

**MINUTES
DORCHESTER COUNTY COUNCIL
COUNTY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
KENNETH F. WAGGONER SERVICES CENTER – ST. GEORGE
JUNE 7, 2004
7:00 P.M.**

Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, the Dorchester Eagle Record, the Summerville Journal Scene, and the Post and Courier were notified and a notice was posted on the bulletin board 24 hours prior to the meeting.

PRESENT: Mr. Randy Scott – Chairman
Mr. Willie Davis – Vice Chairman
Mr. Larry Hargett
Mr. Richard Rosebrock
Mr. Chris Murphy
Mr. Skip Elliott
Mr. Kenneth Waggoner
Mr. Jason Ward – County Administrator
Mr. John Frampton – County Attorney
Mrs. Sandy. W. Lawley - Clerk to Council

Chairman Scott called the meeting to order and Mr. Elliott gave the invocation.

Council observed a moment of silence for the death of former President Ronald Reagan and for Ms. Melissa Hobart, the twenty two year old sister of Gary Hobart a county employee, who died while on active duty in Iraq.

PUBLIC ADDRESS TO COUNCIL

Chairman Scott asked if anyone would like to address Council.

- Mr. Gary Anderson addressed Council regarding funding for the Nation Youth Confederacy Corporation. He is working with the youth of St. George.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES FROM THE MAY 17, 2004 COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING

1. On the motion of Mr. Rosebrock, seconded by Mr. Waggoner, Council voted unanimously to adopt the minutes from the May 17, 2004 County Council Meeting.

CORRESPONDENCE

There was no correspondence to report.

COUNCIL MEMBER'S TIME MR. WILLIE DAVIS MYERS ROAD

Mr. Davis addressed Council about Myers Road which is located near Reevesville and leads to one of our convenience sites and needs to be paved. The road is about one quarter of a mile. The Chairman recommended that Mr. Davis check with the Dorchester County Transportation Committee about the paving of this Road.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S TIME

REIMBURSEMENT RESOLUTION

2. On the motion of Mr. Davis, seconded Mr. Murphy, Council voted unanimously to adopt the Reimbursement Resolution as recommended by the County Administrator confirming the intention of Dorchester County, to be reimbursed for certain expenditures related to capital projects to be financed by the issuance of bonds, this allows the General Fund to be reimbursed for certain expenditures related to renovation of the courthouse.

1ST READING REPEAL OF PERSONNEL ORDINANCES

3. On the motion Mr. Rosebrock, seconded by Mr. Elliott, Council voted unanimously to give 1st Reading by title only and placement in the Administrative and Intergovernmental Affairs Committee to an Ordinance repealing the personnel ordinances so that they can be adopted as a resolution as a part of our new Policy and Procedures Manual.

1ST READING AT WILL ORDINANCE

4. On the motion of Mr. Rosebrock, seconded by Mr. Hargett, Council voted unanimously to give 1st Reading to an Ordinance for the purpose of establishing a policy of at-will employment for all county employees.

1ST READING REZONING REQUEST # 390 SINTRA DEVELOPMENT GROUP

5. On the motion Mr. Davis, seconded by Mr. Hargett, Council voted six in favor and one abstaining, to give 1st Reading to Rezoning Request #390 Sintra Development Group and placement in the Planning, Development and Building Committee.

Mr. Elliott abstained.

EMS FUNDING

6. On the motion Mr. Davis, seconded by Mr. Hargett, Council voted unanimously to authorize the Administrator to allow the EMS Director to transfer \$9,751, from payroll to operating to cover shortfalls in medical supplies, fuel, technical services, postage, and training.

3rd READING #389 TOD F. GOODMAN

7. On the motion of Mr. Elliott, seconded by Mr. Davis, Council voted unanimously to give 3rd Reading to Rezoning Request # 389 for Mr. Tod F. Goodman. This is a request to rezone .51 acres on Dorchester Road from Rural Agricultural (RA-1) to Commercial Neighborhood District (CN). This rezoning request is recommended by the Planning staff.

CONVENIENCE SITE LEASE

8. On the motion of Mr. Hargett, seconded by Mr. Murphy, Council voted unanimously to authorize the County Administrator to execute a new lease on the Geddisville Convenience Site for \$1,000 per year through April 11, 2010.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

PLANNING, DEVELOPMENT AND BUILDING COMMITTEE
MR. CHRIS MURPHY

2ND READING STREET NAME CHANGE – STEEDS LAKE ROAD TO CRYCO TRAIL

9. Mr. Murphy reported that the Committee's recommendation to Council was to give 2nd Reading to the Street Name Change, changing Steeds Lake Road to Cryco Trail. Council voted unanimously in favor of the recommendation.

COMMITTEE REPORTS CONTINUED

PLANNING, DEVELOPMENT AND BUILDING COMMITTEE

ANY OTHER SUCH BUSINESS

ISOLATED WETLANDS

10. Mr. Murphy reported the Committee's unanimous recommendation to have a letter written by the Chairman to the Governor or State Legislator supporting the issue that the state regulates all of the isolated wetlands and not the Counties. Council voted unanimously in favor of the recommendation.

The Chairman passed the gavel to the Vice Chairman to give his Committee Report.

BUDGET, FINANCE & PURCHASING COMMITTEE
CHAIRMAN RANDY SCOTT

2nd READING TAN FY 2004-2005

11. Chairman Scott reported that the Committee's recommendation to Council is to give 2nd Reading to the TAN for Fiscal Year 2004-2005; in the amount is \$7.5 million dollars. Council voted unanimously in favor of the recommendation.

2nd READING COUNTY BUDGET FY 2004-2005

12. Chairman Scott reported that the Committee's recommendation to Council is to give 2nd Reading to the Fiscal Year 2004-2005 County Budget. Council voted unanimously in favor of the recommendation.

APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

TRIDENT WORKFORCE INVESTMENT BOARD

13. On the motion of Mr. Davis, seconded by Mr. Rosebrock, Council voted unanimously to reappointment Mr. Robert Smith and to appoint Ms. Jennifer Gage to the Trident Workforce Investment Board.

DORCHESTER COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH BOARD

14. On the motion of Mr. Hargett, seconded by Rosebrock, Council voted unanimously to recommend Ms. Merle Handelsman to the Governor for reappointment to the Dorchester County Mental Health Board.

DORCHESTER COUNTY BOARD OF DISABILITIES AND SPECIAL NEEDS

14. On the motion of Mr. Davis, seconded by Waggoner, Council voted unanimously to recommend for reappointment to the Governor Ms. Lisa Lemon, Ms. Shirley Lang and Mr. Anthony J. Pieretti, Sr. to the Dorchester County Board of Disabilities and Special Needs.

The Chairman passed the gavel to the Vice –Chairman in order to make the next appointment.

DORCHESTER COUNTY BOARD OF SOCIAL SERVICES

15. On the motion of Mr. Scott, seconded by Mr. Elliott, Council voted unanimously to recommend to the Governor Ms. Nancy Shows for reappointment to the Dorchester County Social Services Board.

CHARLESTON SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY PROPERTY

16. Mr. Hargett made the motion, seconded by Mr. Rosebrock, that the County contract for a wetlands delineation of the property under contract with Charleston Southern University with a cost not to exceed \$2,200 and that the County Attorney obtain an extension of the inspection period for an additional 30 days so that the survey of the wetlands can be completed.

17. Mr. Elliott made an amendment to the main motion, seconded by Chairman Scott, stating that the money for the contract comes from County Council contingency fund. Council voted in favor of the motion and the amendment.

DORCHESTER COUNTY BOARD OF SOCIAL SERVICES

18. On the motion of Mr. Elliott, seconded by Chairman Scott, Council voted unanimously to recommend to the Governor the reappointment of Mr. Joseph A. Valentino to the Dorchester County Social Services Board.

19. On the motion of Mr. Hargett, seconded by Chairman Scott, Council voted unanimously to recommend to the Governor the reappointment of Ms. Nancy C. Stice to the Dorchester County Social Services Board.

ADJOURNMENT

20. On the motion of Chairman Scott, seconded by Mr. Elliott, Council voted unanimously to adjourn. Time of adjournment 7:40 p.m.

Sandy W. Lawley, Clerk to Council