

PUBLIC HEARING: None

**ABBEVILLE COUNTY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
MARCH 27, 2006
MINUTES**

PRESENT: Chairman Gunnells, Vice Chairman Simpson, Councilman Davis, Councilman Calhoun, Councilman Thomas and Councilman Norris.

ABSENT: None

CALL TO ORDER:

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Chairman Gunnells led the Pledge of Allegiance.

INVOCATION:

Councilman Norris gave the invocation.

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT:

Chairman Gunnells stated for the record that both the Press and Banner and the Index Journal were notified of the meeting and that the meeting was posted on County Buildings as required by the Freedom of Information Act.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Vice Chairman Simpson made a motion to approve the minutes of the March 13, 2006, regular county council meeting. Councilman Calhoun seconded the motion. The motion carried 6-0-0.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Mr. Jim Irwin of 625 Highway 20, Abbeville requested an explanation on the use of money from the Infrastructure Development Fund in regards to the purchase of computers as stipulated in resolution 06-22.

PRESENTATIONS: None

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

a) First Readings: New Policy – All first readings are read into the record by the Chairman, and a vote is not necessary.

- 1) An ordinance (06-05) to adopt new, updated Abbeville County Purchasing Policies and to rescind all prior ordinances or resolutions that may be in conflict.
- 2) An ordinance (06-06) to adopt new, updated Abbeville County Personnel Policies and to rescind all prior ordinances or resolutions that may be in conflict.

b) Resolutions:

- 1) A resolution (06-19) designating April 2006 as Fair Housing Month. Councilman Thomas made a motion to approve the resolution. Councilman Calhoun seconded the motion. The motion carried 6-0-0.
- 2) A resolution (06-20) to authorize the transfer of \$178,550.37 from the Local Option Sales Tax Account to the General Fund. Vice Chairman Simpson made a motion to approve the resolution. Councilman Davis seconded the motion. The motion carried 6-0-0.
- 3) A resolution (06-21) to authorize the transfer of \$52,553.15 from the Local Option Sales Tax Account to the General Fund. Councilman Norris made a motion to approve the resolution. Vice Chairman Simpson seconded the motion. The motion carried 6-0-0.
- 4) A resolution (06-22) providing for the expenditure of accounts payable from the Infrastructure Development Fund for computers purchased during the fiscal year to continue the office technology update. Councilman Norris made a motion to approve the resolution. Councilman Thomas seconded the motion. The motion carried 6-0-0.
- 5) A resolution (06-23) providing for the expenditure of accounts payable from the Infrastructure Development Fund to vendors for the purchase of creating a web page for Abbeville County. Councilman Thomas made a motion to approve the resolution. Councilman Norris seconded the motion. The motion carried 6-0-0.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

County Director Scott Moulder informed Council that the web page bids were due by April 6, 2006, the G.I.S. draft for the RFP was almost completed, department budgets were in and he should have a budget to present to Council by the end of April. Council authorized the County Director to begin contract negotiations with the low bidder for the purchase of the fire trucks. Contract approval will be presented to Council at the next meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- a) Finance Committee—Ray Gunnells, Claude Thomas and Billy Norris. No report was given.
- b) Personnel and Administration—Mike Davis, Jeff Simpson and Claude Thomas. No report was given.
- c) Public Works—Jeff Simpson and Billy Norris. No report was given.
- d) Intergovernmental Relations—Billy Norris, Mike Davis and John Calhoun. No report was given.
- e) Planning and Industrial Development—Claude Thomas, Ray Gunnells and John Calhoun. No report was given.
- f) Education, Recreation, Health and Welfare—John Calhoun and Jeff Simpson. No report was given.
- g) Public Safety—John Calhoun and Billy Norris. No report was given.
- h) Ad Hoc Committee—Claude Thomas, Jeff Simpson and Billy Norris. No report was given.
- i) Ad Hoc Committee—Ray Gunnells, Charles Goodwin, Steve McDade, Ricky Busby, Mayor Johnnie Waller, Darrell Smith, Randy Ruble, Carroll Ellis and Dan Evatt. No report was given.
- j) Ad Hoc Committee—Billy Norris, Jeff Simpson, Claude Thomas, John Parkman, Paul Parnell and Will Blackwell. No report was given.

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Simpson to go into Executive Session to discuss a personnel issue in regards to the Clerk to Council and a contractual matter with Smith Data. Councilman Norris seconded the motion. The motion carried 6-0-0.

Councilman Thomas left the meeting.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Chairman Gunnells 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 Simpson made a motion to adjourn. Councilman Calhoun seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0-0.

The meeting adjourned at 8:20 pm.

Done this _____ day of _____, 2006

Abbeville County Council

By: _____
Ray Gunnells, Chairman

ATTEST:

By: _____
Lynn Sopolosky, Clerk to Council