

**ABBEVILLE COUNTY COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING  
FEBRUARY 14, 2011  
MINUTES**

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

**ABSENT:** None

**CALL TO ORDER:**

Chairman McClain called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

**INVOCATION:**

Pastor Johnathan Bowling of Greenville Presbyterian Church gave the invocation.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

Miss Elizabeth Ashley of Cherokee Trail Elementary School 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 Norris made a motion to approve the minutes of the January 13, 2011, regular county council meeting. Vice Chairman Campbell seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0-0.

**PRESENTATIONS:**

Ms. Libby Meadows, USDA Outdoor Recreation Planner; informed Council she was fulfilling the grant requirement of attending a public meeting. She informed all of the rehabilitation that would take place on the Parson's Mtn. and Cedar Springs OHV trails.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

- a) First Readings: Policy – All first readings are read into the record by the Chairman, and a vote is not necessary per Ordinance 05-11.
  - 1) Ordinance (2011-01) to amend the Abbeville County Official Zoning Map on a six (6) acre portion of a 21.3 acre tract of land located at 501 Highway 20, Abbeville and identified by tax map number 095-00-00-053 from a zoning district of Forest Agricultural (FA) to General Residential (GR).
- b) Resolutions:
  - 1) Resolution (2011-03) recognizing and honoring Ms. Deborah Temple for her dedicated years of service to the residents of Abbeville County. Councilman Norris made a motion to approve this resolution. Vice Campbell seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0-0. Chairman McClain presented the resolution to Ms. Temple while Vice Chairman Campbell read the entire resolution to the audience.
  - 2) Resolution (2011-04) for Abbeville County to approve the Abbeville County Hazard Mitigation Plan. Councilman Thomas made a motion to approve this resolution. Councilman Norris seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0-0.
  - 3) Resolution (2011-05) designating Burton Center for Disabilities and Special Needs as an entity in Abbeville County to provide transportation to the elderly or persons with disabilities. Councilman Klugh made a motion to approve this resolution. Councilman Stone seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0-0.
  - 4) Resolution (2011-06) to authorize the transfer of \$434,652.02 from the Local Option Sales Tax Account to the General Fund. Vice Chairman Campbell made a motion to approve this resolution. Councilman Norris seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0-0.

## **DIRECTOR'S REPORT:**

Interim County Director Barry Devore informed Council that the Upper Abbeville County Recreational Complex grant has \$1,110.00 left for spending. The grand opening for the complex will be held on April 2<sup>nd</sup> at 11:00 a.m.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

- a) Finance Committee—Bryan McClain, Claude Thomas and Don Campbell. Chairman McClain reminded the committee of the meeting tomorrow at 3:30 p.m. with the Auditors.
- b) Personnel and Administration—Don Campbell, Charlie Stone and Claude Thomas. No report was given, however Councilman Thomas requested a meeting be held concerning

the grievance process. Also, Chairman McClain asked the committee to prepare an inclement weather policy and review the personnel manual for any updates needed.

- c) Public Works—Oscar Klugh, Billy Norris and John Calhoun. Committee Chairman Klugh gave no report, but asked Public Works Director Buddy Agan about the condition of Horizon Road and the bridge being out. Mr. Agan stated the residents wanted that road closed and he would look into the situation to see if any changes were needed.
- d) Intergovernmental Relations—Billy Norris, Oscar Klugh and Charlie Stone. Committee Chairman Norris made a committee nomination to reappoint Horace Brownlee to the Development Board. The nomination passed 7-0-0.
- e) Planning and Industrial Development—Charlie Stone, Don Campbell and John Calhoun. No report was given.
- f) Education, Recreation, Health and Welfare—John Calhoun, Bryan McClain and Oscar Klugh. No report was given.
- g) Public Safety—Claude Thomas, Billy Norris and Bryan McClain. No report was given.

#### **COUNCIL MEMBERS REPORT/COMMENTS:**

Councilman Stone requested the financial report to explain what each check was being used for and was instructed to meet with the Finance Department on any he has a question with. He then asked if he made a motion to stop the funding of the administration and library buildings would it pass. He was informed that \$264,000.00 had already been spent. Plus the County Attorney Lee Roper stated it was a done deal, the money had already been funded and he would speak more on this legal matter in executive session.

Chairman McClain presented to past Chairman Thomas a plaque thanking him for his 2010 service as Chairman of County Council.

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

#### **CAPITAL PROJECTS COMMITTEE REPORT:**

Public Works Director Buddy Agan explained the process for the capital projects named Administration Office Complex and Abbeville County Library Building. No step would be taken without Councils approval and monthly updates would be available throughout until the projects were complete.

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Campbell to go into Executive Session for an Economic Development issue, legal issue on administration building, contractual issue with Verizon and personnel issues pertaining to the County Director, Planner, and EMS. Councilman Stone seconded the motion to go into Executive Session. The motion carried 7-0-0.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

Chairman McClain reconvened the meeting following executive session and announced that no items needed to be addressed.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

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

The meeting adjourned at 10:35 p.m.

Done this 14<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2011

**Abbeville County Council**

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

ATTEST:

By: Lynn Sopolosky  
Lynn Sopolosky, Clerk to Council