ordinances.

Ms. Brill suggested staff to schedule a work session to discuss the amendments.

Mr. Meetze moved, seconded by Mr. Pearce, to send this item to a work session. The vote in favor was unanimous.

c. Public Works Condemnation for Sewer Line Easement – Wood Smoke Family Campgrounds

Mr. McSwain, County Administrator, stated this is in the County's master plan for a major line for which the developer is putting in. He stated the Wood Smoke Family Campground wanted a larger amount than what was perceived to be the value of the property and an appraisal is pending on the property. Mr. McSwain stated should negotiations fail, he would authorize condemnation of the property. Mr. McSwain stated alternate routes were looked at and were not appropriate to the engineering design.

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Ms. Scott/Pearce/Meetze stated a map of the property would have been helpful. Mr. Pearce requested maps on all condemnations and easements in the future.

A discussion took place.

Mr. McSwain suggested deferring this item and stated that a map and appraisal would be available at the next meeting. Mr. Meetze requested a plan showing the property and sewer lines.

Mr. Meetze moved, seconded by Mr. Pearce, to defer this item. The vote in favor was unanimous.

d. Public Works: Water Line Easement, Koon Road

Mr. McSwain reported that the City of Columbia is asking for a 1,292-ft easement along Koon Road to provide services to an existing residential community.

Ms. Scott moved, seconded by Ms. Tillis, to approve the item.

A discussion took place.

Ms. Scott/Tillis withdrew their motions.

Mr. Meetze moved, seconded by Ms. Scott, to defer this item. The vote in favor was unanimous.

e. Public Works: Purchase-Heavy Duty Articulated Motorgrader

Mr. Meetze moved, seconded by Ms. Scott, to approve the purchase in the amount of \$155,780.00 of a Caterpillar Heavy Duty Articulated Motorgrader, with an extended warranty from Blanchard Machinery, for the Roads and Drainage Division of the Department of Public Works. The vote in favor was unanimous.

f. Town of Eastover: Request for Paving Town Streets

Ms. Scott informed the Committee that she went before the County Transportation Committee (CTC) and they have approved this request.

Ms. Scott moved, seconded by Ms. Tillis, to approve options for the improvement of six unpaved roads (Anderson St., Ray St., East Memorial Church Rd., Dodamead St., Holey St. and McLaughlin St) in the Town of Eastover.

A discussion took place.

The vote in favor was unanimous.

II. Items Pending Analysis

Legal: Condemnation of Property for Broad River Wastewater Treatment Plant Expansion (WWTP)

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Mr. Smith briefed Council on this item. He stated Council is requested to consider approving the condemnation of land (TMS 05300-01-10) for the expansion of the Broad River WWTP only if land negotiations are unsuccessful. Mr. Smith requested the Committee to forward this item to full Council for approval of condemnation.

A discussion took place.

This item was accepted as information.

Motion to Reconsider item 1-D (Public Works: Water Line Easement – Koon Road)

Mr. Pearce moved, seconded by Ms. Scott, to reconsider item 1-D in order for the committee to be addressed.

Mr. Earl McLeod, Home Builders Association, informed the Committee that deferring this item would hold up the developer for at least two months.

A discussion took place.

The motion to reconsider was approved.

Mr. Pearce moved, seconded by Mr. Meetze, to forward this item to full Council without a recommendation. The vote in favor was unanimous.

ADJOURNMENT – The meeting adjourned at approximately 5:45 p.m.

Submitted by,

Susan Brill
Chair

The minutes were transcribed by Marsheika G. Martin