

**Pickens County Council Meeting**  
**Regular Meeting**  
 Items Before the Pickens County Council on

**Monday, August 2, 2004**  
**7:00 PM**

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County Council met in regular session in the auditorium, County Administration Facility, with Chairman Ronald D. Harrison presiding. Agendas, bearing date, time and location of meeting, were mailed to Council members and local news media July 29, 2004.

Council Members in attendance:

Ronald D. Harrison, Chairman  
 Norman D. Langston, Vice Chairman  
 James London, Vice Chairman Pro-tempore  
 James H. Patten, III  
 C. Roy Collins  
 Jennifer H. Willis

Staff: Alan M. Ours, County Administrator  
 Lynn Fisher, Assistant County Administrator  
 Donna F. Owen, Clerk to Council  
 Ken Roper, County Attorney

AGENDA

Committee Reports

a. Administration and Finance Committee

<b>129</b>	Request from the Pickens County Legislative Delegation to increase the rate of pay for the secretary to the delegation.	02/02/04	Committee recommends removing this issue off the Committee Log due to the Compensation study being complete. <b><u>Approved</u></b>
<b>137</b>	Consideration of options for the use of the current Easley Headquarters Library after it is vacated in early 2005.	05/03/04	Committee recommends an appraisal and to research deeds to determine any specific requirements regarding this property. <b><u>Approved</u></b>
<b>138</b>	Consideration of a possible 10 percent penalty against a public safety grant. A current public safety grant requires the county to provide better health benefits to an	05/03/04	Committee recommends payment of the 10% penalty and check future grants for these same provisions. <b><u>Approved</u></b>

	officer (that is paid by the grant) who is injured in the line of duty and is no longer able to work than a regular officer that is working full time.		
139	Consideration of a request from the Pickens County Aeronautics Commission to contract for a self-serve fuel machine for the Airport. The cost of the equipment would be charged back to the customers on a per gallon basis	05/03/04	Committee recommends approval of the self service fuel contract with Chevron Fuels.  >>Committee request delay  <b><u>Approved</u></b>
140	Consideration of funding recommendations from the Accommodations Tax Advisory Committee.	06/07/04	Committee recommends amending the proposal to take \$5,000.00 away from the museum request and \$50.00 away from the Beautification request in order to provide \$5,050.00 to the Central Heritage Society. Also motion included that if additional funds become available, those funds will be added back to the museum request. <b><u>Approved</u></b>
141	Consideration to approve the selection of an insurance broker to advise Pickens County on matters related to employee health insurance.	06/07/04	Committee recommends approval for Benefits Management Group to provide services to Pickens County regarding health insurance.  <b><u>Approved</u></b>
142	Study of the proposed budget for the Jail expansion.	<i>Staff added</i>	Committee recommends approval of \$64,000 to come from contingency to provide for the overage on the jail expansion.  <b><u>Approved</u></b>

b. Public Service Committee

Item	Description	Referred	Report/Action
41	Storm water drainage problem, Silver Lake Road Retain on Log 1/6/03	04/02/01	Committee recommends to proceed with the bid process for the expansion of the existing retention pond.  <b><u>Approved</u></b>
64	Sewer capacity for industrial growth in the George's creek project. Availability Fees. Retain on Log 1/6/03	04/01/02	Committee approves the availability fees as recommended by the consultant and the Public Service Commission. Georges Creek Area: \$4,508.00.  Committee also will look at the availability fees for Twelve and Eighteen Mile Creek Basin.  <b><u>Approved</u></b>
95	Study waterfall road	06/02/03	No action.
103	Consideration of request from the City of Liberty to re-convey the properties of Lusk and Black Bottom, former sewer lagoons to the City of Liberty.	10/06/03	Committee recommends to re-convey the property back to the City of Liberty with the agreement that the City of Liberty will do the necessary survey and fencing, and assure the right of ways for County access.  <b><u>Approved</u></b>
109	Request from the Pickens County Public Service Commission to close	04/05/04	In May of 2004 Council approved Alternative Plan 3 as recommended by the Public Service Commission and

	the Cramer Waste Water Treatment Plant and transfer the daily wastewater to the Upper Waste Water Treatment Plant on the Eighteen Mile Creek.		Hulsey McCormick & Wallace Inc. Approximate Capital Cost was \$859,000.00. However due issues with the Liberty line, the engineers have made the recommendation to reroute the line at a cost of \$865,150.00.  The Committee recommends the alternate route (Alternative 2) as does the Public Service Commission.  <b><u>Approved</u></b>
<b>110</b>	Consider amendment to Ord. No. 333; Section 1-17	06/07/04	Committee recommends the following be added to section 1-17

Public Hearing and Second Reading of Ordinance No. 343, to Define and Regulate Automobile Towing Storage and Recovery Yards in the Unincorporated Areas of Pickens County, South Carolina

**Approved**

Public Hearing and Second Reading of Ordinance No. 342, Authorizing the Assignment and Transfer to Honeywell Nylon LLC of that Certain Lease Agreement Between Pickens County, South Carolina, And Honeywell Nylon Inc. (As Assignee And Transferee of BASF).

Honeywell Nylon is changing their business form from a corporation to a limited liability company, and the attached ordinance authorizes the transfer of their existing FILOT for their Clemson plant from Honeywell Nylon Inc. to Honeywell Nylon LLC, and leaves the FILOT otherwise unchanged

**Approved**

First reading of an Ordinance Authorizing The Execution And Delivery Of A Fee In Lieu Of Tax Agreement By And Between Pickens County, South Carolina (The County) And The Paul Project (The Company); Authorizing The Conveyance Of Certain Real Property Of The County To The Company; And Other Matters Relating Thereto.

**Approved**

Consideration to approve Intergovernmental agreement between Pickens County and the Cities of Easley and Clemson for the provision of animal control services. The proposed agreements have been approved by the Cities and set forth the services that will be provided by Pickens County. The County Attorney has reviewed and approved the content of the agreement. Approval of the proposed agreement is recommended.

**Approved**

Consideration to add information on tourism sites in Pickens County to the County's Web Site. Members of Council have expressed an interest in adding information contained in the new "Tour Pickens County South Carolina" brochure to the County's Web Site. The County's Web Site vendor has reviewed this and has proposed a cost of \$4500.00, which can be taken from the Contingency Fund with Council's consent.

**Approved**

Consideration of a request to approve a grant application for funds to support the 2004 Upcountry Folklife Festival. A grant application has been prepared and with Council's approval will be submitted to the South Carolina Arts Commission for funding in the amount of \$5,250.00 to assist with the 2004 Pickens County Upcountry Folklife Festival, which is held at the Hagood Mill Site. The grant requires an equal match of \$5,250.00, which is generated by gate revenues on the day of the Festival. Council approval is recommended.

**Approved**

#### Appointments to Boards and Commission

- Saluda Lake Special Tax District. Gary Osteen-**Reappointed**

- Recreation Committee. Mrs. Joan Alexander-**Appointed**
- Economic Development Alliance. Dr. Mendal Stewart, Mr. Edward Martin, Mr. Jay Ratterree – **Appointed**
- Animal Control Task Force: **The following citizens were appointed to the new Animal Control Task Force:**

*Bob McKee, Pamela Nalley , Michael Vance Maureen Harris, Lori McGregor ,Beth Dunn, Anthony Collins, Michelle Collins, Cheryl Shuett, and Teresa Wimer.*

*Staff liaisons: Carolyn Wemet – Humane Society*

*Donnie Green - Pickens County Animal Control Officer*

Approval of the Consent agenda

**Approved**

Approval of Minutes from July 6, 2004

Consideration to designate a non-profit agency to administer local accommodations tax revenue that is earmarked for the promotion of tourism. State law provides that 30% of the accommodations tax revenue received by a local government must be given to a non-profit agency to promote tourism. Consideration needs to be given to selecting an agency to administer these funds. It is requested that this matter be referred to the Administration and Finance Committee.

Executive Session

- Receive legal advice regarding existing litigation
- Personnel Issue

**Approved**

Adjourn

**9:50 PM**