

State of South Carolina    )  
County of           Anderson    )

ANDERSON COUNTY COUNCIL  
COUNTY Council MEETING  
NOVEMBER 20, 2018

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

ALSO PRESENT:  
RUSTY BURNS  
LEON HARMON  
LACEY CROEGAERT

1 TOMMY DUNN: Thank you for coming. I  
2 know it's Thanksgiving.

3 At this time we'll be moving on to invocation and  
4 pledge of allegiance. Councilman Tom Allen. Mr.  
5 Allen. If we'll all rise, please.

6 **(INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE BY TOM ALLEN)**

7 TOMMY DUNN: Are there any changes or  
8 corrections to be made to the minutes of November 6  
9 Council meeting?

10 GRACIE FLOYD: Mr. Chairman?

11 TOMMY DUNN: Ms. Floyd.

12 GRACIE FLOYD: (Inaudible - not speaking  
13 into microphone or microphone not on.)

14 TOMMY DUNN: Thank you, Ms. Floyd.  
15 Anyone else? Do we have a motion to accept the  
16 minutes as is with the exception of certain be on  
17 line 11 where Ms. Floyd said it needs to be? Motion  
18 Mr. Allen. We have a second?

19 CINDY WILSON: Second.

20 TOMMY DUNN: Second Mr. Waters. All in  
21 favor of the motion show of hands. Opposed like  
22 sign. Show the motion carries unanimously.

23 Moving on to Item number 4, citizens comments.  
24 When the attorney Mr. Harmon calls your name this  
25 first go-around is on agenda items only. You have  
26 three minutes. Mr. Harmon calls your name, please  
27 step forward, state your name and district you live  
28 in, just for the record, and address the chair,  
29 please. Like I said, the first go-around is only on  
30 items that's on the agenda.

31 LEON HARMON: Mr. Chairman, no one is  
32 signed up to speak at this point in the meeting.

33 TOMMY DUNN: Okay, Mr. Harmon. Thank you  
34 very much.

35 Moving on to number 5(a), third reading. This  
36 will be 2018-047, Ordinance to amend an agreement for  
37 the development of a joint county industrial and  
38 business park, 2018 Park, of Anderson and Greenville  
39 Counties so as to enlarge the park. This is Project  
40 Fox. This being a public hearing, anyone wishing to  
41 speak forward to this, please step forward and state  
42 your name, district and address the chair. Anyone at  
43 all? Hearing and seeing none, the public hearing  
44 will be closed. We have a motion to move this  
45 forward?

46 CINDY WILSON: So moved.

47 TOMMY DUNN: Motion Ms. Wilson. Second  
48 Mr. Waters. Any discussion?

49 GRACIE FLOYD: Yes.

50 TOMMY DUNN: Ms. Floyd.

1 GRACIE FLOYD: (Inaudible.)  
2 TOMMY DUNN: Wait a minute. Are you on?  
3 GRACIE FLOYD: Ms. Burns and Mr. -- Leon, I  
4 can't think of your last name.  
5 TOMMY DUNN: Mr. Harmon.  
6 GRACIE FLOYD: --- Mr. Harmon were kind  
7 enough to work with me on the telephone because this,  
8 too, got pretty confusing, but we were able to get it  
9 straightened out. But I wanted to ask this question  
10 so we can put it in the record. The -- Mr. Chairman?  
11 TOMMY DUNN: Yes, ma'am.  
12 GRACIE FLOYD: I have made an error and I  
13 apologize for it.  
14 TOMMY DUNN: Okay.  
15 GRACIE FLOYD: We're on number (a); aren't  
16 we?  
17 TOMMY DUNN: 5(a).  
18 GRACIE FLOYD: 5(a). Okay, good. Mr.  
19 Chairman, may I please wait until 5(b)?  
20 TOMMY DUNN: Okay.  
21 GRACIE FLOYD: Thank you.  
22 TOMMY DUNN: Yes, ma'am. Anyone else?  
23 All in favor of the motion, show of hands. Opposed  
24 like sign? Show the motion carries unanimously.  
25 Moving on to 5(b), 2018-042, a master bond  
26 ordinance to provide for the issuance and sale of  
27 special resource revenue bonds of Anderson County,  
28 South Carolina. Before we go into public hearing,  
29 Ms. Davis, could you step forward just a minute and  
30 speak to this so everybody in here will sort of know  
31 what we're talking about?  
32 RITA DAVIS: (Inaudible) that we're going  
33 to issue and any future special source revenue bonds.  
34 It tells the bond holders what we're going to abide  
35 by, that we are not going to get rid of any multi-  
36 county industrial park that it's in; we're not going  
37 to borrow anymore money if we're not financially  
38 sound and able to sustain the debt; and that park  
39 revenue in excess of what we're giving them a better  
40 claim to any future bond holders that what these bond  
41 holders are. So basically it's assurances to the  
42 current person who buys the bonds and any future bond  
43 holders so they can look at that document and they  
44 can tell what the game plan is and what the rules of  
45 the road are.  
46 TOMMY DUNN: Thank you, Ms. Davis. And  
47 stay right there handy for a second if someone has a  
48 question. We're going to go into a public hearing  
49 now. Anyone wishing to speak to this matter, please  
50 come forward, state your name and district and

1 address the chair. Public hearing. Anyone at all?  
2 Seeing and hearing none, public hearing will be  
3 closed. Now open for discussion. Have a motion on  
4 the floor to get it for discussion?

5 TOM ALLEN: So moved.

6 TOMMY DUNN: Motion Mr. Allen. Second  
7 Ms. Wilson. Now, discussion. Do we have any  
8 questions or anything for Ms. Davis? You got any?

9 CINDY WILSON: May I quickly point out  
10 maybe the simplest part of this is it is a special  
11 source revenue bond that we'll be dealing with and it  
12 comes from the sewer enterprise fund and it doesn't  
13 come from the rest of our property taxes, so folks  
14 will have maybe a simpler understanding for it.  
15 Thank you.

16 TOMMY DUNN: Thank you, ma'am. All in  
17 favor of the motion show of hands. Opposed like  
18 sign. Show the motion carries unanimously.

19 Moving on to 5(c), 2018-043, a series of  
20 ordinances providing for the issuance and sale of  
21 special source revenue bonds of Anderson County,  
22 South Carolina, in the principal amount of not  
23 exceeding twenty-eight million seven hundred fifty  
24 thousand dollars. Ms. Davis, would you like to ---

25 RITA DAVIS: Yes, sir. This -- thank you  
26 for this third and final reading for the funds to  
27 bring to fruition the three projects that the sewer  
28 ad hoc committee and full Council recommended that we  
29 do at Exit 14, Welpine and also decommissioning Six  
30 and Twenty and diverting the flow to Rocky River.  
31 Your Waste Water Manager highly recommends these  
32 three projects. For future economic development it's  
33 a necessity that we do this. So thank you for doing  
34 this. It will be two series, probably issue about  
35 8.8 and then we'll come behind that and issue the  
36 second round. We're going to refund the four special  
37 source revenue bonds that are currently outstanding.  
38 So I think we're going to get a lot of bang for our  
39 buck and a lot of future economic development  
40 according to Mr. Burriss Nelson.

41 TOMMY DUNN: Thank you, Ms. Davis. We'll  
42 go into a public hearing now. Anyone wishing to  
43 speak to this, please step forward and state your  
44 name and district and address the chair. Anyone at  
45 all? Hearing and seeing no one, the public hearing  
46 will be closed. Do we have a motion to move this  
47 forward?

48 KEN WATERS: So moved.

49 TOMMY DUNN: Motion Mr. Waters. Second  
50 Mr. Graham. Now, any discussion?

1 GRACIE FLOYD: Yes.  
2 TOMMY DUNN: Ms. Floyd first.  
3 GRACIE FLOYD: Thank you. Now, this is the  
4 one that I wanted to make it clear that this twenty-  
5 eight million seven hundred and fifty thousand  
6 dollars will not be placed on the taxpayers' back.  
7 Mrs. -- I'm sorry ---  
8 TOMMY DUNN: Davis.  
9 GRACIE FLOYD: Ms. Davis, would you please  
10 explain how this is going to be done?  
11 RITA DAVIS: Yes, ma'am. The fee in lieu  
12 of revenues that come in from industry that Council  
13 approves, it goes into a special fund. And that fund  
14 solely will be the means, the mechanism, whereby we  
15 repay this debt. It will not come from the sewer  
16 fund. It will not come off the backs and be a burden  
17 to the taxpayers of Anderson County. Basically  
18 industry will be paying for it.  
19 GRACIE FLOYD: Thank you.  
20 TOMMY DUNN: Anyone else?  
21 TOM ALLEN: Yes, Mr. Chair, very  
22 quickly.  
23 TOMMY DUNN: Mr. Allen.  
24 TOM ALLEN: I had some people ask me  
25 questions about this, why are you issuing another  
26 bond? And this has been very well explained now as  
27 to how it's going to be paid for. But just to let  
28 people know, we've got some sewer in Anderson County  
29 that's literally falling apart; has to be repaired.  
30 And for years now I have heard the refrain, even  
31 before I got on council, why aren't you developing  
32 the interstate? Why aren't you putting  
33 infrastructure out on the interstate? Well, this  
34 will be -- a lot of this will go towards  
35 infrastructure on the interstate to open that up.  
36 And this is going to be a great doorway to opening  
37 this up to industry. So I just wanted that for the  
38 record. Thank you, Mr. Chair.  
39 TOMMY DUNN: Thank you, Mr. Allen.  
40 Anyone else? All in favor of the motion show of  
41 hands. Opposed like sign. Show the motion carries  
42 unanimously.  
43 Thank you, Ms. Davis.  
44 Moving on to Item number 6(a), 2018-051, an  
45 ordinance amending the zoning map to rezone plus or  
46 minus one acre from R-20 single family residential to  
47 R-D residential-duplex district at 284 Grate Road,  
48 District 4. This is in Mr. Allen's district. Do we  
49 have a motion to move this forward?  
50 TOM ALLEN: So moved.

1                   KEN WATERS:            Second.  
2                   TOMMY DUNN:            Motion Mr. Allen.    Second  
3    Mr. Waters.    Any discussion?    All in favor of the  
4    motion show of hands.    Opposed like sign.    Show the  
5    motion carries unanimously.  
6                   Moving on to Item number 6(b), 2018-052, an  
7    ordinance to amend the zoning map to rezone plus or  
8    minus .33 acres from R-M1 mixed residential district  
9    to C-2 highway commercial at 3 Beaverdam Road.    Be in  
10   District 7, Ms. Wilson's district.    Do we have a  
11   motion?  
12                   CINDY WILSON:         So moved.  
13                   TOMMY DUNN:            Motion Ms. Wilson to move  
14    forward.    Do we have a second?  
15                   RAY GRAHAM:            Second.  
16                   TOMMY DUNN:            Second Mr. Graham.    Any  
17    discussion?    All in favor of the motion show of  
18    hands.    Opposed like sign.    Show the motion carries  
19    unanimously.  
20                   Moving on to Item number 6(c), 2018-053, an  
21    ordinance to amend an agreement for the development  
22    of a joint county industrial and business park,  
23    that'll be 2010 park, of Anderson and Greenville  
24    Counties so as to enlarge the park, Project Triple.  
25    Mr. Burriss, you got anything you want to add to this  
26    or say?  
27                   BURRISS NELSON:         Nothing other than, Mr.  
28    Chairman, than Greenville is making that request to  
29    add to our park agreement and it's a good thing for  
30    us.    We'll get dollars out of that.    Thank you, sir.  
31                   TOMMY DUNN:            We have a motion to move  
32    this forward?  
33                   KEN WATERS:            So moved.  
34                   TOM ALLEN:            Second.  
35                   TOMMY DUNN:            Motion Mr. Waters, second by  
36    Mr. Allen.    We have any discussion?  
37                   GRACIE FLOYD:         Yes.  
38                   TOMMY DUNN:            Ms. Floyd.  
39                   GRACIE FLOYD:         What happened to -- where  
40    did he go?    Oh, there he is.  
41                   TOMMY DUNN:            Ms. Floyd has a question,  
42    please.  
43                   GRACIE FLOYD:         Yes.    Could you please --  
44    Project Triple, we are unable to announce what  
45    project Triple is at this time; right?  
46                   BURRISS NELSON:         Yes, ma'am.  
47                   GRACIE FLOYD:         We cannot announce it; okay.  
48    But can you assure us it won't be a chicken farm;  
49    will it?  
50                   BURRISS NELSON:         No, ma'am.    It is a

1 manufacturing facility that is going to locate in  
2 Greenville County.

3 GRACIE FLOYD: Oh, okay. All right.

4 BURRISS NELSON: This is where we  
5 reciprocate and they are able to offer to -- their  
6 company in Greenville, the state benefits that are  
7 available through multi-county park agreement. And  
8 part of that is that they'll send one percent of  
9 their tax flow from that project in Greenville County  
10 to us for the entire length of their tax agreement.

11 GRACIE FLOYD: Okay. Mr. Burriss, I know  
12 that according to our agreement with these big  
13 companies, we cannot release the name of these places  
14 until it's time. And I think that's on third  
15 reading; am I ---

16 BURRISS NELSON: That's correct.

17 GRACIE FLOYD: But, you know, I'm watching  
18 Anderson for these chicken farms.

19 BURRISS NELSON: Well, we're not looking  
20 for any.

21 GRACIE FLOYD: Good You don't have to  
22 look. Thank you so much.

23 BURRISS NELSON: Yes, ma'am. Thank you.

24 TOMMY DUNN: All in favor of the motion  
25 show of hands. Show the motion carries unanimously.

26 Moving on to 6(d), 2018-054, an ordinance  
27 authorizing the execution and delivery of an  
28 infrastructure credit agreement to provide for  
29 infrastructure credits to Armada Development, LLC to  
30 assist in the development of a senior housing  
31 project. It's the one in Pendleton from last  
32 meeting. Do you have anything you want to add to  
33 this?

34 BURRISS NELSON: Just it is an assisting  
35 living facility, probably much needed in that  
36 community, as well as an opportunity for investment  
37 in the Town of Pendleton and continued growth there.  
38 It's recommended by our staff and from the Economic  
39 Development Advisory Board that you please give  
40 favorable consideration to this project.

41 TOMMY DUNN: Thank you, Mr. Nelson. Do  
42 we have a motion to move this forward?

43 KEN WATERS: So moved.

44 TOMMY DUNN: Motion Mr. Waters. Second  
45 Ms. Wilson. Are there any discussion? All in favor  
46 of the motion show of hands. Opposed like sign.  
47 Show the motion carries unanimously.

48 Moving on to 6(e), 2018-055, an ordinance to  
49 amend an agreement for the development of a joint  
50 county industrial and business park, 2010 park, of

1 Anderson and Greenville Counties so as to enlarge the  
2 park. This is the project we just talked about, the  
3 project in Pendleton, assisting living. Do we have a  
4 motion to move this forward?

5 KEN WATERS: So moved.

6 CINDY WILSON: Second.

7 TOMMY DUNN: Motion Mr. Waters. Second  
8 Ms. Wilson. Mr. Nelson, do you have anything to add  
9 or anything?

10 BURRISS NELSON: No, sir, nothing other  
11 than what I've already said. Thank you, sir.

12 TOMMY DUNN: Thank you. Anyone have any  
13 discussion, comments, questions? Hearing none, all  
14 in favor of the motion show of hands. Opposed like  
15 sign. Show the motion carries unanimously.

16 Going to move on to 6(f), 2018-056, an ordinance  
17 authorizing, under certain conditions, the execution  
18 and delivery by Anderson County, South Carolina of an  
19 amended fee in lieu of taxes agreement with Project  
20 Trio with respect to a project in the county whereby  
21 the project would be subject to payment of certain  
22 fees in lieu of taxes and would be provided certain  
23 special source credits against fee payments and  
24 infrastructure improvement grant, Project Trio. Do  
25 we have a motion to move this forward?

26 KEN WATERS: So moved.

27 TOMMY DUNN: Motion Mr. Waters. Second  
28 by Ms. Wilson. Mr. Nelson, would you like to -- have  
29 anything to say about this?

30 BURRISS NELSON: Yes, sir. This is one of  
31 our existing companies, great opportunity, forty-five  
32 million in capital investment and twenty jobs that  
33 pay twenty-four dollars and forty-four cents an hour  
34 as an average. Those twenty jobs alone will create  
35 almost a million dollars in payroll per year,  
36 annually. But property tax is three hundred and  
37 fifty-six thousand -- three hundred and seventy  
38 thousand in year one and over the thirty year period  
39 will be a little over three million in property tax,  
40 three million ninety-four thousand. First year  
41 community impact, 4.5 million, and then over the  
42 thirty years community impact a hundred and eight  
43 million.

44 TOMMY DUNN: Thank you.

45 BURRISS NELSON: Thank you.

46 TOMMY DUNN: Have anymore questions  
47 anybody? Hearing none, all in favor of the motion  
48 show of hands. Opposed like sign. Show the motion  
49 carries unanimously.

50 Everybody hearing me all right?



1 KEN WATERS: What did you say?

2 TOMMY DUNN: I missed you last week.

3 Thank you, Mr. Graham.

4 Moving on to item number 6(g), 2018-057, an  
5 ordinance authorizing the execution and delivery of a  
6 special resource credit agreement between Anderson  
7 County, South Carolina, Ace Solar, LLC, and Pelzer  
8 Solar I, LLC, with respect to certain economic  
9 development in the county, including provision of  
10 certain special source revenue credits, Project  
11 Avocado. We have a motion to move this forward?

12 TOM ALLEN: So moved.

13 KEN WATERS: Second.

14 TOMMY DUNN: Motion by Mr. Allen, second  
15 by Mr. Graham. Now, Mr. Nelson, you have anything?

16 BURRISS NELSON: Yes, sir, Mr. Chairman.  
17 Thank you. If you'll remember, about four months ago  
18 Council passed this solar project, Project Avocado,  
19 and there were a number of properties that were  
20 listed as having solar investments placed on them.  
21 Two of those were wrapped up in a negotiated fee  
22 agreement. The company -- of course, this hasn't  
23 gone onto the tax rolls yet. It's not been listed as  
24 a negotiated fee, but two of them were involved in a  
25 negotiated fee. The company has now requested that  
26 they be separated out of negotiated fee and placed in  
27 separate infrastructure credit agreements so that  
28 they may be addressed individually if it comes to a  
29 sale of those properties. It's just a request --  
30 it's an inconvenience for Council, and I apologize  
31 for that. And they apologize.

32 TOMMY DUNN: Thank you, Mr. Nelson. Do  
33 we have a motion to move this forward? I've done  
34 done that, though, haven't I? Yeah. I'm sorry.  
35 Anymore discussion?

36 GRACIE FLOYD: Yes.

37 TOMMY DUNN: Ms. Floyd.

38 GRACIE FLOYD: Okay. You were doing okay  
39 until we got to this one and what you said at the  
40 end. You know, now I'm concerned because at the  
41 beginning they all went together with this; am I  
42 correct?

43 BURRISS NELSON: Well, some of them had --  
44 it was a combined agreement. But some of them had  
45 individual agreements even within the Project Avocado  
46 when we passed it back four months ago.

47 GRACIE FLOYD: Okay. But we didn't know  
48 that because when I voted on this, you know, we were  
49 looking at it altogether. But now they want to go  
50 bop, bop, bop. They want to separate out of it and

1 do it individually. Okay. That might be well and  
2 good, but my question is, why?

3 BURRISS NELSON: Well, these are also  
4 investment opportunities that when they put these  
5 together that they would be sold and traded from time  
6 to time, much like mortgage loans are or things like  
7 that of that nature. So there are federal tax  
8 credits that are applied to these, as well. So  
9 they're traded and used as a commodity just like oil,  
10 almost.

11 GRACIE FLOYD: Okay.

12 BURRISS NELSON: The tax income is the  
13 same. We don't lose anything on tax, on the property  
14 tax side; they stay the same.

15 GRACIE FLOYD: But okay, we don't lose  
16 anything, but -- Mr. Burriss, but how could this come  
17 back to slap us? Is there a way that this can --  
18 well, anything can happen, but what's the worst that  
19 can happen if they decide -- Mr. Burriss, it just  
20 doesn't sit right. You know, because first they come  
21 at us with one thing and now they're coming at us --  
22 changing things and coming back at us again  
23 separately. Do you understand what I'm saying?

24 BURRISS NELSON: Well, and I do. And this  
25 is really a new phenomenon in the entire state.  
26 There are probably twenty of these projects all  
27 across the state, different counties, with this  
28 company, as well as other companies. And it's kind  
29 of a new process and they're starting to learn a  
30 little more about how they need to operate. It's a  
31 new ball game. It's new for us.

32 GRACIE FLOYD: It's a new thing and they've  
33 learned how to get us now.

34 BURRISS NELSON: I hope not.

35 GRACIE FLOYD: I'm weary on this one. I am  
36 -- I just don't -- well, anyway -- okay. I thank  
37 you.

38 TOMMY DUNN: Anyone else? All in favor  
39 of the motion show of hands. All opposed.  
40 Abstentions?

41 GRACIE FLOYD: I'm going to oppose.

42 TOMMY DUNN: Show the motion carries with  
43 Mr. Waters, Mr. Allen, Mr. Dunn, Mr. Wooten, Mr.  
44 Graham and Ms. Wilson in favor and Ms. Floyd opposes.

45 Moving on to Item number 7(a), 2018-058, an  
46 ordinance to amend Chapter 26, Article II, Titled  
47 Sewers, in its entirety. At this time we'll go down  
48 -- should be coming a report from the Planning and  
49 Public Works Committee. Ms. Wilson.

50 CINDY WILSON: Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

1           The third item on our agenda on the 16th was the  
2 presentation of the new proposed sewer ordinance  
3 which would replace the old ordinance currently in  
4 place. The new ordinance's purpose and policy sets  
5 forth uniform requirements for direct and indirect  
6 contributions into the waste water collection and  
7 treatment system for the county waste water  
8 department and enables the department to comply with  
9 applicable state and federal laws, including the  
10 Clean Water Act, state and federal laws, as amended,  
11 and the general pretreatment regulations, Title 40,  
12 of the Code of Regulations, Part 403, together with  
13 the South Carolina Pollution Control Act, and other  
14 state and federal regulations. The objectives of  
15 this article are to prevent the introduction of  
16 pollutants into the sanitary sewer system which will  
17 interfere with the operation of the system or  
18 contaminate the resulting sludge; prevent the  
19 introduction of pollutants into the sanitary system  
20 which will pass through the system, inadequately  
21 treated into receiving waters or otherwise be  
22 incompatible with the system; to provide for fees for  
23 the equitable distribution of the costs of operation,  
24 maintenance and improvement of the county sewer  
25 system and to prescribe rules and regulations and a  
26 schedule of rates and charges for the services and  
27 facilities of the sewer system; to protect both the  
28 county sewer personnel who may be affected by waste  
29 water and sludge in the course of their employment  
30 and the general public; to promote reuse and  
31 recycling of residential and industrial waste water  
32 and sludge from the county sewer; to enable the  
33 county to comply with its national pollutant  
34 discharge elimination system permit conditions,  
35 sludge use and disposal requirements and any other  
36 federal or state laws to which the county is subject;  
37 to promote economic growth, including residential and  
38 industrial development. This article provides for  
39 the regulation of direct and indirect contributors to  
40 the sanitary systems -- sewer systems through the  
41 issuance of individual waste water discharge permits  
42 and enforcement of general requirements for users and  
43 authorizes monitoring compliance and enforcement  
44 activities; establishes administrative review  
45 procedures; requires users report and provides for  
46 the setting of fees for the equitable distribution of  
47 costs resulting from the program established in this  
48 article. This article shall apply to the county  
49 waste water department and to persons inside and  
50 outside the county who are users of the county

1 sewerage system. The new ordinance states in far  
2 more complete and clear language, definitions,  
3 administration, prohibition, responsibilities,  
4 construction, permitting, inspections, operations,  
5 discharges, hazardous waste, monitoring, reporting  
6 requirements, sewer service charges, enforcement  
7 management and the new fats, oils and grease  
8 requirements. We have in this eighty-five more pages  
9 than the old ordinance.

10 The only possible upgrade that I personally can  
11 see in all this, and I spoke with our county attorney  
12 before the meeting, is that if there's an entity or  
13 an individual that deliberately discharged a  
14 hazardous or dangerous substance into our system that  
15 caused extreme monetary damage, a loss of life, I  
16 wonder if we shouldn't be looking at felonies instead  
17 of misdemeanors there. So that's an aside that I  
18 wanted to make y'all aware of.

19 In any event, our committee unanimously  
20 recommends to County Council that we accept the new  
21 ordinance. Thank you.

22 TOMMY DUNN: Thank you, Ms. Wilson.  
23 Coming from a committee, it doesn't need a second.  
24 This is the first reading. Two more readings on  
25 this. Any discussion?

26 LEON HARMON: Mr. Chairman, if I may? Let  
27 me call your attention to one thing. This actually  
28 is a revision of Chapter 66, Title II. That's a  
29 scrivener's error.

30 TOMMY DUNN: Typo. Instead of 26, it's  
31 66.

32 LEON HARMON: It should be 66. That's the  
33 chapter in the ordinance that's being revised.

34 TOMMY DUNN: Thank you, Mr. Harmon.  
35 Anymore discussion? All in favor of the motion show  
36 of hands. Opposed like sign. Show the motion  
37 carries unanimously.

38 Moving on to Item number 7(b), 2018-059, an  
39 ordinance to amend Chapter 2, Article V, Purchasing,  
40 of the Code of Ordinances, Anderson County, South  
41 Carolina, to add Section 2-655 Title "Project  
42 Delivery Methods Authorized for Infrastructure  
43 Facilities". This will be in title only. Mr.  
44 Harmon, would you like to explain this?

45 LEON HARMON: Yes, Mr. Chairman. What  
46 this is directed at is to add to our purchasing code  
47 or procurement code different project delivery  
48 methods that are found in state law. What we would  
49 intend to do is track the state law on this and  
50 allow, for example, design bid -- design bill

1 projects as those projects are defined in state law.  
2 Which would allow us to make projects more time  
3 effective. We could bring them in quicker and by  
4 doing that also receive an economic benefit from  
5 that, as well. That's where we're headed. I will  
6 have the language prepared for the Council on second  
7 reading.

8 TOMMY DUNN: Mr. Harmon, this will also  
9 be, if it passes, would be up to Council to go this  
10 route or not?

11 LEON HARMON: That's correct; yes, sir.

12 TOMMY DUNN: We have a motion to move  
13 this forward?

14 KEN WATERS: So moved.

15 RAY GRAHAM: Second.

16 TOMMY DUNN: Motion Mr. Waters, second  
17 Mr. Graham. Any discussion? All in favor of the  
18 motion show of hands. Opposed like sign. Show the  
19 motion carries unanimously.

20 Moving on to 7(b) -- I'm sorry, 7(c), 2018-060,  
21 an ordinance providing for the issuance and sale of  
22 not exceeding eight million five hundred thousand  
23 dollars, aggregate principal amount of general  
24 obligation bonds of Anderson County. At this time, I  
25 believe Mr. Graham had a committee meeting back  
26 around November the 12th. Do you want to give a  
27 report on that, Mr. Graham, before we proceed on?

28 RAY GRAHAM: Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

29 This is in reference to a capital projects  
30 committee meeting Thursday, November the 8th, at ten  
31 a.m. This is in reference to a fleet service  
32 building. As everyone knows, the current conditions  
33 currently at fleet services, we had been requested to  
34 try to do some repairs on that building for the past  
35 several years. And we basically just kept putting it  
36 off. This comes in the form of a motion from the  
37 Capital Project Committee that we pursue this, mainly  
38 due to roof leaking. The building is basically in  
39 disrepair. With the development of the TTI property  
40 on Pearman Dairy Road with the county having that  
41 property now, we think this would be a good  
42 opportunity for the county to pursue different  
43 options for fleet services.

44 What the capital project committee is bringing  
45 before full Council for your recommendation would be  
46 that basically we pursue an eight and a half million  
47 dollar bond project for this. They're currently  
48 looking at basically about 7.8 million is what the  
49 cost would be on this. And you know, naturally just  
50 due to keeping things simple, we're requesting that

1 eight and a half million dollars to be considered.  
2 At this time this is nothing more than consideration  
3 of this. We would also be looking at getting  
4 approval to move forward with having a design of the  
5 building that basically is going to suit the county's  
6 needs for future growth and also for what we  
7 currently do in fleet services. So we would have  
8 that recommendation to come back from this request,  
9 as well.

10 And they're looking at also what would be the  
11 best location at the current Pearman Dairy Road TTI  
12 property as far as basically where this facility  
13 could be built that would naturally house fleet  
14 services for Anderson County and basically be a good  
15 fit for that property there. So we're asking -- this  
16 comes forth in the form of a motion from Capital  
17 Project Committee that was passed a hundred percent  
18 from that committee that y'all consider this to move  
19 forward with.

20 TOMMY DUNN: Thank you, Mr. Graham.  
21 Coming from the committee doesn't need a second. Now  
22 we open it up for discussion.

23 And I just reiterate, this is only putting --  
24 letting the finance department start the motion about  
25 getting the paperwork done. Council would have to  
26 come back with a lot of work, a lot of feedback  
27 before Council votes on doing anything. Saying that,  
28 I open the floor for discussion.

29 GRACIE FLOYD: Mr. Chair.

30 TOMMY DUNN: Ms. Floyd.

31 GRACIE FLOYD: Before we start doing  
32 anything at all, let's explain (inaudible-not close  
33 to mic). Ms. Davis would you please come to the mic  
34 with the chairman.

35 TOMMY DUNN: Ms. Floyd, you need to speak  
36 into that mic. I don't think they can hear you. I  
37 don't think they can hear you way down there.

38 GRACIE FLOYD: Ms. Davis, it's supposed to  
39 be eight million five hundred thousand dollars. It's  
40 supposed to be from a bond; ---

41 RITA DAVIS: Yes, ma'am.

42 GRACIE FLOYD: --- right? And we're  
43 supposed to be having a bond that we are going --  
44 that we're getting ready to pay out?

45 RITA DAVIS: Yes, ma'am.

46 GRACIE FLOYD: And when we pay this bond  
47 that we have presently, then we will float another  
48 bond for eight million five hundred dollars. So we  
49 won't be -- we won't have two bonds -- okay. The  
50 taxpayers are not going to be responsible for the

1 eight million five hundred dollars; will they? I'm  
2 asking a question.

3 RITA DAVIS: Basically the '07 general  
4 obligation bond will roll off; this one will roll on.  
5 It will be less of a debt service payment, so you'll  
6 probably see a little bit of a decrease in the debt  
7 service millage that the taxpayer has currently.

8 GRACIE FLOYD: Okay. All right. I was  
9 listening when the Council member from District 3  
10 said that it was seven million -- did he say that?

11 RITA DAVIS: Exceed eight and a half  
12 million; yes, ma'am, the bond is. But right now the  
13 current design, it has a low of 7.2, a high of 8.5.  
14 So that's what Mr. Dunn -- there's a lot of  
15 negotiation and talk with the architect and engineers  
16 as to what the final design will be.

17 GRACIE FLOYD: What the final ---

18 RITA DAVIS: We're going to have to bid  
19 it out, and it depends on the construction cost.

20 GRACIE FLOYD: Okay. Construction cost.  
21 Not the design of the building, the construction cost  
22 of it?

23 RITA DAVIS: Kind of both. You know, it  
24 can be -- the design can be modified. There's some  
25 discussion that probably needs to be done in that  
26 regard, as well. So design and the construction --  
27 we will not issue it until the bids come back. So  
28 we're not talking about closing on this probably  
29 until March.

30 GRACIE FLOYD: I see. I see.

31 RITA DAVIS: There's a lot of work that  
32 still needs to be done.

33 GRACIE FLOYD: Okay. Well, I have been  
34 talking with some of the constituents and they -- the  
35 ones that know what's going on in Anderson and  
36 they've been looking at all of the money and they're  
37 beginning to get concerned. That's why it has been  
38 important for me to bring up the fact, what's going  
39 to cost us more and what's going to be a bond. Okay.  
40 The bond that we have now that will roll off, how  
41 much was that one?

42 RITA DAVIS: Well, the debt service is  
43 about, let's say, three hundred and fourteen thousand  
44 annually. The interest, we're going to pay interest  
45 on this bond of about three hundred and fourteen for  
46 two years and then we'll pay principal and interest  
47 for thirteen years. '07 was, I think it was a -- it  
48 was issued in '07, and of course now it's getting  
49 paid off in '21.

50 GRACIE FLOYD: Okay. But I don't think my

1 question was answered. What -- how much was the bond  
2 that's going to roll off? How much is that one now?

3 RITA DAVIS: How much is the annual debt  
4 service or how much was the original bond itself?

5 GRACIE FLOYD: How much was the original  
6 bond itself? This one is eight million five hundred.

7 RITA DAVIS: Okay. The original bond  
8 itself was 7.3 million.

9 GRACIE FLOYD: So this one is more.  
10 Because I have been hearing that this one was going  
11 to be less than what we're paying now.

12 RITA DAVIS: The debt service will be;  
13 yes, ma'am. It's projected to be less, about seven  
14 and seventy-five thousand, whereas currently we're  
15 paying eight hundred and fifty thousand.

16 GRACIE FLOYD: Okay. All right.

17 RITA DAVIS: Save about seventy-five to  
18 eighty thousand.

19 GRACIE FLOYD: Okay. All right. I  
20 understand debt service. But I don't know if  
21 everybody else out there understands debt service.  
22 Okay. Could you put in layman's terms for me,  
23 please?

24 RITA DAVIS: The payment on the bond, the  
25 principal and interest payment on this debt that  
26 Council is approving to be an issue.

27 GRACIE FLOYD: Thank you. Thank you. I've  
28 got it. Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

29 TOMMY DUNN: Yes, ma'am. Anymore  
30 discussion? Like I said, before any of this is to be  
31 enacted, there will be several more votes, more  
32 discussion, more information to nail stuff down. All  
33 in favor of the motion show of hands. Opposed like  
34 sign. Show the motion carries unanimously.

35 Moving on to Item 8(a), a resolution -- R2018-  
36 063, a resolution to express the intention of  
37 Anderson County, South Carolina, to cause Anderson  
38 County, South Carolina to be reimbursed with the  
39 proceeds of tax exempt obligations for certain costs  
40 associated with the fleet services project. We have  
41 a motion to move this forward?

42 KEN WATERS: So moved.

43 RAY GRAHAM: Second.

44 TOMMY DUNN: Motion Mr. Waters, second  
45 Mr. Graham. Ms. Davis, do you want to attack this  
46 and explain this so everybody out there will know.

47 RITA DAVIS: Basically this reimbursement  
48 resolution, if we incur any costs prior to the  
49 issuance of the bond, which we will because we've got  
50 the architects and engineers on the job, they will be



1 submitting invoices. I will pay those. But this  
2 reimbursement resolution allows me when we ultimately  
3 issue the general obligation bond to reimburse  
4 ourselves out of those bond proceeds. So that's what  
5 that's for.

6 TOMMY DUNN: Any other questions?  
7 Discussion? All in favor of the motion show of  
8 hands. Opposed like sign. Show the motion carries  
9 unanimously.

10 Moving on to 9, atax recommendations. Do we have  
11 a motion? Discussion?

12 TOM ALLEN: So moved.

13 KEN WATERS: Second.

14 TOMMY DUNN: Motion Mr. Allen to move  
15 forward with the recommendation of the committee and  
16 staff. Second by Mr. Waters. Now discussion.

17 GRACIE FLOYD: Mr. Chairman.

18 TOMMY DUNN: Ms. Floyd.

19 GRACIE FLOYD: For the past couple of years  
20 I have been looking at the atax recommendations. And  
21 it was brought to my attention that these people who  
22 apply for atax money get money from the budget, they  
23 get money from the atax and then they get money from  
24 the recreational fund that we appoint. From three  
25 different sources, some of them get that. And then  
26 others who apply for the atax money get nothing. Get  
27 nothing. I'm asking Council members that even if we  
28 approve this one, the next year, let's take a look at  
29 who's getting what and how much money they're getting  
30 from other entities; budget, atax and from Council  
31 members. And let's look at the ones that didn't get  
32 anything and see if we can change that a little bit  
33 so it can be fair to more people. Thank you.

34 TOMMY DUNN: Thank you, Ms. Floyd.  
35 Anyone else?

36 CINDY WILSON: Mr. Chairman.

37 TOMMY DUNN: Ms. Wilson.

38 CINDY WILSON: There's one group that  
39 applies for atax money, and I'm on their board and  
40 even though I contribute and don't benefit from it, I  
41 must disclose and recuse myself from that one item.  
42 So could we take that out separately? It's South  
43 Carolina Upstate Equine Council.

44 TOMMY DUNN: I make the motion that we  
45 pull that out and vote on it separate. Do we have a  
46 second?

47 RAY GRAHAM: Second.

48 TOMMY DUNN: Second Mr. Graham. Any  
49 discussion on that? All in favor of the motion show  
50 of hands. Opposed like sign. Show the motion

1 carries unanimously. So we're talking about  
2 everything but the Equine Council. Anymore  
3 discussion?

4 TOM ALLEN: Yeah, Mr. Chair.  
5 TOMMY DUNN: Mr. Allen.  
6 TOM ALLEN: I just have a question and  
7 maybe nobody can answer it, but Item number ---  
8 TOMMY DUNN: I can answer it. It might  
9 not be right, but I'll answer it.  
10 TOM ALLEN: Okay. I'm counting on you.  
11 The Clemson Kennel Club, it says here the club's 2018  
12 show attracted eight hundred and fifty-six entries  
13 from more than fifty miles away. A number of dogs  
14 entered did not show up at the arena due to owner  
15 concerns about climate control. It seeks money to  
16 buy additional magazine advertising and increase out-  
17 of-state entries. And the committee recommended nine  
18 hundred and one dollars. I mean, if the problem up  
19 there is lack of climate control in Garrison Arena,  
20 which I certainly understand because it's coldest  
21 than heck up there in the winter, nine hundred  
22 dollars isn't going to do anything. So what's the  
23 use to advertise if people aren't showing up because  
24 the climate; they're afraid to bring their animals  
25 in?

26 TOMMY DUNN: I think they're trying to  
27 advertise for a different clientele, it sounds like.  
28 Was that an answer?

29 TOM ALLEN: I don't know.  
30 TOMMY DUNN: See, I told you, you  
31 wouldn't be happy with it.  
32 TOM ALLEN: Hey, if you say so. Yeah,  
33 Glenn, did you have a ---  
34 GLENN BRILL: This show is very weather-  
35 dependent. If the first weekend in January is warm,  
36 people from Florida will send their dogs. Last year  
37 the first weekend in January was cold and they kept  
38 their dogs at home.  
39 TOMMY DUNN: I guess I'm asking for Mr.  
40 Allen, with all seriousness. They're wanting to  
41 advertise I guess to a broader base besides people in  
42 Florida. Is that what this is about?

43 GLENN BRILL: Correct.  
44 TOMMY DUNN: Not trying to put a heating  
45 system or anything in the Garrison Arena. This is  
46 trying to advertise and broaden their clientele or  
47 their people participating in the show?  
48 GLENN BRILL: Correct.  
49 TOM ALLEN: Okay. Can I have one other  
50 one?

1 TOMMY DUNN: Yes, sir.  
2 TOM ALLEN: Item number 46, I'll be  
3 lighthearted about this. Atax would pay for moving  
4 the McGee Mule Barn in Starr to the Bart Garrison Ag  
5 Museum of South Carolina, converting it into an event  
6 center with a projected nine thousand two hundred and  
7 forty room hotel nights because of this event center,  
8 a two hundred thousand dollar private grant has been  
9 secured for the three hundred and ten thousand dollar  
10 project and Lake Hartwell Country would pay the  
11 remaining eighty thousand. I'm not sure who Lake  
12 Hartwell Country is, but that must be one bodacious  
13 mule barn. I just wondered what the thing looks  
14 like. It might be better than Garrison Arena. Maybe  
15 it's climate controlled. I don't know.  
16 TOMMY DUNN: You do know we didn't --  
17 that's not one recommended?  
18 TOM ALLEN: It's not recommended, but I  
19 said I was going to be lighthearted about it because  
20 it just says the committee -- well, the committee did  
21 recommend ten thousand.  
22 TOMMY DUNN: I didn't think we got ---  
23 TOM ALLEN: For committee  
24 recommendation.  
25 GLENN BRILL: And the reason we can fund  
26 that is one of the eight allowed uses of  
27 accommodations tax under state law are tourism  
28 related buildings.  
29 TOM ALLEN: Absolutely. I agree. I  
30 would just like to see a picture of the mule barn, I  
31 guess. Like I said, I'm being lighthearted about it.  
32 Don't worry. But it must be a great mule barn. So  
33 thank you, Mr. Chair.  
34 TOMMY DUNN: Anyone else?  
35 GRACIE FLOYD: While he's up there, I'm  
36 going ---  
37 TOMMY DUNN: Yes, ma'am, Ms. Floyd.  
38 GRACIE FLOYD: Could you please explain why  
39 the Greek Festival that's held every year did not get  
40 funding because they too bring a lot of people to  
41 Anderson during that time. And the objective is to  
42 -- is the objective you have to bring a certain  
43 amount of people into Anderson to attend these  
44 functions?  
45 GLENN BRILL: No. Actually the  
46 eligibility of a grant is determined by the state  
47 accommodations tax law. There are eight allowed  
48 uses. And renting tables and equipment, labor,  
49 entertainment and security are not allowed uses of  
50 atax under state law. So they didn't submit an

1 eligible grant.  
2 GRACIE FLOYD: They didn't submit an  
3 eligible grant.  
4 GLENN BRILL: Right.  
5 GRACIE FLOYD: Could anybody see which  
6 number that is?  
7 TOMMY DUNN: He's got it right there.  
8 GLENN BRILL: Fifty-three.  
9 GRACIE FLOYD: Fifty what?  
10 TOMMY DUNN: Three.  
11 GLENN BRILL: Fifty-three.  
12 GRACIE FLOYD: Okay. Good. Please tell me  
13 that again now that I have it.  
14 GLENN BRILL: Okay. The state  
15 accommodations tax law, there are eight things you  
16 can pay for. None of the requested items under  
17 number 53 are eligible for payment under the state  
18 law.  
19 GRACIE FLOYD: Okay. Thank you.  
20 TOMMY DUNN: Anyone else? All in favor  
21 of the motion show of hands. Opposed like sign.  
22 Show the motion carries.  
23 Got to do the equine. Ms. Wilson has recused  
24 herself. At this time do we have a motion to move  
25 forward to the equine thing, recommendation?  
26 RAY GRAHAM: So moved.  
27 TOMMY DUNN: Motion Mr. Grant.  
28 TOM ALLEN: Second.  
29 TOMMY DUNN: Second Mr. Allen. Any  
30 discussion? All in favor of the motion show of  
31 hands. Opposed like sign. Show the motion carries  
32 unanimously. Ms. Wilson recused herself.  
33 Moving on to Item number 10, bid approval, be a  
34 roof for the new courthouse. It's been in the budget  
35 for over a year now. I would ask Mr. Carroll if  
36 he'll step forward with any things he'd like to make.  
37 ROBERT CARROLL: Yes, sir, Mr. Chairman.  
38 We received bids on this back in October. Staff  
39 recommends award to Lloyd Roofing out of Greenwood,  
40 seven hundred and eighty-four thousand four hundred  
41 was the base bid. Ninety-eight for the alternate.  
42 You'll see two vendors above, Turnkey Roofing and  
43 Tecta, were non-responsive. Tecta sent us a letter  
44 saying they had left items out of their bid and they  
45 wanted to withdraw it, which they're allowed to do.  
46 And as you can see on the alternates, Turnkey Roofing  
47 did not bid the alternates that we asked for, so they  
48 were non-responsive. So we went to the next bid.  
49 Lloyd Roofing has -- did another walkthrough just to  
50 make sure everything's good. And they said, yes,

1 their price is good. So we recommend award to Lloyd  
2 Roofing.

3 TOMMY DUNN: Thank you, Mr. Carroll. Do  
4 we have a motion to move this forward?

5 CINDY WILSON: So moved.

6 KEN WATERS: Second.

7 TOMMY DUNN: Motion Ms. Wilson, second  
8 Mr. Waters. Any discussion? All in favor of the  
9 motion show of hands. Opposed like sign. Show the  
10 motion carries unanimously. Thank you, Mr. Carroll.

11 ROBERT CARROLL: Thank you, sir.

12 TOMMY DUNN: Moving on to number 11,  
13 homeland security grand. Ms. Davis. Who's got it?

14 RITA DAVIS: Mr. Graham.

15 TOMMY DUNN: Mr. Graham's got it; okay.  
16 Mr. Graham.

17 RAY GRAHAM: Thank you, Mr. Chairman.  
18 This is in reference to three grants that's been  
19 funded or awarded to Anderson County. Is it okay if  
20 we do all three of them together or do you want to do  
21 them separate?

22 TOMMY DUNN: Unless anybody has --  
23 anybody have any objection to doing them all three or  
24 want to do them separate? Anybody got any questions?  
25 Do them all three.

26 RAY GRAHAM: Basically it's three  
27 separate grants. One of them is for seventy-four  
28 thousand dollars. And it's for a chemical detector  
29 and plus some other equipment that goes along with  
30 that, and also one satellite radio.

31 The second grant is for ninety-six thousand eight  
32 hundred and ninety-nine dollars. It's for a small  
33 fast attack robot, a tactical fragmentation vest.

34 TOMMY DUNN: A vest and a robot?

35 RAY GRAHAM: It's a small fast attack  
36 robot, which is basically -- we already have one  
37 robot in Anderson County. This is basically another  
38 one that will go into the back of the Suburban and be  
39 more versatile. Also, a tactical fragmentation vest,  
40 two laptop computers, a carbon fire disruptor. The  
41 purpose of this, again, we actually have a carbon  
42 fire disruptor, as well. This one here is a smaller  
43 one and it basically prevents destroying evidence,  
44 kind of keeping it in a smaller location. And that  
45 one also comes with a satellite radio.

46 The next one is seventy-five thousand seven  
47 hundred and fifty-nine dollars and that's for nine  
48 SCBAs and also one satellite radio. Just a note on  
49 the three satellite radios. This is a requirement  
50 that the state has put on the county where in the

1 event of a catastrophe as far as radio communication  
2 loss and basically they're funding this through these  
3 grants. So each one of these grants has one of those  
4 radios kind of looped up in the grant request, as  
5 well. And this basically comes at no cost to  
6 Anderson County.

7 TOMMY DUNN: Do we have a motion to move  
8 this forward?

9 KEN WATERS: So moved.

10 TOM ALLEN: Second.

11 TOMMY DUNN: Motion Mr. Waters, second  
12 Mr. Allen. Captain Miller, you got anything you want  
13 to add or say? I don't want to put you on the spot  
14 or nothing, but anything you want to say from the  
15 sheriff's office? Do you have anything?

16 CAPTAIN MILLER: Thank you, Mr. Chairman.  
17 No, nothing to add. I just do want to reiterate what  
18 Councilman Graham said, that these are Department of  
19 Homeland Security grants utilizing federal dollars.  
20 They come at no additional cost to us.

21 TOMMY DUNN: Thank you, Captain.  
22 Appreciate what all y'all are doing. I'm sorry.  
23 Anybody have any questions for Captain Miller? Thank  
24 you, Captain. All in favor of the motion show of  
25 hands. Opposed like sign. Show the motion carries  
26 unanimously.

27 Moving on to Item number 12, Report from the  
28 Planning and Public Works Committee meeting held  
29 November 19. I believe Ms. Wilson sort of hit on the  
30 sewer thing. Now we're going to market study report.  
31 Ms. Wilson.

32 CINDY WILSON: Thank you, Mr. Chairman.  
33 The next item that we reviewed was the market study  
34 report regarding the county square project. The  
35 report revealed a thorough research of current  
36 conditions on the ground incorporating demographics  
37 and observations culminating and the highest and best  
38 use recommendations or projection. Supporting data  
39 indicates a current over-availability of office space  
40 and an under-availability of good quality residential  
41 rentals and condominiums in the downtown area. On  
42 the specific project concept has yet to be  
43 established, we're provided with general development  
44 guidelines in terms of product type, design features,  
45 rent pricing structures. We were also given  
46 estimates for two separate phases of development with  
47 phase one developed in 2020 and phase two to be  
48 developed in 2022.

49 This basically was a warm-up before we start  
50 looking at designs and making decisions. So there

1 will be a lot more research coming forward. But  
2 basically the rental and condominium markets are  
3 projected to be very strong and the office market is  
4 very weak right now due to over-availability.

5 Under new business it was noted that there were  
6 two more pressing matters coming before us soon, and  
7 that is to be the updated solid waste plan and a new  
8 impact fee proposal. We will take up growth  
9 management techniques and development impact fees at  
10 our next meeting Monday at noon.

11 If anyone on our committee has more to add,  
12 please feel free to do so. And meanwhile, thank you  
13 to all that made this effort possible.

14 TOMMY DUNN: Thank y'all. Ms. Floyd had  
15 a question.

16 GRACIE FLOYD: I'd like to know the market  
17 study report, okay, who did the market study?

18 TOMMY DUNN: A company out of -- was it  
19 Ohio? Out west somewhere. Where was that company  
20 out of? Ohio, I think?

21 CINDY WILSON: Bowen National Research.

22 GRACIE FLOYD: What?

23 CINDY WILSON: Bowen National Research.

24 And they were engaged and paid for by Mr. Ron  
25 Swinson, President of Peach Properties.

26 GRACIE FLOYD: Okay. All right. That is  
27 the same person, the same man, that did the study on  
28 the property behind us, as well; right?

29 TOMMY DUNN: I don't know. He's the one  
30 that bought the property back there.

31 GRACIE FLOYD: Isn't that the same company  
32 that's doing the market study on the property behind  
33 us, the old Bailes building used to be?

34 ???: (Inaudible.)

35 GRACIE FLOYD: All right. And they paid  
36 for the one behind us, too?

37 TOMMY DUNN: That is it, Ms. Floyd.

38 There ain't but one.

39 GRACIE FLOYD: He's paying for the one over  
40 that one as well; right?

41 ???: (Inaudible.)

42 GRACIE FLOYD: But you said they paid for  
43 both of them.

44 TOMMY DUNN: Wait a minute. There ain't  
45 been but one study. What Ms. Wilson is talking about  
46 is the one behind here at the Bailes property.  
47 That's the only one we're talking about. That's the  
48 one that's been paid for by Mr. Swinson.

49 CINDY WILSON: Mr. Chairman, I think where  
50 the confusion ---

1 GRACIE FLOYD: So it's only one? Okay.  
2 I've seen one.  
3 TOMMY DUNN: Everybody should have a copy  
4 of it.  
5 GRACIE FLOYD: Yeah. But I have seen one  
6 and that's the one back here.  
7 TOMMY DUNN: Yes, ma'am.  
8 GRACIE FLOYD: That's the only one?  
9 TOMMY DUNN: Only one Anderson County is  
10 involved in. The city's got some going on.  
11 GRACIE FLOYD: Are they doing the city's,  
12 too, that you know of?  
13 ??: (Inaudible.)  
14 GRACIE FLOYD: Okay.  
15 TOMMY DUNN: The city is doing one on  
16 their own on parking. That's right. Got nothing to  
17 do with this.  
18 GRACIE FLOYD: Okay. All right. I think  
19 that's where it may be coming from; okay, because if  
20 you have so many studies going on, you don't know  
21 who's doing what. But I still want to caution us, I  
22 still want to caution us; okay. This building behind  
23 us is going to take up the rest of the parking space  
24 if we have any at all. Okay. And you're talking  
25 about putting homes, condominiums and I understand  
26 they said they're going to be high rise and high  
27 money, top money, condominiums behind us; okay.  
28 We're going to have to be careful. We're going to  
29 have to be careful. We are not Charlotte, Atlanta,  
30 Asheville or Columbia or even Greenville. And we're  
31 putting all these things, squeezing it up together.  
32 We can't only look at the now. We have to look to  
33 the future to see how this is going to affect us  
34 later on when we're all gone to Charlotte to live.  
35 Thank you.  
36 TOMMY DUNN: Ms. Wilson.  
37 CINDY WILSON: Just a point of  
38 clarification. The request for proposals or  
39 qualifications that went out, I think last year, they  
40 came back to us pretty much in the form of studies,  
41 too. So that may be where there's some confusion.  
42 Thank you.  
43 TOMMY DUNN: Okay. Moving on to Item  
44 number 13, report from the Sewer Ad Hoc Committee  
45 meeting held November 19, 2018. Discussion regarding  
46 location at Exit 14 waste water treatment plant and  
47 sewer lines. Chairman Wooten.  
48 CRAIG WOOTEN: Thank you, sir. We had  
49 the meeting with the Sewer Ad Hoc Committee and  
50 basically it was a follow-up meeting to the Greater



1 Sewer Plan that we put together earlier in the year  
2 and was referenced in the bonds that we spoke about  
3 earlier. But one thing that we wanted to do  
4 immediately was to bring sewer to a good level to  
5 Exit 14. But in doing that we also wanted to be  
6 forward thinking and see where we would need sewer,  
7 not in just now but five years, ten years and twenty  
8 years. And if you look at that area and these  
9 engineers look at basins and basins dictate the  
10 efficiency of sewer lines and Exit 14 is not too far  
11 from Exit 19 where we have sewer concerns also.

12 So we wanted to make sure we were looking at all  
13 the exits, how they could connect efficiently and  
14 whether we should put in a waste water plan at a  
15 certain area and a pump station at a certain area so  
16 that we can maximize where we want to go and not just  
17 address the immediate concerns. So the committee was  
18 in unanimous support of asking the engineers to tier  
19 out the alternatives. What if we did this? How much  
20 does it cost? What kind of benefit does it give to  
21 the county? If we were to go more, what does it cost  
22 and what is the benefit to the county? And what's  
23 the time line of that benefit so that we can weigh  
24 out the decision and make the best decision that gets  
25 us what we want now and that's the immediate concern  
26 of sewer at Exit 14, but also opens up a massive  
27 amount of acreage between the two exits that would be  
28 allowed for commercial development and potential  
29 residential development. So at that point the  
30 committee asked the engineers to tier it out, come  
31 back to us with some information and recommendations  
32 and then we can bring something back to Council at  
33 that time.

34 TOMMY DUNN: Thank you. Coming from the  
35 committee it doesn't need a second. Any discussion?  
36 And what the committee recommended is exactly what  
37 Mr. Wooten said, for them to pull out moving the pump  
38 station to a different area, give us a price cost and  
39 also alternative to B and also see some upgrades to  
40 Hurricane Creek Station that's in very great need of  
41 what the cost would be and what the recommendation on  
42 that would be. Are there any discussion on that  
43 matter? All in favor of the motion show of hands.  
44 Opposed? Abstentions? Show the motion carries  
45 unanimously.

46 Moving on to Item number 14, appointments.  
47 Anybody have any?

48 Seeing and hearing none, moving on to Item number  
49 15, request by Council members. Ms. Floyd.

50 GRACIE FLOYD: (Inaudible.)

1 TOMMY DUNN: You're the only one that's  
2 got one that I'm seeing unless somebody's got  
3 anything.

4 GRACIE FLOYD: Okay. I have a couple of  
5 them; okay? As you all know, every dime of my ---

6 TOMMY DUNN: Ms. Floyd.

7 GRACIE FLOYD: Every dime of my  
8 recreational fund goes to recreational -- to  
9 recreation. We have a lot of children in our area  
10 with nothing to do and nowhere to go. We are not  
11 like the city where they have a recreational center  
12 for the kids. So each Council member is provided  
13 with twenty-five thousand dollars a year for money to  
14 go toward recreational programs for our children.  
15 And I've got some here.

16 For the New Foundation home, I would like to  
17 allocate one thousand dollars of District 2's  
18 recreational fund to New Foundation. And with this  
19 money they are going to try to get ready -- get the  
20 children ready for the Christmas season, to get them  
21 out and to get them -- to make it available to them  
22 to have some things to do around Christmas time.  
23 That's a thousand dollars.

24 For Shalom, they're having -- they had a bicycle  
25 extravaganza. And they were asking for a thousand  
26 dollars to do that, for the Shalom House.

27 Okay. And here's a new one for me, as well, it's  
28 South Carolina Dog Therapy. All right. This is not  
29 money for the dogs. This is money to take the dogs  
30 out to the children at the different schools. They  
31 buy books for the children about the dogs and they  
32 expose one to the other. This is something that I am  
33 told that the kids really look forward to. And  
34 District 2 would like to allocate three -- excuse me  
35 -- one thousand dollars to them. Okay. And seems  
36 like I had another one here. One, two, three, four.  
37 I said New Foundation; I said the dogs. I'm missing  
38 one.

39 But anyway, the other one, now this is a big one,  
40 but I prepared for it last year. Every other year  
41 the group by the name of Men At Work take the  
42 children out of Anderson County to experience  
43 different things. They're asking -- for this year  
44 they're asking for ten thousand dollars. And they  
45 feel like this will accommodate the children. I  
46 think it's thirty -- I want to say thirty-something  
47 kids. Yeah, thirty-something kids. I think they're  
48 going to Alabama this year. This is something brand  
49 new. And it'll be really good for the kids to follow  
50 this. This is white kids, black kids, purple kids

1 and green and yellow kids. Any kid who want to go  
2 with them, they have a group of children of all ages  
3 and all races they take out every other year, I  
4 think. Every other year. Last year they went to  
5 Washington, D.C. The year before last they went to  
6 Washington, D.C. I'm really proud of this  
7 organization because they do a lot of good in the  
8 community and as well as for our children. So that's  
9 a total of ten, eleven, twelve, thirteen thousand  
10 dollars. I know there was one more. But I'll have  
11 to come back later on and do it. And I put that in  
12 the form of a motion.

13 TOMMY DUNN: Have a second?

14 KEN WATERS: Second.

15 TOMMY DUNN: Second Mr. Waters. Any  
16 discussion? All in favor of the motion show of  
17 hands. All opposed like sign. Show the motion  
18 carries unanimously.

19 Mr. Graham?

20 RAY GRAHAM: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I  
21 bring this forth in the form of a motion from  
22 District 3 recreational account. This is a request  
23 for the City of Belton, twenty-five hundred dollars  
24 to go toward the Standpipe Festival. That's as far  
25 as putting it on. I bring this in the form of a  
26 motion.

27 CINDY WILSON: Second.

28 KEN WATERS: Second.

29 TOMMY DUNN: Have a motion by Mr. Graham.  
30 Second by Ms. Wilson. Any discussion? All in favor  
31 of the motion show of hands. All opposed like sign.  
32 Show the motion carries unanimously.

33 Anyone else have anything? Ms. Wilson.

34 CINDY WILSON: Mr. Chairman, may I  
35 reappropriate the thirty-five hundred dollars that  
36 was approved for the Cheddar Youth Center on 10/16/18  
37 back to the recreational account for District 7?

38 TOMMY DUNN: You're putting it back in  
39 your District 7 recreational account. Have a motion  
40 by Ms. Wilson, second by Mr. Graham. Any discussion?  
41 All in favor of the motion show of hands. Opposed  
42 like sign. Show the motion carries unanimously.

43 Anyone else?

44 Moving on to Item number 16, Administrator's  
45 report.

46 RUSTY BURNS: Nothing at this time, Mr.  
47 Chairman.

48 TOMMY DUNN: Moving on to Item number 17,  
49 citizens comments. Again, when Mr. Harmon calls your  
50 name please, for the record, state your name and

1 district and address the chair. You've got three  
2 minutes.

3 LEON HARMON: Mr. Chairman, first citizen  
4 signed up is Mary Ashley.

5 MARY ASHLEY: My name is Mary Ashley. I  
6 live at 918 ---

7 TOMMY DUNN: Mr. Burns, make sure that  
8 mic's on. It's hard to hear.

9 MARY ASHLEY: Can you hear me now?

10 TOMMY DUNN: Yes, ma'am.

11 MARY ASHLEY: I'm here to complain about a  
12 health hazard in my neighborhood. We had the West  
13 Nile virus at Highway 81 and 86 months ago. That is  
14 within two miles of my home. I not only have  
15 mosquitos; now I have big rats at my home. My  
16 neighbor has a yard full of junk. He has four large  
17 boats that are never used, tarps half on half off,  
18 and they're holding water, causing mosquitos. I'm  
19 trying to get through in three minute. He has moved  
20 some of his cars, but he still has old sheds that he  
21 has built and put junk in them and they are not  
22 enclosed and they're holding water and causing  
23 mosquitos and rats. Not only has -- not only has he  
24 got boats, but he has old cars with tarps that have  
25 been sitting there for years. I have some picture  
26 that I would like to submit to the County Council of  
27 the back yard. This is not the side or the back  
28 yard. It's facing my house. I have been told that  
29 there are no laws against him having as many boats as  
30 he wants to have. My question is if there are boats  
31 that are holding water causing mosquitos and rats,  
32 which is a health hazard, what can I do about it?

33 TOMMY DUNN: Mr. Burns will see you after  
34 the meeting and we'll get your information and get it  
35 addressed to the proper people and see what can be  
36 done. I think that would probably be Mr. Allen's  
37 district -- Ken's district, so we'll see what can be  
38 done. Mr. Burns will get the information after the  
39 meeting; okay?

40 MARY ASHLEY: I spoke with Mr. Johnson  
41 yesterday.

42 TOMMY DUNN: Like I said, Mr. Burns will  
43 get your information after the meeting to see what  
44 can be done; okay? He's the administrator. He's Mr.  
45 Johnson's boss man.

46 Thank you, Mr. Burns.

47 Mr. Harmon?

48 LEON HARMON: Mr. Chairman, next person I  
49 am having some trouble reading his name. I think  
50 he's a gentleman from District 1.

1           CRAIG WOOTEN:        I was hoping to introduce  
2 him because he and I got to know each other these  
3 past couple of months. We met on a couple of  
4 occasions and I invited him to County Council and  
5 he's going to be able to speak tonight briefly. But  
6 hope to have him back on the agenda to speak in more  
7 depth if possible. But his name is Andy Moore. And  
8 he has got a powerful story that's been encouraging  
9 and uplifting to me. He's had -- he lost his son,  
10 but through that he's seeking to honor his son  
11 through a potential memorial at the Anderson Civic  
12 Center. And he's got a powerful story. And he's a  
13 quality person who really tells it better than I do.  
14 And with that I'd like to introduce him and thank him  
15 for being here.

16           TOMMY DUNN:        Get that light fixed for  
17 him, Mr. Burns.

18           ANDY MOORE:        Mr. Chairman, ---

19           TOMMY DUNN:        You can pull it up to you.  
20 I don't think it'll break it or what you call it,  
21 where you can get it.

22           ANDY MOORE:        Thank you for your time. I  
23 appreciate it Mr. Chairman, Council. Like Mr. Wooten  
24 said, we've spoke over several months. Also Mr.  
25 Burns and myself and Todd McCormick at the Civic  
26 Center, we've been talking about several things about  
27 what maybe could possibly happen or I could do for  
28 Anderson County.

29           This is my son Parker Moore. He was murdered in  
30 Barberitos in January of this year. I don't want  
31 this to turn into a bitter tragedy for me or my  
32 family. I want to make a positive out of this, not  
33 just for my life but for his life. Parker's passion  
34 was soccer. And we pretty much -- he would wear me  
35 out playing soccer; let's just put it that way. So  
36 I've been thinking of things of what I could do for  
37 Anderson County to honor him and to understand -- get  
38 other kids and other people to understand his passion  
39 for soccer. And I want other kids to enjoy his  
40 passion and know who he is.

41           What I've been talking to Mr. Burns and Mr.  
42 Wooten and Mr. McCormick is actually I know the  
43 KidVenture is getting ready to be remodeled. I would  
44 like to -- what we've been talking about is actually  
45 remodeling the corner of the top soccer field up  
46 there, go ahead and move the flag poles. Have a  
47 memorial up there for Parker stating who he is, his  
48 love for soccer and renaming the top field the Parker  
49 Killian Moore Soccer Fields. And it's not just the  
50 memorial, but it's also I want to be able to -- with

1 that said I want to be able to sponsor two kids to go  
2 to camp every year and I'd like to be able to sponsor  
3 maybe from each division jerseys from each division.  
4 And I'd like to work with the coaches on more of what  
5 they need. I'm not sure exactly what they may need.  
6 But I would like to sponsor more and be able to help  
7 more kids to be able to play soccer, go to camp and  
8 be on teams. And even further maybe help develop the  
9 field a little more, whatever, you know, the soccer  
10 field needs. I'd like to be able to raise money.  
11 We're raising money now. We've got a Go Fund Me  
12 page. People are already pouring money in it. I try  
13 to tell them just to kind of hold off until we start  
14 doing this. But so far we've got approximately over  
15 four thousand some odd people that are already  
16 joining into this and they really want to see to go  
17 forward. And with great -- I apologize.

18 TOMMY DUNN: I'm sorry. Your three  
19 minutes is up, but we'd love to hear more about it  
20 and any way we can work with you. We have to be fair  
21 to everybody. But our deepest sympathies and  
22 thoughts and prayers with you and your family. Hope  
23 we can do something to make your son's life to go on  
24 to the betterment of Anderson County and kids. We'll  
25 see what we can do. And I appreciate Mr. Wooten  
26 bringing this to our attention and for you and your  
27 family wanting to do something another about it.  
28 Admire you very much for not wanting to turn this  
29 into bitter but betterment very much and I hope you  
30 don't. Hope we can get something worked out; okay?

31 ANDY MOORE: Thank you very much.

32 GRACIE FLOYD: Mr. Chairman, can we ask for  
33 him to introduce his wife.

34 TOMMY DUNN: Yeah, go ahead. You want to  
35 introduce your family while you're here?

36 ANDY MOORE: Yes. This is my wife Misty,  
37 my youngest daughter Haley. I have twins that are  
38 seventeen; Hannah, she just left, and I had an  
39 autistic son, her brother, her twin, Hayden. And of  
40 course, Parker was my oldest. I had four kids.

41 To give you a brief history of me, I grew up in  
42 Anderson County, EMS and fire for almost thirty  
43 years.

44 TOMMY DUNN: We appreciate you. Thank  
45 you very much.

46 ANDY MOORE: Yes, sir. Thank you for  
47 your time.

48 LEON HARMON: Mr. Chairman, next speaker  
49 is Elizabeth Fant.

50 ELIZABETH FANT: Elizabeth Fant, District 3.

1 Atax money, we need to publicize the things that are  
2 great events for people to participate in in Anderson  
3 County. Last time I mentioned that one county does  
4 these little handouts. Both of these are from  
5 Williamston from different years. They're great.  
6 You can pick them up, carry them with you all year.  
7 You already know what the events are going to be.  
8 Williamston and the little town of West Pelzer seem  
9 to be doing a better job of advertising their events  
10 than some of the other small towns. I also got one  
11 in the mail from the museum this time wanting me to  
12 be a member and it listed thirty events of things  
13 that are going on in the museum. And I thought the  
14 museum really didn't do anything. But when you  
15 publicize and you tell people what it is that you do  
16 and you show that there are events for kids, there  
17 are events for people who want to be budding artists,  
18 whatever, that's when you get people interested. So  
19 you've got to publicize those things.

20 It's interesting that the study that Ms. Wilson  
21 gave was exactly what I had said last week about the  
22 fact that we don't need more offices downtown. We  
23 don't need more offices. We don't have parking  
24 places for what we have, as Ms. Floyd said. I don't  
25 know if they put rental properties in a facility  
26 behind us where those people are going to park.  
27 Those people are going to have cars. Where are they  
28 going to park?

29 The third thing is, you have to look back that  
30 it's been ten years since 2008, almost to the date,  
31 November the 18th. The horrible night in Anderson  
32 County, miscarriage of justice. The thing I think  
33 that bothered me the most about that night was the  
34 lies and the lack of transparency of what happened  
35 that night. We're still not over it. I had a  
36 conversation with two Council members last night and  
37 I mentioned to them that I really did not like the  
38 way the budget was done this year, or lack of done  
39 this year. One Council person told me, well, it was  
40 done through the committee meetings and that was the  
41 best place to do it. Well, I grant you that you all  
42 have done a lot of work on the committee meetings.  
43 That part I certainly approve of. But in no way were  
44 those budget meetings advertised. I mean were those  
45 committee meetings advertised as budget meetings.  
46 Those of you who know me know that I've been going  
47 for the last five years to all of them. We didn't  
48 have a budget meeting until almost at the very end.  
49 I hope we're not going backwards to a lack of  
50 transparency again. I understand a lot of the

1 reasons why you did what you did this year. But I'm  
2 not the only person that you have to please. You  
3 need to let everybody in Anderson County know what  
4 hand washes what, who gets what, how it works, and we  
5 did not have a good budget process this year.  
6 LEON HARMON: Time, Mr. Chairman.  
7 TOMMY DUNN: Thank you, Mr. Harmon.  
8 Anyone else?  
9 LEON HARMON: No one else.  
10 TOMMY DUNN: Now remarks from Council  
11 members. Mr. Waters.  
12 KEN WATERS: I have none at this time.  
13 TOMMY DUNN: Thank you, Mr. Waters.  
14 Mr. Allen?  
15 TOM ALLEN: Nothing at this time.  
16 TOMMY DUNN: Thank you, Mr. Allen.  
17 Ms. Floyd?  
18 GRACIE FLOYD: Yes, I have something.  
19 First of all, I don't even like to think about  
20 November the 8th or whatever year it was because out  
21 of all the people that was involved in that, I got  
22 the worst of it. I was cussed at. I was prodded. I  
23 was talked about. I was abused. And why? All  
24 because I belong in the regime that just left. A lot  
25 of the stuff that was going on, half of it was not  
26 the truth. I'll stand before God and man and said  
27 that half of it was not the truth. I was -- all of  
28 the, all of the stuff that was going on, I was  
29 treated very, very badly. Very bad. You don't see  
30 these people here now because after giving it their  
31 best for I don't know how many years, I'm still here.  
32 I am still here. But nobody, nobody stood up for me  
33 or with me. I was by myself. And I couldn't hear  
34 nobody pray. It was just me by myself. So I don't  
35 want to hear how bad it was that night. Tell me how  
36 bad it was since that night for me. I'm still  
37 nobody's sweetheart. I'm still -- I still have not  
38 backed down. I still stand to the gates of hell and  
39 I will not back down. Yeah, I hate to think about  
40 those times. It was awful. It was awful. And  
41 nobody stood for me. Nobody. And somebody just  
42 snickled (verbatim) just now, I believe, but you  
43 know, I'm strong. I'm strong. I can take it.  
44 The budget meeting, it was never announced that  
45 you were having budget meetings within your other  
46 meetings. I asked for a budget workshop. I wasn't  
47 even -- that wasn't even granted. A workshop where  
48 we could go in and ask questions about the new  
49 budget. No, not a one. Not one person could see the  
50 need to have a budget workshop. And then it came out



1 that there was a tax increase in the budget and there  
2 were other things in the budget that we didn't know  
3 about it.

4 It has not been easy for me. I have not  
5 complained. I just came through another election  
6 where I said, if I win I win. If I lose I still win.  
7 Because I have fought a long, hard battle. And I'm  
8 still fighting.

9 I wish that we would -- when it comes to the atax  
10 meeting, I wish that on the sheet that we would  
11 advertise what needs to be placed -- just more  
12 information on the sheet; what's going to be -- what  
13 needs to be in there and what needs to be out. Like  
14 I said, we have people dipping three times. Not  
15 double dipping but triple dipping and they even get  
16 more money. And those who are trying to do it don't  
17 get anything.

18 All right. I wanted to introduce you to Men At  
19 Work, but some of them have left. But those of you  
20 who are still in here, please stand up. Please stand  
21 up. Good. These are the Men At Work. The leader of  
22 that group is Marion Tarrant. Mr. Tarrant, could you  
23 tell us how many men do you have in the group? Ten  
24 men in the group. Okay. And how many children do  
25 you have on your rolls now? Forty-five children.  
26 Ranging in ages what to what? Six to eighteen.  
27 These men -- thank you so much. These men are worth  
28 every penny, every dime, everything that they do for  
29 Anderson County, y'all. It's helping us. They are  
30 making a difference. We can actually see the  
31 difference coming from them.

32 And Mr. Chairman, I thank you.

33 TOMMY DUNN: Mr. Graham?

34 RAY GRAHAM: Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

35 First off, before I get started, Mr. Moore, I just  
36 wanted to acknowledge the effort that you're putting  
37 forth as far as honoring your son. My prayers is  
38 definitely for your family. I cannot imagine that  
39 type of loss. But to see you take that type of  
40 tragedy and move forward with it in such a positive  
41 direction, I definitely commend you and your family  
42 for that effort. And definitely looking forward to  
43 seeing what's able to become of that.

44 A couple of other things. One thing in  
45 particular I'm going to address. It seems like every  
46 time we get off on economic development when we're  
47 trying to identify what type of growth is coming into  
48 the county, it always, to me, comes out as a  
49 criticism toward farmers. Because we're always  
50 worried about it being a chicken farm. My district

1 is Starr, Iva and Belton area, which is a big part of  
2 a rural community in our county where we actually  
3 house a lot of chicken farms and also a lot of other  
4 farms, which also brings a huge tax base into  
5 Anderson County, brings a huge amount of jobs into  
6 Anderson County, provides for a lot of families in  
7 Anderson County. And believe it or not, they provide  
8 a lot of food on the tables for Anderson County. So  
9 with that being said, we always seem to get a lot of  
10 criticism on that. But there is some good that comes  
11 out of chicken farms and also regular farms. And  
12 just wanted to make that mention tonight, as well.

13 One other thing, I just came back from the South  
14 Carolina COG conference and I hate Burriss has left  
15 on this because this is actually a compliment toward  
16 his group. But one of the presentations down there,  
17 they got to talking about basically multi -- counties  
18 working together with industrial parks and basically  
19 teaming up attracting industry into the areas. And  
20 there's so many counties -- and believe it or not, I  
21 was proud to sit there when they was looking at some  
22 of these presentations because Anderson County is  
23 shining right now. We're very blessed with the  
24 economic development we have. But there are so many  
25 counties that is struggling with no growth or very  
26 little growth. And one of the things that they were  
27 presenting on was for them to basically go out with  
28 other counties and to form these industrial parks,  
29 these joint parks that Burriss Nelson, I think we  
30 done one tonight and it's almost a regular event that  
31 they bring forth for us at the Council meetings. So  
32 I mean we definitely want to thank his group for the  
33 efforts that they're putting toward economic  
34 development. And according to the state level and  
35 one of the presenters was actually on a federal  
36 level, it's definitely the way to go right now. Our  
37 guys is doing it. So definitely wanted to commend  
38 them on that.

39 Also, one other thing. I just want to  
40 congratulate -- I know he's not here tonight, but Dan  
41 Cooper was promoted to Chief of Staff with Tri-County  
42 Tech. That is a huge accomplishment on his part. I  
43 think it definitely brings great opportunities for  
44 Anderson County. We've got a very close  
45 relationship. He's always on our side as far as  
46 moving things forward. And Tri-County Tech, the  
47 partnership that we as a county has with them is just  
48 unreal. And I mean, it just brings so much economic  
49 development growth to our county. It brings  
50 educational opportunities to our youth. And

1 basically gives an opportunity for our citizens to be  
2 able to go to that next level as far as job  
3 opportunities. So it's great to see Dan promoted to  
4 that position. Definitely look forward to his  
5 continuation working with Anderson County.

6 Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

7 TOMMY DUNN: Thank you.

8 Mr. Wooten?

9 CRAIG WOOTEN: Yeah. I also want to thank  
10 Mr. Moore for coming tonight. I apologize that our  
11 format dictates only so much time because I look  
12 forward to you coming back. But I did want everybody  
13 to hear at least a portion of what you've told me  
14 because of how encouraging it is. Just in talking to  
15 him, it's amazing in the fact that we talked about  
16 many things but he was talking to Todd McCormick  
17 about, you know, working with us to help with the  
18 trees and the clearing to make it just a  
19 comprehensively better experience for the kids. And  
20 so I really appreciate that and look forward to him  
21 being back.

22 I'll echo one thing that Ms. Floyd talked about.  
23 And I could probably myself better understand how  
24 atax works, how the eight provisions of the state law  
25 work, and if there are efficiencies that we can have  
26 by working with different avenues of the budget to  
27 either get more bang for the buck or include more  
28 people or work to better provide park, rec,  
29 hospitality, tourism; I'm all for that. So you know,  
30 if that could be taken up in the new budget season, I  
31 would welcome that.

32 But a lot of positive things going on in  
33 Anderson. Getting a lot of positive feedback from  
34 constituents and staff and feel like the morale is  
35 good. I look forward to the Christmas season and  
36 tackling the new year.

37 Thank you, sir.

38 TOMMY DUNN: Thank you, Mr. Wooten.

39 Ms. Wilson?

40 CINDY WILSON: Thank you, Mr. Chairman.  
41 Please accept my deepest condolences at your loss.  
42 And I believe that as we go forward with your project  
43 that not only you will be richly blessed by that  
44 effort, but I believe our county and posterity will,  
45 too.

46 I just wanted to wish everybody a Happy  
47 Thanksgiving. It's been an incredible year of a lot  
48 of hard work that everybody worked so hard together  
49 to accomplish. The county budget has so many working  
50 parts, it's very hard to digest it all at one

1 sitting. And we do have a joint industrial park that  
2 we've been working with. Mr. Burns has helped try to  
3 put things together with the Abbeville and Anderson  
4 County partnership, bringing economic development to  
5 an area that so badly needs it. It's been a real  
6 blessing from my perspective to have everyone working  
7 so hard for this county. And I'm so glad to be a  
8 part of it. Thank you.

9 TOMMY DUNN: Thank you.

10 Short and brief. I'm going to start off with a  
11 few things about the atax. Everybody keep in mind,  
12 you can't get it if you don't apply for it. So if  
13 any groups out here -- I know Mr. Waters has had  
14 trouble over the years in his district trying to get  
15 people asking for this. You've got to apply for it.  
16 Two, you've got to meet certain criteria. But y'all  
17 do realize there's a board that comes with this  
18 recommendation tonight, each Council member has got  
19 two members on there. I believe I would talk to  
20 them, have interface with them instead of getting on  
21 Council meeting tonight trying to grandstand or this,  
22 that and the other and try to find out what it is.  
23 As Mr. Brill said tonight, there's a reason why one  
24 of them groups did not get no money is because they  
25 didn't meet the criteria. Two, a group getting money  
26 out of three pots of money there's a good chance that  
27 group is meeting all the criteria and bringing people  
28 in from outside of Anderson County which is what this  
29 is meant to do and getting help on. That's what this  
30 is about. Let's keep that in mind.

31 Two, the budget process this year, like I said,  
32 it's well known that since Mr. Crowder was the  
33 finance committee chairman, he took great pride in  
34 the finance committee, taking great pride in writing  
35 the budget and in our ordinance it says about how it  
36 meets the house and ways committee thing on that.  
37 About writing the budget, all open. One thing  
38 different is you can go online and look at anything  
39 -- any money that's being spent in Anderson County.  
40 And Ms. Fant, you can shake your head because you can  
41 ?? all you want to. And you always like to go back,  
42 like going back ten years. That's one thing I hope  
43 the new Council won't have to fight. You got to know  
44 what your history is so it won't defeat itself. But  
45 to keep reliving it, reliving it, reliving it is  
46 ridiculous on both sides. It's time to move forward.  
47 I hope Anderson County is better than that and has  
48 that to look forward to. Hope everybody has a great  
49 Thanksgiving.

50 Mr. Moore, again, as your family makes it through

1     Thanksgiving our thoughts and prayers are with you.  
2     Look forward to working with y'all for the betterment  
3     of this. I really do. God bless. We're adjourned.

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**(MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:04 P.M.)**