

Regular Pickens County Council Meeting

November 7, 2016

6:30 PM

County Council met in regular session, in the Auditorium, County Administration Facility, with Chairman Willis presiding. Agendas, bearing date, time, and location of meeting were mailed to Council members and local news media on October 31, 2016.

Council Members in Attendance:

Jennifer H. Willis, Chairman
Trey Whitehurst, Vice Chairman
Tom Ponder, Vice Chairman Pro-Tem
G. Neil Smith
Randy Crenshaw
Ensley Feemster

Staff in Attendance:

Gerald Wilson, County Administrator
Ken Roper, County Attorney
Renee Gray, Administrative Assistant
Crystal A. Alexander, Clerk to Council (Absent)

WELCOME AND CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Willis called the meeting of November 7, 2016 to order and welcomed those in attendance. Councilman Tom Ponder further led the Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC FORUM:

Chairman Willis opened the Public Forum and requested the Administrative Assistant to call upon the citizens who signed up to speak.

1. Helen Dodgens: Ms. Dodgens appeared to discuss Pickens County Poll Training issues.
2. Junius Smith: Mr. Smith appeared to discuss PCB contamination in Pickens County, the proposed 7.8 million GO bond and the earmarked funds for the jail.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion was made by Chairman Willis and seconded by Councilman Randy Crenshaw to approve the October 3, 2016 minutes as well as the October 17, 2016 special called minutes. The motion unanimously passed to approve the minutes as presented.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:

- Mr. Wilson asked Council to consider adding a contractual item at the Commerce Park to tonight's Executive Session.
- Second, Mr. Wilson wanted to advise Council that SLED has cleared Pickens County of any wrongdoing in the museum investigation.
- County Attorney, Ken Roper, was then requested by Mr. Wilson to read Press Release 1 "Pickens County cleared in SLED Probe."

COUNCIL CORRESPONDENCE:

Chairman Willis had two items for Council Correspondence:

1. Catechee Beach Groundbreaking will take place next Wednesday, November 16th at 11:00 at the site.
2. On Monday, November 14 the Education Recreation Health Welfare and County Planning Committee will meet at 5:00; the Administration and Finance Committee will meet at 6:00 pm.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Committee of the Whole - Chairman Willis gave the following report:

The Committee of the Whole met in the Main Conference Room on Monday, October 17, 2016 at 7:27 p.m. following the special called meeting. All members of council were in attendance with Chairman Willis presiding.

Staff in Attendance:

- Gerald Wilson, County Administrator
- Ken Roper, County Attorney
- Crystal A. Alexander, Clerk to Council
- Rick Clark, Sheriff
- Marvin Nix, Captain
- Kristy Leopard, Lieutenant
- Drew Sisco, Director of the Prison

Item	Description	Referred	Report	Action
15	<p>(former information regarding Pickens Gym)</p> <p>Pickens County Recreation facilities.</p> <p>Retained 2015 Retained 2016</p>		08/19/2013	<p>>>Committee recommends that effective with council action within the next 60 days, a policy will be in place that states all properties purchased with a deed will have full council approval and will come from capital funds and not recreation funds. There are (3) transactions as of this date that will be reimbursed to those recreation districts-1) Old Pickens Gym, 2) Dacusville School, 3) Liberty Middle School. Moving forward, Council will review all purchase transactions prior to them taking place, and those transactions will need council approval. Policy will also state that while all capital projects involving a deed will have council approval, that other recreational request will have courtesy approval but not a requirement.</p> <p>>>Committee moved that the recreation fund be renamed to the Recreation, Tourism, and Hospitality fund to be disbursed by individual council members subject to the collective wisdom of the entire council; and reports will be submitted on a quarterly basis. This does not include capital purchases</p>

			08/29/2016	-Tommy Webster updated the Committee on the Old Pickens Gym <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Committee directed Staff as follows: obtain cost of asbestos removal; begin conversation with the City of Pickens regarding their possible interest in property; and to determine estimated revenue from recycling materials from site to report back to Council
			10/17/2016	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ No Committee action; however, Staff was directed to prepare an ordinance for consideration on the November agenda to give the lower parking lot and building to the City and lease the upper parking lot and the rest of the land.
23	Ordinance No. 479 to repeal ordinances 264 284 and 380 as they relate to conducting municipal elections Ord received: 3/17 first 06/23 second (to COW) Retained 2015 Retained 2016	06/23/2014	08/29/2016	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Committee directed Staff to research this item and determine if it is still germane and report back.
			10/17/2016	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Committee recommends removing item no. 23 from the log (5-0, with Councilman Tom Ponder temporarily absent).
			11/07/2016	>Council approved to remove item from the log.
25	County Buildings/space and master plan- Retained 2015 Retained 2016	09/15/2014	04/06/2015	No action, staff went over properties. The Committee did ask for staff feedback on several properties.
			08/17/2015	No Committee action, staff will look at issues such as contracts and deeds as it relates to certain properties.
			08/29/2016	-Tommy Webster provided an update on the master plan. Gerald Wilson advised the Committee there may be an additional expense of \$10,000 to complete the Probate Judge renovation correctly <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Committee recommends approving the additional \$10,000 needed to complete the renovation of the Probate Judge office
			09/19/2016	>Council approved the

			10/17/2016	<p>recommendations from 08/29/16</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Committee directed Staff to look at county property to improve aesthetics and functionality to include, but not limited to: appearance of mold on some buildings; excessive signage in parking lots; structure of parking that is functional for citizens; etc. ▪ Committee recommends removing item no. 25 from the log (6-0 vote).
			11/07/2016	<p>> Council approved to remove item from the log.</p>
27	Legal System Overview Committee Retained 2016	03/02/2015	04/16/2015	<p>>Committee recommends giving a \$15,000 incentive/reimbursement to the City of Easley to build an exercise facility as discussed in the Jail Workshop. In addition, on July 1, 2015 there will be a uniform rate of \$65.00 as established by the rate as paid by the City of Liberty for juveniles. The \$65.00 rate is for all detainees at the Law Enforcement Center that are coming in from municipalities and all other agencies.</p> <p>In a separate discussion of the Legal System Overview: >Committee recommends allowing the Justice and Public Safety Committee to formulate a study group. This will come back to the Committee of the Whole for next steps.</p>
			08/17/2017	<p>No Committee action, Mr. Ponder wanted to clarify that he could begin meeting with a core group (as previously discussed) to discuss issues relating to the jail study. Mr. Ponder will call these meetings in the manner of an advisory board, and report items back to the Committee of the Whole.</p>
			02/01/2016	<p>Committee recommends for Councilman Neil Smith to have a</p>

			08/29/2016	<p>person to come to the council committee in order to advise regarding jail consultants and expectation as Council moves forward with a professional Request for Qualifications. >council approved</p> <p>-Michael Hayes reviewed the jail plans to the Committee. It was communicated there are decisions that would require a vote by Council to include a possible consolidation of the Stockade and the Jail</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ An item will be added to the September agenda to further discuss the design, build and possible consolidation of the Jail.
			10/17/2016	<p>-Staff presented a potential cost savings analysis with outsourcing the food service for the prison and the jail. This was discovered in the overall review of the jail system and was intended to be informational. --No action taken by Committee</p>
29	<p>Fire District Review</p> <p>***Note # 40 Re- Pumpkintown request.</p> <p>***note 09/21/15 (buildings/portable at fire training)</p> <p>First Reading to Amend the Uniform Fire District Ordinance regarding boundary lines. 08/17/2015 Retained 2016</p>	04/06/2015	05/04/2015	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Committee gave staff a list of GIS requests in order to obtain an idea of existing fire districts and future needs. Committee will look at all ISO ratings. • Committee will specifically be obtaining information about areas that are outside a 5 mile radius of fire stations. • Next meeting will be scheduled in accordance with staff obtaining data.
			08/17/2015	<p>Committee is making the fire district lines a first priority- >>Committee recommends a first reading of an ordinance to amend the uniform fire district ordinance to revisit boundary lines in general, with an emphasis in areas that are outside a 5 mile radius of one district, but are within a 5 mile radius in a</p>

				<p>neighboring district.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Staff will look at allowance for general tax revenue rules • Revenue gains and losses as lines are redrawn • Fees and ISO ratings within districts • Review where stations need to be placed for maximum efficiency/Insurance rates for homeowners <hr/> <p>(During other fire discussion --new Road at Shady Grove will be named - Ford Connector)</p> <hr/> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Committee directed Staff to look at County fire stations to ensure the County is providing adequate protection to citizens --Remains in committee <p>10/17/2016 --No Committee action taken-Staff will report back mid-November.</p>
31	RFQ- Engineering and Architects Retained 2016	05/06/2015	06/15/2015	<p><u>Engineering Services:</u> >Committee recommends Staff to negotiate contract with Hulsey McCormick & Wallace for Wastewater & Solid Waste.</p> <p>>Committee recommends Staff to negotiate contract with W.K. Dickson for the Airport.</p> <p>Committee will further look at Stormwater and Economic Development needs.</p> <p><u>Architect Services :</u> >Committee recommends for Staff go back out for R.F.Q.</p> <p>Retain in the Committee >approved</p> <p>08/17/2015 <u>Engineering Services:</u> >Committee recommends Staff to negotiate contract with Davis and</p>

			08/29/2016	Floyd for Alliance Pickens -Gerald Wilson advised Council bids went out and Staff reviewed four firms. The results were provided to Council along with a recommendation to proceed with DP3 Architects. ▪ Committee recommends accepting Staff's recommendation
			09/19/2016	>Council approved the recommendations from 08/29/16
			10/17/2016	▪ Committee recommends removing item no. 31 from the log (5-0 with Councilman Neil Smith absent at vote).
			11/07/2016	>Council approved to remove item from the log.
34	Follow up plan for staff-(projects and other council instruction) Retained 2016	05/06/2015	08/29/2016	No Committee action taken
			10/17/2016	▪ Committee recommends removing item no. 34 from the log (5-0 with Councilman Neil Smith absent at vote).
			11/07/2016	>Council approved to remove item from the log.
35	Long Range Plan for Economic Development Retained 2016	05/06/2015	10/19/2015	>Committee requested staff to get the data on past borings tests in the park; also to have engineers to move forward and provide bid package/quotes for overall grading for pad-ready sites.
			02/01/2016	>approved Committee recommends accepting the proposal from Davis & Floyd for the grading plan of parcels for civil engineering design, permitting, and project bidding.
			08/29/2016	-Ray Farley briefed Council on the long range plan for economic development -Staff plans to provide Council with bids by November 2016 ▪ Councilman Tom Ponder requested Staff to research the property on 123 and Ruhamah Rd. and report

				back to Council <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Councilman Neil Smith wants to ensure this project is added to the master list of projects --Remains in committee 10/17/2016 --No Committee action taken
36	Recreation/Parks/Tourism Retained 2016	05/06/2015	08/29/2016	--No Committee action taken
			10/17/2016	--No Committee action taken
38	Investigation of the Hagood Mill property Retained 2016 Note-09/21 organization of mill/museum	06/15/2015	08/29/2016	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ After discussion by the Committee and Staff, Chairman Willis directed to add this item, as it relates to recourse, to the September 19th agenda ▪ Committee recommended First Reading in Title Only of an Ordinance Dissolving the Cultural Commission of Pickens County. This passed with a 4-1 vote, with Vice Chairman Trey Whitehurst opposed as he wishes to discuss all options before making a decision -- Remains in committee 09/19/2016 >Council did <u>not</u> approve first reading in title only to dissolve the Cultural Commission (failed with 0-5 vote) 10/17/2016 --No Committee action taken

Motion to adjourn was made by Councilman Tom Ponder, seconded by Vice Chairman Trey Whitehurst and unanimously passed, 5-0 with Councilman Neil Smith absent at adjournment. The Committee stood adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Public Service Committee – Councilman Tom Ponder gave the following report:

The Public Service Committee met in the Main Conference Room at the Pickens County Administration Facility on Tuesday, October 25, 2016. All members of the committee were in attendance with Chairman Tom Ponder presiding.

Staff in Attendance:

Gerald Wilson, County Administrator
Crystal A. Alexander, Clerk to Council
Ken Roper, County Attorney
Chris Brink
Brian O’Kelley
Clint Dickey

Log No.	Description	Referred	Report	Action
20	Wastewater impact fee ord. Retained 2012 Retained 2013 Retained 2014 Retained 2015 Retained 2016	08/20/2012	09/15/2014 09/14/2016 09/19/2016 10/25/2016 11/07/2016	<p>Committee recommends for staff to update the ordinance and provide a memorandum back to the Administrator as it relates to providing services.</p> <p>-Staff provided an update to the Committee with their recommendation to increase the availability fee from \$1,860 to \$2,340.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Committee recommends to approve the increase of the availability fee to \$2,340 by first reading in title only of an ordinance ▪ Committee further recommends Staff to present their recommendation from the Sewer Business Plan within 30 days of this meeting <p>--Remains in Committee</p> <p>>During discussion Council unanimously moved to postpone the first reading in title only to increase the availability fee until more information is received by Staff</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Committee directed Staff to provide a list of property owners that could be impacted and assumptions on growth/capacity. ▪ Committee recommends changing the 'sewer fee' on tax notices to reflect a term better conducive to the County doing business (i.e., infrastructure fee). ▪ Committee recommends a first reading in title only to increase the availability fee to \$2,340. <p>>After much discussion, Council approved a first reading in title only of the increase the availability</p>

				fee to \$2,340 with a 5-1 vote, with Vice Chairman Trey Whitehurst opposing.
21	Events/Permitting re. public roads Retained 2013 Retained 2014 Retained 2015 Retained 2016 First Reading 05/04/15	05/06/2013	09/15/2014	>>Council recommends that staff write an Ordinance as it relates to permits for use of County Roads. This should include input from the Planning Director and the Sheriff. Items in the ordinance should include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fee/no fee • Types of events (Christmas Parade, Festivals, other) • Sponsors of the event • Liability insurance certificate for the event • Penalty for non-compliance • Maps, and road closures
			04/20/2015	This ordinance will come back to the committee Committee recommends development of permit and first reading of an ordinance for events of bicycle races and runs/walks/marathons.
			5/04/2015	>>Council Approved a first reading of an ordinance for events of bikes races/runs/walks and marathons. <i>(Added on 09/14/16 per review of 05/04/2015 minutes-CAA)</i>
			09/14/2016	-Staff presented the Committee with a draft ordinance on 09/14/16 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Committee will review the draft ordinance and discuss at the next Committee meeting --Remains in Committee
			10/25/2016	▪ Committee directed Staff if the ordinance passes to further educate the Sheriff and the

			11/07/2016	<p>cyclist community.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Committee recommends approving the second reading of Ordinance no. 524 establishing standards and permitting procedures for certain outdoor special events as presented. (ORD 524-Clean version; ORD 524-Redline version) <p>>Council unanimously approved second reading of Ordinance No. 524, as presented.</p>
28	Roads in Farms at Beaver Creek Subdivision	07/18/2016	09/14/2016	<p>-Staff advised the Committee the request to accept roads in Farms at Beaver Creek as a division 1 road does not meet the County requirements</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Committee directed Staff to research any liens on the referenced property ▪ Committee directed Staff to determine the cost for the County to bring the referenced road(s) up to Division 1 standards to further present to the homeowners ▪ Committee directed Staff to determine how many other subdivision roads in the County are involved in a similar issue <p>--Remains in Committee</p>
			10/25/2016	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Committee recommends Staff's recommendation that the roads do not meet the criteria outlined in the county ordinance; and therefore, the County should proceed with providing the property owners of The Farms at Beaver Creek with an estimate and further recommend they develop a HOA to address the issue. <i>Recommends removing item no. 28 from the log.</i>
			11/07/2016	>Council approved to remove the

Motion to adjourn was made by Councilman Neil Smith, seconded by Councilman Randy Crenshaw and unanimously passed. The Committee stood adjourned at 11:48 a.m.

MOTION PERIOD AND NEW BUSINESS:

- Chairman Willis recognized herself to add to Executive Session the contractual matter at the Commerce Park that Mr. Wilson brought to their attention. It was seconded by Councilman Neil Smith and unanimously passed.
- Councilman Neil Smith motioned that the 20 year Waste Water Study be added to the Consent Agenda. Motion was seconded by Councilman Randy Crenshaw and unanimously passed that the study would go to Public Service Committee.

PUBLIC HEARING AND THIRD READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 522 TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF A NOT EXCEEDING SEVEN MILLION EIGHT HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$7,800,000) GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND, SERIES 2016 OF PICKENS COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA, TO PRESCRIBE THE PURPOSES FOR WHICH THE PROCEEDS SHALL BE EXPENDED, TO PROVIDE FOR THE PAYMENT THEREOF, AND OTHER MATTERS RELATING THERETO.

- Chairman Willis opened the public hearing for comments regarding Ordinance No.522.
 - a) Mr. Junius Smith stood to say that if Council passes this ordinance, it is unconstitutional. He further stated that Council must tell the people what the money is for; putting it in a general account and spending it on expenses is not right.
- There being no more speakers, Chairman Willis closed the public hearing.
- Motion was made by Councilman Ensley Feemster and seconded by Councilman Neil Smith to constitute third reading.
- During discussion, Councilman Neil Smith took the floor to address Junius Smith’s concern. He stated that we are not spending any expenses on anything other than expenses for doing the bond; all that is being done is borrowing the money that allows cash flow until the majority of tax notices is collected in January. Administrator Wilson confirmed that we are not going to spend the money anywhere else.
- Attorney Flynn, the Bond Council whom helped draft the ordinance, stood to clarify that we would not be giving the third reading to this ordinance nor would we be providing this public hearing tonight if there were any underlying constitutional concerns. He further stated that as a public body under South Carolina law, Council has the ability to borrow money by way of general obligation debt. Authorization for that is tied to the assessed value of tax base. Pickens County has roughly \$460,000,000 worth of assessed value.
- Chairman Willis motioned to table third reading of the ordinance. The Administration & Finance Committee will meet next week and can look closer into how well these numbers work, and then Council can pull it from table in the December meeting to make amendments. Councilman Neil Smith seconded and the motion passed unanimously to table third reading of Ordinance No. 522.

PUBLIC HEARING AND THIRD READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 517 AUTHORIZING THE CONVEYANCE OF CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY OF PICKENS COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA, KNOWN AS THE OLD HEALTH DEPARTMENT, TO THE TOWN OF CENTRAL; AND OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO.

- Motion was made by Vice Chairman Trey Whitehurst and seconded by Councilman Neil Smith that this constitutes third reading.
- Chairman Willis opened the public hearing for comments regarding Ordinance No.517. There being no speakers, Chairman Willis declared the public hearing closed.

- Motion unanimously passed to constitute third reading of Ordinance No. 517.

PUBLIC HEARING AND THIRD READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 519 TO ESTABLISH STANDARDIZED FEES AND CHARGES FOR COPIES OF RECORDS, AS WELL AS COMPLIANCE WITH FOIA:

- Chairman Willis opened the public hearing for comments regarding Ordinance No.519. There being no speakers, Chairman Willis declared the public hearing closed.
- Motion was made by Councilman Tom Ponder, seconded by Councilman Randy Crenshaw and unanimously passed to constitute third reading of Ordinance No. 519.

THIRD READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 520 AUTHORIZING THE DISSOLUTION OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA WORKLINK WORKFORCE INVESTMENT CORPORATION, A SOUTH CAROLINA NONPROFIT CORPORATION, ESTABLISHED TO SERVE AS THE LOCAL WORKFORCE INVESTMENT BOARD FOR THE WORKFORCE INVESTMENT AREA COMPRISED OF ANDERSON COUNTY, OCONEE COUNTY, AND PICKENS COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA AND CANCELLATION OF THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT BY AND AMONG SAID COUNTIES AND OTHER MATTERS RELATING THERETO:

- Motion was made by Chairman Willis, seconded by Councilman Tom Ponder and unanimously passed to constitute third reading of Ordinance No. 520.

SECOND READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 523 DISSOLVING THE AERONAUTICS COMMISSION OF PICKENS COUNTY AND TRANSFERRING THE DUTIES THEREOF.

- Motion was made by Councilman Tom Ponder and seconded by Councilman Neil Smith to constitute second reading.
- During discussion, Councilman Ensley Feemster stated that he felt that Council should consider allowing the Commission to become an advisory board without the power they previously had. Chairman Willis said that she will consider a different setup, but that there is no other County department that has full time staff telling them how to do their job. They work for us, under the Administrator, and that needs to be consistent across the board. Any type of pilots club needs to be set up in a completely different manner. Councilman Tom Ponder went further into discussion stating that at one point, it was costing approximately \$250,000 a year to operate the airport. However now the airport is operating on its own and generating tax dollars. So now it has reached a point where it is a bona fide county department with a full time staff that does not need an advisory board. He stated that he does not have a problem with a “pilot’s club” or “friends of the airport.” The airport is operating as a business, as it always should have been.
- Motion passed 5-1, with Councilman Ensley Feemster opposed, to constitute second reading of Ordinance No. 523.

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 518 AUTHORIZING THE CONVEYANCE OF CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY OF PICKENS COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA, KNOWN AS THE TEEN CANTEEN, TO THE CITY OF PICKENS; AND OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO .

- Motion was made by Councilman Neil Smith, seconded by Councilman Tom Ponder and unanimously passed to constitute first reading of Ordinance No. 518.

CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION NO. 2016-17 PURSUANT TO STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA FISCAL YEAR 2017 BUDGET PROVISION WHICH PROVIDES THAT LOCAL GOVERNMENTS MUST APPROVE ANY PROPOSED FEDERAL REFUGEE RESETTLEMENT PROGRAMS IN ADVANCE OF IMPLEMENTATION, OPPOSING ANY SUCH PROGRAMS WITHIN PICKENS COUNTY.

- Motion was made by Vice Chairman Trey Whitehurst and seconded by Councilman Tom Ponder to open discussion.
- Vice Chairman Trey Whitehurst has made it as clear as possible to the State that Pickens County will not provide county tax dollars for the funding the resettlement of refugees without knowing exactly who is coming into this county. Councilman Neil Smith joined the discussion stating that we already have immigration issues with Central and South America and that we should let the European countries take care of the Syrian refugees at this point.
- Motion passed unanimously to approve Resolution No. 2016 -17.

CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION NO. 2016-16 TO ADOPT A POLICY AGAINST DOMESTIC VIOLENCE.

- Motion was made by Councilman Neil Smith, seconded by Chairman Willis and unanimously passed to approve Resolution No. 2016-16.

CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE THE ASSISTANCE TO FIREFIGHTERS GRANT (AFG) APPLICATION THROUGH FEMA FOR THE PICKENS RURAL FIRE DISTRICT; AND TO APPROVE THE FIRE DEPARTMENT PORTION OF THE MATCH TO APPROXIMATE \$2000.00 FROM THEIR EQUIPMENT FUNDS.

- Motion was made by Councilman Tom Ponder, seconded by Councilman Randy Crenshaw and unanimously passed to approve the expenditure as presented.

CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE THE ASSISTANCE TO FIREFIGHTERS GRANT (AFG) APPLICATION THROUGH FEMA FOR THE SHADY GROVE FIRE DISTRICT; AND TO APPROVE THE FIRE DEPARTMENT PORTION OF THE MATCH TO APPROXIMATE \$1250.00 FROM THEIR FUND BALANCE.

- Motion was made by Vice Chairman Trey Whitehurst, seconded by Councilman Tom Ponder and unanimously passed to approve the expenditure as presented.

CONSENT AGENDA:

- a) 20 Year Waste Water Plan – Public Service Committee (as added in Motion Period and New Business)
 - Motion was made by Councilman Neil Smith, seconded by Councilman Tom Ponder and unanimously passed to add the item as presented.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: S.C. Code of Laws, Section 30-4-70 (a)

Chairman Willis called for a motion to convene into Executive Session as defined by S.C. Code of Laws, Section 30-4-70 (a). Chairman Willis further stated that each issue would be discussed as the Law provides.

- Motion was made by Councilman Ensley Feemster, seconded by Councilman Tom Ponder and unanimously passed to convene in executive session for the stated purposes:

Legal Issues-Section 30-4-70 (a) (2)

- MRR Pickens LLC

Contractual Issues- Section 30-4-70 (a) (2)

- Recreation Funds
- Economic Development
- Jail Facility
- Pumpkintown Fire Department
- Grading at the Commerce Park (as added in Motion Period and New Business)

Personnel-30-4-70 (a) (1)

- Personnel Items (1)

- Boards and Commissions-30-4-70 (a) (1)
▪New Appointment/ Reappointment Requests (3)

PUBLIC SESSION RECONVENED:

Chairman Willis called the Public Session back to order and advised the following motions:

ACTION AS NEEDED VIA EXECUTIVE SESSION ITEMS:

- Legal Issues-Section 30-4-70 (a) (2)
▪MRR Pickens LLC –**No Action**

- Contractual Issues- Section 30-4-70 (a) (2)
▪Recreation Funds –**Action as follows:**
 - Motion was made to enter into a one year contract with OS Productions to provide production services at the Liberty Civic Auditorium. Motion was seconded and unanimously passed to approve the referenced contract.
▪Economic Development –**No Action**
▪Jail Facility –**No Action**
▪Pumpkintown Fire Department–**No Action**
▪Grading at the Commerce Park (as added in Motion Period and New Business)–**No Action**

- Personnel-30-4-70 (a) (1)
▪Personnel Items (1) –**No Action**

- Boards and Commissions-30-4-70 (a) (1)
▪New Appointment/ Reappointment Requests (3) –**Action as follows:**
 - Motion was made by Vice Chairman Trey Whitehurst to appoint John Abercrombie, David Jones and Bobby Cummings to the Shady Grove Fire District. Motion was seconded by Councilman Neil Smith and unanimously passed.
 - Motion was made by Councilman Randy Crenshaw to appoint Marilyn M. Woods to the Boards of Assessment and Appeals. Motion was seconded by Chairman Willis and unanimously passed.

ADJOURN:

Hearing no further Council business, Chairman Willis called for a motion to adjourn. Motion was made by Vice Chairman Trey Whitehurst, seconded by Councilman Neil Smith and unanimously passed. Pickens County Council stood adjourned at approximately 9:00 p.m.

Respectively Submitted:

Approved:

Renee Gray, Administrative Assistant

Jennifer H. Willis, Chairman