

**PUBLIC HEARING:**

- 1) Ordinance (09-06) to amend the County Road System, Ordinance 2000-5, Index of Roads Maintained by Abbeville County, South Carolina by adding Little River Cemetery Road. Hearing no comment, Chairman McClain closed the public hearing.

**ABBEVILLE COUNTY COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING  
MAY 11, 2009  
MINUTES**

**PRESENT:** Chairman McClain, Vice Chairman Gunnells, Councilman Campbell, Councilman Klugh, Councilman Thomas, Councilman Calhoun and Councilman Norris.

**ABSENT:** None

**CALL TO ORDER:**

Chairman McClain called the meeting to order at 7:31 p.m.

**INVOCATION:**

Councilman Campbell gave the invocation.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

Chairman McClain led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT:**

Chairman McClain stated for the record that the agenda has been posted and notice has been provided to the local news media as required by the Freedom of Information Act.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Councilman Campbell made a motion to approve the minutes of the April 13, 2009, regular county council meeting. Councilman Norris seconded the motion. The motion carried 6-0-1 with Vice Chairman Gunnells abstaining.

Councilman Norris made a motion to approve the minutes of the April 27, 2009, budget workshop. Vice Chairman Gunnells seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0-0.

Councilman Campbell made a motion to approve the minutes of the May 4, 2009, budget workshop. Councilman Klugh seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0-0.

**PRESENTATIONS:**

Lt. Brandon Scott of the Abbeville County Sheriff's Department notified and informed Council on the mutual aid agreements with the surrounding counties. These agreements allow for multi-jurisdiction investigations and the sharing of officers. Abbeville County has agreements with Due West, Calhoun Falls, City of Abbeville, Honea Path, Greenwood, Laurens and Anderson Police Departments.

Ms. Doris Jones with the U.S. Census Bureau said all must be counted. Census is done every 10 years and it has an impact on representation and revenue. We encourage the County to set up a Complete Count Committee to insure all of Abbeville County knows about the census. Get the news out! The census will be going out nationwide during March of 2010.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

- a) Third reading of Ordinance (09-04) to enact regulations concerning the employment of unauthorized aliens by Abbeville County, agencies receiving county funding and other matters relating to unauthorized aliens. Vice Chairman Gunnells made a motion to approve third reading. Councilman Norris seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0-0.
- b) Third reading of Ordinance (09-05) to amend the Abbeville County Official Zoning Map on a 9.4 acre tract of land located at 229 Highway 28 Bypass, Abbeville and identified by tax map number 121-00-00-019 and also to amend a 7.0 acre tract of land located at 283 Highway 28 Bypass, Abbeville and identified by tax map number 121-00-00-018 to rezone both tracts from Forest Agricultural (FA) to General Commercial (GC). Councilman Norris made a motion to approve third reading. Vice Chairman Gunnells seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0-0.
- c) Second reading of Ordinance (09-06) to amend the County Road System, Ordinance 2000-5, Index of Roads Maintained by Abbeville County, South Carolina by adding Little River Cemetery Road. Councilman Norris made a motion to approve second reading. Councilman Campbell seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0-0.
- d) Resolution (09-12) authorizing the County Director to enter into a construction agreement for the installation of fencing on two (2) baseball fields and fencing on the property frontage at the Upper Abbeville County Recreation Complex. Councilman Campbell made a motion to approve this resolution with Starr Fencing as the contractor and in the amount of \$77,395.65. Councilman Norris seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0-0.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

- a) First Readings: New Policy – All first readings are read into the record by the Chairman, and a vote is not necessary per Ordinance 05-11.
  - 1) Ordinance (09-07) to establish operating and capital budgets for the operation of the County Government of Abbeville County for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2009.
- b) Resolutions:
  - 1) Resolution (09-24) authorizing the County Director to submit a grant application to the SC Budget and Control Board on behalf of Donalds/Due West Water Authority for the extension of a water line on Harkness Lane in Abbeville County. Councilman Klugh made a motion to approve this resolution. Vice Chairman Gunnells seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0-0.
  - 2) Resolution (09-25) to authorize the transfer of \$30,394.76 from the Local Option Sales Tax Account to the General Fund. Councilman Thomas made a motion to approve this resolution. Councilman Campbell seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0-0.
  - 3) Resolution (09-26) honoring Mr. Charles R. Williams, Sr. for his service to Abbeville County. Councilman Norris made a motion to approve this resolution. Councilman Campbell seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0-0. Chairman McClain presented the resolution, while Councilman Thomas read it aloud.
  - 4) Resolution (09-27) providing for the expenditure of Title III Funds for FY 08-09. Vice Chairman Gunnells made a motion to approve this resolution. Councilman Norris seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0-0.
  - 5) Resolution (09-28) authorizing the County Director to enter into a contract with Martin & Son Contracting, Inc. of Spartanburg, South Carolina in the amount of \$58,870.00 for the Lakelands Commerce Park site grading. Councilman Thomas made a motion to approve this resolution. Councilman Campbell seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0-0.
  - 6) Resolution (09-29) authorizing the County Director to submit a grant application to the SC Budget and Control Board on behalf of the Town of Due West for the replacement and upgrade of a transmission water line connecting the Town of Due West to the Donalds/Due West Water Authority System. Councilman Norris made a motion to approve this resolution with the amendment of the amount being \$29,900.00. Councilman Klugh seconded the motion. The motion carried 6-0-1 with Councilman Campbell abstaining.

- 7) Resolution (09-30) authorizing the County Director to enter into a contract with the South Carolina Judicial Department in order to participate in the statewide Court Case management system (CMS). Councilman Norris made a motion to approve this resolution. Councilman Campbell seconded the motion. County Director Moulder said this system would provide better reporting and in a timely manner than the system being currently used. The motion carried 7-0-0.
- 8) Resolution (09-31) recognizing the Carver Apartment Reunion being held on May 29-31, 2009 for all former and current residents. Councilman Thomas made a motion to approve this resolution. Councilman Klugh seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0-0.

**DIRECTOR'S REPORT:** None

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

- a) Finance Committee—Don Campbell, Bryan McClain and Claude Thomas. No report was given.
- b) Personnel and Administration—Bryan McClain, Billy Norris and Oscar Klugh. No report was given.
- c) Public Works—Oscar Klugh, Ray Gunnells and John Calhoun. No report was given.
- d) Intergovernmental Relations—Billy Norris, John Calhoun and Ray Gunnells. No report was given. Chairman requested a meeting be held and report given to Council at the June 8<sup>th</sup> meeting.
- e) Planning and Industrial Development—Claude Thomas, Oscar Klugh and Don Campbell. Councilman Thomas reported a meeting was held Wednesday with Planning Director McKay to discuss Special Events. The committee recommended that the Planning Director McKay bring this section to the planning committee for revisions.
- f) Education, Recreation, Health and Welfare—John Calhoun, Don Campbell and Bryan McClain. No report was given.
- g) Public Safety—Ray Gunnells, John Calhoun and Billy Norris. No report was given.
- h) Training & Travel—Don Campbell, Claude Thomas and Ray Gunnells. No report was given.

A motion was made by Councilman Campbell to go into Executive Session for an Economic Development issue and a legal issue in regards to Boards and Commissions. Councilman Klugh seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0-0.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

Chairman McClain reconvened the meeting following executive session and announced that one item needed to be addressed:

Councilman Campbell made a motion to recommend to the Legislative Delegation, Mr. Mason Speers, to fill the position vacated by Mr. Williams on the Piedmont Technical College Area Commission. Councilman Norris seconded the motion. The motion carried 6-1-0 with Chairman McClain opposed.

**PUBLIC COMMENT (sign in sheet only):** None

**ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further items of discussion Vice Chairman Gunnells made a motion to adjourn. Councilman Campbell seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0-0.

The meeting adjourned at 8:50 pm.

Done this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2009

**Abbeville County Council**

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Robert B. McClain, Chairman

ATTEST:

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Lynn Sopolosky, Clerk to Council