

**ABBEVILLE COUNTY COUNCIL  
SPECIAL MEETING  
JULY 21, 2010  
MINUTES**

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

**ABSENT:** Councilmen Calhoun and Gunnells

**CALL TO ORDER:**

Chairman Thomas called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

**INVOCATION:**

Councilman Campbell gave the invocation.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

Chairman Thomas led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairman Thomas 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.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

- a) Second reading of Ordinance (2010-15) making provision for tax anticipation borrowing by Abbeville County, South Carolina, in the principal amount of not exceeding \$1,000,000.00, in anticipation of the collection of ad valorem taxes for the fiscal year beginning the first day of July, 2010 and ending the 30<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2011; to prescribe the terms and conditions of such borrowing and the form of note to be executed evidencing the same; and to make provision for the payment thereof. Councilman Norris made a motion to accept second reading. Vice Chairman McClain seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0-0.

**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 (2010-16) to amend Ordinance 2000-2, fee for handling and processing checks for insufficient funds.
  
- b) Resolutions:
  - 1) Resolution (2010-24) to authorize the transfer of \$12,153.69 from the Local Option Sales Tax Account to the General Fund. Councilman Klugh made a motion to approve this resolution. Councilman Norris seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0-0.

**DIRECTOR’S REPORT:**

Interim County Director Barry Devore informed Council that the members of the Registration and Elections Board receive compensation has may be appropriated by the County Council. So this is a matter do we wish to continue to pay them even though the state will not be reimbursing us? Secondly he informed Council that his recommendation for the IT support position would be better filled by an outside source rather than in house, due to the cost of in house being around \$68,000.00 and an all inclusive contract with an outside source would cost the county \$48,000.00. County Attorney Lee Roper recommended Council take a vote on both of these issues. Councilman Campbell made a motion to approve the signing of the IT Contract as recommended by the Interim County Director. Councilman Klugh seconded the motion. The motion passed 5-0-0. Vice Chairman McClain made a motion that we allow the Interim County Director to stop payment to the Registration and Elections Board members. Councilman Campbell seconded the motion. Councilman Norris stated he does not know enough about the situation to vote on this issue tonight. Councilman Klugh made a motion to table this issue for further information. County Attorney Roper said you must first deal with the motion already on the table. Chairman Thomas asked Vice Chairman McClain if he would remove his motion and was informed that he would not. The motion passed 3-2-0 with Councilmen Klugh and Norris opposed.

A motion was made by Councilman Campbell to go into Executive Session for a legal issue pertaining to the lost account and a personnel issue pertaining to Delinquent Tax Collectors office. Vice Chairman McClain seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0-0.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

Chairman Thomas reconvened the meeting following executive session and announced that no action was needed following executive session.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further items of discussion Vice Chairman McClain made a motion to adjourn. Councilman Norris seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0-0.

The meeting adjourned at 7:58 pm.

Done this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2010

**Abbeville County Council**

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Claude Thomas, Chairman

ATTEST:

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