

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

**Monday, June 6, 2005
7:00 PM**

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County Council met in regular session, in the auditorium, County Administration Facility, with Chairman Jennifer H. Willis presiding. Agendas, bearing date, time and location of meeting, were mailed to Council members and local news media on June 1, 2005.

Council Members in attendance:
Jennifer H. Willis, Chairman
G. Neil Smith, Vice Chairman
James B. London, Vice Chairman Pro Tempore
Tom E. Ponder
Ben L. Trotter

Absent: C. Roy Collins

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

Committee Reports:

Justice and Public Safety Committee.

Item	Description	Referred	Report
17	Update Council Rules	01/18/05	No action, committee amended Section 4, Ordinances and Resolutions. This amendment along with all changes will be forthcoming at a later date.

18	Policy for naming public buildings	01/18/05	No, Action, committee amended the Council rules for naming public buildings. <u>Section 4- Ordinances and Resolutions.</u> **to be presented with rules**
19	Policy Issues Regarding Fire Districts	04/04/05	No action, committee discussed having meetings in order to assist fire districts with procedural issues regarding public meetings, Freedom of Information, and all requirements regarding public meetings.
20	Proposed resolution to support the creation of a new judicial circuit of Oconee and Pickens Counties.	04/18/05	Committee requested for staff to do a cost analysis , and to have a future meeting with all parties involved to discuss the proposed resolution. <u>APPROVED</u>

Administration and Finance Committee:

Item	Description	Referred	Action
155	Consideration to renew lease with the City of Easley for office space at the West End Hall for the Easley Magistrate and the Legislative Delegation.	04/04/05	Committee recommends renewing the (1) year lease for the Magistrate and Legislative Delegation office. <u>APPROVED</u>
156	Consideration of a request from the Holly Springs Fire Department to pay off an existing lease and purchase a new fire tanker truck.	04/04/05	Committee recommends approval. <u>APPROVED</u>
157	Request from Alliance Pickens to entertain proposals from engineering firms to provide site planning services for the Pickens County Commerce Park.	04/18/05	Committee recommends approval for the site planning and further recommends authorization for up to \$10,000.00 for soil testing. <u>APPROVED</u>
158	Funding recommendations for 2005 from the Accommodations Tax Advisory Committee.	04/18/05	Committee recommends increasing the following: \$1,000 to American Red Cross "Bike Thing". \$2,000 to the Norris Community Festival. \$3,700 to Long Shoals Wayside Park. Committee recommends reducing the following : Easley Chamber by \$3350.00, for a balance of <u>\$4,150.00</u> Pendleton District by, \$3350.00, for a balance of <u>\$6,650.00</u> <u>APPROVED</u>

160	A request from Easley Custom Plastics for a five year exemption from county taxes as a result of a change in ownership	04/18/05	Committee heard the request for a five year exemption and understands the exemption is automatic for new equipment. However the Committee concurs with staff recommendation that the five year exemption be denied for existing equipment. <u>Approved</u>
161	Adoption of a Budget Amendment containing estimates of revenue and expenditure changes for Pickens County for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2004 and ending June 30, 2005.	05/02/05	Committee went over the budget amendment with staff. <i>**presented to full council for public hearing and second reading 6/6/05 agenda.</i>
162	Consideration of a Veterans Holiday	05/02/05	No action, committee did not discuss.

Public Hearing and Second Reading of Ordinance No. 360 to provide for an amendment to the FY 2005 budget ordinance.

Approved

Second Reading of the FY 2005/2006 Budget Ordinance No. 357

Approved as amended (see all budget amendments in the official minutes)

Third reading of Ordinance No. 359 to establish and create a special tax district to be known as Saluda Ridge Special Tax District; to define the nature and level of the services to be rendered therein; to authorize the imposition and collection of a uniform service charge sufficient to pay for the services to be rendered therein, which shall be imposed solely within that portion of Pickens County lying within the Saluda Ridge Special Tax District; And other matters relating thereto.

Approved

Resolution No. 05-08 to honor Chrystal Gaye Stout.

The adoption of this resolution was requested by Rick Simmons, Pickens County Veterans Affairs Officer, and is being sponsored by Council Member Trotter.

Approved

Consideration of a request to appropriate funds from the Contingency Account to purchase a vehicle for the Codes Enforcement Officer.

Approved

Consideration of a request to pay for the pro-rata share of the County Fire Department's cost of the design of the proposed fire training facility from the Contingency Account.

Sent to Committee of Justice and Public Safety

Consent Agenda

Minutes were amended to reflect the DSO going to the Education, Recreation, and county Planning Committee instead of the Planning Commission.

- a. Minutes of May 16, 2005

Approved as amended

The remaining consent agenda was approved:

- b. Consideration of a request to review the internal and external service delivery of the County Vehicle Maintenance Department. The delivery of service to both internal and external customers of the Vehicle Maintenance Department was discussed at a budget work session of County Council at which time Council requested that this matter be referred to the Public Service Committee for further study.
- c. Consideration of a request to review the type of vehicles used by County departments. This matter was discussed at a budget work session of County Council at which time Council requested that this matter be referred to the Public Service Committee for further study.
- d. Consideration to renew agreement between Pickens County and the Foothills Humane Society for animal care and adoption services. The existing agreement with the Humane Society expires June 30, 2005. The Animal Welfare Task Force has recommended additional language to be placed into the agreement with the Humane Society, which will be provided to Council under separate cover. It is requested that this matter be referred to the Administration and Finance Committee.

Executive Session:

Appointments to Boards

Library Board. Re-appointment of John McKenzie and appointment of Bill Seel. **Approved.**

Behavioral Health Services. Reappointments of Mary Babb, Gary Frayley, and Mabry McCrary. **Approved.**

Crosswell Fire District. Reappointment of Alvin Duncan and Karl Earl. **Approved.**

14. Adjourn