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County of Anderson)

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ANDERSON COUNTY COUNCIL
SPECIAL PRESENTATION MEETING
MAY 15, 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 to order the regular Anderson County Council meeting
3 part of our resolution and proclamations of May the
4 15th, 2018. I'd like to welcome each and everyone of
5 you here.

6 At this time we'll start with 2(a) Resolution 2018-
7 027. If you would I'll ask Vice Chairman, Mr. Graham,
8 to proceed with this.

9 RAY GRAHAM: Thank you, Mr. Chairman.
10 This is in reference to a resolution to recognize and
11 honor Mr. Jeff Maxey as 2019 South Carolina Teacher of
12 the Year and other matters thereto.

13 **WHEREAS**, Mr. Maxey initially began his career in
14 the community serving as a minister. While serving in
15 this role Mr. Maxey was invited to attend school
16 classrooms to provide guidance and assistance to the
17 students who needed help in gaining a better
18 understanding of loss. As a result of his experience
19 working with students Mr. Maxey became inspired to
20 become a teacher; and

21 **WHEREAS**, after earning a Bachelor of Arts Degree
22 from Western Kentucky University and a Master of Arts
23 in Teaching-Learning and Behavior Disorders from
24 Spalding University, Jeff was on the path to teach
25 inner city middle school students. Jeff spent 8 years
26 as the National Director of Education and Training in
27 North Africa. He was responsible for conducting
28 research based studies and leading the development of
29 teacher training materials. Additionally, he provided
30 training, mentoring and teaching to educators; and

31 **WHEREAS**, Jeff is a Special Education Resource
32 Teacher at Starr Elementary in Anderson School District
33 Three where he has been teaching for four years. Jeff
34 also dedicates time to serve as The Special Education
35 Department Head, District Teacher Trainer, District
36 Evaluator and a Master Teacher Mentor, and

37 **WHEREAS**, on May 2, 2018 The South Carolina Teacher
38 of the Year Gala was held in Columbia, South Carolina
39 at the Columbia Metropolitan Convention Center. During
40 this event Mr. Maxey was chosen as the 2019 South
41 Carolina Teacher of the Year. He will serve for one
42 year as an ambassador of educators. In this role he
43 will provide mentoring, attend speaking engagements,
44 work with teacher cadets and teaching fellows, lead the
45 State Teacher forum and serve as a spokesman for over
46 50,000 educators; and

47 **Now, Therefore**, the Anderson County Council wishes
48 to recognize and honor Jeff Maxey who passionately
49 serves the children and families of our community. We
50 appreciate your dedication, your leadership, and

1 personal commitment to our youth who need guidance and
2 support. We are happy to celebrate your recognition
3 and distinction as 2019 South Carolina Teacher of the
4 Year.

5 Resolved in a meeting duly assembled this 15th day
6 of May, 2018.

7 Mr. Chairman, I bring this in form of a motion.

8 TOMMY DUNN: Motion, second Ms. Wilson.
9 Motion Mr. Graham. Any discussion? Ms. Wilson?

10 CINDY WILSON: It's so unbelievable in this
11 day and age of people struggling to get ahead and
12 questing for wealth and fame to have someone in our
13 midst to be honored in this way of giving up the
14 opportunities to make lots of money in order to serve
15 children who really have intelligence but have such a
16 difficult way of learning the way a lot of us learn.
17 That is so rare. So thank you, Mr. Maxey.

18 TOMMY DUNN: Anyone else?

19 RAY GRAHAM: Mr. Chairman, if I may. Mr.
20 Maxey, I just read ??? with your dedication and
21 commitment you bring to Anderson School District 3.
22 And it's definitely a privilege, especially with me
23 having a daughter going to that school. She definitely
24 looks up to you. Since this has occurred, I mean, it's
25 unreal the talk in the community about how much value
26 you bring to our school district. And it's great to
27 see our school district recognized. And it's
28 definitely an honor and privilege to see you recognized
29 for this achievement. Thank you.

30 TOMMY DUNN: I'd also like to echo Mr.
31 Graham congratulate you and want to thank you very much
32 for what all you do for the citizens and students of
33 Anderson County, especially District 3. They're very
34 fortunate to have someone like you teaching them and
35 leading them and mentoring them. We're very fortunate
36 and hope you're around much more to keep doing this.

37 All in favor of the vote show of hands. Show the
38 motion carries unanimously. Mr. Graham.

39 RAY GRAHAM: Mr. Chairman, Mr. Maxey, if
40 you could, you and your wife and the staff come up here
41 and we'll recognize you.

42 **(PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTION)**

43 TOMMY DUNN: Mr. Graham.

44 RAY GRAHAM: Mr. Chairman, if I may.
45 Also, and I apologize for not doing it earlier, but I
46 want to recognize Ms. Hipp, the Superintendent of
47 School District 3. And also, Ms. Davis, the principal,
48 for Starr Elementary. Definitely without y'all's
49 support we would not have the teachers we have in our
50 District. And we definitely thank y'all for everything

1 you guys do as well.

2 TOMMY DUNN: Thank y'all.

3 We're going to move on now to Resolution (b)
4 Proclamation. And this will be National Safe Boating
5 Week. Couldn't come at a more fitting time. Mr.
6 Allen.

7 TOM ALLEN: I was going to say, this is
8 very apropos today that I get to read this.

9 National Safe Boating Week Proclamation.

10 For nearly 90 million Americans, boating continues to
11 be a popular recreational activity. From coast to
12 coast and everywhere in between, people are taking to
13 the water and enjoying time together boating, sailing,
14 paddling and fishing. During National Safe Boating
15 Week, the U.S. Coast Guard and its federal, state and
16 local safe boating partners encourage all boaters to
17 explore and enjoy America's beautiful waters
18 responsibly.

19 Safe boating begins with preparation. The Coast
20 Guard estimates that human error accounts for 70
21 percent of all boating accidents and that life jackets
22 could prevent more than 80 percent of boating
23 fatalities. Through basic boating safety procedures --
24 such as carrying lifesaving emergency distress and
25 communications equipment on board, wearing life
26 jackets, attending safe boating courses, participating
27 in free boat safety checks, and staying sober when
28 navigating -- we can help ensure boaters on America's
29 coastal, inland, and off shore waters stay safe
30 throughout the season.

31 National Safe Boating Week is observed to bring
32 attention to important life-saving tips for
33 recreational boaters so that they can have a safer,
34 more fun experience out on the water throughout the
35 year.

36 **WHEREAS**, on average, 650 people die each year in
37 boating-related accidents in the U.S. Approximately 80
38 percent of these fatalities caused by drowning; and

39 **WHEREAS**, the vast majority of these accidents are
40 caused by human error or poor judgment and not by the
41 boat, equipment or environmental factors; and

42 **WHEREAS**, a significant number of boaters who lose
43 their lives by drowning each year would be alive today
44 had they worn their life jackets.

45 **THEREFORE**, Anderson County Council, do hereby
46 support the goals of the Safe Boating Campaign and
47 proclaim May 19-25, 2018 as National Safe Boating Week
48 and the start of the year-round effort to promote safe
49 boating.

50 In Witness Thereof, I urge all those who boat to

1 practice safe boating habits and wear a life jacket at
2 all time while boating.

3 Resolved in a meeting duly assembled this 15th day
4 of May, 2018.

5 And I put that in the form of a motion, Mr.
6 Chairman.

7 KEN WATERS: Second.

8 TOMMY DUNN: Motion Mr. Allen, second Mr.
9 Waters. Any discussion? All in favor of the motion
10 show of hand. Show the motion carries unanimously.
11 Moving on to Item number 2(c) Proclamation of Great
12 American Clean-up. I believe Ms. Wilson's got that, if
13 you would.

14 CINDY WILSON: Thank you, Mr. Chairman.
15 This is to recognize all the wonderful people who
16 turned out to help clean up.

17 **WHEREAS**, Anderson, South Carolina recognizes the
18 importance of providing a safe, clean environment for
19 all citizens of Anderson County, and

20 **WHEREAS**, many clean-up efforts in Anderson County
21 take place throughout the year, but March begins a
22 concentrated community based program. There were 849
23 bags of roadside trash collected countywide, and

24 **WHEREAS**, the Great Anderson County Clean-up event
25 was held on Saturday, April 21, 2018 from 8 am to 12 pm
26 throughout several areas of Anderson, and

27 **WHEREAS**, staff, friends, families and various
28 volunteer groups from all over the community gathered
29 to assist in the removal of trash and debris,
30 collecting a total of 1425 bags of trash and litter and
31 75 used tires, and

32 NOW THEREFORE, we, the Anderson County Council of
33 Anderson, South Carolina, do hereby proclaim April 21,
34 2018 a successful Great Anderson Clean-up.

35 Further, we urge all citizens to unite and continue
36 cleaning up our neighborhoods and communities in
37 collective efforts of making Anderson County a clean,
38 safe and litter free environment to promote the well
39 being of our communities for future generations.

40 And, Mr. Chairman, may I put that in the form of a
41 motion?

42 TOMMY DUNN: You may. We have a second?
43 Second Mr. Allen. Any discussion?

44 I'd just like -- like I did a few meetings ago,
45 just want to again thank all the citizens that helped
46 out this Great American -- Anderson County clean up.
47 And all the employees. I think they went beyond what
48 was expected of them. Great job they done that
49 weekend, getting out and working and doing that and
50 trying to take pride in the county and keeping it

1 clean. Ms. Wilson.

2 CINDY WILSON: Well, our Ms. Porter, who is
3 our wonderful educator, came to our community clean-up,
4 brought her mother and her little daughter, Nora, and
5 that little girl outworked probably any two of us
6 adults for a while and then she commenced to picking
7 wild flowers. So -- but it was a very interesting day
8 and it looked clean for a few days and we've had people
9 out trashing us again. I don't know what the answer's
10 going to be, but I hope we can all put our heads
11 together. Perhaps a little punishment might go a long
12 ways. Thank you.

13 TOMMY DUNN: All in favor of the motion
14 show of hands. All opposed like sign. Show the motion
15 carries unanimously.

16 That will conclude this part of the meeting. We'll
17 reconvene back at 6:30.

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(SPECIAL PRESENTATION MEETING ADJOURNED AT 6:15 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 May 15, 2018 to order. Welcome everyone here.
4 Appreciate you coming out.

5 At this time I'd like to ask us all to rise for
6 Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance by Councilman Ken
7 Waters.

8 **(INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE BY KEN WATERS)**

9 TOMMY DUNN: At this time, are there any
10 corrections to be made to the May 1, 2018 regular
11 Council meeting? Any? We have a motion to move
12 forward?

13 CINDY WILSON: May I make the motion that
14 we approve the minutes as written for the May 1st
15 meeting?

16 TOMMY DUNN: Have a motion Ms. Wilson
17 approval. Second?

18 TOM ALLEN: Second.

19 TOMMY DUNN: Second Mr. Allen. All in
20 favor show of hands. Got something? Sorry. Wait a
21 minute. We got something, Ms. Floyd.

22 GRACIE FLOYD: I was trying to ????. On
23 page 18 of the minutes, there is something left out
24 that I said and that should be -- the word bill should
25 go in there. And on page -- the last page of the
26 agenda, ???

27 TOMMY DUNN: Minutes, you mean.

28 GRACIE FLOYD: The minutes, yes. I think
29 the timing is wrong. It says the meeting adjourned at
30 6:32 PM. Adjourned. Am I wrong about that?

31 TOMMY DUNN: Shouldn't have been. Not at
32 6:30. We just got started at 6:30. We was pretty
33 quick, but I don't think it was two minutes quick.

34 GRACIE FLOYD: I think that needs to be
35 corrected because that is documented.

36 CINDY WILSON: That's true.

37 GRACIE FLOYD: And the fact that it was
38 left out what I said about that bill that was in the
39 House, that's standing in the House. I remember saying
40 the name of the bill because I couldn't think of ???,
41 but the number of the bill was left out and I can't
42 remember that now.

43 TOMMY DUNN: With those -- I make the
44 motion that we correct the minutes and state what Ms.
45 Floyd said. We'll get after the meeting and let Ms.
46 Floyd correct that if that's all right with everybody.
47 I put that in the form of a motion.

48 CINDY WILSON: Second.

49 TOMMY DUNN: Second Ms. Wilson. Now all
50 in favor of the motion show of hands. Thank you.

1 Thank you, Ms. Floyd.

2 Now, Citizens Comments.

3 LEON HARMON: Mr. Chairman, no one is
4 signed up at this time.

5 TOMMY DUNN: Okay. Thank you, Mr.
6 Harmon. Things happen.

7 Number 5, Presentation from the Delta Sigma Theta
8 organization. If y'all would step forward. I think it
9 might be best if you want to behind Mr. Burns. Mr.
10 Burns, make sure she gets it on and everything suits
11 her. Little bit quicker next time or you're going to
12 lose your -- we'll give that job to somebody else now.
13 It's not yours for life. Okay. Go ahead.

14 TRACY RICHARDSON: Good evening. My name is
15 Tracy Richardson. I am the Chapter President for
16 Anderson Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority
17 Incorporated. And so, just to give you a quick
18 background. Our sorority -- our Chapter is a part of
19 the National Sorority. We have over 250,000
20 predominantly African American college educated women
21 throughout this country as well as Japan and other
22 countries. We -- our programatic thrust is to focus on
23 public service. And so we are committed to public
24 service.

25 One of the things that I wanted you all to know is
26 that the Anderson Alumnae Chapter has been around since
27 May 19, 1978. And during that time we started our
28 initiatives looking at assisting individuals, the least
29 of these in the community, with, for example, political
30 awareness and involvement. And so what that entails is
31 that we have programs that focus on registering
32 individuals to vote. And not only vote in a
33 presidential election, but to vote in the primary
34 elections as well. Because the bottom line is that
35 politics is local and it is very important for our
36 citizens to vote on a local level and not just when
37 it's time for president.

38 And so we -- our organization is in line with the
39 national organization. So we're non-partisan and so
40 what we do in educating citizens about political
41 involvement awareness is to educate them about the
42 issues. Who is running, what their views are. And so
43 we have political forums. We have legislative
44 breakfasts. Matter of fact I think several of you have
45 been invited in the past and several of you have come
46 in the past to some of our political awareness events.
47 Again, registering individuals to vote.

48 Something else that we focus on as well is
49 expungement. So we are working with our local
50 probation, pardon and parole and developing programs or

1 having programs in the community to look at the
2 expungement process and educating the community about
3 that.

4 Every year -- because South Carolina still remain,
5 I want to say in the top five as it relates to domestic
6 violence and women being killed by their intimate
7 partners, we hold domestic violence forums in the
8 community. We also have the human trafficking forums
9 and we partner with Clemson University. Clemson
10 University has a sorority on campus, Omicron Phi. And
11 so we partner with them and have our human trafficking
12 forum every year. The I-95 -- going down the
13 interstate of I-95, you have Atlanta on one side, you
14 have Charlotte on the other. South Carolina is sitting
15 right there in between and there's a lot of human
16 trafficking going on in both of those states and it
17 does matriculate its way into our area; Greenville,
18 Spartanburg, even Anderson County.

19 Something else that we focus on is physical and
20 mental health. There is a problem with increasing
21 individuals with signs or symptoms of depression.
22 Anderson, which is a part of the Upstate, also has a
23 higher prevalence of suicide completions, which is --
24 statistically has shown to be the case. And so one of
25 the things that we have done is we have held health
26 forums. We had a community health forum actually at
27 the Westside Community Center a couple of years ago and
28 that's where we educated the community on not only
29 mental health, but also physical health, and the
30 importance of eating healthy and taking care of
31 yourself, just as a shameless plug I would say.

32 But one of the things that our sorority will be
33 doing on May the 26th right here at the Anderson County
34 Library -- we will have mental health first aid
35 training for the community. And I know that United Way
36 does mental health first aids in the community right
37 now, but our chapter is having a training and this
38 particular training is free and available to the
39 community. So we will be doing that particular
40 training just to assist lay persons with understanding
41 some of the signs and symptoms of mental health, as
42 well as suicide. So if a loved one or a friend comes
43 to them, they'll know what to do and what they are
44 actually dealing with, at least some perspective on it.

45 Something else that we also do, we are part of
46 Saturday Servant and what that actually -- with
47 Saturday Servant, we feed the homeless and those who
48 need food on Saturdays in the month of October. And so
49 our sorority has taken on that. And during that time
50 we also provide hygiene items to the individuals.

1 Coats, gloves, hats, those different type of clothing
2 for them.

3 Something else that Delta does, as well, that I'm
4 real proud of is that we have an educational
5 programmatic thrust and within that we have our Delta
6 gyms, and our Delta academy. And these are two
7 programs, Delta gyms focus on mentoring young ladies
8 that are high school age. And so we serve as mentors
9 to them throughout the three counties we serve. We
10 service Anderson, Oconee and Pickens County. And so we
11 mentor to young ladies. We also mentor to young girls
12 in elementary schools with our Delta Academy program.
13 And one of the things that we also do as far as helping
14 our future, which are our children. And that is that
15 we provide scholarships to our youth in the community.
16 The Jabberwock is one way that we do that and have been
17 doing that for many, many years. And we also have May
18 week, and that's another way that we give back as far
19 as scholarships to young women, as well as young boys.

20 Now, what the community may not know is that we
21 have given over, since 1978, we have given over a
22 million dollars in scholarships to students who were
23 attending higher education, whether that's two year or
24 four year colleges. So we're certainly proud of that.
25 You know, not to be so long-winded, but I just wanted
26 to give you just a snapshot of how active we are in the
27 community. We are again, doctors, lawyers, counselors,
28 business owners, we are voters, we are advocates for
29 the least of these. We are assertive women who are
30 about knowing what the issues are, educating ourselves
31 on that as well as educating others on that and so
32 that's something that we are -- I'm certainly proud of
33 being President of the chapter.

34 I will say that just on a personal note, you know,
35 I've been with the Department of Mental Health for
36 twenty-four years. And I'm also the first trained
37 Crises Counseling program trainer for the state of
38 South Carolina, which means I was trained by FEMA. I
39 am a FEMA trainer trainer in the event of a disaster
40 and I'm Department of Homeland Security trained. But
41 all of that I am a Delta. And so, certainly I'm proud
42 of that.

43 I do want to say that I appreciate the work that
44 each of you do for the community. We have to have
45 individuals who are a voice for our community and a
46 voice for people to make sure that the right thing is
47 done. The Bible states that the poor will always be
48 among us. And because of that we do have a spiritual
49 responsibility in making sure that their needs are at
50 least addressed, heard and taken care of working with

1 them. Not saying doing it for them, saying working
2 with them.

3 So in closing, I do just want to take a point of
4 special privilege to present to our soror, Gracie
5 Floyd, a small token of our appreciation for her
6 service that she's did to the Anderson community and we
7 do appreciate the work that she's doing for Anderson
8 County and we appreciate her support of Delta Sigma
9 Theta.

10 GRACIE FLOYD: Thank you.

11 TOMMY DUNN: I'd just like to say we
12 appreciate what y'all do for the community. Appreciate
13 -- I believe you've been part of our criminal justice
14 thing coming up and we really do appreciate you
15 participating in that and look forward to working with
16 you on that very much.

17 Ms. Floyd, you have anything you want to add before
18 we move on?

19 GRACIE FLOYD: I thank you for that, Tracy.
20 These are my sorors. I've heard about the work that
21 Tracy -- I can't think of your last name.

22 TRACY RICHARDS: Richardson.

23 GRACIE FLOYD: I know about the work that
24 you are doing. And Brandy is my special-- she's my
25 special. Known her for a long time. We have been in
26 the organization, but I am proud, I am proud of my
27 sorority and I am proud of the work that they do. And
28 I hope that I am an extension of it. Thank you.

29 TOMMY DUNN: Thank y'all.

30 Moving on now to Item number 6, Discussion on
31 Housing, our own Ms. Hunter. Ms. Hunter.

32 ALESIA HUNTER: Thank you, Mr. Chair. I
33 have with me this afternoon Mr. Chris Hill. He's
34 president of Scout Realty. And Mr. Hill has come to my
35 office -- came to my office maybe two weeks ago and
36 presented me with a plan of some housing that he would
37 like to propose for Anderson. I don't know if you saw
38 the paper. He made the front page of the Greenville
39 News today, I think it was today. And he's here to
40 share with you some of his visions of what he would
41 like to present to Anderson and some of the ideas in
42 terms of affordable housing. He does ??? development.

43 So I'd like to introduce Mr. Hill. Again, he's
44 with Scout Realty Group. It's a land development and
45 site acquisition company. He's based out of Greenville
46 and he specializes in residential and urban in-fill and
47 mixed use communities. They were founded in 2003 and
48 since then he's been involved with more than 20
49 communities throughout the Southeast. And in 2017,
50 Scout started and began a place to increase their focus

1 on developing and building communities for affordable
2 housing.

3 And prior to establishing Scout, Chris is a
4 graduate of University of South Carolina Law School.
5 And he's been practicing law for approximately thirteen
6 years and he's focused on real estate. Chris also owns
7 a sales and marketing company that's focused on a
8 destination of resort real estate and represented at
9 some of the largest building in the U.S. in land
10 development area. So Chris is active with the ULI and
11 has been a guest instructor at Clemson University for
12 their masters of real estate development program. So
13 at this time I will turn it over to Mr. Hill to address
14 the Council. Thank you.

15 TOMMY DUNN: Thank you, Ms. Hunter.

16 GRACIE FLOYD: Mr. Chairman, before he
17 starts would you like to go to the podium?

18 TOMMY DUNN: Whatever's comfortable for
19 you. Whatever's comfortable for you. If you're good.
20 Okay.

21 CHRIS HILL: I appreciate the
22 opportunity. I did come over I guess a few weeks ago
23 to speak with Alesia. And so in the Greenville market,
24 I'm developing market rate lots that I sell to the D.R.
25 Hortons of the world, the **mungos** of the world, those
26 kinds of guys. And what we have figured out is to put
27 a lot of the ground, curb, gutters, sewer, roads,
28 etcetera, you're every bit of twenty-five to twenty-
29 seven thousand dollars. And that's before you buy the
30 land, before you pay your interest for the money you
31 borrowed to do these deals. And so, we were having
32 trouble trying to bring anything to the market where we
33 could sell lots at a price where you could put a house
34 under a hundred and eighty, a hundred and ninety
35 thousand dollars.

36 Just by chance I had a property in Clemson that I
37 bought from Milliken. I sold that to a student housing
38 group and they asked, we've got some property in
39 Greenville, would you be interested in buying it? It
40 was around Judson Mill and it was some old mill
41 property with lots off of existing roads,
42 infrastructure in place, and that was sort of the
43 genesis of starting to do the affordable housing.

44 And so, I have continued that model in multiple
45 places. I'm currently selling lots that I can develop
46 without full infrastructure, but where I can find road
47 frontage in an area where DOT doesn't control the
48 roads, because DOT does not like curb cuts. But we're
49 selling lots in Woodruff; we're selling lots in Duncan.
50 We are -- as far as Mary Black Hospital area in

1 Spartanburg, I'm in Greenwood. I have two communities
2 in Anderson. However, both of those were sites that I
3 bought partially developed. I bought Oak Hill, which
4 is, I guess, right off Clemson Boulevard.

5 TOMMY DUNN: And Market Place.

6 CHRIS HILL: Eighty-two lots. And then I
7 bought a small seventeen lot subdivision in Homeland
8 Park area that we're currently selling homes starting
9 in the one twenty's, one twenty-fives.

10 So I think I'm here today really to say, I'm
11 actively looking in this market. And what I would just
12 ask is as we bring things in front of Alesia and we
13 bring, you know, hopefully opportunities in front of
14 you guys to see, help me think outside the box on ways
15 we can achieve things that will still allow us to do
16 lots that I can sell to my builder and we can, you
17 know, get something in that's not a hundred and sixty
18 and a hundred and seventy.

19 It has amazed me to watch, for instance, in
20 Woodruff I bought nineteen lots in the last subdivision
21 developed in Woodruff, 1992. And they have set there
22 every since. I bought the last nineteen lots. We went
23 in, we put them on the website, we started selling and
24 we sold all nineteen and have started all nineteen
25 homes within sixty days. And this is really not an
26 anomaly. Where we're going is a very under-served area
27 typically. Not necessarily -- you know, Homeland Park
28 area for instance, is not -- we're not going there
29 specifically because the lots are cheaper but really
30 because you've got quite a few renters and the programs
31 we're seeing with the builders I'm working with, people
32 can end up buying these homes really close to or
33 sometimes under what they're renting some really poor
34 rentals for. So I think it's a mutually beneficial,
35 you know, solution that if we can all figure out a way
36 to deliver these lots everybody wins.

37 TOMMY DUNN: Very well could be. Look
38 forward to hearing more from you.

39 Yes, sir. Ms. Wilson. I'll get you in a minute.
40 Ms. Wilson, I come to you. Ms. Wilson.

41 CINDY WILSON: Did you say you work with D.
42 R. Horton?

43 CHRIS HILL: I did some -- I have
44 actually sold them some lots and I've also done some
45 land acquisition. Yes, ma'am.

46 CINDY WILSON: Well, I'm not very fond of
47 the quality they build, but we do have a lot of
48 opportunities coming up with our neighborhood
49 improvement program with lots that have been cleaned
50 up. Those will start being available next year, I

1 believe. And we have a lot of housing over in the
2 Pelzer and Williamston area. A lot of the old mill
3 hill that if we had a good builder to go in and take up
4 some of those lots and restore some of those houses,
5 they are highly marketable and a lot of good things
6 going on. But we do want to encourage good
7 development. Be glad to help you in that regard.

8 CHRIS HILL: Thank you.

9 TOMMY DUNN: Ms. Floyd.

10 GRACIE FLOYD: Thank you. I met Mr. Hill
11 last week or the week before last, I can't remember
12 which one now. But I met him and I went on a ride with
13 him throughout the area that he is planning on having
14 these houses. He's planning on building these houses.
15 I was so -- I was just elated when I saw them. Those
16 houses are beautiful. I have been talking about them,
17 but I wanted him to come here today and talk to us
18 because this is one of the things that we need in
19 Anderson County. It's called affordable homes. I have
20 been so excited about it that -- I'm not a realtor but
21 I have carted some of my friends screaming and
22 scratching and clawing over there off of the highway
23 near the Fairgrounds to the houses that you're building
24 over there. And they were amazed. Some of the men
25 that went with me got out and looked at them and all of
26 that.

27 But I told them the part that really got to me when
28 you said that some of those houses will cost them less
29 than what they're paying for rent now. And I think
30 that's a -- I think that's the thing that's going to
31 grab a lot of people to live well, to live better, in
32 affordable homes in nice communities. And Chris --
33 that's what I've been calling you now -- Chris, thank
34 you for coming and thank you for what you're doing to
35 Anderson, not only in my area, but what could happen
36 all over Anderson.

37 CHRIS HILL: Yes, ma'am. And just as one
38 more point, so there's almost -- there's a niche of
39 people that really are getting left out a little bit.
40 We don't do subsidized housing. So there are the
41 people that can buy subsidized and then there's that
42 little bit above that where these guys don't have any
43 housing available and then there's the one seventies.
44 So we're trying to serve that niche in between where it
45 is a -- you know, we're not asking Anderson to help
46 give us money to ---

47 GRACIE FLOYD: I know, I know.

48 CHRIS HILL: We are asking Anderson ????
49 a little bit of help on, you know, roads, etcetera.
50 Nothing that would ever jeopardize safety or anything

1 like that.

2 TOMMY DUNN: Understand. Look forward to

3 hearing from you. Thank you for coming out tonight.

4 GRACIE FLOYD: Thank you for coming, Chris.

5 TOMMY DUNN: Moving on now. Item number

6 7(a) Ordinance Third Reading. Ordinance 2018-007 an

7 ordinance amending the Zoning map to rezone +/- 3.3

8 acres from R-M7 (Multi-Family Residential) to C-3

9 (Commercial) along Hwy 24 and Welborn Street.

10 This is third reading. We've had this, we've had a

11 public hearing on this. I'll make the motion we move

12 this forward.

13 CINDY WILSON: Second.

14 TOM ALLEN: Second.

15 TOMMY DUNN: Second Mr. Allen. Any

16 discussion? All I'd like to say is I want to

17 appreciate the work the Collins have done with the

18 community over there. I know they wasn't exactly

19 happy, but nobody's here. Going back to that first

20 meeting, it proves to show you you can work and try to

21 come to a compromise. Appreciate y'all doing that and

22 trying to work with that and I know what y'all have

23 done in the past has been blessing and good to the

24 community. Appreciate y'all very much for doing that

25 and taking the initiative to try to work with them.

26 TOM ALLEN: Mr. Chair.

27 TOMMY DUNN: Mr. Allen.

28 TOM ALLEN: I'd like to echo those

29 comments, too. I think you did a great job working

30 with the folks out there, the residents to get this

31 worked out and I want to thank you for that.

32 TOMMY DUNN: All in favor of the motion

33 show of hands. All opposed like sign. Show the motion

34 carries unanimously. Thank y'all again.

35 Moving on to Item number 8 -- I'm sorry. 7(b)

36 2018-011 this is an ordinance establishing the terms

37 and conditions upon which non-exclusive franchise may

38 be granted to private ambulance services operating.

39 This will be a public hearing. Anyone wishing to speak

40 to this, please step forward and state your name and

41 district and address the Chair please. Anyone at all?

42 Hearing or seeing no one public hearing will be closed.

43 Mr. Graham.

44 RAY GRAHAM: Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

45 This is in reference to ordinance 2018-011. This is an

46 ordinance establishing the terms and conditions upon

47 which non-exclusive franchise may be granted to private

48 ambulance services operating within Anderson County for

49 non-emergency patient transport, establishing the

50 procedures for applying for such franchises, the

1 payment of franchise fee, the period of operation
2 granted by such franchise, renewal procedures and the
3 standards applicable for such franchise, establishing
4 appeal procedures for denial of a franchise
5 application, discipline of a franchise, denial of a
6 renewal of a franchise, or the termination or
7 restriction of franchise rights, establishing penalties
8 for violation of this ordinance. Basically the only
9 thing we've added in this is the actual fee which is
10 five hundred dollars for this franchise fee. And
11 Public Safety Committee just feels that that's enough
12 for people to put some skin in the game to actually
13 request a franchise opportunity here in Anderson.

14 TOMMY DUNN: Coming from Public Safety
15 Committee doesn't need a second. Are there any
16 discussion?

17 GRACIE FLOYD: I have one, please.

18 TOMMY DUNN: Ms. Floyd.

19 GRACIE FLOYD: The five hundred dollar fee
20 that you just put in, is that a fee that was approved
21 by Council or is it one that ---

22 TOMMY DUNN: That's what we're asking to
23 vote on tonight, to approve it.

24 GRACIE FLOYD: Okay. But we voted on the
25 fee as well as the ordinance itself.

26 TOMMY DUNN: Yes, ma'am.

27 GRACIE FLOYD: Okay.

28 TOMMY DUNN: This is going to affect
29 nobody that's in Anderson now. This is just to protect
30 us -- really not only protects us but protects existing
31 ambulance providers to let somebody come in and just
32 take over our service, plus having a little bit of
33 control. Most other counties have already got
34 something in place. We're just trying to play catch-up
35 if something or other happens. All in favor of the
36 motion show of hands. All opposed like sign. Show the
37 motion carries unanimously.

38 There are no second readings at this time.

39 We'll go on to Item number 9(a) Ordinance First
40 Reading 2018-017 an ordinance authorizing the execution
41 and deliver of Fee in Lieu of Tax Agreements by and
42 between Anderson County, South Carolina and a company
43 or companies known to the County at this time as
44 Project Avocado with respect to certain Economic
45 Development property in the County, whereby such
46 property will be subject to certain payments in Lieu of
47 Taxes, including the provision of certain Special
48 Source Revenue Credits.

49 Mr. Nelson, you have anything you want to add or
50 say?

1 BURRISS NELSON: ?? (inaudible).
2 TOMMY DUNN: Yes, sir. We have a motion
3 to move this forward?
4 KEN WATERS: So moved.
5 TOMMY DUNN: Motion Mr. Allen, second Ms.
6 Wilson. Now discussion.
7 GRACIE FLOYD: Yes.
8 CINDY WILSON: Just a real quick question.
9 TOMMY DUNN: Let Ms. Floyd. She has the
10 floor. Then we'll go to you. Ms. Floyd.
11 GRACIE FLOYD: Thank you. I would like to
12 explain this as I understand it because I think it's a
13 -- from what I can see and hear today and this
14 afternoon, I think it's a good project, but you're
15 going to have trouble understanding what it is.
16 Southern -- well, you're going to have problems
17 understanding what it is. But I'm going to explain it
18 to you without going into a whole lot of details.
19 Think about the tower, the cell tower for the
20 telephone. Okay. These people are going to do the
21 same thing on these open areas agricultural land. It's
22 a solar system and the energy or whatever they call
23 what comes into the solar system will be sold to Duke
24 Power. Duke Power on -- then will -- I understand that
25 it may not lower our energy bills that much, but it's
26 hoped that it will help it from going up as it is bound
27 to be ?? (switched to next audio file) everything
28 that's going on. Did I explain that correctly? Okay.
29 Good. But you need to know what we're talking about
30 sometimes up here. And I just wanted to offer that.
31 Thank you, Mr. Chair.
32 TOMMY DUNN: Thank you. Ms. Wilson.
33 CINDY WILSON: Thank you, Mr. Chair. I
34 talked with Mr. Nelson earlier today. Did we ever find
35 out the difference in the millage rates between the
36 properties?
37 BURRISS NELSON: ?? (Inaudible).
38 CINDY WILSON: Okay. Well, we do use
39 buckets on the farms.
40 BURRISS NELSON: I'm sorry.
41 CINDY WILSON: The other question the
42 resolution and inducement agreement, which is the
43 inducement agreement listed other projects, but the fee
44 in lieu of and special source revenue credit agreements
45 didn't list all of them. And you were explaining to me
46 that by the time we get to the third reading we'll have
47 all of them.
48 BURRISS NELSON: Well, they'll be
49 incorporated in a multi-county park agreement. These
50 are large enough that they can qualify for negotiated

1 fee based on their complete -- their total size of
2 capital investment.

3 CINDY WILSON: Okay. Thank you.

4 TOMMY DUNN: Any more discussion? All in
5 favor of the motion show of hands. All opposed like
6 sign. Show the motion carries unanimously.

7 Thank you, Mr. Nelson.

8 BURRISS NELSON: Thank you. Thank you for
9 supporting this.

10 TOMMY DUNN: Moving on to Item number (b)
11 2018-018 an ordinance authorizing the amendment of the
12 Infrastructure Credit Agreement heretofore entered into
13 between Anderson County, South Carolina and One World
14 Technologies, Inc. to modify the provisions thereof
15 relating to the ownership of the existing facilities
16 and other provisions therein. Do we have a motion to
17 move this forward?

18 CINDY WILSON: So moved.

19 TOMMY DUNN: Motion Ms. Wilson. We have
20 a second? Second Mr. Graham. Any discussion?

21 Mr. Nelson, you have anything you'd like to add?

22 BURRISS NELSON: Nothing other than this is
23 just cleaning up a little bit of the language that is
24 in our previous agreement for that project and it
25 allows them to get full advantage of the incentive
26 package.

27 TOMMY DUNN: All in favor of the motion
28 show of hands. All opposed like sign. Show the motion
29 carries unanimously. Thank you.

30 BURRISS NELSON: Thank you.

31 TOMMY DUNN: Moving on now, Item number
32 (c) 2018-019 an ordinance amending Ordinance #99-004
33 the Anderson County zoning ordinance, as adopted July
34 20, 1999, by amending certain sections of the zoning
35 ordinance text, specifically Chapter {30} 70 Article
36 10, Sections 1.2, 1.3, and 3.4 to eliminate fees for
37 Zoning Ordinance or Map amendments.

38 This is coming from the Planning and Works
39 Committee -- Planning and Public Works Committee. It
40 doesn't need a second when we get to it, but this was
41 in her -- in the report for that, but this is moved up
42 here so this will not be -- we're going to cover this
43 now. Ms. Wilson.

44 CINDY WILSON: Thank you. You've basically
45 described it perfectly. Ms. Myers and Dr. Parkey
46 presented us with this item at our meeting and it had
47 already been presented to the Planning Commission.
48 It's simply eliminating the fees for the rezoning. And
49 all the verbiage and the numbers in the red print that
50 you have before you tonight will be removed. And that

1 part of our ordinance is before you if anybody has any
2 questions.

3 TOMMY DUNN: Mr. Parkey, Dr. Parkey, do
4 you have any comments you'd like to add anything to
5 that? Everything good? Okay. Again, coming from the
6 Public Safety Committee -- I mean the Public Works
7 Committee doesn't need a second. Any discussion? Any
8 more? Hearing none, all in favor of the motion show of
9 hands. All opposed like sign. Show the motion carries
10 unanimously.

11 Moving on to Item number 10 Resolutions 10(a) 2018-
12 028 a resolution inducing and identifying a proposed
13 investment under code name of "Project Avocado" that
14 Mr. Nelson has talked about numerous two times before.
15 Do we have a motion to move this forward?

16 KEN WATERS: So moved.

17 TOMMY DUNN: Motion Mr. Waters, second
18 Ms. Wilson. Any discussion? Mr. Nelson, you got
19 anything to add?

20 BURRISS NELSON: No, sir. You described it
21 perfectly. Thank you, sir.

22 TOMMY DUNN: All in favor of the motion
23 show of hands. All opposed like sign. Show the motion
24 carries unanimously.

25 Appreciate it. Keep up the good work, you and your
26 staff. Thank y'all.

27 Moving on now Item number 11 Report from Civic
28 Center Committee -- Ad Hoc Committee held May the 30th.
29 Mr. Waters.

30 KEN WATERS: Yes, I'd like to make a
31 motion that we go into Executive Session to discuss
32 contractual matters. We don't need to? Okay, I
33 apologize. We don't need to go into Executive Session.

34 Mr. Burns, would you like to go over the contract
35 that we discussed? Okay.

36 RUSTY BURNS: All members of Council have
37 had the -- this contract for around ten days. It was
38 coming out of the Civic Center Committee. It was
39 approved unanimously to go to County Council.
40 Basically it will be to hire TRC Management Company to
41 be responsible for management, ticketing, sales and
42 marketing, premium sitting programs, parking, security,
43 food, beverage, artists and promoter relations,
44 operations and everything else related to the event on
45 the day of the event at the facility. They will use
46 their best efforts to have the facility booked with
47 quality programs, ensure the facility is available to
48 all qualified promoters. And if you have any other
49 questions or any concerns ---

50 TOMMY DUNN: Mr. Burriss -- I mean, Mr.

1 Burns, if you would just touch base how this was put
2 out for requests for proposal or whatever the correct
3 term is.

4 RUSTY BURNS: We put it out nationally for
5 requests for proposal. And we received one response.
6 This was the response that we received.

7 TOMMY DUNN: Had a couple other companies
8 inquire, but nobody -- this was the only one that
9 responded. Right?

10 RUSTY BURNS: Several companies who
11 visited Anderson and we had several people who called
12 and requested information. So it was widely advertised
13 to all the major promoters in the country.

14 TOMMY DUNN: Thank you.

15 GRACIE FLOYD: Mr. Chair.

16 TOMMY DUNN: Ms. Floyd.

17 GRACIE FLOYD: Mr. Burns, I know you said
18 the Civic Center and da-da-da all around the Civic
19 Center. But this does include the amphitheater, too,
20 does it not?

21 RUSTY BURNS: There's the amphitheater,
22 Ms. Floyd, as well as the Sports Complex. Yes, ma'am.

23 GRACIE FLOYD: Thank you.

24 TOMMY DUNN: Coming from the committee
25 doesn't need a second. Any more discussion? All in
26 favor of the motion show of hands. All opposed like
27 sign. Show the motion carries unanimously.

28 Now moving on to Item number 12, Report from
29 Capital Projects Committee Meeting held May the 7th.
30 Chairman Graham. Mr. Graham.

31 RAY GRAHAM: Mr. Chairman, at this time
32 we don't really have anything to report. We are going
33 to continue with the meetings first of the week, and
34 hopefully by next Council meeting we'll have some
35 recommendations back from the committee.

36 TOMMY DUNN: Thank you, Chairman.

37 Moving on to Item number 13, Report from the Parks
38 and Recreation Committee meeting held May the 9, 2018.
39 Chairman Wooten. Chairman Wooten.

40 CRAIG WOOTEN: Thank you, sir. We met last
41 Wednesday, I believe. It was the first Parks and
42 Recreation Committee meeting. And the purpose of it
43 was to sort of tell where we wanted to go with Parks
44 and Rec. And Anderson is a collection of communities.
45 And I grew up in the Pendleton community and we were
46 always involved on the Square, we were always involved
47 with recreation. We knew the community members. The
48 community members knew us. We knew the police, they
49 knew us. We didn't everything right, but we -- it
50 allowed us to have a sense of community where people

1 took pride. And I'm a big believer that we provide
2 public safety and that's probably the most important
3 thing we can help work on.

4 But through that and working with the school
5 systems, those things go together to create economic
6 development. And once economic development is created,
7 we go to work so that we can get off work to live our
8 lives. You know, I go to work so I can come home and
9 spend time with my children. And so when we talk about
10 things like crime, we talk about trash, we talk about
11 all the things that are challenges, a lot of it comes
12 down to our sense of community and how people are
13 connected with each other, how people are respectful to
14 each other. And that's the memories that you make and
15 that's what we want to be a part of. And you know,
16 some folks said I was a little bit too idealistic and I
17 said, well, we're just chasing idealism through small
18 realistic steps.

19 And with that we discussed a number of things, but
20 you know, we have a trail that's going through Anderson
21 from the Connector, it's going to go across to the
22 Civic Center. It's going to go behind AnMed. It can
23 possibly connect to the walking areas within the city,
24 through Linley Park and downtown.

25 And I spoke with the city. I would like for us to
26 sort of form a working group where we can brand that.
27 You know the Swamp Rabbit Trail in Greenville. You
28 know the trail in Easley. We need to name our trail.
29 We need to let people know what's going on with that.

30 Also we talked about corporate sponsorship for
31 parks. And we have a lot of companies that we've done
32 a lot of work with. We've given them tax breaks. And
33 they've come and provided wonderful jobs and they're
34 recruiting people to this area. We have some
35 corporations that would like to be involved with making
36 our parks nicer. But it's incumbent upon us to make --
37 bring the parks up to speed. We're not asking them to
38 fix a problem. We need to take care of our own
39 deferred maintenance and then allow the corporations to
40 come in and make it nicer for the community.

41 With that, also, we had a proposed master plan from
42 Mr. Brill and Mr. Schell where they're constantly
43 updating where do we want to go with this. And
44 finally, in talking about the accommodations fee, we
45 talked about areas where we can go in and start to make
46 current improvements and have an impact in the short
47 run.

48 So with the proposed accommodation fee, and I like
49 this fee for one reason, it's paid for by folks outside
50 of the county. These are people who come in and stay

1 at a hotel and they pay a fee and we collect that fee
2 jointly with the city and then we work on projects to
3 make Anderson nice for the citizens.

4 So with that, we're proposing one hundred thousand
5 dollars for Broadway Lake for improvements to the
6 center there. We're proposing a hundred and twenty-
7 five thousand dollars to KidVenture at the
8 Entertainment Center where kids play to make it safe
9 and accessible to everybody. We're proposing a hundred
10 thousand dollars for a baseball field at Dolly Cooper
11 Park. We're also proposing two hundred and eighteen
12 thousand dollars for restrooms and ADA compliance and
13 parking and straightening of a road, which is a match,
14 I may add, for a grant for Green Pond. And then we're
15 proposing two hundred and fifty thousand dollars to
16 resurface the Anderson Sports and Entertainment Center
17 which is desperately needed as that's our center place
18 to host events and we need to maintain it and
19 especially with this new management group that's going
20 to try to bring in regional and national acts that we
21 maintain it in a way that it looks appropriate and it
22 helps facilitate business.

23 So with those recommendations we're bringing it
24 from the committee for Council approval.

25 And I put that in the form of a motion.

26 TOMMY DUNN: Coming from the Finance -- I
27 mean, I'm sorry, coming from the Ad Hoc Parks and
28 Recreation Committee it doesn't need a second. Now,
29 discussion?

30 GRACIE FLOYD: Yes.

31 TOMMY DUNN: Ms. Floyd.

32 GRACIE FLOYD: Okay. Mr. Wooten, excellent
33 report.

34 CRAIG WOOTEN: Thank you.

35 GRACIE FLOYD: Excellent report. I have
36 one question, though. You said that the proposed
37 master plan is a proposal. Nothing is written in stone
38 yet, right? But are -- or can we -- or may we have
39 some input in that proposed plan as far as the funds
40 are concerned? May I attend a meeting, please, before
41 we just go ahead and sign off on it to discuss the
42 parks, since Broadway Lake is in it.

43 CRAIG WOOTEN: Most definitely. Yes,
44 ma'am. And that's one of the things I asked of Mr.
45 Brill and Mr. Schell. I said, for any plans that
46 you're making for any parks in anybody's area, if
47 you're proposing any kind of substantial changes from a
48 funding standpoint or a functionality standpoint, I
49 said, I would like for you to get with that Council
50 member individually so that if it moves forward it's

1 with them knowing about it and with their approval.

2 GRACIE FLOYD: Good. Well, I have -- I
3 know I haven't heard anything from anybody. I guess
4 they were waiting on tonight so we could vote on this
5 before we move on. But I thank you.

6 TOMMY DUNN: All in favor of the motion
7 show of hands. All opposed like sign. Show the motion
8 carries unanimously.

9 Moving on, Mr. Chairman. Mr. Wooten, you got
10 anything else?

11 CRAIG WOOTEN: No, sir. No, that's it.

12 TOMMY DUNN: I just want to thank you and
13 your committee for your hard work. Keep on and bring
14 anything else to our attention that y'all have seen
15 necessary. Thank you very much.

16 CRAIG WOOTEN: I appreciate it.

17 TOMMY DUNN: Moving on now Item number 14
18 Report from Personnel Committee meeting held on May 9,
19 2018. Chairman Allen. Chairman.

20 TOM ALLEN: Yes, thank you, Mr. Chair.
21 As stated, the Personnel Committee met on May 9th to
22 study a survey that was done by the Segal Waters firm
23 of Austin, Texas. And that was to look at our overall
24 personnel structure here in the county. And there were
25 approximately four major areas that they keyed in on.

26 And that was doing a wage comparison of what the
27 county pays employees here versus other counties in the
28 area versus private industry in the area. So wages was
29 one thing looked at. The quality and quantity of job
30 descriptions and how they were written and did they
31 really pinpoint the work, the jobs that were actually
32 being done. They looked at those to make sure they
33 were correct or if they needed some reworking. They
34 also looked at the need for annual appraisals, employee
35 appraisals so that we know where employees stand when
36 it does come time for promotions or raises or whatever.
37 And they also looked at how comp time, vacation time,
38 sick time and so on is compiled and how that compares
39 with outside industry both public and private here in
40 the area. So they looked at numerous things.

41 And what we would like to do then at this time,
42 those were the four key areas that they looked at. And
43 the Personnel Committee then voted to bring this to the
44 full Council tonight with the recommendation that the
45 administration and staff review these suggestions and
46 come up with the appropriate fixes, in conjunction with
47 the Personnel Committee, and then that can then be
48 brought back to the full Council for final vote and
49 implementation.

50 So I would put that recommendation in the form of a

1 motion. Mr. Chair.

2 TOMMY DUNN: Have a motion, doesn't need
3 a second coming from the Personnel Committee. Any
4 discussion? Any more discussion? Hearing none, all in
5 favor of Mr. Allen's motion show of hands. All opposed
6 like sign. Show the motion carries unanimously.

7 Chairman Allen, anything else?

8 TOM ALLEN: That's all. Thank you.

9 TOMMY DUNN: Thank you.

10 Moving on to Item number 15, Report from the
11 Planning and Public Works Committee meeting held May
12 11, 2018. And keep in mind, we've already done Item
13 (b) so Madam Chairlady, Ms. Wilson.

14 CINDY WILSON: Thank you, Mr. Chairman.
15 Ms. Alesia Hunter, our Development Standards and Zoning
16 Director, presented a very important result of county's
17 audit by FEMA, which was conducted April 26, 2018.

18 The purpose of FEMA's visit was to assist community
19 officials with the implementation and administration of
20 the local Flood Plain Management Program and to
21 evaluate Anderson County's status as a participant in
22 the National Flood Insurance Program.

23 In addition to being our Zoning and Development
24 Standards Director, Ms. Hunter is now our certified
25 Flood Plain Administrator, having completed the courses
26 necessary to qualify.

27 The following is an excerpt which you have in front
28 of you from the report, which I'll quickly read. The
29 administrative permit process includes application,
30 review, inspection, record keeping, enforcement and
31 substantial improvement in damage. The Flood Plain
32 Manager, Alesia, is part of the development standard
33 section. She works very closely with the building code
34 section. The county has several checks and balances in
35 place to ensure proper enforcement of their flood
36 ordinance. Alesia reviews all three elevations
37 certificates that are required and she inspects
38 structure with a final elevation certificate. The
39 final plat for subdivision is required to have a FEMA
40 flood plain zone boundary and states which parcels will
41 be required to submit elevation certificates. Majority
42 of the permitted structures within the special flood
43 hazard area have a lowest adjacent grade that is above
44 the base flood elevation, making them eligible to be
45 removed from the flood zone.

46 Our county has a hundred and thirteen of the
47 insurance policies totaling a total amount of thirty-
48 two million two hundred and eighty-six thousand
49 dollars. The administrative and enforcement
50 procedures, there were found to be no issues. The

1 follow-up, there is no need for a follow up by the
2 state or FEMA. And we are just so proud of Ms. Hunter
3 for doing all of this work and our good professionals
4 in staff who contributed to this effort.

5 You'll see a list of projects that were audited.
6 There were thirteen projects or requirements that have
7 been met. It was a very, very complex evaluation. And
8 thank you, Ms. Hunter. And I was reading what SC D&R
9 stated of her efforts there. So we're very proud.
10 This puts our county way ahead in that realm.

11 The next item that we had to deal with was we
12 continued the review of the capital improvement plan,
13 which by state law is required to be approved by County
14 Council in five year cycles. The capital improvement
15 plan list has also been provided as part of our backup
16 here and part of our budget considerations. The list
17 for fiscal year '18-'19 identifies the need, estimates
18 costs and we are in discussion of possible funding
19 resources. And at our next Planning and Public Works
20 Committee meeting, we'll have additional input from the
21 department heads for each request and we will return to
22 County Council with a prioritized list for Council's
23 final approval.

24 And that is the report from the Planning and Public
25 Works Committee. Thank you.

26 TOMMY DUNN: Thank you, Ms. Wilson.
27 Appreciate the work you and your committee is doing. I
28 also want to thank Ms. Hunter and her department. I
29 know it's mostly her doing this and we really do
30 appreciate what all you've done for us in keeping us up
31 to date on this stuff because if it wasn't -- you think
32 this ain't important, but if it wasn't, when people go
33 to get permits or to do this, that or the other, we'd
34 be hearing from it. So we appreciate what all you did
35 for us. Thank you very much.

36 We're moving on now to the Road Acceptance into the
37 County Inventory. We have three roads tonight. Any
38 objection to doing all three of these at one time? We
39 have a motion to take all three of these in and meeting
40 county requirements.

41 KEN WATERS: So moved.

42 TOMMY DUNN: Motion Ms. Wilson, second
43 Mr. Waters. Any discussion? All in favor of the
44 motion show of hands. All opposed like sign. Show the
45 motion carries unanimously.

46 Item number 17 is just something that was brought
47 to my attention and I said I would bring this up for
48 full discussion with Council and see what their wishes
49 was. Doesn't matter to me one way at all. But there
50 was some discussion about the primary day is June the

1 12, 2018 election day, about being off that day for
2 county holiday. Make that a county holiday for that
3 one time. Does anybody got any thoughts? Yeah, nay on
4 this?

5 CINDY WILSON: Should we meet another date
6 and free that up? Does anyone have a suggestion?

7 TOMMY DUNN: This ain't a must meeting.
8 This is discussion concerning -- is this Council
9 meeting? No, this is for a county -- county workers
10 being off that day, is why I understood it. For the
11 primary. June 12. It's not for a Council meeting.

12 CINDY WILSON: Well, should we have a
13 Council meeting that night?

14 TOMMY DUNN: It don't fall on that night,
15 does it?

16 LEON HARMON: No. The Council meetings in
17 June would be the 5th and the 19th. This is the second
18 Tuesday in the month.

19 CINDY WILSON: Oh, okay. Thank you.

20 TOMMY DUNN: You got something, Mr.
21 Graham?

22 RAY GRAHAM: Have we done this in the
23 past?

24 TOMMY DUNN: Don't think so, but let me
25 ask. Don't want to speak out of turn. Has this been
26 done in the past, does anybody know?

27 RUSTY BURNS: I don't remember.

28 TOMMY DUNN: Do you know, Ms. Floyd?

29 GRACIE FLOYD: I don't think we have had to
30 do this in the past because the primaries, as well as
31 the general elections, are always held at a time when,
32 you know, when it was convenient. I don't think we've
33 ever let the employees have a vacation day that day.

34 TOMMY DUNN: Okay. What do you think,
35 Mr. Allen?

36 TOM ALLEN: Mr. Chair, yeah, I was going
37 to say I don't think we need a holiday, either.
38 There's plenty of time before work, after work and we
39 could just have a liberal leave policy during the day
40 if somebody has to take off work to go and do it. But
41 I can't see taking a whole day off to go.

42 RAY GRAHAM: I agree.

43 TOMMY DUNN: You make that a motion just
44 no action.

45 TOM ALLEN: Yeah, I'd make a motion that
46 that not be used as a holiday.

47 RAY GRAHAM: I'll second that.

48 CINDY WILSON: I'll second that ---

49 TOMMY DUNN: Second Mr. Graham.
50 Discussion, Ms. Wilson.

1 CINDY WILSON: Is there -- the reason this
2 is on here, is there an issue with some of our
3 employees working as poll workers? Is that ---
4 RUSTY BURNS: ?? at the polls. No harm.
5 TOMMY DUNN: Thank you. All in favor of
6 the motion show of hands. All opposed like sign. Show
7 the motion carries unanimously.
8 Moving on number 18, Appointments. Mr. Waters, you
9 got any?
10 KEN WATERS: I don't have any at this
11 time.
12 TOMMY DUNN: Does anybody have any?
13 Appointments?
14 Okay. Moving on Requests by Council members. Mr.
15 Waters, you have any?
16 KEN WATERS: I don't have any.
17 TOMMY DUNN: Mr. Allen.
18 TOM ALLEN: I have none at this time.
19 TOMMY DUNN: Ms. Floyd.
20 GRACIE FLOYD: I have two.
21 TOMMY DUNN: Ms. Floyd, if you would, get
22 that part there.
23 GRACIE FLOYD: I want my mike back Mr.
24 Dunn. I mean Mr. Burns. I want my mike. Stationary
25 mike back. The -- I have two appointments, please.
26 TOMMY DUNN: Appointments or requests?
27 GRACIE FLOYD: No, excuse me. I'm having a
28 bad day, y'all, so you have to just bear with me.
29 Okay. Today's the 15th, right?
30 TOMMY DUNN: Yes, ma'am.
31 GRACIE FLOYD: Today's the day I buried my
32 husband, nineteen years ago and I always have a bad day
33 on this day, so ... Where are we now?
34 TOMMY DUNN: You got two requests.
35 GRACIE FLOYD: No. Requests. I have two
36 requests. I know what I'm doing. From District 2.
37 District 2 have allocated -- would like to allocate ten
38 thousand dollars to the YMCA for our children in
39 District 2 to attend the camp. The YMCA camp is one of
40 the best camps that we have. And I don't like to see
41 children out in the streets playing or watching TV in
42 the house. So every year, I think this is the fourth
43 or fifth year, District 2 has sent kids to camp with
44 the recreational money. So I'm allocating ten thousand
45 dollars for that, please. And that's in the form of a
46 motion.
47 TOMMY DUNN: Ms. Floyd makes a motion to
48 allocate ten thousand dollars out of District 2's rec
49 account for the YMCA camp for the kids in her district.
50 KEN WATERS: Second.

1 TOMMY DUNN: Second Mr. Waters. Any
2 discussion? All in favor of the motion show of hands.
3 All opposed like sign. Show the motion carries
4 unanimously. Ms. Floyd.

5 GRACIE FLOYD: Okay. Let me put these two
6 together. District 2 was able to secure passes to the
7 fair. We're going to talk about that one later on.
8 But we sent a lot of kids this year to the Anderson
9 County Fair. And I was out with my rollator, and a
10 helper when I could get one, passing out Fair tickets.
11 Not only did we pass out tickets, we passed out free
12 fair rides. I think I said that right. We passed out
13 coupons for fair rides free. And it went over big.

14 But while I was at Nevitt Forest passing them out,
15 I had a chance to talk with the principal there and she
16 told me of a project that they are doing with their
17 kids to encourage good behavior and all the other kind
18 of stuff. I don't believe in paying a child to be
19 good. I'm from the old school. You be good or we got
20 something good for you. But the thing is, what she's
21 doing will probably help a lot. And she needs some
22 money in order to get it done. It lays in the
23 recreational arena. So I would like to give one
24 thousand seven hundred forty-eight dollars and ninety-
25 nine cents to Nevitt Forest Elementary school to go
26 into their recreational behavior fund for their
27 children. And that's in the form of a motion.

28 TOMMY DUNN: Have a motion from Ms.
29 Floyd. Have a second?

30 TOM ALLEN: Second.

31 TOMMY DUNN: Second Ms. Wilson. Any
32 discussion? All in favor of the motion show of hands.
33 All opposed like sign. Show the motion carries
34 unanimously.

35 GRACIE FLOYD: Thank you, Mr. Chair.

36 TOMMY DUNN: That it?

37 GRACIE FLOYD: Yes.

38 TOMMY DUNN: Mr. Graham.

39 RAY GRAHAM: Thank you, Mr. Chairman.
40 This is in reference to my paving account. I would
41 like to bring this forth in the form of a motion.
42 There's fifty-five thousand two hundred fifty dollars
43 for grading and drainage for the city of Belton. They
44 have come to me and asked that this be allocated
45 towards the paving of the armory, which they basically
46 secured it and have completely remodeled and turned it
47 into a recreational facility. There should be a little
48 bit of money left over with this paving and with the
49 remainder amount that they're going to have left over,
50 they're going to put toward paving a spot behind the

1 Square that needed to be paved. I bring this forth as
2 a motion this money be allocated.

3 TOMMY DUNN: Have a motion Mr. Graham.
4 KEN WATERS: Second.
5 TOMMY DUNN: Second Mr. Waters. Any
6 discussion? All in favor of the motion show of hands.
7 All opposed like sign. Show the motion carries
8 unanimously. Anything else, Mr. Graham?
9 RAY GRAHAM: Nothing, Mr. Chairman.
10 Thank you.

11 TOMMY DUNN: Mr. Wooten.
12 CRAIG WOOTEN: None.
13 TOMMY DUNN: Ms. Wilson.
14 CINDY WILSON: Nothing for me.
15 TOMMY DUNN: Neither does District 5.
16 Moving on, Administrator's Report.
17 RUSTY BURNS: Nothing at this time, Mr.
18 Chairman.

19 TOMMY DUNN: Citizens Comments. Mr.
20 Harmon calls your name, state your name and district
21 for the record. Address the Chair and you got three
22 minutes.

23 LEON HARMON: Mr. Chairman, we have one
24 citizen signed up. Elizabeth Fant.

25 ELIZABETH FANT: Good evening. Good evening,
26 friends. Elizabeth, District -- I'm a little bit
27 confused as to why you had a meeting yesterday. Special
28 -- start over. Elizabeth, District 3. I'm a little
29 bit confused as to why you had a meeting yesterday,
30 special called meeting, ordinance first reading of the
31 budget, why that wasn't tonight. But if you needed a
32 special meeting yesterday, at 11 o'clock in the middle
33 of the day when nobody is going to attend, why that
34 couldn't wait for tonight. Want that question answered
35 by somebody.

36 We've had a lot of events here lately. In Anderson
37 County particularly we have a lot of outdoor events
38 starting in April. You know, we have the Pendleton
39 Fest, the Chili Cook-off. I was pleased to go to the
40 Westside Community Center Gala which I'd never been to.
41 Then this week we had an accolade for an outdoor track
42 that's going to go from the Belton Library all the way
43 to the Leda Poore Park and a bench there was dedicated
44 to Ms. Hattie Green who has been on the Belton City
45 Council for something like sixteen years. We have Ms.
46 Bea Thompson who is responsible really for the Westside
47 Community Center and we have Ms. Gracie Floyd who has
48 gotten an accolade tonight. Isn't it nice to recognize
49 those people in the community that tirelessly try to
50 make the community a better place to live.

1 Anderson County is blessed because we're not -- we
2 don't have a lot of huge crime. We have people that
3 get along with each other. I do want to say that one
4 event this last two weeks has really troubled me and
5 that was the firing or retiring of a District 1 teacher
6 who did just what District 1 has been sending their
7 teachers to a workshop to tell them how to keep the
8 kids interested. And one of the things they told them
9 was that if they're not paying attention to get up on
10 the desk. And that teacher did that. And that teacher
11 got fired or retired.

12 Now there's something really wrong with that. This
13 teacher was trying to encourage a black young fellow to
14 stay awake. It was not a racial event. She was just
15 trying to get his interest and wake him up. And was
16 doing it with good humor. He was playing along. We
17 don't need such stuff as this to happen any more.
18 We're beyond that as people. We don't care about what
19 race you are, what color, what religion, how old you
20 are, fat, slim, or whatever. Let's just get along.
21 But let's do the right thing by people. That teacher
22 was exemplary. Something like 28 years and now it's
23 gone.

24 LEON HARMON: Time, Mr. Chairman.

25 TOMMY DUNN: Thank you, Mr. Harmon.

26 LEON HARMON: No one else is signed up.

27 TOMMY DUNN: Thank you, Mr. Harmon.

28 Moving on now, comments from Council members. Ms.
29 Wilson.

30 CINDY WILSON: Oh, thank you, Mr. Chairman.
31 It was really interesting to read the April Metrics
32 report from the Sheriff's department. Couple of
33 highlights that were really astonishing and do confirm
34 our good low cost, low income thing, a spaying and
35 neutering program. I'm sorry I'm tripping up over
36 words tonight. There were only a hundred and forty
37 animals collected and transported this month. Our
38 average daily population at the detention center was
39 375. That's of great concern. But amazingly the
40 litter crew cleaned twenty-six point four miles. They
41 picked up thirteen hundred and eighty-two bags of
42 garbage and a total number of two hundred and eighty-
43 two tires. So there's a lot of work in addition to the
44 regular police work that they've done that's going on
45 and I want to commend all of our staff and our Council
46 members for the hard committee work that everybody's
47 doing. I'm trying to attend as many of y'all's
48 meetings, too. There's so much happening right now,
49 along with the budget and things that are
50 transitioning, that it's really important for all of us

1 to learn as much as we can. And I appreciate all the
2 hard work everybody's doing. Thank you.

3 TOMMY DUNN: Thank you. Mr. Wooten.

4 CRAIG WOOTEN: I would just like to relay I
5 attended Anderson County Fair this past week and my
6 kids really enjoyed it and it was a wonderful
7 experience. I'm always amazed at how popular it is.
8 It's packed every night.

9 Ms. Fant, I believe, because I had the same
10 question you did about meeting yesterday and I believe,
11 Mr. Burns, correct me if I'm wrong, it's due to state
12 ordinance or state law that we have to -- or county
13 ordinance ---

14 TOMMY DUNN: County ordinance.

15 RUSTY BURNS: County ordinance that we
16 have to have the meeting before the 14th, on or before
17 the 14th.

18 CRAIG WOOTEN: Okay. So we had gone
19 through a lot of these items in committee meetings,
20 going through like the different sections and then they
21 alerted us that we were running up against the county
22 ordinance that we have to have the first reading by a
23 certain time. So it wasn't -- we couldn't bring it
24 till tonight. And so that was the reason. It wasn't
25 to try to put it at a time inconvenient to folks.

26 TOMMY DUNN: Thank you. Mr. Graham.

27 RAY GRAHAM: Thank you, Mr. Chairman.
28 Just want to commend, kind of touch what Ms. Wilson had
29 stated and also Councilman Wooten. You definitely want
30 to commend the Council. This is a busy time of the
31 year for each and every one of us. I know each one has
32 individual meetings with different department heads,
33 different divisions, different committees to try to get
34 this budget moving forward. And Ms. Fant, I appreciate
35 your comments every week, but I mean, it definitely is
36 not a convenience for us to meet at 11 o'clock either.
37 I own a restaurant. That's my busiest time of the day.
38 So I mean, it's definitely not necessarily always at
39 our convenient time, either. I mean it's just
40 sacrifice that we as Council has to make. And I mean I
41 definitely appreciate what each and everyone of my
42 fellow Council members does, especially this time of
43 year, because it is a very trying time to try to get an
44 understanding on, you know, what the requests are. Are
45 they valued, are they a benefit to the citizens, are
46 they a benefit to the county. And we truly try to make
47 the best decisions to move forward with the budget.
48 And a lot of tough decisions at times on saying, no, we
49 don't need to do that or yeah, we do need to stand our
50 ground and do that. But definitely appreciate what

1 everybody does. Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

2 TOMMY DUNN: Thank you. Ms. Floyd.

3 GRACIE FLOYD: Thank you. I'm going to
4 talk about the fair first. It was absolutely awesome.
5 Council members, I don't see why I don't ever run into
6 you guys at the fair. Don't y'all like the fair? I
7 missed you, Mr. Wooten. But don't the rest of y'all
8 like the fair? I mean, I don't go out there to ride
9 everything, but I surely do go to see the smiles on the
10 faces of the children and the worried look of the
11 parents. They have been very accommodating to me and
12 for me. I go out there. I see everything. I don't
13 ride anything. I talk to the people. It just feels
14 good to be out there. And for us not to attend, that
15 kind of sends the wrong message. Somebody ought to see
16 us out there.

17 Also, the Westside High. We had that gala last --
18 Friday night before last. It was good. I have gone
19 every year they've had it except two and I have never
20 had a full table with Council members. Why won't y'all
21 go to the Westside gala sometimes to see what happens
22 out there? You Council members, the Council pays over
23 two thousand dollars for that table, but you're not
24 there. And that disappoints me because I would go to
25 things that you guys have. But anyway, next year let's
26 try to all fill that table. Just like Ms. Fant just
27 got through saying, let's support each other. Let's
28 support the things that are happening in our community.

29 All right. I asked for -- I'm hearing of how
30 wonderful the economic situation is here in Anderson
31 and it is phenomenal here in Anderson. I think the
32 unemployment rate is three point three for Caucasian,
33 for white is nine point seven (verbatim). What's wrong
34 with this picture?

35 At the Westside Gala you would have heard Mr. Burns
36 talk about a program he and I are going to implement to
37 try to increase those numbers. But it's going to take
38 it all. Folks, if we all aren't employed then we've
39 got a problem here in Anderson County. We're getting
40 new things. We're getting housing. We're getting
41 companies coming to Anderson. We've got a plan for our
42 parks and other stuff. But you know, if you guys just
43 sit back on certain things, that means they're right.
44 Thank you.

45 TOMMY DUNN: Mr. Allen.

46 TOM ALLEN: Yeah, Mr. Chair. I just
47 want to remind everybody we have an air show coming up
48 this weekend, the 19th and 20th. It's all free. And
49 it's going to be a fantastic show. We've got the
50 Canadian Snowbirds coming in. We've got the A-10

1 attack team coming in. Going to have several static
2 displays, including an F-18 Hornet and a lot of other
3 things, along with some pyrotechnics. So it's going to
4 be pretty darn exciting if the weather holds out for
5 us. But I would just encourage everybody. It's all
6 free. If you get a chance and the weather holds out
7 for us, Saturday and Sunday at the airport. And that's
8 all I have.

9 TOMMY DUNN: Thank you, Mr. Allen. Mr.
10 Waters.

11 KEN WATERS: Yeah, just to add to Mr.
12 Allen's comments there, I think this is the largest
13 event in Anderson County. Is that not correct, Mr.
14 Burns?

15 RUSTY BURNS: It has been. Last year we
16 had over thirty thousand people attend that event for a
17 one day event.

18 KEN WATERS: That's all I have, Mr.
19 Chairman. Thank you.

20 TOMMY DUNN: Thank you, Mr. Waters.
21 Just a couple of things, housekeeping. Want to
22 reaffirm that's absolutely correct, county ordinance.
23 And I don't know why, hope somebody who's been on
24 Council a while can figure out, because after we get
25 through this budget process, I'd like to change that.
26 No reason whatsoever. The ordinance says you got to
27 have a budget by first reading by the 14th, on or
28 before the 14th. Somebody can tell me what the reason
29 is behind that, that started way before I got on
30 Council, and I just think it's a hindrance sometime
31 when you don't get this information from the state and
32 all.

33 Another thing about the time, just keep in mind,
34 Anderson County is growing a diverse group of workforce
35 now. Everybody don't work. It ain't the same old
36 Anderson County. People don't work, everybody don't
37 work from eight to five or eight to four. We got
38 people's off, we got twelve hour shifts. So 11 o'clock
39 is a great time for some folks. So just keep that in
40 mind. What might be inconvenient for you is convenient
41 for somebody else.

42 Also like to echo Mr. Allen about the air show
43 coming up. Let's all pray for good weather. And we've
44 got some tough decisions to make if we don't, I know
45 the staff does. And I want to commend the staff for
46 the job they've done. Some of them have worked
47 tirelessly on this. Not only the staff but the airport
48 committee, especially Mr. Butch Jones, and what he's
49 done and put this thing together and really appreciate
50 what all he's done on that.

1 Another thing, each Council member got a report
2 this week in their box about the Moody report. Hope
3 Mr. Burns get that out and make sure the public knows
4 that. We got an excellent, if you read that, excellent
5 credit rate and financial statement for Anderson
6 County. And it goes back if you look it says when the
7 year started and when it turned and what it got to. I
8 think that's something to be real proud of.

9 KEN WATERS: Tommy, what report?

10 TOMMY DUNN: The Moody Report.

11 KEN WATERS: Moody?

12 TOMMY DUNN: Moody. Everybody should
13 have a copy of that. Thank y'all very much. Look
14 forward to working with you. Dismissed.

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(MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:40 P.M.)