

MINUTES OF RICHLAND COUNTY COUNCIL REGULAR SESSION DECEMBER 10, 2013 6:00 PM

In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act, a copy of the agenda was sent to radio and TV stations, newspapers, persons requesting notification, and was posted on the bulletin board located in the lobby of the County Administration Building.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Chair Kelvin E. Washington, Sr.

Greg Pearce Vice Chair Member Joyce Dickerson Member Julie-Ann Dixon Member Norman Jackson Member Damon Jeter Member Bill Malinowski Member Jim Manning Member Paul Livingston Member Seth Rose Member Torrey Rush

OTHERS PRESENT – Tony McDonald, Roxanne Ancheta, Sparty Hammett, Warren Harley, Brad Farrar, Amelia Linder, Geo Price, Beverly Harris, Rob Perry, Sara Salley, Tracy Hegler, John Hixon, Dale Welch, Justine Jones, Chad Fosnight, Tige Watts, Chris Gossett, Monique Walters, Michelle Onley

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at approximately 6:04 p.m.

INVOCATION

The Invocation was given by the Honorable Joyce Dickerson

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by the Honorable Joyce Dickerson

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APPROVAL OF MINUTES

<u>Regular Session: December 3, 2013</u> – Ms. Dickerson moved, seconded by Ms. Dixon, to approve the minutes as distributed. The vote in favor was unanimous.

Mr. Malinowski brought it to staff's attention that the item entitled: "An Ordinance Amending the Richland County Code of Ordinances, Chapter 6, Buildings and Building Regulations; Article IX, Swimming Pool Codes; Section 6-168, Requirements; so as to reference the 2012 Edition of the International Building Code" should have been listed as approved for Third Reading in the minutes.

Mr. Livingston moved, seconded by Ms. Dickerson, to reconsider the minutes. The vote in favor was unanimous.

Mr. Livingston moved, seconded by Ms. Dickerson, to approve the minutes as amended. The vote in favor was unanimous.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Mr. Pearce moved, seconded by Mr. Malinowski, to adopt the agenda as distributed. The vote in favor was unanimous.

REPORT OF THE ATTORNEY FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION ITEMS

- a. Personnel Matter
- b. Richland School District One Election Update

CITIZENS INPUT

No one signed up to speak.

POINT OF PERSONAL PRIVILEGE – Mr. Manning stated that he presented the Council with a copy of the One Book, One Columbia book, a One Book, One Columbia button and a flyer. The Township Auditorium will be hosting Pat Conroy on Thursday, February 27th at 7:00 PM.

REPORT OF THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

- **a.** Introduction of New Employees Mr. McDonald introduced Mr. Chris Gossett, Deputy Transportation Director; Chad Fosnight, Capital Projects Manager; and Tige Watts, Senior PIO Officer; to the Council.
- b. Midlands Green Event of the Year Mr. McDonald stated that Solid Waste was awarded the Green Event of the Year for the 2013 Recycles Day at the State Fairgrounds.

c. Richland School District One Election Update – This item was taken up in Executive Session.

REPORT OF THE CLERK OF COUNCIL

- a. REMINDER: Township Auditorium Holiday Drop-In, Wednesday, December 18th, 5:30-8:30 PM, Township Auditorium Ms. Onley stated that the Township Auditorium Holiday Drop-In has been rescheduled to Wednesday, December 18th, 5:30-8:30 PM at the Township Auditorium.
- b. REMINDER: Columbia International Festival Christmas Drop-In, Thursday, December 12th, 4:30-7:30 PM, International Friendship Ministries, 610 Pickens Street – Ms. Onley reminded Council of the Columbia International Festival Christmas Drop-In, Thursday, December 12th, 4:30-7:30 PM, International Friendship Ministries, 610 Pickens Street.
- **c. REMINDER:** State of the Penny, December 16th, 6:00 PM, Council Chambers Ms. Onley reminded Council of the State of the Penny, December 16th, 6:00 PM in Council Chambers.

POINT OF PERSONAL PRIVILEGE – Mr. Pearce stated that it was noteworthy that the reason the Township Holiday Drop-In had to be rescheduled was to accommodate the Dave Chappelle concert.

REPORT OF THE CHAIR

- **a. Personnel Matter** This item was taken up in Executive Session.
- **b.** Courthouse Ad Hoc Committee Meeting Mr. Washington stated he will be contacting the committee members in order to structure the committee. There will likely be sub-committees that will need to be formed in the future.
- c. Landlord Task Force Mr. Washington stated that a task force needs to be set up to assist landlords to navigate through the legal processes and recoupment of damages and costs.

PRESENTATIONS

<u>Tre Tailor – Relax Productions</u> – Ms. Tailor gave a brief overview of the program "Relax It's Ok 2b Single".

APPROVAL OF CONSENT ITEMS

 13-35MA, Charles Marshall, Jr., RS-LD to TROS (4.23 Acres), 9875 Windsor Lake Blvd., 19907-06-01 & 08 [SECOND READING] Richland County Council Regular Session Tuesday, December 10, 2013 Page Four

Mr. Pearce moved, seconded by Ms. Dickerson, to approve the consent item. The vote in favor was unanimous.

THIRD READING

Authorizing an Amendment to the Master Agreement Governing the I-77 Corridor Regional Industrial Park by and between Richland County, South Carolina, and Fairfield County, South Carolina, to expand the boundaries of the park to include certain real property located in Richland County; and other related matters – Mr. Pearce moved, seconded by Ms. Dickerson, to defer this item until the January 7, 2014 Council meeting.

Mr. Pearce withdrew his motion to allow discussion.

Mr. Pearce moved, seconded by Mr. Rose, to defer this item until the January 7, 2014 Council meeting.

<u>For</u>	<u>Opposed</u>
Jackson	Dixon
Rose	Malinowski
Pearce	Manning
Washington	Jeter
Livingston	
Dickerson	
Rush	

The vote was in favor.

An Ordinance Amending the Richland County Code of Ordinances, Chapter 23, Taxation; Article VI, Local Hospitality Tax; Section 23-69, Distribution of Funds, so as to clarify and revise the language therein – Mr. Livingston moved, seconded by Ms. Dickerson, to approve this item. The vote was in favor.

SECOND READING

An Ordinance Amending the Fiscal Year 2013-2014 Hospitality Tax Budget to appropriate \$50,000 of Hospitality Tax Unassigned Fund Balance for the Famously Hot New Year's Celebration – Ms. Dickerson moved, seconded by Mr. Rose, to approve this item. The vote was in favor.

REPORT OF THE DEVELOPMENT AND SERVICES COMMITTEE

<u>Richland County Comprehensive Plan Update Vendor Selection</u> – Mr. Malinowski moved, seconded by Ms. Dickerson, to approve this item. The vote in favor was unanimous.

REPORT OF RULES AND APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE

I. NOTIFICATION OF VACANCIES

- a. Lexington/Richland Alcohol and Drug Abuse Council 1 Mr. Malinowski stated that the committee recommended advertising for the vacancy. The vote in favor was unanimous.
- **b.** Planning Commission 1 Mr. Malinowski stated that the committee recommended advertising for the vacancy. The vote in favor was unanimous.

II. NOTIFICATION OF APPOINTMENTS

- a. Accommodations Tax Committee 2 Mr. Malinowski stated that the committee recommended re-advertising for the vacancies. The vote in favor was unanimous.
- b. Building Codes Board of Appeals 1 Mr. Malinowski stated that the committee recommended re-advertising for the vacancy. The vote in favor was unanimous.
- c. Central Midlands Council of Governments 1 Mr. Malinowski stated that the committee recommended re-advertising for the vacancy. The vote in favor was unanimous.
- **d.** Employee Grievance Committee 4 Mr. Malinowski stated that the committee recommended appointing Ms. Barbara White. The vote in favor was unanimous.
- e. Hospitality Tax Committee 2 This item was held in committee.
- f. Lexington/Richland Alcohol and Drug Abuse Council 2 This item was held in committee.
- **g. Midlands Workforce Development Board 1** Mr. Malinowski stated that the committee recommended appointing Ms. Kenya L. Mingo. The vote in favor was unanimous.
- h. Planning Commission 1 This item was held in committee.
- i. Richland Memorial Hospital Board 3 This item was held in committee.

REPORT OF THE TRANSPORTATION AD HOC COMMITTEE

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- a. South Carolina Department of Transportation Intergovernmental Agreement Mr. Livingston stated there were minor changes to the SCDOT IGA. The changes are as follows:
 - 1. The SCDOT changed the wording "Department" to "SCDOT".
 - 2. The Utilities wording was revised to read "Where the utility cannot establish a prior right of occupancy, the utility will be required to relocate at its own expense. However, in some cases municipalities, counties and special purpose groups and district owned and operated utilities, in that case, the County, may elect to use some program funds to relocate those utilities."
 - 3. Construction Activities: "(5) ...agrees to respond to the County within 20 business days" instead of 20 calendar days.

A discussion took place.

The vote in favor of the committee's recommendation was unanimous.

CITIZENS' INPUT

No one signed up to speak.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Council went into Executive Session at approximately 6:50 p.m. and came out at approximately 7:34 p.m.

- a. **Richland School District One Election Update** Ms. Dickerson moved, seconded by Mr. Livingston, to direct the Administrator to pursue lawful means to recover outstanding election costs relative to this item. The vote in favor was unanimous.
- b. Personnel Matters No action was taken.

MOTION PERIOD

a. Resolution Honoring Dutch Fork High School Football Team on their State Championship win [MALINOWSKI] – Mr. Malinowski requested unanimous consent to adopt a resolution honoring the Dutch Fork High School Football Team on their State Championship win. The vote in favor was unanimous.

Ms. Dickerson moved, seconded by Ms. Dixon, to reconsider this item. The motion failed.

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ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at approximately 7:36 p.m.

_	Kelvin E. Washington, Sr., Chair
L. Gregory Pearce, Jr., Vice-Chair	Joyce Dickerson
Julie-Ann Dixon	Norman Jackson
Damon Jeter	Paul Livingston
Bill Malinowski	Jim Manning
Seth Rose	Torrey Rush
The minutes were transcribed by Michelle M	I. Onley