

COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL AS A WHOLE REPORT

Council Members:

Chris Bowers, Chairman
Roy Costner, Vice Chairman
Trey Whitehurst
Alex Saitta
Henry Wilson
Ensley Feemster

Staff in Attendance:

Ken Roper, County Administrator
Meagan Nations, Clerk to Council
Les Hendricks, Contract Attorney

The Committee of the Whole met in Council Chambers, at the Pickens County Administration Facility, on Monday, September 19, 2022. All members of the committee were in attendance, with Chairman Chris Bowers presiding.

WELCOME AND CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Chris Bowers called the Committee of the Whole meeting to order at 6:00 P.M., and Vice Chairman Roy Costner led the Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance.

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PROVISION OF COUNTY EMPLOYEE HEALTH BENEFITS FOR UPCOMING FISCAL YEAR – *Log No. 191*

- Travis Smith, Stuart Bedenbaugh and Kimberly Perry, with McGriff, were present at the meeting.
- Council, County Staff and McGriff Staff had discussion that included, but was not limited to:
 - McGriff Staff did a very informative review of Fully Insured and Self-Funded Arrangements – with a renewal on January 1, 2023
 - Discussion on Fully Insured vs. Self-Insured
 - Third Party Administrator Discussion
 - Pharmaceuticals
 - Rebates – Self-Insured
 - Primary Care, Urgent Care, etc. for Self-Insured
 - Procurement Process for Pickens County
- After much more discussion, Councilman Henry Wilson made a motion to pursue the fully-insured process as initially stated and see what final opportunities can be resolved in a negotiation process with our broker. Motion was seconded by Councilman Ensley Feemster. The motion carried (4-2), with Councilman Alex Saitta and Councilman Trey Whitehurst opposed.
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AN ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH STANDARDS AND LIMITATIONS ON FUTURE DEVELOPMENT ON THE SOUTH CAROLINA HIGHWAY 11 SCENIC BYWAY AND MATTERS RELATED THERETO– *Log No. 205*

- The Committee had very detailed discussion on this Ordinance. Discussion was included but was not limited to:
 - 2014 Design Guidelines Information for Cherokee Foothills National Scenic Byway
 - Appalachian Council of Government Highway 11 Corridor Study
 - Personal Property Rights
 - Shoulder and View sheds of the Highway
 - Buffer
 - Economic Impact
 - Some Items that Council would like to see changed in Ordinance:
 - Land Bank
 - Best Practices on Buffer
 - No Industrial
 - Hwy 11 in Pickens County to North Carolina Line + 2 Miles
 - Commercials at Intersections
 - Guidelines for Commercials behind the Buffer

- After much discussion between Council & Staff, Councilman Trey Whitehurst made a motion for this item to stay in Committee and for Staff to bring back the proposed changes in the Ordinance to Council. Motion was seconded by Councilman Henry Wilson and carried (5-1), with Councilman Alex Saitta opposed.

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ADJOURN:

Hearing no further Committee business, Chairman Chris Bowers called for a motion to adjourn. Motion was made by Councilman Trey Whitehurst, seconded by Councilman Henry Wilson and carried unanimously (6-0). Meeting was adjourned at 9:06 p.m.