



**MINUTES
ORANGEBURG COUNTY COUNCIL
October 1, 2018
5:30 P.M.**



Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, the news media was notified and notice was posted on the bulletin board 24 hours prior to the meeting.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

- Johnnie Wright, Sr.**
- Janie Cooper-Smith**
- Ray W. Sabalis**
- Willie B. Owens**
- Johnny Ravenell**
- Heyward H. Livingston**
- Harry Wimberly**

MEMBERS ABSENT:

OTHERS PRESENT:

- Harold Young, County Administrator**
- D’Anne Haydel, County Attorney**
- Connie N. Portee, Clerk to Council**

CALL TO ORDER

Johnnie Wright, Sr. Chairman

On the 1st day of October 2018, Chairman Wright called to order a regular session meeting of the Orangeburg County Council at 5:34 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

September 4, 2018 (RS)

Chairman Wright asked for a motion on the minutes of the Orangeburg County Council meeting on the above date be approved as written. Vice-Chairwoman Janie Cooper-Smith made the motion. Councilman Johnny Ravenell seconded the motion. Motion carried. (7-0-0)

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

AGENDA ITEMS

NONE

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OTHER MATTERS

Mrs. Patricia Blaszyk came before Council to express her concerns about area residence wanting their fire safety tax money to go toward the Santee Fire Department. Since the Santee Fire District will be the one answering their calls when dialing 911.

Councilman Ravenell advised what has happened in the past in that area was contracted with Santee Fire District at one point in time and Santee Fire District was being compensated for it but when the County fire system developed the Ellore Station moved closer to the Sanoree area and when that happened they stop contracting with the Santee Fire

Department, however the call volume has increased. The County Fire system and the Santee Fire system will be getting together to contract that area again because they respond to a lot of those calls in that area.

Mrs. Patricia Blaszkzy asked would they get all of the tax money the same as if they lived in the Santee Fire District.

Administrator Young advised the taxes that are taken up for the fire district incorporates all of the area that areas that are unincorporated so it is not just for that area, it's from Woodford all the way to Eutawville wherever it is unincorporated. All of the proceeds could not go towards that fire district because that is what helps balance out the entire County.

Chairman Wright closed public comments of other matters at 5:46 p.m. and went into the regular agenda.

1. Presentation from AT&T

County Council was presented with check for \$90,000 from Ted Creech, Director of AT&T External Affairs.

Chairman Wright entertained a motion to pass the resolution. Vice-Chairwoman Janie Cooper-Smith made the motion. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Ray Sabalis. Motion carried. (7-0-0).

2. Resolution Declaring October 2018 Breast Cancer Awareness Month in Orangeburg County

Chairman Wright yielded to Vice-Chairwoman Janie Cooper-Smith.

Vice-Chairwoman Janie Cooper-Smith read the resolution in its entirety.

Chairman Wright entertained a motion to pass the resolution. Vice-Chairwoman Janie Cooper-Smith made the motion. The motion was seconded by Councilman Johnny Ravenell. Motion carried. (7-0-0).

3. Resolution Honoring Calvin Wright

Chairman Wright read the resolution in its entirety.

Chairman Wright entertained a motion to pass the resolution. Vice-Chairwoman Janie Cooper-Smith made the motion. The motion was seconded by Councilman Johnny Ravenell. Motion carried. (7-0-0)

4. Resolution Honoring Jannella Shuler

Chairman Wright yielded to Vice-Chairwoman Janie Cooper-Smith.

Vice-Chairwoman Janie Cooper-Smith read the resolution in its entirety.

Chairman Wright entertained a motion to pass the resolution. Vice-Chairwoman Janie Cooper-Smith made the motion. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Ray Sabalis. Motion carried. (7-0-0)

5. A Resolution Committing To Negotiate a Fee-In-Lieu of *Ad Valorem* Taxes Agreement between Orangeburg County and Project Crete; Identifying The Project; And Other Matters Related Thereto

Chairman Wright yielded to County Attorney Haydel to give a brief summary. Attorney Haydel advised the resolution was for a new manufacturing facility for the manufacturing packaging and distribution of dry-mix products with a capital investment of \$5,707,000.00, with twenty-eight (28) new full-time jobs, with a thirty (30) year term on a fee-in lieu of tax agreement with a 6% assessment on 406.8 mills and a 20% SSRC (Special Source Revenue Credit for ten (10) years. This resolution is also related to item eleven (11) on the agenda which is an ordinance for first reading and Council can pass a motion on both agenda items at the same time.

Chairman Wright entertained a motion to pass agenda items five (5) and eleven (11). Councilman Johnny Ravenell made the motion. The motion was seconded by Councilman Willie Owens. Motion carried. (7-0-0)

6. A Resolution To Authorize And Approve The Waiver Of A Repurchase Right With Respect To Certain Property Owned By Mars Petcare Us, Inc.; To Authorize And Approve The Execution And Delivery Of A Waiver Of Repurchase Right To Document Such Waiver; And To Provide For Other Matters Related Thereto

Chairman Wright yielded to County Attorney Haydel to give a brief summary. Attorney Haydel advised the resolution was for Mars Petcare which is an old transaction and one of the promises the County got from Mars was if it sold its property it would give the County the right to match whatever the best offer was and the Mars Petcare US, Inc. have a buyer for the property TMS No: 0712-19-02-005 and 0171-00-02-001. Attorney Haydel advised from her understanding the County does not wish to repurchase the property and for legal purposes the attorneys need documentation from the County stating the County is waving their rights to repurchase.

Councilman Wimberly asked was the County waving their right for them to sale to someone else but does the County retain that right for the next buyer.

Administrator Young advised yes the County does. The County is not giving up their rights forever just for this transaction.

Chairman Wright entertained a motion to pass the resolution to authorize and approve the waiver of a repurchase right. Councilman Harry Wimberly made the motion. The motion was seconded by Councilman Willie Owens. Motion carried. (7-0-0)

7. Ordinance Third Reading and Public Hearing

An Ordinance Providing For The Issuance Of General Obligation Bonds, In One Or More Series, Tax-Exempt Or Taxable, In An Amount Not To Exceed \$2,500,000 To Fund The Purchase Of County Vehicles And Equipment; Authorizing The County Administrator To Prescribe The Form And Details Of The Bonds; Providing For The Payment Of The Bonds And The Disposition Of The Proceeds Of The Bonds; Providing For Borrowing In Anticipation Of The Issuance Of The Bonds; And Other Related Matters

Chairman Wright read the ordinance in its entirety.

Chairman Wright open the floor for public hearing questions. There were none.

Chairman Wright asked, the Council if they had any question. There were none.

Chairman Wright entertained a motion to pass the ordinance for third and final reading. Councilman Johnny Ravenell made the motion. The motion was seconded by Councilman Willie Owens. Motion carried. (7-0-0).

8. **Presentation of Planning Commission Resolution and Ordinance First Reading**
To change the Zoning Designation of the following parcel:
TMS #0181-08-01-001.000, 163 Citadel Rd., Citadel Road Holding Company LLC
From: FA to CG

Chairman Wright yielded to Administrator Young to give a summary. Administrator Young advised the planning commission met on August 8, 2018 to consider the request from Citadel Road Holding, LLC to rezone the property at 163 Citdael Rd. from FA to CG for a rental equipment business operation. There were no opposition and the adjacent property owner is in favor of the request. The planning commission voted unanimously to recommend approval.

Chairman Wright entertained a motion to pass the resolution and ordinance for second reading. Councilman Willie Owens made the motion. The motion was seconded by Councilman Heyward Livingston. Motion carried. (7-0-0)

9. **Presentation of Planning Commission Resolution and Ordinance First reading**
To change the Zoning Designation of the following parcel:
TMS #0036-00-07-001.000 2610 Ninety Six Rd. Mt. Beulah P.H. Church From: FA
to CG

Chairman Wright yielded to Administrator Young to give a summary. Administrator Young advised the planning commission met on August 8, 2018 to consider the request from Mt/ Beulah P.H. Church to rezone the property at 2610 Ninety Six Road. In Council District Four from FA to CG to allow a digital sign. There were no opposition and the planning commission voted unanimously to recommend approval.

Chairman Wright entertained a motion to pass the resolution and ordinance for second reading. Councilman Heyward Livingston made the motion. The motion was seconded by Councilman Willie Owens. Motion carried. (7-0-0)

10. **Presentation of Planning Commission Resolution and Ordinance First Reading**
To change the Zoning Designation of the following parcel: TMS #0342-08-02
001.000, 11064 Old Number Six Hwy., Missionary Baptist Church From: FA to CG

Chairman Wright yielded to Administrator Young to give a summary. Administrator Young advised the planning commission met on August 8, 2018 to consider the request from Springfield Missionary Baptist Church to rezone the property at 11064 Old Number Six

Hwy. In Council District One from FA to CG to allow a digital sign. There were no opposition and the planning commission voted unanimously to recommend approval.

Chairman Wright entertained a motion to pass the resolution and ordinance for first reading. Councilman Heyward Livingston made the motion. The motion was seconded by Councilman Willie Owens. Motion carried. (7-0-0)

ORDINANCE FIRST READING

11. An Ordinance Authorizing The Execution And Delivery Of A Fee-In-Lieu Of *Ad Valorem* Taxes And Special Source Revenue Credit Agreement By And Between Orangeburg County, South Carolina And Project Crete To Provide For Payment Of A Fee-In-Lieu Of Taxes; Authorizing The Inclusion Of A Project Site In A Multi-County Business Park; Authorizing Certain Infrastructure Credits; And Other Related Matters

Chairman Wright entertained a motion to pass ordinance first reading. Councilman Johnny Ravenell made the motion. The motion was seconded by Councilman Willie Owens. Motion carried. (7-0-0)

OFFICIAL ACTION

12. Approval of Grant Award-Project Crete

Chairman Wright yielded to Administrator Young to give a summary. Administrator Young advised Project Crete has been awarded a Rural Infrastructure Fund Grant #C-18-2800 in the amount of \$100,000 this has been approved by the Department of Commerce and it is up to Council to approve it because the money has to flow through the County to the business from the Department of Commerce. The company name is Longleaf Packing, LLC.

Chairman Wright entertained a motion to pass the approval of the Grant Award. Councilman Willie Owens made the motion. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Ray W. Sabalis. Motion carried. (7-0-0)

13. Fiscal Year 2018 Carry Forwards

Chairman Wright yielded to Administrator Young to give a summary. Administrator Young advised the County is recommending a carry forward of \$382,533 account number 001-0500-485-6051 this is for project materials and supplies in accordance to the Council Districts the County has to provide this funding for.

Chairman Wright entertained a motion to pass the fiscal year 2019 carry forward. Councilman Harry Wimberly made the motion. The motion was seconded by Councilman Heyward Livingston. Motion carried. (7-0-0).

14. Setting of Millage for Tax Year 2018

Chairman Wright yielded to Administrator Young to give a summary. Administrator Young advised the County is recommending based upon the access value work through with the County Auditor Roger Cleckley, the County Treasurer Matt Stokes, along with Marion

Lloyd with is the County Deputy Administrator and former Tax Assessor and himself. The net change in the General Fund no change, the in Capital Improvement no change, in Debt Services it will increase 2 mills, in Solid Waste it will decrease by -1 mill, in Special Education no change, and in the Fire District it will increase 1 mill. In the lighting districts in the New Brookland Lighting District it will increase 1 mill, in the Empire Estates Lighting District no change, in the Brookdale Lighting District it will increase 2 mills, in the Whittaker Lighting District it will decrease -.7 mills, in the Creekmoore Lighting District -3 mills and in the Fox Run Lighting District no change.

Chairman Wright entertained a motion to pass the setting of the millage for Tax Year 2018. Vice-Chairwoman Janie Cooper-Smith made the motion. The motion was seconded by Councilman Willie B. Owens. Motion carried. (7-0-0).

PROCUREMENT

a. FY18-0801 - Collection/Disposal of E-Waste for the Landfill

Chairman Wright yielded to Administrator Young to give a brief summary. Administrator Young advised a request for proposal FY18-0801 was requested and prepared for the replacement of the collection-disposal of E-Waste for the Landfill in Orangeburg County. The proposals were advertised on the Orangeburg County website and the proposals were due on August 31, 2018. The County received seven (7) proposals, the local, state, and MBA preferences were given. The highest rank recommended vendor for award is Intelligent Lifecycle Solutions at \$.22 per pound. Intelligent Lifecycle Solutions is deemed a responsible bidder. It is recommendation of the Landfill Director Herman Brightman that we accept this vendor Intelligent Lifecycle Solutions.

Chairman Wright entertained a motion to approve the recommendation for FY18-0801 under procurement. Councilman Willie Owens made the motion. The motion was seconded by Councilman Harry Wimberly. Motion carried. (7-0-0).

b. FY-18-0820 - HVAC System Replacement at YMCA

Chairman Wright yielded to Administrator Young to give a brief summary. Administrator Young advised a request for proposal FY18-0820 was requested and prepared for the replacement of the HVAC system located at the YMCA in Orangeburg County. The proposals were advertised on the Orangeburg County website. The proposals were due on September 5, 2018 and the County received two (2) proposals. The local, state, and MBA preferences were given. The highest rank recommended vendor for award is Hoffman & Hoffman of Cayce, SC for \$249,640.00. Hoffman & Hoffman is deemed a responsible bidder. It is recommendation of the County Community Development Director, Richard Hall that the County accept this vendor Hoffman & Hoffman.

Chairman Wright entertained a motion to approve the recommendation for FY18-0820 under procurement. Vice-Chairwoman Janie Cooper-Smith made the motion. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Ray Sabalis. Motion carried. (7-0-0).

UPDATE

Finance Committee

Chairman Wright yielded to the Finance Committee Chairperson Vice-Chairwoman Janie Cooper-Smith to give an update. Vice-Chairwoman Janie Cooper-Smith advised the committee met this afternoon to discuss the Longwood Plantation Nursing Home request for a property tax credit for installation of a sprinkler system. The committee decided to carry this item forward until further information is gathered also the committee decided to agree to do the Bailey Bill-Property Tax Assessment but would like to see more of an outline before making a final decision.

Public Works Committee

Chairman Wright yielded to the Public Works Committee Chairperson Councilman Johnny Ravenell to give an update. Councilman Johnny Ravenell advised the Public Works Committee also met this afternoon to discuss two items, the first was E-Waste, the Committee decided to have a sign created at each convenience sites for Orangeburg County only to use the convenience site and only two items of E-Waste per-day can be dumped at any convenience site a day anymore will have to go to the Landfill.

Chairman Wright ask for a motion to accept the recommendation coming from the Public Works Committee. Councilman Johnny Ravenell made the motion. Councilman Heyward Livingston second the motion. Motion carried. (6-1-0). Councilman Willie Owens opposed.

Councilman Johnny Ravenell advised the Public Works Committee also discussed the bridges on County dirt roads, no action was taken the Committee asked the Public Works Director to bring the Committee back some information.

VOTE FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION

Chairman Wright read the item for executive session and entertained a motion. Councilman Willie Owens made the motion. Councilwoman Ray Sabalis seconded the motion. Motion carried. (7-0-0).

EXECUTIVE SESSION

1) Economic Development Update

S.C. CODE §30-4-70(A)(5) (DISCUSSION OF MATTERS RELATING TO THE PROPOSED LOCATION, EXPANSION, OR THE PROVISION OF SERVICES ENCOURAGING LOCATION OR EXPANSION OF INDUSTRIES OR OTHER BUSINESSES IN THE AREA SERVED BY THE PUBLIC BODY)

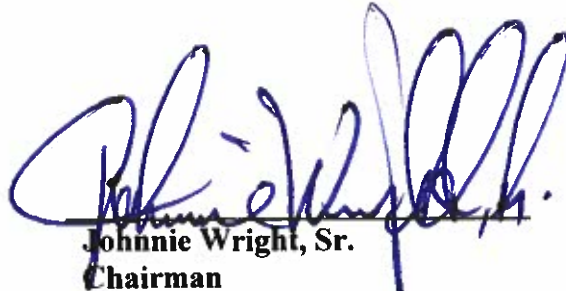
- a. Project Crete**
- b. Project Exclusive**
- c. Project Mohawk**

VOTE FOR ADJOURNMENT

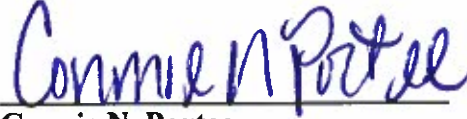
Chairman Wright entertained a motion for adjournment. Councilman Harry Wimberly motioned that the regular session of the Orangeburg County Council of October 1, 2018 stand adjourned. Councilman Willie Owens seconded the motion. Motion carried. (7-0-0)

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 6:52 p.m.

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Johnnie Wright, Sr.
Chairman
Orangeburg County Council

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Connie N. Portee
Clerk to Council
Orangeburg County Council