

**NEWBERRY COUNTY COUNCIL
MINUTES
MARCH 16, 20110**

Newberry County Council met on Wednesday, March 16, 2011, at 7:00 p.m. in Council Chambers at the Courthouse Annex, 1309 College Street, Newberry, SC, for a regular scheduled meeting.

PRESENT: Henry H. Livingston, III, Chairman
Kirksey Koon, Vice Chairman
William D. Waldrop, Councilman
John E. Caldwell, Councilman
Edgar Baker, Councilman
Leslie (Les) Hipp, Councilman
Wayne Adams, County Administrator
A.J. Tothacer, County Attorney
Laurie Renwick, Clerk to Council
Debbie Cromer, Finance Director

ABSENT: Steven C. Stockman, Councilman

PRESS: Heather Hawkins, WKDK
Cindy Pitts, Newberry Observer

Chairman Livingston called the meeting to order and determined a quorum present

Mr. Koon led the invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

1. Adoption of Consent Agenda

Mr. Baker motioned to adopt the consent agenda; seconded by Mr. Koon. The vote was unanimous.

2. Additions, Deletions, and Adoption of Agenda

Mr. Waldrop motioned to adopt the agenda as written; seconded by Mr. Baker. The vote was unanimous.

3. Ordinance # 3-06-11: An Ordinance amending the revised Solid Waste Management Plan Pursuant to §44-96-80 of the 1976 S.C. Code of Laws.

Mr. Adams reported that this deals with the fact that there is no recycling market for green glass. Our haulers are no longer taking it and staff has not been successful in finding other markets. This ordinance will instruct the public that we will only accept brown and clear glass at the recycling centers.

Mr. Waldrop motioned to approve first reading of Ordinance #03-06-11; seconded by Mr. Koon. The vote was unanimous.

4. Consideration of acceptance of bid for Newberry County Airport Security Fencing (Bid Number 2010-14) – Crystal Waldrop, Purchasing Director

Mrs. Waldrop recommended the acceptance of Sitec, LLC, the second lowest bidder, in the amount of \$241,161.00.

Mr. Baker motioned to approve Sitec's bid of \$241,161.00; seconded by Mr. Caldwell.

Chairman Livingston asked if there was any discussion.

Mr. Hipp asked Mrs. Waldrop to elaborate on why they were recommending the second lowest bid.

Mrs. Waldrop stated that Mr. Wayne Corley with the Aeronautics Commission made the final recommendation to the county because this project is being funded through an FAA grant and the lowest bidder did not meet the Minority Business Enterprise (MBE) requirement.

Mr. Baker asked how much the county's portion was going to be.

Mr. Corley stated that the federal grant will cover 95% of the cost, with the state and county each paying 2.5%.

Mr. Hipp commented that someone who had property bordering the airport had inquired to him about the initial location of the fencing and asked if this had been addressed.

Mr. Pisano reported that Public Works met with Mr. Hiller and they worked out his concerns to his satisfaction.

Having received no further discussion, the motion to approve Sitec's bid in the amount of \$241,161.00 was unanimous.

5. Committee Reports

a. Public Safety and Courts Committee – 3/14/11

Mr. Adams reported that there were three principle items discussed at the Public Safety and Courts Committee meeting.

- Ervin West and Tommy Long presented a preliminary budget estimate for renovating the Armory in Whitmire to potentially be used as headquarters for the Rescue Squad and EMS Station.
- The terms of a lease agreement with the Mayor of Silverstreet and the Silverstreet Town Council concerning the EMS substation was discussed.
- Mr. Long provided an update on rolling stock purchases.

Chairman Livingston asked if there were any questions.

Mr. Hipp inquired about the recommendation that was made concerning the Silverstreet EMS Station.

Mr. Adams stated that the county would pay a \$500.00 one-time payment for some back electricity cost that incurred because of EMS being there. We have our own power meter now and once we move into the renovated portion this will not be an issue. It was determined cost prohibitive to put in a separate water tap for EMS so the county will reimburse Silverstreet \$20.00 per month to offset water cost. It was also agreed that the county would continue to insure the building which is around \$500.00 per year.

Mr. Hipp commented for clarification that the county's only cost is a one-time \$500.00 electrical offset from previous electrical usage and our insurance at no additional cost.

Mr. Adams added that there will be a \$20.00 per month reimbursement for water usage.

Mr. Hipp asked if there was some kind of requirement that can be applied to this agreement where we do not have address leasing or renting this property that we have invested in again.

Mr. Adams stated that the lease will be for 10 years and all of these issues will be addressed in the lease.

6. Appointments

No appointments.

7. Public Comments

No comments.

8. Vote for Executive Session, When Necessary

No vote for Executive Session.

9. Executive Session

No Executive Session.

10. Necessary Action on Matters Discussed in Executive Session

No action taken.

11. Comments from County Administrator

Mr. Adams reported that the planning staff and consultant are following up on the recent work session that Council had concerning zoning. They have some extensive work to do and we are not expecting a follow up meeting until late May or June. We are still expecting to issue the CPST Bonds on or about April 19, 2011.

12. Comments from Council Members

No comments.

13. Future Meetings

- a. Finance Committee – 3/28/11 @ 6:00 p.m.
- b. County Council – 4/6/11 @ 7:00 p.m.
- c. Finance Committee/Budget Work Session – 4/11/11 @ 6:00 p.m.
- d. County Council – 4/20/11 @ 7:00 p.m.
- e. Public Works and Planning Committee – 4/25/11 @ 6:00 p.m.

14. Vote to Adjourn

Mr. Waldrop motioned to adjourn; seconded by Mr. Koon.

15. Adjournment

Chairman Livingston declared the meeting adjourned at 7:11 p.m.

NEWBERRY COUNTY COUNCIL

Henry H. Livingston, III, Chairman

APPROVED:

Laurie N. Renwick, Clerk to Council