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County of Anderson)

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ANDERSON COUNTY COUNCIL
SPECIAL PRESENTATION MEETING
FEBRUARY 20, 2018

IN ATTENDANCE:
TOMMY DUNN, CHAIRMAN
RAY GRAHAM
KEN WATERS
TOM ALLEN
CRAIG WOOTEN
M. CINDY WILSON

ALSO PRESENT:
RUSTY BURNS
LEON HARMON
LACEY CROEGAERT

1 TOMMY DUNN: At this time I'd like to call
2 the Anderson County February 20th, 2018 Regular Council
3 meeting -- or not I'm sorry, Special Presentation part
4 of our Council meeting to order. Like to welcome each
5 and every one of you here. Glad you all made it to
6 come out. At this time we're going to go to 2(a)
7 Resolution 2018-003. Ms. Cindy Wilson. Ms. Wilson.

8 CINDY WILSON: Thank you, Mr. Chairman.
9 This is the second year in the row that we've had the
10 honor of recognizing these awesome young people. This
11 is a Resolution to Recognize and Honor the Palmetto
12 Mustang Varsity Cheerleaders for their Selection as the
13 2017 South Carolina State 3A Competitive Cheer
14 Champions; and other Matters Related Thereto.

15 **Whereas**, the Palmetto Varsity Competitive
16 Cheerleading Team competed November 13, 2017 at
17 Colonial Life Arena in Columbia, South Carolina and
18 earned the recognition of South Carolina State 3A
19 Competitive Cheerleading Champions; and

20 **Whereas**, under the leadership of Head Coach Carol
21 Brooks and coaches Susan McAbee and Spenser Davis, the
22 team demonstrated drill team precision, methodical and
23 detailed routines that displayed the team's
24 cohesiveness, thus outperforming their competition; and

25 **Whereas**, the Palmetto Varsity Competitive
26 Cheerleaders beat their biggest revival Brookland-Cayce
27 by 46 points. Through hard work, dedication, teamwork
28 and precise attention to detail the ladies of the team
29 finished the competition with a winning score, a total
30 of 304 points; and

31 THEREFORE, Anderson County Council commends the
32 Palmetto Varsity Competitive Cheerleaders for being
33 outstanding ambassadors, reflecting true pride to their
34 community and setting an example for their peers to
35 emulate. We are extremely proud of the team winning
36 the 2017 South Carolina Varsity Competitive
37 Cheerleading Championship.

38 Resolved in meeting duly assembled this 20th day of
39 February, 2018.

40 And may I put that in the form of a motion?

41 TOMMY DUNN: Yes, you may. We have a
42 motion from Ms. Wilson, we have a second? Second Mr.
43 Allen. Any discussion? All in favor of the motion
44 show of hands. All opposed like sign. Show the motion
45 carries unanimously. Ms. Wilson.

46 CINDY WILSON: And I believe we'll get a
47 quick sample of how these young ladies won this
48 championship.

49 **(PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTION WITH VIDEO)**

50 TOMMY DUNN: Thank y'all. Appreciate it.

1 We'll be moving on now to item number 2(b) 2018-014.
2 This will be Councilman Waters. Mr. Waters.

3 KEN WATERS: Yes, sir. I'd like to bring
4 this before Council in the form of a motion.
5 Resolution R2018-014

6 A Resolution to Honor Ms. Donna Roper for her decades
7 of Service to the Anderson County Museum, the Pendleton
8 District Commission, and Anderson County as a Whole;
9 and Other Matters Related Thereto.

10 **Whereas**, Ms. Donna Roper, an Anderson County
11 native, graduated from the University of South Carolina
12 with a Bachelor of Arts degree in History in 1976 and a
13 Master of Arts in Applied History (a field now known as
14 Public History) in 1989; and

15 **Whereas**, Ms. Roper began working with the Pendleton
16 District Commission two years following her graduation
17 from college, first as an intern and then as an
18 official employee from 1979 to 2005, a position that
19 called for her to care for the archival collections at
20 Hunter's Store, among many other duties, and led to her
21 pivotal role in founding the Anderson County Museum,
22 which began in 1983 as a cooperative effort of Anderson
23 County, the Anderson County Historical Society,
24 Anderson Heritage and the Pendleton District
25 Commission; and

26 **Whereas**, Ms. Roper, in her position at the
27 Pendleton District Commission, served as curator of the
28 Anderson County Museum during the foundational years
29 between 1983 and 1998 an enormous task that required
30 devotion in coordination of volunteers, depth of
31 knowledge in installation of exhibits, meticulousness
32 in record-keeping of artifact donations as the
33 collection grew, and organization in work with the
34 Museum Advisory Committee after its creation by
35 Anderson County Council in 1984; and

36 **Whereas**, Ms. Roper graciously stepped forward when
37 Anderson County took over full responsibility for the
38 Museum to help its first hired director ensure a smooth
39 transition, remained a resource for and a friend to the
40 Museum throughout her career, and in 2006 having
41 retired from the Pendleton District Commission, was
42 appointed to the Anderson County Museum Advisory
43 Committee to represent District Six, faithfully
44 serving--as Chairman in 2013 and several terms as
45 Secretary--until her resignation in January of 2018;
46 and

47 **Whereas**, Ms. Roper--who volunteers monthly in the
48 Museum's Roper Research Room that has born her name
49 since its dedication in 2014 and continues to be an
50 invaluable resource of knowledge of the early days of

1 the Museum and of Anderson County to every Museum
2 employee, volunteer and visitor--remains dedicated to
3 preserving our shared past and ensuring a successful
4 future for the Anderson County Museum; and

5 **Whereas**, on behalf of the citizens of Anderson
6 County, the Anderson County Council, with gratitude for
7 her many years of committed service to the Pendleton
8 District Commission, to the Anderson County Museum, and
9 to Anderson County as a whole, do hereby honor Ms.
10 Roper for her distinguished contributions and express
11 our best wishes to her for continued success and
12 happiness in the years to come.

13 Resolved in a meeting duly assembled this 20th day of
14 February 2018.

15 And I bring that in the form of a motion.

16 TOMMY DUNN: Have a motion from Mr.
17 Waters. Second, I think the entire Council. Any
18 discussion? I'd just like to echo Mr. Waters just said
19 and that plaque appreciate the service and what all you
20 done for Anderson County. I was really grateful and
21 its citizens. If we can ever be of service to y'all,
22 let us know. Thank you very much. Anyone else? All
23 in favor of the motion show of hands. All opposed like
24 sign. Show the motion carries unanimously. Mr.
25 Waters.

26 KEN WATERS: Yes, I'd like for all of us
27 to step down and we'll present the plaque to Ms. Roper.

28 **(PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTION)**

29 KEN WATERS: Ms. Roper, we'd like to
30 present this plaque to you. And we appreciate all your
31 service. You've been a good citizen and I really
32 appreciate you representing District 6. You have done
33 a job well done. And it's been great having you
34 represent District 6 on that Museum Committee.

35 **(APPLAUSE)**

36 KEN WATERS: And we'd also like to
37 present you with a challenge coin. We had these made a
38 couple of years ago and has each one of the cities and
39 municipalities and also Piedmont and Powdersville on
40 that. That is given to people when they do an
41 excellent job like you have. We also have some gifts
42 for you. And appreciate that. We appreciate you very
43 much. If there's any time you want to come around, you
44 feel free to do that. You like to say anything?

45 MS. ROPER: Yes, I would. I would
46 like to say how extremely proud I am of our wonderful
47 museum, and Beverly and her wonderful staff. And my
48 colleagues on the Advisory Committee and thank you for
49 recognizing my work and I will still be supporting the
50 museum any way I can. Thank you.

1 TOMMY DUNN: That's going to end this
2 portion of our Council meeting. We'll reconvene at
3 6:30 for the start of our Regular Council meeting.
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(SPECIAL PRESENTATION MEETING ADJOURNED AT 6:21 P.M.)

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1 TOMMY DUNN: At this time I'd like to call
2 the Regular meeting of the Anderson County Council of
3 February the 20th, 2018 to order. At this time I'd
4 like to ask us all to rise for Invocation and Pledge of
5 Allegiance by Council member Ms. Cindy Wilson.

6 **(INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE BY CINDY WILSON)**

7 TOMMY DUNN: We'll be starting in just a
8 second. Excuse me. Okay. We'll be moving on now to
9 Item number 3, Approval of the Minutes of February the
10 6th. Are there any changes or corrections to be made
11 to those minutes? Anyone have any? Hearing or seeing
12 none, we have a motion to move forward with these
13 minutes?

14 CINDY WILSON: So moved.

15 TOMMY DUNN: Motion by Mr. Graham and
16 second by Ms. Wilson. All in favor of the motion show
17 of hands. All opposed like sign. Show the motion
18 carries unanimously.

19 Moving on to Item number 4, Citizens Comments.

20 LEON HARMON: Mr. Chairman, no one has
21 signed up for this portion of the meeting.

22 TOMMY DUNN: Thank you, Mr. Harmon.

23 Moving on to item number 5, Report from the Finance
24 Department on mid-fiscal year 2017-2018 Report for
25 Budget Actual Expenses versus Actual Revenues. Ms.
26 Davis.

27 RITA DAVIS: Thank you, Mr. Chairman.
28 Just want to take this opportunity to give you a brief
29 update on what's -- where fiscal year '18 is tracking.
30 I'm happy to report that it appears that the net income
31 before the supplemental budget appropriation is about a
32 half a million dollars to the good. Now, keep in mind,
33 you know, we budgeted about five point four million.
34 So it is tracking very well. And if you do the two
35 point seven in the supplemental budget, your total
36 general fund balance is going to be over twenty-four
37 million. I'm projecting it at six thirty eighteen. So
38 there was just some concern about passing the
39 supplemental budget before we do that, let's address
40 where we are this year. And I'm happy to report that
41 it seems to be tracking a lot better than expected. A
42 lot of that is due to vacancies, revenues coming in
43 better than was expected. Your register of deeds
44 office, the revenue is far exceeding what we thought.
45 And so property taxes are tracking very favorably as
46 well. Right on track. So I'm happy to report that.

47 TOMMY DUNN: Thank you, Ms. Davis.

48 RITA DAVIS: Yes, sir.

49 TOMMY DUNN: Appreciate it.

50 Moving to Item number 6, Third Reading, there are

1 none.

2 We'll be moving on to Item number 7, Second
3 Reading. 7(a) 2018-002, a Supplemental ordinance to
4 amend to Ordinance 2017-016 the operating and capital
5 budget of Anderson County for the fiscal year beginning
6 July 1, 2017 and ending June 30, 2018. We have a
7 motion? This is second reading. We have a motion to
8 move this forward?

9 KEN WATERS: So moved.

10 TOM ALLEN: Second.

11 TOMMY DUNN: Motion Mr. Waters, second
12 Mr. Allen. Any discussion? Hearing none, all in favor
13 of the motion show of hands. All opposed like sign.
14 Show the motion carries unanimously.

15 Moving on to Item number 20 -- I'm sorry -- 7(b)
16 2018-003 an ordinance authorizing a fee-in-lieu-of-tax
17 arrangement on behalf of Project Spindle, (The
18 "Company") Pursuant to a fee-in-lieu-of-tax agreement
19 between Anderson County, South Carolina (the "County")
20 and the company; authorizing a 5 year extension of the
21 investment period for all investments over the
22 statutory minimum investment; authorizing the execution
23 and delivery of an Infrastructure Financing Agreement
24 (IFA) granting certain infrastructure credits to the
25 company. Mr. Burris Nelson, you have anything you want
26 to add to this or anything you want to say?

27 BURRISS NELSON: Thank you, Mr. Chairman.
28 Appreciate the opportunity to speak to Council. This
29 project, Project Spindle, is creating seventy-one new
30 jobs, bringing a little more than ten million in total
31 capital investment. New payroll to the county will be
32 two point two million a year. And the total community
33 impact first year a little over five million and over a
34 twenty year period a total of sixty-seven million.
35 And, of course, this comes to Council as a
36 recommendation from staff and the Economic Development
37 Advisory Board and we respectfully request that you
38 give favorable consideration to this project.

39 TOMMY DUNN: We have a motion to move
40 this forward?

41 KEN WATERS: So moved.

42 TOMMY DUNN: Mr. Waters makes the motion,
43 Mr. Graham seconds. Any discussion? Questions,
44 comments for Mr. Nelson? All in favor of the motion
45 show of hands. All opposed like sign. Show the motion
46 carries unanimously.

47 BURRISS NELSON: Thank you.

48 TOMMY DUNN: Appreciate y'all. You and
49 your staff.

50 Moving on to Item number 8, Ordinance first

1 reading. There are none.

2 Item number 9(a) we'll be taking up in the Finance
3 Committee report.

4 And so we'll go to Item number 9(b) R2018-016, a
5 resolution approving the Anderson County and Oconee
6 County Hazard Mitigation Plan developed to assist
7 counties in the Upstate in reducing the human and
8 economic costs of natural disaster and serves Anderson
9 and Oconee Counties has been updated. I put that in
10 the form of a motion.

11 KEN WATERS: So moved.

12 TOMMY DUNN: Second by Mr. Waters. Any
13 discussion? No discussion? All in favor of the motion
14 show of hands. All opposed like sign. Show the motion
15 carries unanimously.

16 If y'all will -- if there's no objections, I need
17 to take about a five minute break. Got to get some
18 paperwork. Anybody got any objections to that before
19 we move on to finance report. Thank y'all.

20 **(RECESS 6:39 P.M. TO 6:42 P.M.)**

21 TOMMY DUNN: Sorry about that. I think
22 our mikes are fixed. They told me not to touch it.
23 Everybody awake now?

24 Okay. We're going to be moving on now to Item
25 number 10, Report from the Finance Committee held on
26 February 16th, 2018. I filled in for the Honorable Mr.
27 Chairman, Mr. Ken Waters was out of town. He asked me
28 to fill in for him, so I did. So we'll be going down.

29 Item number 3(a) Airport Aircraft Rescue and Fire
30 Fighting truck. Request permission to purchase a
31 airport aircraft rescue and fire training truck. This
32 is due to the fact that out of the last four
33 inspections by the FAA we were in jeopardy of not
34 passing three of those. Approximate cost is three
35 hundred and fifty thousand dollars. FFA will cover
36 approximately ninety percent of this cost at a total of
37 three hundred and fifteen thousand dollars. The state
38 will reimburse five percent, which is seventeen five.
39 County's match will be five percent which will be
40 seventeen five. Previously the FAA would not cover the
41 vehicles. However, the Anderson County Airport
42 manager, Justin Julian, kept discussing this with them
43 and finally got permission for it to be covered.
44 General fund will need to loan the airport the funds
45 until the summer of 2019. We'll be reimbursed by FFA
46 and state Aeronautics Commission. Vehicle previously
47 purchased for this would go to the Building and Ground
48 who have a need for it. If we don't purchase this
49 vehicle we would have to buy a new skid truck to go in
50 the back and would cost us thirty-five thousand dollars

1 and no reimbursement. We can get a whole new truck as
2 designed for fire fighting aircraft. It would put out
3 anything around the airport for seventeen five out of
4 our thing. This come from the Finance Committee and
5 doesn't need a second. Open the floor up for
6 discussion. Any discussion?

7 TOM ALLEN: Mr. Chair?
8 TOMMY DUNN: Mr. Allen?
9 TOM ALLEN: My microphone work? Yeah.

10 Yeah, I think is really a critical element and
11 something that we need. We can get a three hundred and
12 fifty thousand dollar truck for seventeen thousand five
13 hundred; you can't beat the deal. And the last time we
14 had the inspection out there, the skid ARFF that we
15 have didn't work. And that's really embarrassing when
16 you go up and -- if you ever have a crash out there at
17 the airport and you pull our little contraption out
18 there and it doesn't work, it's going to look really
19 bad. And especially with air shows coming up. Right
20 now we're having local fire departments come in and
21 back us up for the air show. But we definitely need
22 this. And at a price like that, can't beat it. Thank
23 you.

24 GRACIE FLOYD: I had a question, Mr.
25 Chairman.

26 TOMMY DUNN: Yes, ma'am. Ms. Floyd.
27 GRACIE FLOYD: You said something I didn't
28 understand because you ended it with out of our thing,
29 we can get -- you said that we can get some money out
30 of our thing.

31 TOMMY DUNN: We'll be getting seventy-
32 five -- seventeen thousand five hundred dollars will be
33 our part of the matching thing will have to be coming
34 out of General Fund.

35 GRACIE FLOYD: General fund?
36 TOMMY DUNN: Yes, ma'am.
37 GRACIE FLOYD: All right.
38 TOMMY DUNN: And that will be loaned to
39 the airport who will be paying us back in 2019. And
40 along the lines of what Mr. Allen said, bottom line is
41 if we don't have a fire truck or piece of fire
42 apparatus to pass and meet the requirements at the
43 airport, they will shut our airport down as we know it.
44 And we don't want that to happen. We're on the verge
45 for that to happen. Airport's on the verge of taking
46 off and much better than a lot of business and we want
47 to keep it up on that right there. If nothing else,
48 appearances. Anyone have anything else? All in favor
49 of the motion show of hands. All opposed like sign.
50 Show the motion carries unanimously.

1 Moving on to Item number 3(b) Town of Pelzer
2 Vehicle Request. Town of Pelzer has asked Sheriff
3 McBride for administrator vehicle to be used by their
4 mayor and town representatives on city business. Mr.
5 Stone has identified a 2004 Dodge Intrepid that has
6 167,912 miles on it that he is recommending to be
7 transferred to the town of Pelzer and the Sheriff is
8 signed off on this and is all right on this. And we
9 have done this in the past with other municipalities
10 around. This comes from Finance Committee doesn't need
11 a second. Are there any discussion?

12 GRACIE FLOYD: Yes.

13 TOMMY DUNN: Yes, ma'am.

14 GRACIE FLOYD: Okay. I haven't -- I have
15 not known any of the other municipalities that do this.
16 Is it something that we have done before?

17 TOMMY DUNN: Yes, ma'am. Last one that I
18 remember -- last one we done, we done Belton.

19 RAY GRAHAM: We just done three, one for
20 Pelzer and also was it Belton?

21 TOMMY DUNN: I know we done Belton.

22 RAY GRAHAM: It was one of the other
23 ones. Seems like there was three of them.

24 TOMMY DUNN: We done Belton and
25 Williamston, I know before.

26 RAY GRAHAM: Recently.

27 GRACIE FLOYD: Mr. Dunn, my question is,
28 okay, now if Pelzer -- and I have no problems with them
29 asking for that and I think if they need it, it's a
30 good idea, but this is not a thing where they'll be
31 paying us back, will they?

32 TOMMY DUNN: No, ma'am.

33 GRACIE FLOYD: He's just going to give it
34 to them?

35 TOMMY DUNN: Yes, ma'am.

36 GRACIE FLOYD: Okay. But this is not a
37 police vehicle?

38 TOMMY DUNN: It was a police vehicle used
39 out of the sheriff's office, but they don't, they're
40 not using it now. And it would be put out for auction
41 by us. But instead, they've asked for it and Mr. Stone
42 has recommended this is the vehicle to go to Pelzer.
43 They're not going to use it for a police vehicle.
44 They're going to use it for administrative vehicle, run
45 around vehicle.

46 GRACIE FLOYD: But it's the same one
47 they've had as a police vehicle.

48 TOMMY DUNN: Yes, ma'am. That's right.

49 GRACIE FLOYD: All right. I don't want it
50 to be misinterpreted that I have a problem with it,

1 because I don't.

2 TOMMY DUNN: Anyone else? Hearing none,
3 all in favor of the motion show of hands. All opposed
4 like sign. Show the motion carries unanimously.

5 Moving on to Item number 4(a) Fiscal year 2017
6 State Homeland Security Grant. The bomb team is
7 requesting to purchase the following items under the
8 State Homeland Security Grant: One portable x-ray
9 generator for five thousand dollars to enhance the
10 capability of the x-ray system they have; two technical
11 fragmentation style desks for ten thousand dollars, at
12 five thousand dollars each. These are required by the
13 National Bomb Squad Commanders Advisory Board. This is
14 a new requirement; one light weight EOD search suit for
15 fourteen thousand dollars. This is a tackle search
16 suit used to respond to weapons of mass destruction
17 events and supports SWAT response in actual or
18 suspected MWD situations. This is a replacement suit
19 for an item that is over eighteen years old; three
20 thousand dollars for four night vision helmet mounts
21 and five thousand dollars for exercise support for the
22 annual regional exercise. There's no county match.
23 This is all coming from the grant the sheriff's office
24 has put in for and has received. And as we all know we
25 are -- unfortunately we're having some instances here
26 lately with some bomb activities and we need to give
27 them, in my opinion, all the support we can give them.
28 This is coming from the Finance Committee and doesn't
29 need a second. Are there any discussion? Hearing
30 none, all in favor of the motion show of hands. All
31 opposed like sign. Show the motion carries
32 unanimously.

33 RUSTY BURNS: Mr. Chairman.

34 TOMMY DUNN: Yes, sir.

35 RUSTY BURNS: There's one item forklift
36 that was discussed in the Finance Committee.

37 TOMMY DUNN: Yeah.

38 RUSTY BURNS: Can Ms. Davis speak to that
39 one second, please, sir?

40 TOMMY DUNN: It's all about you, Mr.
41 Burns. Go ahead.

42 RITA DAVIS: Apologize, sir, that I
43 didn't put it.

44 TOMMY DUNN: That's right. But this item
45 was added to the Finance Committee agenda at that
46 meeting, but was not on this paper. This is a forklift
47 that's went out of -- we need to be replaced, it's for
48 the -- Greg Smith department.

49 RITA DAVIS: That's right.

50 TOMMY DUNN: He's -- they've gotten two

1 out there very bad. One is broke down. They took two
2 to make one and so this is to replace one to get on it.
3 Ms. Davis, I'll let you put the numbers.

4 RITA DAVIS: That's correct. And it's
5 coming out of our left over lease funds. Southland
6 Equipment Service for thirty-seven thousand ??? hundred
7 twelve, six four. He's in desperate need of this
8 forklift. It's on your Council agenda.

9 TOMMY DUNN: And this did come from
10 recommendation from Mr. Stone who is our maintenance
11 supervisor.

12 RITA DAVIS: It is, definitely, yes, sir.

13 TOMMY DUNN: Again, this coming from
14 Finance Committee doesn't need a second. Are there any
15 discussion? All in favor of the motion show of hands.
16 All opposed like sign. Show the motion carries
17 unanimously.

18 Moving on to Item number 4(b). This will be --
19 this was the item I was mentioning earlier, 9(a) was on
20 the thing that we'd be talking about in the Finance
21 Committee report. This is Tri-County Technical College
22 Waste Tire Research Grant. This is basically just a
23 pass-through. We're passing it through for us and
24 handling for the paperwork. No money out of Anderson
25 County's pocket and this is all for research. Tri-
26 County Technical College has requested that Anderson
27 County serve as an applicant and administrator for the
28 DHEC Recycle Tire and Plastic Research Education Grant
29 and Development Service. The program will advance
30 scrape tire and plastic technology through education
31 and technology transfer. Memorandum of Understanding
32 will be developed that will outline each party's role
33 and responsibilities related to the grant funded
34 project. Anderson County will not be providing any
35 funds under this grant, only assistance in the grant
36 application and administration.

37 We have -- again, this comes from the Finance
38 Committee and doesn't need a second. Are there any
39 discussion? Hearing none, all in favor of the motion
40 show of hands. All opposed like sign.

41 Ms. Davis, you touched on mid-year financial update
42 a while ago. Do you need to do anything else? That's
43 right. That's what she talked about a while ago.

44 Item number 6 is a transfer. PAWS request for --
45 this is in their budget, they just have to move one
46 line item to another -- permission to transfer thirty-
47 five hundred dollars to uniforms. This is coming from
48 fifteen hundred dollars from telephones, and two
49 thousand dollars from water and sewer. And this money
50 was asked for -- this was -- uniform was, I believe was

1 asked for in the general budget, but we cut it when
2 they done their budget request and also they've gotten
3 some new part-time employees to put uniforms on down
4 there. Again, this comes from the Finance Committee
5 and doesn't need a second. Are there any discussion?
6 All in favor --- Ms. Floyd.
7 GRACIE FLOYD: At the last -- is this the
8 same request?
9 TOMMY DUNN: No, ma'am.
10 GRACIE FLOYD: This is a different request?
11 TOMMY DUNN: Yes, ma'am.
12 GRACIE FLOYD: I think they had one last
13 ---
14 TOMMY DUNN: They did.
15 GRACIE FLOYD: So we're having another
16 transfer this year -- I mean this month, this week.
17 TOMMY DUNN: Yes, ma'am.
18 GRACIE FLOYD: Yeah.
19 TOMMY DUNN: You're exactly right. But
20 this is an in the department transfer. I mean, it's in
21 their budget. It's not over budget, they just moving
22 one line out of their budget to another.
23 GRACIE FLOYD: Yes, I know what a transfer
24 is. But I'm beginning now to concern -- to be a little
25 concerned about why so many transfers. Two isn't many,
26 but we had one last month, last week, last time we met.
27 And we have one this week. And I don't think I was
28 able to make the one for the week before that. How
29 many transfers have we had so far from PAWS? Can Ms.
30 Davis answer that question for me?
31 TOMMY DUNN: I doubt if she can, but she
32 can get you that information. Do you know off the top
33 of your head or can you get Ms. Floyd that information?
34 RITA DAVIS: It hasn't been that many.
35 Like you said, Ms. Floyd, they asked for medical
36 supplies last time ??? thousand, I believe, to be moved
37 to medical supplies. But they're having to hire part
38 time to clean the cages before they're open to the
39 public and that's why they need some scrubs and boots.
40 New employees.
41 TOMMY DUNN: If you would get us that
42 information about how many transfers they've had up to
43 this point.
44 RITA DAVIS: Yes, sir. It's not that
45 many.
46 TOMMY DUNN: But keep in mind ---
47 RITA DAVIS: This is probably the third I
48 think.
49 GRACIE FLOYD: The third? Okay.
50 TOMMY DUNN: And as I said ---

1 GRACIE FLOYD: Do we have -- would you
2 please to check, would you please check to see if we
3 have a department who is getting a little too much --
4 well, asking for too much transferring. Okay?
5 RITA DAVIS: Yes, ma'am.
6 GRACIE FLOYD: Yeah. I'd like to know.
7 RITA DAVIS: I think you'll find it has
8 slacked off this year.
9 TOMMY DUNN: Yes, ma'am. So far.
10 GRACIE FLOYD: Yeah, but I'd like to know
11 -- I would like to know.
12 RITA DAVIS: Yes, ma'am.
13 GRACIE FLOYD: Just how many, how many that
14 they're getting.
15 RITA DAVIS: Yes, ma'am. Be glad to.
16 GRACIE FLOYD: All right. Thank you.
17 TOMMY DUNN: All in favor of the motion
18 show of hands. All opposed like sign. Show the motion
19 carries unanimously.
20 Item number 7. Make a motion we go into Executive
21 Session for contractual matters regarding the purchase
22 of a building.
23 RAY GRAHAM: Second that.
24 TOMMY DUNN: Second Mr. Graham. All in
25 favor of the motion show of hands. All opposed like
26 sign. Show the motion carries unanimously. Mr. Burns,
27 if you would ask those ladies ---
28 **(EXECUTIVE SESSION)**
29 CINDY WILSON: Mr. Chairman, may I make a
30 motion that we come out of Executive Session having
31 received information regarding a building purchase,
32 with no action made.
33 TOMMY DUNN: Motion Ms. Wilson, second
34 Mr. Waters. Any discussion? All in favor of the
35 motion show of hands. All opposed like sign. Show the
36 motion carries unanimously.
37 Mr. Graham.
38 RAY GRAHAM: Mr. Chairman, I'd like to
39 make a motion to direct the County Administrator to
40 move forward with negotiations to purchase a building
41 to house the public defender's office.
42 TOMMY DUNN: We have a motion by Mr.
43 Graham, have a second?
44 TOM ALLEN: Second.
45 TOMMY DUNN: Second Mr. Allen. Any
46 discussion?
47 CINDY WILSON: May I ask a real quick
48 question?
49 TOMMY DUNN: Ms. Wilson?
50 CINDY WILSON: What will we do with the old

1 building? Maybe put more jail cells?

2 TOMMY DUNN: Them folks back there is
3 grinning ear to ear. They probably already got -- they
4 probably already moving the public defender out now,
5 wanting to move into it. We'll find a reason -- a use
6 for it, I'm sure.

7 I just want to say, make sure this motion is very
8 clear. This motion is for negotiations and it will
9 come back before Council for a vote before any purchase
10 is done. They have done -- make it very plain. They
11 -- staff and public defender's office, even before Ms.
12 Jones -- have been looking diligently for more space.
13 They've got money to hire more public defenders but
14 have nowhere to house them. This is a state mandate
15 that we do the building. They've -- dire need of space
16 over there. They have done extensive research with our
17 people along with theirs trying to find an adequate
18 space. Even looked at renovating that building, which
19 was done several years ago, opened up the most you can
20 get out of our thing. So keep that in mind, trying to
21 make the best out of a situation. And this is part of
22 what the committee's together with Mr. Graham talked
23 about last meeting, is hopefully not just the jail
24 thing, but along with the jail thing, is to speed
25 turnaround court time and less people in jail, quick -
26 - moving through the system quickly and this will help
27 with that, we hope. But good luck. And this money is
28 not coming out of our general fund. This is money that
29 the public defender's office has been able to save and
30 come back over the things, is where this money is
31 coming from. If it is spent and this still goes
32 through. Anyone else?

33 RAY GRAHAM: I would like to reiterate
34 that as well. Ms. Johnson, we definitely want to thank
35 you for the -- taking care of your budget and watching
36 your numbers and basically being able to come to us
37 with this with actually a plan in place to pay for it
38 and that's definitely impressive in public service so
39 we definitely appreciate your work on that.

40 TOMMY DUNN: I want to commend -- I also
41 tag on to what Mr. Graham said. Appreciate what y'all
42 done out there at the public defender's office and
43 being good stewards of the taxpayers' money.
44 Appreciate it very much. All in favor of the motion
45 show of hands. All opposed like sign. Show the motion
46 carries unanimously.

47 That concludes the Finance Committee report.

48 Moving on to Item number 11, appointments. I'm not
49 showing none. Does anyone have any appointments?

50 CINDY WILSON: I do.

1 TOMMY DUNN: Okay, Ms. Wilson.
2 CINDY WILSON: Thank you, Mr. Chairman.
3 May I reappoint to the Museum Board Mr. Ricky Bell and
4 Mr. Lee Bagwell. And I put that in the form of a
5 motion.
6 TOMMY DUNN: Have a motion from Ms.
7 Wilson. Second by Mr. Waters. Any discussion? All in
8 favor of the motion show of hands. All opposed like
9 sign. Show the motion carries unanimously.
10 Moving on Request by Council members. Mr. Waters.
11 KEN WATERS: I have none at this time.
12 TOMMY DUNN: Thank you. Mr. Allen?
13 TOM ALLEN: I have none at this time.
14 TOMMY DUNN: Ms. Floyd?
15 GRACIE FLOYD: I have two, I believe. The
16 first one is the carnival that's coming to town in
17 Anderson soon. I said carnival but I meant circus. I
18 would like to appropriate five hundred dollars from the
19 District 2's recreational fund in order to help them
20 with this endeavor. And I put that in the form of a
21 motion.
22 TOMMY DUNN: Motion Ms. Floyd. Second
23 Ms. Wilson. Any discussion? All in favor of the
24 motion show of hands. All opposed like sign. Show the
25 motion carries unanimously. Ms. Floyd.
26 GRACIE FLOYD: The next one is an
27 organization called the Proverb's Mentoring
28 Organization. They do have a 501(c)(3). And the
29 purpose for the fund is to take the students to a -- on
30 a spring break college tour for the high school
31 athletes. They are asking for two thousand dollars --
32 oh, wait a minute. They're asking for two thousand
33 dollars in order to have the money to work with these
34 students. And that's in the form of a motion.
35 TOMMY DUNN: Have a motion from Ms.
36 Floyd. Have a second? Second Mr. Allen. Any
37 discussion? All in favor of the motion show of hands.
38 All opposed like sign. Show the motion carries
39 unanimously. Anything else, Ms. Floyd?
40 GRACIE FLOYD: No, that's all.
41 TOMMY DUNN: Mr. Graham.
42 RAY GRAHAM: Nothing at this time.
43 TOMMY DUNN: Mr. Wooten.
44 CRAIG WOOTEN: Yes, for District 1's
45 recreation fund, I'd like to appropriate four thousand
46 dollars to the Anderson Free Clinic. It's going to be
47 the Walk with the Docs and then a series of events
48 going throughout the fall in District 1. And I put
49 that in the form of a motion.
50 CINDY WILSON: Second.

1 TOMMY DUNN: Motion Mr. Wooten, second
2 Ms. Wilson. Any discussion?
3 GRACIE FLOYD: Yeah, I have a question.
4 TOMMY DUNN: Yes, ma'am.
5 GRACIE FLOYD: Mr. Wooten, you said that
6 will be for a series of events?
7 CRAIG WOOTEN: Yes, ma'am. And the first
8 one's the Walk with the Docs. And then I think the
9 second one is in September, and I'm drawing a blank. I
10 think it's a 5K, but it was two of them. Yes, ma'am.
11 GRACIE FLOYD: Okay. And the money's to be
12 divided among those two ---
13 CRAIG WOOTEN: Yeah, that's -- when I spoke
14 to the Executive Director I just said -- she just sort
15 of showed me the schedule for the year and I said,
16 well, I'd like to just sort of donate to the entire
17 cause.
18 GRACIE FLOYD: I see. I understand.
19 Thank you.
20 CRAIG WOOTEN: And I'm sorry. I have one
21 other.
22 TOMMY DUNN: Okay. Go ahead.
23 CRAIG WOOTEN: Also, with the Proverbs
24 Mentoring Organization, I'm familiar with these
25 gentlemen and they're quality guys and they do a lot of
26 quality work and I'd like to appropriate one thousand
27 dollars to their organization.
28 CINDY WILSON: Second.
29 TOMMY DUNN: Have a motion Mr. Wooten and
30 second by Ms. Wilson. Any discussion on this? All in
31 favor of the motion show of hands. All opposed like
32 sign. Show the motion carries unanimously. Anything
33 else, Mr. Wooten?
34 CRAIG WOOTEN: That's it.
35 CINDY WILSON: District 7's almost zeroed.
36 TOMMY DUNN: Out of District 5's rec
37 account, I'd like to appropriate five hundred dollars
38 for the Hejaz Shriners Circus. Put that in the form of
39 a motion.
40 CINDY WILSON: Second.
41 TOMMY DUNN: Second Ms. Wilson. Any
42 discussion? All in favor of the motion show of hands.
43 All opposed like sign. Show the motion carries
44 unanimously.
45 Moving on to Item number 13, Administrator's
46 Report. Mr. Burns.
47 RUSTY BURNS: Nothing at this time, Mr.
48 Chairman.
49 TOMMY DUNN: Thank you.
50 Going to be moving on to Item number 14, Citizens

1 Comments. When Mr. Harmon calls your name, please
2 restate your name for the record, address the Chair,
3 you have three minutes.

4 LEON HARMON: Mr. Chairman, we have one
5 citizen signed up. Elizabeth Fant.

6 ELIZABETH FANT: Elizabeth Fant, District 3.
7 Have several things. One is housekeeping again on the
8 agenda. Every time we have a fee-in-lieu-of or an
9 ordinance, whatever, and there's a piece of paper in
10 here that's a signature paper. I believe that at the
11 top it needs to be typed on that page what the
12 ordinance number is, because otherwise you have a piece
13 of paper that has signatures and you don't know what it
14 goes to and it could go to anything. There were three
15 of those tonight.

16 On the recreation money, District 6, I was looking
17 at everybody's and I noticed that Mr. Waters' District
18 6 had two different allotments to Foothills Foundation,
19 one three thousand and another one five thousand and
20 Foothills Community Foundation is a foundation that
21 does a lot of good. But when you just classify it like
22 that, we don't know what it's going to. And I don't
23 think that's enough information.

24 The biggest news on the agenda tonight is Anderson
25 County Sheriff's office report. Man, our Sheriff's
26 department is jam up tight. Average daily calls for
27 assistance, one thousand three hundred and eighty-four.
28 And for the month, forty-two thousand nine hundred and
29 one calls. That is a lot of calls coming through that
30 they have to handle. Another noteworthy statistic is
31 the Detention Center, the average daily population is
32 four hundred and one, which I think is down from the
33 heights that it had been. Litter people -- and we
34 always fussing about the litter and it's always out
35 there -- but our litter crew, Mr. Greg Smith is in
36 charge of that, they cleared twenty-nine point four
37 miles in January. They picked up trash bags worth one
38 thousand six hundred and fourteen bags of trash. And
39 they also picked up a hundred and ninety-one tires.

40 TOMMY DUNN: Moving on, comments from
41 Council -- anyone else?

42 LEON HARMON: No one else is signed up,
43 Mr. Chairman.

44 TOMMY DUNN: Moving on, comments from
45 Council members. Ms. Wilson?

46 CINDY WILSON: Thank you, Mr. Chairman.
47 Just wanted to make sure that anyone who would like to
48 attend the Cheddar meeting that will be next Tuesday
49 night at 6:30 at the Cheddar Fire Department. And this
50 involves an update on the disposal contract, the roads

1 issues and other citizen concerns over there. Mr.
2 Harmon will be attending, Mr. Graham and I will, and
3 our South Carolina Department of Transportation
4 District engineer, Mr. Kevin McLaughlin, and hopefully
5 Mr. Holt Hopkins can come, too, and others. We've made
6 a lot of progress. Mr. Graham has been working really
7 hard on that; and everybody. When you're talking about
8 a forty-five million dollar value to a contract, it's
9 important and especially the happiness of the community
10 over there is very important.

11 There was another item that was brought to my
12 attention last week. And I've asked Ms. Croegaert to
13 copy everyone with the issues at Omega Farm on Long
14 Road. Some of these type issues are present in a lot
15 of the current development going on in the county. I'm
16 very concerned regarding our building standards and
17 development standards in the county. This one, people
18 who live there have had septic tanks pumped out two and
19 three times within the year. Homes built on a drain
20 where the basements are filling. It's a nightmare.
21 And I'm fearful that even though our county is
22 following rules and regulations, we may be a party to a
23 lawsuit. It is just a dreadful mess over there. And
24 I'm hoping we can find our way to make things a little
25 clearer and more effective in our development and
26 building standards areas. Anyway, food for thought.
27 Thank y'all very much.

28 TOMMY DUNN: Thank you, Ms. Wilson. Mr.
29 Wooten.

30 CRAIG WOOTEN: I -- only thing I would say
31 is I'm very optimistic about this spring and this
32 summer with the Civic Center. I feel like we've got
33 some good things going on that's going to bring a lot
34 of folks in town. Going to benefit the businesses and
35 localities. And I feel like the judicial committee is
36 doing the right thing and it's compounding on the
37 efforts that we talked about last year and trying to
38 get folks to trial faster and it's not just about the
39 jail. And I think what we're doing with the public
40 defender's office is very positive for the folks that
41 need it. So I think a lot of things to be optimistic
42 about.

43 TOMMY DUNN: Thank you, Mr. Wooten.
44 Mr. Graham.

45 RAY GRAHAM: Thank you, Mr. Chairman.
46 One thing I wanted to mention. At the last meeting
47 there was some question as far as juniper switches that
48 we had approved in finance meeting to pursue and also
49 approved in Council. One of the questions was one of
50 the citizens had brought up the pricing of a switch

1 that he had located. I just wanted to let everyone
2 know that we did check back with the Sheriff's
3 department or the IT department on this. Basically the
4 switches comparing it to was in a sense a refurbished
5 switch. So it was not comparing apples to apples. The
6 switches that we actually pursued and were -- had
7 priced, the actual state contract was actually higher
8 than what we actually got the switches for due to our
9 employees' diligence on pricing these switches. They
10 actually got it cheaper than what they had them listed
11 for. So I just wanted to make sure the citizens were
12 aware that our employees are being diligent about that.
13 And just -- I appreciate the employees taking extra
14 steps to ensure that we are getting the best pricing,
15 you know, whether it's the juniper switches or whatever
16 we're pursuing. So just wanted to clarify that because
17 there was some question on that. Again, just to
18 confirm it, the apples was not being compared apple to
19 apple. Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

20 TOMMY DUNN: Thank you, Mr. Graham.
21 Ms. Floyd.

22 GRACIE FLOYD: Yes. I received a letter in
23 the mail and I'm sure that all of you received it as
24 well. It was from the Fire Chief. Okay. And it
25 concerned me some. It was said one time a long time
26 ago before you guys got here that we should not be
27 spending money that was set aside for -- money that was
28 set aside for recreational activity. It was said at
29 that time that we all need to go to the legislative
30 people and talk to them about raising money or
31 appropriating money for the fire departments. They
32 really do need that money and the money that we can
33 give them for our -- from our rec funds is probably a
34 drop in the bucket, where they could get more if we
35 would just go to the legislative body and ask them to
36 give them what they need. I intended to bring the
37 letter with me, you know, so I could read it to you
38 because it says, I think it says something in there
39 that Anderson County is not cooperating with them in
40 helping them get what they needed. Did it say that,
41 Mr. Burns? Did you read that?

42 RUSTY BURNS: I saw the letter, Ms. Floyd.
43 They said they withdrew their request for that
44 increase.

45 GRACIE FLOYD: You saw a letter I didn't
46 see. Okay. Well, I've got another letter that was
47 saying they needed some funds. And from what we do
48 with our recreational funds, I think that they could be
49 right. And if they withdrew it, it's news to me. And
50 if they withdrew it I don't see why. Because if we're

1 having to give money to the fire department, then it's
2 wrong and every one of us did it. Even me. But we
3 need to do something so we can keep the recreational --
4 the meager amount that we get for recreation, we need
5 to ensure that the people who that money was put aside
6 for should get it. We've got, we have -- there's a
7 need for that because we don't have a recreational
8 department or recreational plan for our people. They
9 have in the city, but we don't. So every little bit we
10 can get to these kids or to these people who are trying
11 to do something, we need to do.

12 And if you look over all the recreational funds,
13 you'll see that sometimes a lot of the funds aren't
14 going to rec programs. In fact, there was one part of
15 Anderson didn't even know they had a rec fund. But
16 that's what I have to say. Now, I will get the letter
17 again and I will read it and if they said that forget
18 the whole thing then I one who wants to forget it. And
19 I will come back to you and I will apologize. But
20 unless I see that in writing to just forget the whole
21 thing we've got enough money, I'm going to stick to my
22 guns. We need to see what we can do to increase the
23 needs -- increase the money that's needed to run our
24 fire station appropriately. Thank you.

25 TOMMY DUNN: Mr. Allen.

26 TOM ALLEN: Thank you, Mr. Chair. Yeah.
27 I wanted to thank the public defender's office, too,
28 for being here tonight and having this discussion with
29 us. And one of the comments that came up was we're
30 going to try to do this to move the process along
31 faster in the legal field. And I'm all for that
32 because that's been one of my heartburns many times as
33 the folks sit over in the jail way too long, just
34 waiting to, you know, for their case to be heard. So
35 we'll do anything -- I will do anything to help you and
36 I thank you for that.

37 Also just wanted to mention, too, that last week
38 over at the Civic Center they had the Upstate High
39 School Archery competition over there for middle school
40 and high school. And I'm telling you, it amazes me.
41 Next year they'll do it again. I think this was the
42 fourth year. But there were four hundred and seventy
43 kids there shooting 3-D targets, bull's eye targets,
44 the whole thing. A lot of family members there
45 watching. And I could -- I don't know what the thrill
46 is about archery. I mean, I like it, I shoot out in my
47 backyard quite a bit as a matter of fact. But I could
48 see a few dozen kids, but they have nearly five hundred
49 kids showing up every year to shoot. And they've done
50 an excellent job, Department of Natural Resources, and

1 the PE instructor at LaFrance school have really
2 supported this thing to a great extent. But if you get
3 a chance to go see it next year, do it. Pretty
4 interesting.

5 I would also mention, too, at the Civic Center on
6 the 3rd of March, this again will be, I think, the
7 fourth year for the Junior ROTC drill competition which
8 started over there. And it's really caught on. We've
9 got at least twenty schools showing up this year from
10 around the Upstate, plus I think Georgia and North
11 Carolina have teams coming in. And the kids go through
12 their drill routines and they are graded by active army
13 members or guard reserve active members. So it's a
14 pretty interesting competition to see these kids over
15 there and I'd recommend people go to that, too.

16 And other than that, Mr. Chair, I'll shut up.
17 Thank you.

18 TOMMY DUNN: Thank you, Mr. Allen.
19 Mr. Waters.

20 KEN WATERS: Wow. Just listening at all
21 the things that are happening in Anderson County, you
22 know, there was one time when we came on Council, the
23 economy was so bad, we were happy to get one thing
24 going. And now, just listening to all that, I don't
25 know where I'm getting old or just can't remember all
26 the things that's happening, just listening to --
27 remind me ---

28 TOM ALLEN: You're getting old.

29 KEN WATERS: Okay, I appreciate that.
30 But just listening to all the things happening, there's
31 so much going on. The ROTC at the Civic Center.
32 Watching those kids and how they practice and, you
33 know, how hard they work and how well they do with
34 that.

35 And can I ask a question? How many county
36 employees we have here tonight? Sheriff's department
37 and all of that. And including the prosecutor -- I
38 guess you guys, too. So we got, what five or six
39 citizens here. You know, that's -- there's a hundred
40 and ninety-something thousand people doing something
41 somewhere else that are citizens in Anderson County.
42 Usually if something is wrong, you hear from them.
43 Now, I get phone calls. You know, pothole here and
44 pothole there; things like that. But just looking at
45 what's here tonight, I'll have to say looks like we've
46 done a pretty good job. And so I'm pretty proud of,
47 you know, being a part of this. And the things we've
48 accomplished. Not to mention the Bass Masters coming
49 to Anderson County. You know, that's going to be a
50 part of Greenville. That's part of the Upstate.

1 That's not just part of Anderson County. That's part
2 of the Upstate. Last weekend they had a high school
3 bass tournament and had a great turnout for that. And
4 you know, that's just one of the things. Looking at
5 some youth activities coming to the Civic Center ball
6 park. Just one thing after another. And just
7 listening to some of the county employees working.
8 Man, they're just doing a great job. They're so busy
9 till you can't keep up with them. And you know, just
10 looking back at what's been accomplished, I'm proud to
11 have been a part of this. And the good job that
12 everybody's done. And so I just want to thank
13 everybody. Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

14 TOMMY DUNN: Thank you, Mr. Waters.
15 Just want to thank Mr. Graham for following up on
16 the IT department and Sheriff's office on last week as
17 was brought up in the Council said. That was part of
18 the motion, you know, make sure it was apples to apples
19 and it wasn't.

20 Just want to say, you know, never got a problem
21 with any citizen questioning anything; it's their
22 right. Want them to ask question and stuff. But that
23 particular gentleman got up and made some accusations
24 about employees being lazy, about this, that and other
25 about county employees. You know, you ought to know
26 your facts before you get up. Or maybe you do and you
27 want to grandstand. There's plenty of times from the
28 Finance Committee meetings to this meeting to ask any
29 Council person, his or whoever else, a question about
30 getting something. That's what sort of aggravates me
31 sometimes about people just wanting to make accusations
32 in public, just throw out accusations. Very easy to
33 do. Not having all the facts.

34 Second thing, wanted to make sure all clear up a
35 little maybe not the letter Ms. Floyd was talking
36 about, but a letter I'm sure everyone got from the
37 Chairman of the Anderson County Fire Commission, Mr.
38 Holiday, withdrawing his request and asking the County
39 Council to raise people's taxes to fund a bond for the
40 County Council. So that, and that will be looked at
41 more. But that was the letter that the Fire Commission
42 withdrew and it came from the Chairman of the Fire
43 Commission.

44 At this time I just want to bring up a few facts
45 and a few things that have been coming to my attention
46 and staff and Mr. Harmon I've asked to make a
47 recommendation between now and the next Council meeting
48 for Council to decide on, there may even be a need for
49 a special Council meeting at some point. This is
50 talking about our opium problem. Anderson County had

1 twenty deaths due to opium overdose in 2016. Same year
2 county EMS squad administered two hundred and sixty-
3 five doses of Narcan in order to treat opium overdoses.
4 We have one of the state's highest rates of babies
5 being born with neonatal abstinence syndrome. Almost
6 seven out of every one thousand babies delivered in
7 Anderson County is born with an addiction to opioids.
8 In 2016 there were around ninety-four opium
9 prescriptions dispensed for every one hundred residents
10 in our county. This means that the number of opioid
11 prescriptions almost equal to the county population.
12 In earlier years the number of opioid prescriptions
13 filled actually exceeded the number of people living in
14 Anderson County. That is dying down, but it's not
15 going to solve our problem and our liability is only
16 going to increase with this. And I think it's time --
17 this has been talked about throughout the country,
18 throughout the state. I think Anderson County needs to
19 be the leader at the forefront on this. Be looking and
20 I've asked Mr. Harmon, he has met and I have too, Mr.
21 Burns has, about some people, about doing something
22 about this, make recommendation. Stand up. This is a
23 problem and not only have we paid for it in the past,
24 we're paying for it in the present, we're paying for it
25 in the future with our EMS providers, part of our jail,
26 our health care, people losing their homes, losing
27 their jobs. Very bad and very distasteful thing that's
28 happening. And we need to try to get on this and do
29 what we can do to help our citizens of Anderson County.
30 I ask and urge each and everyone of you to be in touch
31 with Mr. Burns and Mr. Harmon and get filled in on this
32 if you haven't already and be looking about
33 doing something about this.

34 Appreciate each and every one of y'all. Meeting
35 will be dismissed.

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(MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:33 P.M.)