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ANDERSON COUNTY COUNCIL  
SPECIAL PRESENTATION MEETING  
MARCH 19, 2019

IN ATTENDANCE:  
TOMMY DUNN, CHAIRMAN  
RAY GRAHAM  
BRETT SANDERS  
CRAIG WOOTEN  
CINDY WILSON  
JIMMY DAVIS

ALSO PRESENT:  
RUSTY BURNS  
LEON HARMON  
LACEY CROEGAERT

1 TOMMY DUNN: At this time I'd like to call  
2 the presentations part of our regular Anderson County  
3 meeting of March 19th to order. I want to welcome each  
4 and every one of you here and thank y'all for coming.

5 Moving on to first order of business, Resolution  
6 2(a), R2019-010, a resolution to recognize and honor  
7 Tactical Medical Solutions as EXIM's Exporter of the  
8 year. I ask the Honorable Councilman Craig Wooten if  
9 he would present this.

10 CRAIG WOOTEN: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. This  
11 is a resolution to recognize and honor Tactical Medical  
12 Solutions as EXIM's New Exporter of the Year, and other  
13 matters thereto.

14 WHEREAS, Tactical Medical Solutions was founded in  
15 2003 by Ross Johnson, a special forces medic whose  
16 experiences in the military led to the improvement of  
17 existing life-saving medical equipment and the  
18 development of new products. The first product to be  
19 created was a soft tactical tourniquet. It is now one  
20 of only two tourniquets approved by the Department of  
21 Defense and is presently used by the American Red Cross  
22 as a product of choice; and

23 WHEREAS, Tactical Medical Solutions specializes in  
24 medical and triage supplies for first responders,  
25 military and law enforcement agencies. Currently over  
26 two thousand products are available to be sold locally  
27 and in seventy countries around the world, making  
28 Tactical Medical Solutions a global developer and  
29 manufacturer; and

30 WHEREAS, Tactical Medical Solutions is a supporter  
31 of the Stop-the-Bleed Initiative and National Campaign,  
32 bringing awareness and encouragement to bystanders and  
33 civilians to take action in emergency situations before  
34 medical professionals can arrive. Tactical Medical  
35 Solutions works diligently to support the campaign by  
36 ensuring the necessary gear is readily available for  
37 public access; and

38 WHEREAS, the EXIM's annual conference was held on  
39 April 19th and 20th, 2018 at the Shoreham Hotel in  
40 Washington, D.C. During this event the Export/Import  
41 Bank of the United States named Tactical Medical  
42 Solutions, Inc. as the new exporter of the year.

43 NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that Anderson County  
44 Council commends and honors Tactical Medical Solutions  
45 for your contributions to our business community in  
46 Anderson County. We are appreciative of your  
47 dedication and your personal commitment to the citizens  
48 of Anderson County.

49 RESOLVED in meeting duly assembled this 19th day of  
50 March, 2019.

1 I put that in the form of a motion.

2 CINDY WILSON: Second.

3 TOMMY DUNN: Motion Mr. Wooten; second Ms.  
4 Wilson. Any discussion?

5 CINDY WILSON: May I?

6 TOMMY DUNN: Ms. Wilson.

7 CINDY WILSON: I just think it's a total  
8 delight to have Mr. Johnson and his wonderful family  
9 choose Anderson County for their home and for the  
10 development of an incredible business. He's a very  
11 good representative of what we think of as the American  
12 Dream. He had a good idea and developed it and worked  
13 really hard. So we're very proud of y'all.

14 TOMMY DUNN: Anyone else?

15 BRETT SANDERS: I'd like to thank Mr. Johnson  
16 for his service and for providing a valuable service  
17 saving lives. I'm honored to have them in my district.  
18 And just wanted to thank them once again.

19 TOMMY DUNN: I'd also like to thank -- say  
20 I had the opportunity to go out a few weeks ago and  
21 tour his facilities and meeting Ms. Johnson. It's a  
22 first class operation. Anderson County is very  
23 fortunate to have that business here. I know they're  
24 looking to expand. We look forward to that. Very  
25 fortunate to have him. He's a quality individual and  
26 we thank him for his service to the country, for what  
27 he's done for his business, and continue to save lives.  
28 We appreciate you very much.

29 All in favor of the motion show of hands. Opposed  
30 like sign. Show the motion carries unanimously.

31 If you would, Mr. Johnson, you and your wife step  
32 up here.

33 **(PRESENTATION)**

34 TOMMY DUNN: At this time we'll be moving  
35 on to 2(b), R2019-011, a resolution to recognize and  
36 honor Avery Reece as the 2018-2019 Class 4A State  
37 Wrestling Champion. Ms. Wilson. Ms. Wilson?

38 CINDY WILSON: Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

39 WHEREAS, Avery Reece, a senior at Belton-Honea Path  
40 High School did compete in the state wrestling  
41 championships held at the Anderson Civic Center on  
42 Saturday, February 23, 2019; and

43 WHEREAS, Avery Reece competed in the 285 pound  
44 weight class, ending this wrestling season with a 28 to  
45 1 record and 20 pins; and

46 WHEREAS, Avery Reece defeated his opponent Jake  
47 James from Hartsville, earning the distinction of 2018-  
48 2019 South Carolina State Wrestling Champion; and

49 WHEREAS, on Saturday, March 2nd, 2019, Avery Reece  
50 did compete at the 2019 North-South All Star Wrestling

1 Classic at Myrtle Beach, South Carolina. During the  
2 competition Avery helped the 4A-3A North All Stars Team  
3 win the 2019 Wrestling Classic; and

4 WHEREAS, Avery Reece is a dual sport athlete who  
5 also plays football for the Belton-Honea Path High  
6 School Bears as a tight end. Avery received offers  
7 from Alabama State, Coastal Carolina, Clemson and  
8 Georgia State to play as an offensive lineman. On  
9 December 3, 2018, Avery made a commitment to attend  
10 Georgia State University after graduation; and

11 NOW, THEREFORE, the Anderson County Council wishes  
12 to commend our youth who demonstrate high qualities of  
13 dedication, vision and personal commitment. We wish  
14 you great success as you represent yourself, your  
15 family and Anderson County in your future endeavors at  
16 Georgia State University.

17 RESOLVED in meeting duly assembled this 19th day of  
18 March, 2019.

19 And may I put that in the form of a motion.

20 TOMMY DUNN: Yes, ma'am. Have a motion Ms.  
21 Wilson. Do we have a second?

22 BRETT SANDERS: Second.

23 TOMMY DUNN: Second Mr. Sanders. Any  
24 further discussion? Hearing none, all in favor of the  
25 motion show of hands. Opposed like sign. The motion  
26 carries unanimously. Ms. Wilson, you want to ask them  
27 to step up.

28 **(PRESENTATION)**

29 TOMMY DUNN: This will conclude this part  
30 of our meeting. Council will reconvene back here at  
31 6:30.

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**(SPECIAL PRESENTATION MEETING ADJOURNED AT 6:11 P.M.)**

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1 TOMMY DUNN: At this time I'd like to  
2 call the Anderson County Council's regular meeting of  
3 March 19th to order. Want to welcome each and every  
4 one of you here. Thank y'all for coming.

5 We're going to move on now with invocation and  
6 pledge of allegiance. We'll all rise. Councilman  
7 Jimmy Davis will give our invocation and pledge of  
8 allegiance.

9 **(INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE BY JIMMY DAVIS)**

10 TOMMY DUNN: Moving on to Item number 3,  
11 approval of minutes. Are there any corrections to be  
12 made to the March 5th regular council meeting minutes?

13 BRETT SANDERS: Mr. Chairman.

14 TOMMY DUNN: Yes, sir.

15 BRETT SANDERS: I noticed on page 25, line  
16 3, they had the date as 1928 and it should read 1828.

17 TOMMY DUNN: Anything else?

18 BRETT SANDERS: That's it, sir.

19 TOMMY DUNN: Anybody else have anything?  
20 Do you want to make the motion to accept the minutes  
21 with that correction, Mr. Sanders.

22 BRETT SANDERS: Yes, sir. I'm sorry.

23 TOMMY DUNN: Mr. Sanders makes a motion  
24 to accept the minutes with that correction. Do we have  
25 a second? Second Ms. Wilson. All in favor of the  
26 motion show of hands. Opposed like sign. Show the  
27 motion carries unanimously.

28 Moving on to citizens comments. When Mr. Harmon  
29 calls your name, the first round is on agenda matters  
30 only. You have three minutes. Please state your name  
31 and your district for the record. And address the  
32 chair, please. Mr. Harmon.

33 LEON HARMON: Mr. Chairman, first speaker  
34 is Eddie Waits.

35 TOMMY DUNN: Mr. Burns, make sure to get  
36 that mic on.

37 EDDIE WAITS: Good evening. My name is  
38 Eddie Waits, councilman for the town of Pelzer. And I  
39 wanted to speak just for a minute about the proposal  
40 from the Anderson County Sheriff's Department with the  
41 town of Pelzer with contracted law enforcement  
42 services. And I wanted somebody from the town to be  
43 here to let you know how important this is to us. We  
44 believe this is probably going to be one of the most  
45 important decisions that we make this year. And it's  
46 certainly something that every one in the town will  
47 benefit from. And we encourage your support in the  
48 matter with passing this issue when it gets to you.  
49 And wanted to let you know that on behalf of the town  
50 and the citizens, this is something that we need and

1 we're looking forward to it. Thank you.

2 TOMMY DUNN: Thank you. Mr. Harmon?

3 LEON HARMON: Mr. Chairman, next speaker  
4 is Elizabeth Fant.

5 ELIZABETH FANT: Elizabeth Fant, District 3.  
6 It's been a busy week. I'm speaking on number 10,  
7 number 11, number 14. The van accessible parking, I  
8 know what the problem is there. You've got people who  
9 are parking in the blue lines for a van accessible.  
10 It's not just a slot. They have to have the blue line  
11 section on the side so they can get the wheelchair out.  
12 And I've seen people park in those places.

13 The biggest thing that I wanted to hear from is  
14 number 11, the recycling/solid waste. I have a lot of  
15 ideas of things that we could do in the county.  
16 Yesterday I was on the way to Greenville and DOT had  
17 about fifteen different people out there. I don't know  
18 whether they were inmates or who they were. But they  
19 had just a pile of orange bags that they had picked up.  
20 I talk to Greg Smith regularly and I've got him down on  
21 the other side of where I live. And today when I rode  
22 through, a large amount of that part had been picked  
23 up. We've just got to get everybody mindful of not  
24 pitching it out the window and not using the outdoors  
25 for their trash cans. We can do a lot better. I have  
26 a lot of ideas on that.

27 The building, number 14, 5(b), I'm glad to see that  
28 since the tenant that was using that small building has  
29 given it up that Belton, where I reside, has asked to  
30 use that building which they hope to move their Farmers  
31 Market up to the middle of town. Where it is now,  
32 nobody goes. They need a place where a policeman can  
33 park his car. And it's a tiny little building. They  
34 can go in and use that to do their paperwork for law  
35 enforcement.

36 And number 6 under number 14, the CAFR. There are  
37 a lot of things in there about last year's report that  
38 are good. But there are a lot of things in there, too,  
39 that I think we can tighten up on the way we're  
40 spending money. Thanks.

41 TOMMY DUNN: Thank you. Mr. Harmon.

42 LEON HARMON: Mr. Chairman, next speaker  
43 is William Meredith.

44 WILLIAM MEREDITH: Thank y'all, Council.  
45 Appreciate the opportunity to speak to you briefly  
46 here. I also signed up to speak later because there's  
47 many things that I want to get into.

48 I want to piggyback on what Ms. Fant was talking  
49 about as far as recycling. I'm very much kind of an  
50 environmentalist. I think we all really should be. I

1 don't know if y'all are aware of it, but you go buy a  
2 bottle of water now, there's microscopic bits of  
3 plastic in our bottled water. I'm not trying to run  
4 down our local water people either. I'm sure they're  
5 doing the best they can. But everything we can keep  
6 out of watershed is that much better. And there's just  
7 a lot of things we can do. I think we have -- if  
8 anything, we have just a lack of imagination in the way  
9 we're dealing with some of this stuff. I've heard  
10 y'all talk about the landfill and the problems.  
11 Everything that we can keep out of that landfill, I  
12 think makes economic sense to do. There are programs  
13 where they're turning plastics into road resurfacing  
14 materials. There are programs where now there's new  
15 developments to turn plastic waste into ethanol.  
16 There's a whole lot of stuff going on. We've got  
17 Clemson University right up the road that's doing  
18 recycling. I'd love to see us maybe do some partnering  
19 with them. I'd love to see us take -- every school in  
20 this county could be a drop-off place for people to  
21 recycle. I would love to see our city, Anderson City,  
22 work with Anderson County because when somebody throws  
23 a piece of trash out in front of my yard and it washes  
24 down the hill, it's in the city. So it's not a  
25 boundary issue. If we could get beyond turf issues or  
26 whatever, I think we could all pull the same way and  
27 make some real headway.

28 But I'd like to challenge everybody on this council  
29 to let's turn this place into a green town. We were  
30 the electric city at one point. We're a very  
31 progressive town. I'd like to see us get back to being  
32 the kind of place that, you know, we could be proud to  
33 claim from an environmental standpoint.

34 So like I say, I've got a good many things that  
35 I've been thinking about. I'd like to incorporate AU,  
36 some of the other larger generators of waste. There's  
37 a whole lot of things we can do, but I just wanted to  
38 throw it out there. I've created a Facebook page  
39 called waste nothing. That's a Ben Franklin quote. He  
40 didn't waste any verbs. It's waste nothing. And I'd  
41 love to have you all join. I'm trying to get the  
42 community involved because that's very important.  
43 There's an EPA website that discusses that. And that's  
44 what I'm talking about, getting the community and the  
45 elected officials involved in these programs. I know  
46 there's a lot of challenges. And I appreciate the job  
47 our administration is doing now. I understand we're  
48 getting some recognition for the job we're doing. I  
49 just think there's always room for improvement. I'd  
50 like to see us do better. And thank you very much. I



1 hope we can do some (inaudible). Thank y'all.

2 TOMMY DUNN: Mr. Harmon?

3 LEON HARMON: Mr. Chairman, no one else  
4 is signed up.

5 TOMMY DUNN: Thank you, Mr. Harmon.

6 Moving on to Item number 5, Observations and  
7 Comments from District 2, Ms. Floyd. Mr. Floyd.

8 GRACIE FLOYD: We, in District 2, are  
9 beginning to come up with some ideas and some strides  
10 to assist with the trash that's going to -- the trash  
11 pick-up that's going to happen in April.

12 But we have some other issues in District 2 that we  
13 need help with, but it seems like when I make the call  
14 for help, the only thing I get is that we don't have  
15 any money. Well, we do have money that we can do some  
16 things with. We're going to work on the budget this  
17 year. And folks, you all need to be at the budget  
18 hearings, the budget meetings, to get your opinions in  
19 about what needs to be done. In District 2, we have  
20 burnt houses, they're burnt down. People are living  
21 around there. Think about how you would feel if you  
22 were living next door to a burnt-up house and nobody  
23 was -- I mean there are a lot of people there and they  
24 just keep coming out there and just coming out there.  
25 They aren't doing nothing but just sit around right  
26 next to it. You wouldn't like that. But yet we allow  
27 people to live like that, people who have been coming  
28 and asking what to do.

29 Last year we only got fifty thousand dollars to  
30 tear down burnt houses. Now, you think about that.  
31 Fifty thousand dollars for seven districts to tear down  
32 burnt-up houses. We could -- we wouldn't have to do  
33 that if we would follow our own laws. If your house is  
34 burnt down then it's up to you, really, to clean it up.  
35 But you don't do anything. You just sit there and sit  
36 there and it sits there and it sits there until we get  
37 enough people to complain about it. This year we need  
38 more money in that budget to tear down houses. One  
39 year we had a hundred and fifty thousand dollars and  
40 even that didn't go all the way. But we need more  
41 money in that budget to tear down these burnt-up  
42 houses.

43 There's water problems draining from one place to  
44 another on people's property. And what I have heard is  
45 that the water problem came from when they were fixing  
46 something else, and they just fixed it and the water  
47 just started draining on other people's property. We  
48 need something done about that.

49 Drugs. The sheriff's department has been getting  
50 messages about drugs. And they say they don't have

1 enough people to handle the drug problem. Now, that's  
2 bad. That's bad. I remember when there was a -- I  
3 have gone through a drug situation and I called the  
4 sheriff and they came out and they looked at it and  
5 they said, uh-huh, it's a drug problem all right.  
6 We'll see you later. Nothing was done. Absolutely  
7 nothing. And then there's a neighborhood where people  
8 have loud music, loud music. It's a neighborhood of  
9 seniors. They don't need to hear that. And then when  
10 they call the police, the police told them that they  
11 just had to live with it. No, we don't have to live  
12 with it. We have laws. We have regulations. We have  
13 ordinances. All these things should come together to  
14 solve some of these problems.

15 Now, I can only speak about District 2 because  
16 that's all I know. I don't know the other districts.  
17 I don't know if anyone else have said nothing. But I'm  
18 talking about District 2. And we need help. We need  
19 the kind of real help to help us solve some of these  
20 things.

21 There is a person who calls me constantly, but I  
22 can't go over there and clean it up. I can't do it.  
23 If I could, I would. Then there's the loud music. I  
24 could go over there, but it wouldn't be pleasant. But  
25 what we're going to need is all of us together. You  
26 need to come to the -- to that budget meeting. It's  
27 your money. It's your budget. And you're letting  
28 somebody else do it for you and you don't say anything  
29 about it until it becomes a problem. I'll be there  
30 with you. I got your back. But I just want you to  
31 have mine, too. I thank you.

32 TOMMY DUNN: Moving on to Item number 6,  
33 Ordinance's third reading. There are none.

34 We'll move on to+- Item number 7(a), ordinance's  
35 second reading, 2019-008, ordinance authorizing the  
36 execution and delivery of fee in lieu of tax agreements  
37 by and between Anderson County, South Carolina and a  
38 company or companies known to the County at this time  
39 as Project Tarpon. This is second reading. Do you  
40 have anything you want to add, Mr. Nelson?

41 BURRIS NELSON: No, sir, Mr. Chairman,  
42 other than this is another solar project, twelve  
43 million dollars in capital investment. Properties, the  
44 total of the three properties that they're looking at  
45 right now are generating six hundred and sixty-eight  
46 dollars in property tax and the new property tax in a  
47 year will be twenty-nine thousand thirty-four dollars.  
48 And over thirty years, eight hundred seventy-one  
49 thousand dollars in property tax. So an opportunity  
50 for a better return on those properties. But thank

1 you, sir.

2 TOMMY DUNN: Do we have a motion to move  
3 this on the floor? Motion Ms. Wilson. Do we have a  
4 second?

5 JIMMY DAVIS: Second.

6 TOMMY DUNN: Second Mr. Davis. Any  
7 discussion? All in favor of the motion show of hands.  
8 Opposed like sign. Show the motion carries  
9 unanimously.

10 Moving on to Item number 7(b), 2019-009, an  
11 ordinance authorizing the execution and delivery of a  
12 fee in lieu of tax agreement by and between Anderson  
13 County, South Carolina and a company or companies known  
14 to the county at this time as Project 20190114 with  
15 respect to certain economic development property in the  
16 county. Again this is second reading. Do we have a  
17 motion to move this forward?

18 JIMMY DAVIS: So moved.

19 TOMMY DUNN: Motion Mr. Davis, second  
20 Ms. Wilson. Any discussion? Mr. Nelson, you have any  
21 comments or anything?

22 BURRIS NELSON: No, sir. Other than this  
23 is just a great opportunity for Anderson County where  
24 we won't have to be spending money to develop our own  
25 industrial park or build spec buildings. This is a  
26 developer who will be doing that for, of course his own  
27 purposes, but we don't have any buildings that are  
28 available, Class A industrial buildings. This is our  
29 opportunity to get that.

30 TOMMY DUNN: Thank you, Mr. Nelson. All  
31 in favor of the motion show of hands. All in favor.  
32 So the motion carries.

33 Moving on to Item number 8, ordinance first  
34 reading, 2019-012, an ordinance authorizing the  
35 execution and delivery of a fee in lieu of tax  
36 agreement by and between Anderson County, South  
37 Carolina and a company or companies known to the county  
38 at this time as Project 20180801 with respect to  
39 certain economic development property in the county,  
40 whereby such property will be subject to certain  
41 payments in lieu of taxes, including the provision of  
42 certain special source credits.

43 BRETT SANDERS: Excuse me, Mr. Chairman. I  
44 would like to recuse myself. I know the company that's  
45 doing this. I have some lease agreements with ---

46 TOMMY DUNN: Let the record show Mr.  
47 Sanders is recusing himself and stepping outside.

48 Thank you, Mr. Sanders. We'll holler. Do we have a  
49 motion to move this forward?

50 CINDY WILSON: So moved.

1 TOMMY DUNN: Motion Ms. Wilson. Have a  
2 second?  
3 GRACIE FLOYD: Question.  
4 TOMMY DUNN: We've got to get it on the  
5 floor, Ms. Floyd.  
6 GRACIE FLOYD: Thank you.  
7 TOMMY DUNN: We've got to have a second.  
8 RAY GRAHAM: Second.  
9 TOMMY DUNN: Second Mr. Graham. Now,  
10 discussion. Mr. Nelson.  
11 BURRIS NELSON: Mr. Chairman, I apologize  
12 for the indulgence, but our copier blew up. These are  
13 the documents I normally hand you for first reading  
14 especially. If I could call on Mr. Burns to help me  
15 get those to you. I apologize.  
16 This is a project, the company is over fifty years  
17 old. It's a high tech company that specializes in  
18 research and development of advance materials in  
19 aerospace, medical devices and construction materials.  
20 They're promising -- they hope to create as many as  
21 eighteen jobs. However, they're guaranteeing twelve  
22 jobs. Now, this was a competitive project with another  
23 state. And so we've worked very closely with these  
24 folks and we think we've won this project. We hope to  
25 have an announcement sometime in the next couple of  
26 months. But they're going to create these jobs -- they  
27 have an average pay of thirty dollars an hour. So just  
28 with those twelve jobs, the annual income payroll will  
29 be seven hundred and twenty thousand dollars just out  
30 of those few jobs. And the SSRC that we've offered is  
31 a fifty percent SSRC. And the property tax will run --  
32 on those properties last year they paid ninety-five --  
33 they paid forty-eight thousand. And the total for the  
34 new year with the new project will be a total of  
35 ninety-five thousand in 2020. And over twenty years  
36 1.392 million dollars. This comes to council as a  
37 recommendation from staff and from the Economic  
38 Development Advisor Board.  
39 CINDY WILSON: Mr. Chairman?  
40 TOMMY DUNN: Ms. Floyd had it first.  
41 Ms. Floyd.  
42 GRACIE FLOYD: Would you please explain,  
43 please, in layman's language what this is all about? I  
44 know we can't know what they make or what they are  
45 going to do, you know, with this property at this time.  
46 But it wasn't clear during the reading of it. So would  
47 you please explain to the people that are here who  
48 might be interested what this is all about?  
49 BURRIS NELSON: Sure.  
50 GRACIE FLOYD: I thank you.

1           BURRIS NELSON:       This is a company that's  
2    been in our county about twenty-five years, that's been  
3    in business for over fifty. They are a research and  
4    development organization that has developed alliances  
5    with Clemson University and use their technology and  
6    intellectual properties and developed those into a  
7    number of things. Basically advanced materials of all  
8    kinds that can be used. Anything plastic, ceramics,  
9    specialized metals that can be used in aerospace,  
10   medical industry and construction, as well. And  
11   they're -- they do mostly research and development. So  
12   these are really scientist job opportunities anywhere  
13   -- the average is thirty dollars an hour, but some of  
14   those will be much more than that. So it's a good  
15   opportunity. And especially with the unemployment rate  
16   we have right now, it would be very difficult for us to  
17   find a lot of employees for anybody. So this is a good  
18   opportunity for the county to get high paying jobs and  
19   help us raise our average annual salary.

20           TOMMY DUNN:        Anything else, Ms. Floyd?  
21   Ms. Wilson.

22           CINDY WILSON:       Thank you, Mr. Chairman.  
23   Earlier this morning I called Mr. Burris Nelson asking  
24   some questions about the paperwork going with this  
25   inducement agreement and resolution. There was some  
26   confusing language. And he kindly had it clarified.  
27   And that's before us that deals with the job creation.  
28   So I would recommend that we accept as an amendment to  
29   this inducement agreement the clarifying language. And  
30   he was kind enough to get it to us in time. We can go  
31   ahead and vote for it as it is, but maybe he'll come  
32   back at the second reading to ---

33           BURRIS NELSON:       Mr. Chairman, too, if you  
34   -- I'm sorry, Ms. Wilson. This was our first attempt  
35   at trying to get a standardized fee agreement. And of  
36   course we partner a great deal with Greenville in a lot  
37   of our multi-county park agreements. And this is  
38   almost identical to the Greenville format they use for  
39   fee in lieu of taxes. Some of their wording is not  
40   exactly what we've always used. But talking about the  
41   projected or anticipated jobs and the guaranteed  
42   number. That language is a little skewed. And I agree  
43   with Ms. Wilson about that language. And the change  
44   you have before you is the red lined component and  
45   change that we had our attorney that was reviewing  
46   these documents prepare for us.

47           One of the things, though, that simplifies a lot of  
48   this is in the ordinance itself there's a summary page  
49   and that's in your -- not before you, but it's in your  
50   packet of the fee in lieu of tax special source revenue

1 credit agreement for this project. On page 4 is the  
2 summary page that identifies exactly and clarifies that  
3 language without having the words there. It's just the  
4 numbers. But I apologize for not addressing that in my  
5 presentation just now about the red letter information.

6 TOMMY DUNN: Thank you. Mr. Harmon,  
7 would it be appropriate now to ask for an amendment to  
8 change this red line or wait and do it second reading?

9 LEON HARMON: We can do it now, Mr.  
10 Chairman. Or we could wait till second reading.

11 TOMMY DUNN: We can take care of it to  
12 night. Ms. Wilson made the motion to amend it. Do we  
13 have a second? Second Mr. Graham. Now, discussion to  
14 the amendment. All in favor of the amendment show of  
15 hands. Show the motion carries.

16 Now moving on back to the original motion. Do we  
17 have any questions or comments further on it? All in  
18 favor of the motion show of hands. Show the motion  
19 carries.

20 We'll be moving on ---

21 BURRIS NELSON: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I  
22 appreciate your support. And please forgive me for the  
23 confusion.

24 TOMMY DUNN: Moving on to number 9,  
25 resolutions, R2019-012, a resolution authorizing the  
26 execution and delivery of an inducement agreement by  
27 and between Anderson County, South Carolina and Project  
28 20180801, whereby, under certain conditions. This is  
29 the same thing we just talked about. Do we have a  
30 motion to move this forward?

31 CINDY WILSON: So moved.

32 RAY GRAHAM: Second.

33 TOMMY DUNN: Motion Ms. Wilson, second  
34 Mr. Graham. Any discussion?

35 LEON HARMON: Mr. Chairman, if I may?

36 TOMMY DUNN: Yes.

37 LEON HARMON: There is those same  
38 language changes in this document, as well, so you may  
39 need to get an amendment and go ahead and approve that.

40 TOMMY DUNN: Do we have an amendment to  
41 get the numbers and the letters and the red liners in  
42 there would all be the same with an inducement to match  
43 the ordinance's first reading. Do we have a motion for  
44 that?

45 CINDY WILSON: So moved.

46 TOMMY DUNN: Ms. Wilson makes a motion  
47 to move that. Do we have a second?

48 RAY GRAHAM: Second.

49 TOMMY DUNN: Second Mr. Graham. Now  
50 discussion on the amendment. All in favor of the

1 motion show of hands. Show the motion carries.  
2 GRACIE FLOYD: No, it didn't.  
3 TOMMY DUNN: Motion didn't carry.  
4 GRACIE FLOYD: No.  
5 TOMMY DUNN: How come it didn't?  
6 GRACIE FLOYD: I didn't vote.  
7 TOMMY DUNN: But it carried. How do  
8 you vote, Ms. Floyd?  
9 GRACIE FLOYD: I vote to abstain, because  
10 I don't understand any of it.  
11 TOMMY DUNN: Show the motion -- Ms.  
12 Floyd abstains, Mr. Davis is in favor, Mr. Dunn is in  
13 favor, Mr. Graham is in favor, Mr. Wooten is in favor,  
14 Ms. Wilson is in favor, Mr. Sanders has recused  
15 himself.  
16 Now, going back to the original motion. Are there  
17 any discussion on that?  
18 GRACIE FLOYD: Yes.  
19 TOMMY DUNN: Go ahead, Ms. Floyd.  
20 GRACIE FLOYD: I know that this resolution  
21 goes along with the resolution that -- on the first  
22 reading, 2019-012; okay? I know that. And the -- this  
23 -- where did he go? Did he leave?  
24 TOMMY DUNN: Yes, ma'am. He was back  
25 there.  
26 GRACIE FLOYD: I know that. And I know  
27 this thing about the red line thing that somebody  
28 caught. But there's no understanding here. I don't  
29 understand a bit of it. When we talked you didn't  
30 mention anything about any red line things and what was  
31 different in this one. We talked about the whole thing  
32 but there was nothing mentioned. It may have been back  
33 in this book back here. But when we talked I thought  
34 that it was explained very well. And I was pleased.  
35 But I'm not pleased now because I don't understand it.  
36 I'm sure there's a lot of other folks up here don't  
37 understand it either. But I'm just big enough and  
38 brave enough to say I don't understand it. So whatever  
39 it is I will not be voting for it. And I thank you so  
40 much.  
41 We have some things to do this week anyway coming  
42 up and maybe while we're riding out to the homes of the  
43 ladies there we can get it down. But I'll vote on it  
44 the second reading if it's clear. And I thank you.  
45 TOMMY DUNN: All in favor of the motion  
46 show of hands. All opposed? Abstentions? Show the  
47 motion carries with Mr. Davis in favor, Mr. Sanders  
48 recused himself, Mr. Dunn in favor, Mr. Graham in  
49 favor, Mr. Wooten in favor, Ms. Wilson in favor, Ms.  
50 Floyd abstains.

1 Moving on to Item 9(b), R2019-013, a resolution to  
2 approve the participation of Anderson County, South  
3 Carolina, in development of an Amicus Brief to the  
4 United States Supreme Court related to *Kinder Morgan*  
5 *Energy Partners, L.P. v. Upstate Forever*, Case No. 18-  
6 268. This is something we discussed I think in  
7 executive session on legal matters last meeting. Mr.  
8 Harmon, would you like to ---

9 LEON HARMON: Yes. I'll be glad to  
10 address it, Mr. Chairman and members of council. As  
11 you mentioned this resolution does concern the Kinder  
12 Morgan Plantation Pipeline spill that occurred in the  
13 Belton area. As you probably recall, a citizen case  
14 was brought under the Clean Water Act by Upstate  
15 Forever and the Savannah River Keeper. The  
16 environmental groups were represented by Southern  
17 Environmental Law Center, primarily by Mr. Frank  
18 Holleman, who is with SELC. In the Federal District  
19 Court, the Court ruled that it did not have  
20 jurisdiction to consider the case because of a  
21 definition within the Clean Water Act. The Fourth  
22 Circuit overturned that case and vacated the District  
23 Court opinion. Kinder Morgan has now petitioned the  
24 Supreme Court for a writ of certiorari to consider the  
25 case before the Supreme Court. Now, the Supreme Court  
26 has held this case in abeyance because there is another  
27 case before the Court involving a case out of Hawaii  
28 that has the same type issues in it.

29 And Mr. Holleman has contacted us and asked us to  
30 consider participating in an Amicus Brief to be filed  
31 with the Supreme Court in the Hawaii case. That case  
32 will determine the outcome, in all likelihood, in the  
33 Kinder Morgan case. We will be working with the  
34 Environmental and Regulatory Law Clinic of the  
35 University of Virginia Law School. They would actually  
36 prepare the brief. (End of this audio file) submit to  
37 the Supreme Court. This would be done by them at no  
38 cost to the county. And so that's what this resolution  
39 covers.

40 TOMMY DUNN: Mr. Harmon, for the record,  
41 I misspoke a while ago. This was not discussed in  
42 executive session. I was thinking about something  
43 else. This is about the spill. Do we have a motion to  
44 get this on the floor?

45 CINDY WILSON: So moved.

46 TOMMY DUNN: Motion Ms. Wilson. Do we  
47 have a second?

48 JIMMY DAVIS: Second.

49 TOMMY DUNN: Second Mr. Davis. Now  
50 discussion.



1 CINDY WILSON: May I?  
2 TOMMY DUNN: Ms. Wilson.  
3 CINDY WILSON: This is a very, very  
4 important case for our county. And it basically  
5 involves the definition of waterway. Am I right, Mr.  
6 Harmon?

7 LEON HARMON: It involves -- the real  
8 issue in the case has to do with whether or not an  
9 action -- a citizen suit action can be brought under  
10 the Clean Water Act where the pollutants are migrating  
11 into a water course and not being dumped out of a pipe,  
12 if you will, into the water course. That's the real  
13 issue in the case.

14 CINDY WILSON: Well, I think in that case  
15 it's both. Just to give a recap, the Kinder Morgan  
16 Plantation Pipeline leaked somewhere between three  
17 hundred thousand and five hundred thousand gallons of  
18 petroleum product over a period of time. And the  
19 pollution, the product, is going directly into the  
20 waterway. It's in surface water. If you go over there  
21 and look, it's a creek. Beavers have dammed up in two  
22 places, so that's probably a blessing in that it's  
23 slowing down the migration downstream. But about  
24 seven, eight miles downstream is Broadway Lake. And  
25 beyond that, the Savannah River.

26 So the polluted water as it goes down the stream  
27 affects a lot of communities. And it's very important  
28 that we make sure that we keep our position in Court on  
29 this matter because Kinder Morgan does not want to  
30 clean up the terrible mess they've made. They've made  
31 some clean-up measures, but they don't want to clean up  
32 to the extent that should be appropriate.

33 My personal comment on that is it should be as  
34 clean as Mr. Kinder's back yard. And Mr. Kinder is the  
35 gentleman who was very involved in Enron before it went  
36 down. A brilliant man. He's made a lot of money;  
37 worked hard and made it. But I don't think it's  
38 really appropriate for a community like Belton to  
39 suffer the impact of this terrible leak without them  
40 making the appropriate effort to clean up. So getting  
41 this before the U.S. Supreme Court is important. Thank  
42 you.

43 TOMMY DUNN: Thank you, Ms. Wilson.  
44 Anyone else?

45 GRACIE FLOYD: Yes.

46 TOMMY DUNN: Ms. Floyd.

47 GRACIE FLOYD: Okay. At the time that  
48 this occurred, Broadway Lake and I contended that the  
49 water also affected the lake. But we were told it did  
50 not affect the lake, is what we were told. And but now

1 it seems as if they've changed their mind and it did  
2 affected the lake. I just picked up on tonight. But  
3 this Kinder Morgan thing is a bone of contention for  
4 some of us; okay? But I need -- I would like for you  
5 very much, Leon, to explain again to us about what is  
6 preparing to happen now? What are they trying to do  
7 now?

8 LEON HARMON: Ms. Floyd, what is  
9 preparing to happen is the Kinder Morgan case is at the  
10 Supreme Court. There's a case from Hawaii with similar  
11 issues to the Kinder Morgan case that is also at the  
12 Supreme Court. I'm talking about the United States  
13 Supreme Court now. The Court has accepted cert in the  
14 Hawaii case and they're holding in abeyance the Kinder  
15 Morgan case until they hear the case in the -- hear the  
16 Hawaii case and make a ruling. And that ruling will  
17 likely impact the Kinder Morgan case, depending on how  
18 the Supreme Court rules in that case.

19 And so where we are now is the county has been  
20 asked to participate in the preparation of a brief to  
21 the United States Supreme Court explaining our position  
22 with regard to the issue that is before the Court.

23 GRACIE FLOYD: Okay. So if the county is  
24 going to do that, will Broadway Lake be included in  
25 that this time? In fact, we were not even invited to  
26 the meeting. I think the newspaper said that if I  
27 wanted to have a meeting, I could have my own meeting  
28 when we were -- uh-huh (affirmative) -- when we were  
29 all discussing the same thing. But will Broadway Lake  
30 be in this particular court case as well? It was just  
31 said that it went down to Broadway Lake.

32 LEON HARMON: Well, the issue is a little  
33 broader than identifying a particular water body, if  
34 you will. What happened with respect to -- and what I  
35 think you are recalling is that some testing was done  
36 and the tests did not reveal any petroleum constituents  
37 in Broadway Lake, but did reveal constituents --  
38 petroleum constituents in the creeks higher up in the  
39 watershed that feed into Broadway Lake. It might very  
40 well be that they simply had gotten diluted enough to  
41 the point in Broadway Lake that the equipment being  
42 used to perform the tests did not pick up an amount of  
43 material and it was just listed as non-detect. That's  
44 what typically happens in the environmental area when  
45 testing is performed. But it almost would have to  
46 impact, to some extent, Broadway Lake because there are  
47 constituents in the upper reaches of watersheds that  
48 drain into Broadway Lake. But I want to reiterate that  
49 testing did not show any constituents actually in  
50 Broadway Lake when the tests were run.

1 GRACIE FLOYD: Well, okay, I guess you can  
2 understand I'm getting mixed messages here because it  
3 was just said that it went all the way down to Broadway  
4 Lake. So, but I guess you've got to consider the  
5 source. And I thank you so much for explaining that.

6 LEON HARMON: Yes, ma'am.

7 TOMMY DUNN: Anymore discussion? All in  
8 favor of the motion show of hands. Show the motion  
9 carries.

10 Moving on to Item number 10, report from the  
11 Planning and Public Works Committee. Without  
12 objection, Ms. Wilson, you can do both of your reports  
13 now, get them out of the way.

14 CINDY WILSON: Thank you. Oh, okay. We  
15 met on March the 6th at 11:30 a.m. to cover agenda  
16 items as follows:

17 Number 3 on our agenda dealt with the review of  
18 zoning standards in relation to commercial uses and  
19 storage on residential properties. Members of county  
20 council on this committee have had a number of  
21 complaints regarding what seems to be a loophole in our  
22 existing ordinance where heavy equipment, piles of  
23 mulch and logs are kept in a zoned area adjoining a  
24 subdivision, creating a haven for vermin. The  
25 principal in the -- the principal in question  
26 advertises the address of the residence as his place of  
27 business and county personnel have visited this site  
28 many times in the past eighteen months. But the ugly  
29 mess continues. And that's just one example of the  
30 issues.

31 The other concern was used car lots in  
32 subdivisions, creating safety and nuisance issues in  
33 residential zoned areas. South Carolina laws allow  
34 vehicle sales of up to five cars per year. Citizens  
35 and residents complain that some of these home sites  
36 are being used for permanent used car displays and  
37 sales far beyond the homeowner occasionally disposing  
38 of one or two family vehicles.

39 County staff recommended some language changes to  
40 correct these problems which would be more fully  
41 studied at the next Planning and Public Works Committee  
42 meeting.

43 Number 4, our committee was presented the  
44 Leadership Anderson Tiny House Project update. Our own  
45 Seth Ridley and Mr. Trey Burns and the leadership class  
46 are raising funds for this project for which they hope  
47 will alleviate some of the homelessness in Anderson and  
48 begin a process of redeveloping and making useful a  
49 formerly beautiful mill community that had not had new  
50 homes built in approximately fifty years. Leadership

1 Anderson has purchased the lot, bought the  
2 architectural plans and engineering for an approximate  
3 seven hundred square foot home on E Street. The  
4 neighbors there have been very welcoming and excited  
5 for an improvement in their neighborhood. Tonight this  
6 group is seeking some funding from County Council  
7 discretionary funds. This is a worthy project that  
8 represents one approach among many that our committee  
9 is exploring to help alleviate local affordable housing  
10 concerns.

11 Number 5. We discussed the quorum issue afflicting  
12 our Citizens Zoning Advisory Groups. Each zoned  
13 precinct in our county should have at least one  
14 resident citizen appointed to this board. Each  
15 district has multiple members according to their number  
16 of zoned precincts. In a rezoning process or an  
17 exception to the zoning of an application, our Planning  
18 Department researches the impact and other issues of  
19 the project in the immediate neighborhood and makes  
20 their recommendation to the -- in the first step in the  
21 process. The Planning Department must advertise the  
22 time, date, place and purpose of each application  
23 involving newspaper ads and postcards sent to each  
24 landowner of record within two thousand feet. The  
25 Planning Department does not initiate the process until  
26 they have a confirmed quorum for the associated citizen  
27 zoning advisory group. This board is not a state  
28 mandated part of the process, but that provides a vital  
29 insight as to the neighbors' desires as reflected by  
30 their comprehensive land use map and plan from which  
31 the zoning classifications were originally drawn. Our  
32 Planning Commission, which is the next step in the --  
33 and is state mandated and has a regularly scheduled  
34 monthly meeting is the next step.

35 The problem that has come about in the last two  
36 years is that after elaborate arrangements and expenses  
37 are made, some of the committee members who committed  
38 to coming are not showing up, leading to canceled  
39 meetings. Surrounding landowners, applicants, county  
40 staff and others who came to participate are horribly  
41 inconvenienced by this situation. Our County Council  
42 has amended the ordinance to allow the application to  
43 proceed to the Planning Commission **on** schedule. But  
44 this dilemma was discussed and referred to our next  
45 Planning and Public Works meeting.

46 The sixth item, an abbreviated capital improvement  
47 project and capital maintenance project list for 2021-  
48 2024 was quickly looked at and request for further  
49 detail made. This is a state mandated part of our  
50 budget process.

1 Next we listened to a handicap parking issue which  
2 was mostly occurring in the city of Anderson and  
3 involved an elderly couple trying to park their van in  
4 the designated van handicap parking spot that are being  
5 taken by others. The county has no jurisdiction in  
6 this matter but suggestions were made to help alleviate  
7 the problem. And our Planning staff is trying to get  
8 in touch with the city to see what they can do to help  
9 the problem.

10 A motion to adjourn was made after we agreed to  
11 meet again on 15 March. So thank you to all who  
12 participated with us. Does anyone on our committee  
13 have anything they would like to add to our meeting?

14 Okay. The next Planning and Public Works Committee  
15 meeting was on the 15th of March and it convened at  
16 9:30 a.m.

17 Number 3, our committee took up recommendations  
18 regarding amendments to the Zoning Standards Chapter 70  
19 Article 6 in relation to commercial uses and storage on  
20 residential properties. Our committee voted to move  
21 this item to County Council for full council review and  
22 approval. The proposed amendment is in your packet  
23 marked Exhibit A, and it reads as follows: Exhibit A,  
24 6.4, Commercial Equipment and Materials. In all our  
25 districts, with the exception of RA, which is  
26 residential agricultural, all commercial equipment and  
27 materials associated with an offsite business that are  
28 stored on a property must be kept enclosed or otherwise  
29 screened from public view. That is using a six foot  
30 high stockade fence. Such equipment and materials may  
31 include, but are not limited to, tractors, backhoes,  
32 front end loaders, skid steers, ditch witches,  
33 grinders, chippers, shredders, large commercial  
34 equipment or other machinery, logs, stumps, mulch or  
35 debris; paper, plastic and cardboard debris or  
36 containers; auto parts and tires; appliances and  
37 furniture; rock, gravel, railroad ties, building  
38 materials or other supplies or materials. And that is  
39 -- that was voted on unanimously by our group and we  
40 bring it before you tonight for your consideration.

41 TOMMY DUNN: Coming from the Planning  
42 and Public Works Committee doesn't need a second. Are  
43 there any discussion? All in favor of the motion show  
44 of hands. All opposed. Show the motion carries.

45 Moving on, Ms. Wilson.

46 CINDY WILSON: I'm trying to find the next  
47 matter. Item 4 was the traffic study resolution, which  
48 is in your packet. This measure was unanimously voted  
49 to be moved to full council for approval last year and  
50 somehow was overlooked. Our committee revisited this

1 serious matter and voted unanimously to recommend to  
2 County Council approval of the following resolution  
3 2019-14. Let me try to find it so I can read the most  
4 important parts to y'all. And it's in your packet.

5 TOMMY DUNN: Yes, ma'am. It should be  
6 in your book. Excuse me, Ms. Wilson. Help Ms. Floyd.  
7 Amendment changes. Be under report from Planning and  
8 Public Works of the March 15th meeting, 2019.

9 CINDY WILSON: It's under number 4. Maybe  
10 I can help. If you look at number 12 on our council  
11 agenda tonight, it is number 4, the number 4 tab, under  
12 12.

13 TOMMY DUNN: 4 under 12. Go ahead, Ms.  
14 Wilson. Move on.

15 CINDY WILSON: This is Resolution number  
16 2019-014. The first item under that heading, it says  
17 the County Administrator is hereby directed through the  
18 county procurement process to develop a list of not  
19 fewer than two traffic engineering firms that have  
20 engineers licensed by the state of South Carolina with  
21 traffic impact study experience for the purpose of  
22 performing traffic impact studies for projects which  
23 section 38-118(f) of Anderson County Code requires.

24 The second item to consider in this resolution, the  
25 County Administrator is further directed to develop a  
26 procedure whereby any project within Anderson County  
27 requiring a traffic impact study will be performed by  
28 an engineering firm on the county's approved list and  
29 hired by the county to perform the traffic impact  
30 study, including without limitation, the following:

31 (A) County staff shall determine the scope of  
32 services required in the traffic impact study and  
33 obtain a cost estimate for such services from an  
34 approved engineering firm.

35 (B) The project applicant shall provide funds to  
36 the county equal to the estimate, plus ten percent, for  
37 the traffic impact study. Any funds not used by the  
38 engineering firm for the traffic impact study shall be  
39 returned to the applicant in a timely matter without  
40 interest.

41 (C) The county may require additional fees for the  
42 traffic impact study from the applicant if the scope of  
43 the traffic study expands, the applicant substantially  
44 amends the application, additional meetings with the  
45 engineer are requested by the applicant, the engineer's  
46 presence is requested at meetings with the federal,  
47 state or local agencies, boards or committees not  
48 anticipated in the earlier scope of services.

49 That's the most salient part of that particular  
50 resolution. And we voted unanimously to recommend to

1 council approval.  
2 TOMMY DUNN: Coming from the Planning and  
3 Public Works Committee it doesn't need a second. Any  
4 discussion?  
5 JIMMY DAVIS: Mr. Chairman?  
6 TOMMY DUNN: Mr. Davis.  
7 JIMMY DAVIS: This is very, very (not  
8 speaking into mic).  
9 TOMMY DUNN: Thank you, Mr. Davis.  
10 Anyone else?  
11 GRACIE FLOYD: Yes.  
12 TOMMY DUNN: Ms. Floyd.  
13 GRACIE FLOYD: Mr. Chairman, since we did  
14 not have this information in our booklets and this is  
15 the first time some of us have seen this, I ask that we  
16 please, let's table this until we have had time to look  
17 at it, read it, and ask questions about it.  
18 TOMMY DUNN: Ms. Floyd makes a motion to  
19 table it. It's not a debatable thing. I think this is  
20 a very important issue. But Ms. Floyd makes a motion  
21 to table this. I don't that we have time. But like I  
22 say it's not debatable. Do we have a second? Second  
23 on Ms. Floyd's motion.  
24 CRAIG WOOTEN: I just ask for  
25 clarification, would it need to go through three  
26 readings?  
27 TOMMY DUNN: Resolution is only good for  
28 a year. This has got to come back up to put it in the  
29 form of an ordinance.  
30 CRAIG WOOTEN: Okay. So it's now or we --  
31 I second to table then.  
32 TOMMY DUNN: Mr. Wooten seconds. All in  
33 favor of tabling this issue till next meeting show of  
34 hands. All opposed. Show the motion fails with Ms.  
35 Floyd and Mr. Wooten in favor. Mr. Davis, Mr. Sanders,  
36 Mr. Dunn, Mr. Graham and Ms. Wilson opposed.  
37 Going back to the original motion.  
38 CINDY WILSON: Mr. Chairman, may I?  
39 TOMMY DUNN: I'd just like to say point  
40 blank what this does, we've got in our ordinance to do  
41 traffic studies when it meets certain criteria. What  
42 this is changing is, instead of the developer or  
43 whoever picking the engineer or traffic company, the  
44 county picks it. We have a list. The developer pays  
45 for it. What we've had in the past, it seems like --  
46 I'm not accusing nothing -- but some very questionable  
47 studies. I was at the last Planning Commission meeting  
48 and there was some things brought up there that didn't  
49 seem right. But this -- I think this shores it up.  
50 This is much -- especially in Mr. Davis' area, but

1 others too, developments we have going on, I think it's  
2 time sensitive. This will come back up. This is only  
3 good for a year. Sometime in the next month or so,  
4 this will come back up for debate and it'll be put in  
5 an ordinance, for three readings. The reason this was  
6 done as far as a resolution was to get it on the books  
7 and start getting some enforcement on it.

8 Anymore discussion?

9 CINDY WILSON: May I?

10 TOMMY DUNN: Ms. Wilson.

11 CINDY WILSON: This has been bandied about  
12 and discussed and researched for well over a year. And  
13 I'm on record for railing for some measure to protect  
14 our county taxpayers. Everywhere else in the world,  
15 and I've made my living in real estate and done a  
16 little bit of development, and I'm here to tell you,  
17 anywhere else when you bring a project in, it's usually  
18 not a matter of whether you have to have accel, decel  
19 and turn lanes, you're going to put them in. And it's  
20 considered the cost of doing business. How can it be  
21 fair to our traveling public and to our county  
22 taxpayers for a developer to come in, make their  
23 profit, skip out and we have bottlenecks of traffic and  
24 there's no way we have the money to go back and  
25 retrofit that road or upfit that road to meet the new  
26 traffic loads. So I'm sorry I don't know the measure  
27 got overlooked between our committee and coming back to  
28 y'all. And I take responsibility because obviously I  
29 thought it had passed and it didn't. Thank you.

30 TOMMY DUNN: Thank you. Anyone else?

31 GRACIE FLOYD: Yes. Mr. Chair?

32 TOMMY DUNN: Ms. Floyd.

33 GRACIE FLOYD: I think that what is before  
34 us could be a good idea, suggestion, proposal or just  
35 whatever, but the thing is that nobody knew about it.  
36 I wasn't privy to the Planning Commission where you may  
37 have discussed it for years and years. This is the  
38 first time we have offered -- we have been offered  
39 anything to look at this most important situation. And  
40 not to give, and not to give all council a chance to  
41 understand what it is and why it is and just let a few  
42 people know what it is, I think is -- I don't think  
43 it's right. I really don't think it's right. If it's  
44 that important then it should have been privy for all  
45 of us to have seen it. Some of them don't even have  
46 this in their booklets, but yet we were asked to vote  
47 on it. It doesn't seem right.

48 BRETT SANDERS: Mr. Chairman?

49 TOMMY DUNN: Ms. Sanders.

50 BRETT SANDERS: Yes, sir. I along with



1 Mrs. Floyd did not have that in my packet, but I did  
2 attend the Planning Commission meeting and a lot was  
3 discussed. And I do support what is going on here.  
4 But I also understand her and Mr. Wooten's concerns  
5 about not having the packet. But the reason I voted  
6 the way I voted was because I did attend the meeting.  
7 I did not have the packet in front of me, but I did  
8 take notes at the meeting. I think it's a good thing  
9 for the county. It will help the taxpayers. And I  
10 just wanted to go on record as saying that.

11 TOMMY DUNN: Thank you.

12 BRETT SANDERS: Thank you.

13 TOMMY DUNN: All in favor of the motion  
14 show of hands. All opposed. Show the motion carries,  
15 Mr. Davis, Mr. Sanders, Mr. Dunn, Mr. Wooten, Mr.  
16 Graham, Ms. Wilson. Ms. Floyd opposes.

17 Moving on Item number 5. Ms. Wilson.

18 CINDY WILSON: The recommendations  
19 regarding the Zoning Advisory Group was tabled after  
20 consideration discussion. There will be further review  
21 and it will be brought back for -- to this committee in  
22 the future as it's noted that the value of the zoning  
23 -- Citizens Advisory Zoning Group have added especially  
24 to those newly zoned area. It's such a vital link that  
25 we're going to try to talk about it a little bit more.

26 The next item, number 6, the overview of the CIP  
27 and CNP plan for fiscal years 2021 to 2024 was set  
28 aside for the next meeting for greater study with the  
29 respective department heads. We had six citizens and  
30 five who spoke, and they were mostly concerned about  
31 big containers containing rental unit furniture that  
32 were set at a residence between Concord and Brown  
33 Roads, along with trash and other unsightly issues  
34 affecting their neighborhood. And that goes right in  
35 tandem with the previous Chapter 70 Article 6 part that  
36 we just amended. They were -- most of their complaints  
37 will be addressed by Chapter 70, Article 6 amendment.

38 We really appreciate the citizen participation.  
39 And they're a welcome part to our jobs. Their input  
40 was greatly good for the process, and we want to make  
41 sure our of our citizens know they're welcome to come  
42 to their meetings. How else will we know about the  
43 impact and effects of measures that we're studying. We  
44 voted to adjourn but will plan our next meeting soon.

45 Thank you to all that made this meeting possible.  
46 Does anyone have anything to add to what I just  
47 presented?

48 GRACIE FLOYD: Yes. Mr. Chairman.

49 TOMMY DUNN: Yes, ma'am.

50 GRACIE FLOYD: Question for Ms. Wilson.

1 Will we be getting minutes from these meetings in the  
2 near -- very near future?

3 CINDY WILSON: This is the report. I  
4 don't know that we need verbatim minutes.

5 GRACIE FLOYD: Yes. If you receive your  
6 Roberts Rules of Order booklet it's stated in there  
7 that all meetings should have minutes.

8 CINDY WILSON: These are my minutes.

9 GRACIE FLOYD: But will we be getting  
10 those minutes?

11 TOMMY DUNN: The minutes will be -- I've  
12 asked the county attorney to look at this. This will  
13 be coming before full council. Because if it's not in  
14 our ordinance book, full council will vote one way or  
15 the other how it goes in the very near future. And  
16 look forward to that debate.

17 GRACIE FLOYD: All right. Thank you, Mr.  
18 Chair, but I believe it is in our ordinance.

19 TOMMY DUNN: And that's been asked of  
20 the county attorney. That way I ain't taking no  
21 chances.

22 Moving on to Item number 11, report from Recycling  
23 and Solid Waste Committee held March 13th. Mr.  
24 Sanders.

25 BRETT SANDERS: Yes, sir, Mr. Chairman. As  
26 you said, we met March the 13th, 10:00 a.m., to discuss  
27 long term and short term plans to reduce or help curb  
28 our litter epidemic. We had a representative from  
29 Palmetto Pride, which is working on a statewide  
30 campaign. We also had Anderson County Solid Waste,  
31 Greg Smith, Sargent Hayes was there, as well. We  
32 talked with them about working on a plan in accordance  
33 with the state's initiative. I know they have a lot of  
34 things coming on, billboards.

35 There was also a discussion, and we voted to -- or  
36 discussed letting the Solid Waste Department come up  
37 with a plan, a financial plan, to determine what we  
38 need to actually get onboard with the state's program.  
39 I mean it would be a statewide initiative and then the  
40 county can piggyback off of that. Like I said, they  
41 have ad campaigns with billboards. There were some  
42 things in there that was addressed to the state of  
43 South Carolina. And I believe during our meeting we  
44 requested that we could use their campaigns with  
45 Anderson County on there. And it was said that they  
46 did not have a problem doing that. So we basically put  
47 everything back -- the Anderson County Solid Waste  
48 Department is going to have a plan and a list of  
49 financials to bring back before us to take before the  
50 Finance Committee.

1 I don't know if the public is aware, but the state  
2 wasn't able to do -- they usually help in the spring  
3 and the fall with litter pickup, but in the fall we  
4 missed out because of hurricanes and some of the  
5 employees were sent elsewhere in the state.

6 I would also like to thank our Administrator, Mr.  
7 Burns. I received an email with a letter which I  
8 posted on social media, as well. I think I also got a  
9 letter afterwards, Councilman or Council Lady Wilson  
10 asking our state senators and representatives for some  
11 help. I do know that Mr. Burns' letter was responded  
12 to and the state actually sent people out on March the  
13 14th, and I actually witnessed them myself out on 29  
14 picking up trash and litter along the roadway. It was  
15 also stated that they're planning on coming back in the  
16 fall and the spring, as well. If anyone else on our  
17 committee would like to add, please feel free to do so  
18 at this time. And again, thank you, Mr. Burns and Ms.  
19 Wilson, for your letters.

20 TOMMY DUNN: Thank you, Chairman  
21 Sanders. Just for the record, two items on that, our  
22 TV station has started doing a little bit of  
23 advertising on that. I think that's a great resource  
24 and everything. I think it can help get out the word.  
25 Also, get out the word about not only recycling but how  
26 you get the community on the Adopt A Road Highway  
27 Program. Also, Pickens County reached out this year  
28 wanting to do a thing -- I think it's too late because  
29 we've already got our clean-up days set, but that might  
30 be something the committee looks at next year -- having  
31 it the same day as Pickens County and they're looking  
32 at Greenville and Oconee, too, and that would maybe get  
33 more publicity out there if the counties are doing it  
34 all at the same time. Appreciate y'all's work on this  
35 ongoing thing. Go ahead, Mr. Sanders.

36 BRETT SANDERS: On April the 13th is the  
37 county's clean-up date. So I ask everyone to get their  
38 friends and family and businesses involved and  
39 hopefully we can make a difference one piece at a time.

40 TOMMY DUNN: Thank you. Appreciate the  
41 work y'all are doing.

42 Moving on to Item number 13, report from the Sewer  
43 Ad Hoc Committee, Chairman Wooten. Chairman Wooten.

44 CRAIG WOOTEN: Thank you, Chairman Dunn.  
45 On March 15th we had a Sewer Ad Hoc Committee, and we  
46 continued some items from a previous committee. Staff  
47 came forward with a memorandum of understanding that  
48 would allow the county to transition operations of our  
49 sewer system in the northwestern part of the county  
50 over to REWA, which is a much later entity that spans

1 into Greenville County. We thought that it would be a  
2 potentially cost effective solution that would allow  
3 for expanded service in that county and at the same  
4 time would allow the county to be able to step back on  
5 some of the infrastructure costs that that would take.  
6 So with that, within your packets was the Memorandum of  
7 Understanding. This would be a precursor to the county  
8 going into formal negotiations on a contract. It  
9 outlines on the bullet points the items that are of  
10 most importance to make sure that we're in general  
11 agreement going into the contract negotiations that  
12 both parties have favorable intent and see the benefit  
13 of it and will take the resources and time to pursue a  
14 contract. So this comes from the Sewer Ad Hoc  
15 Committee with unanimous recommendation. I move that  
16 in the form of a motion to the council.

17 TOMMY DUNN: Coming from the committee,  
18 it doesn't need a second. Are there any discussion?  
19 All in favor of the motion show of hands. Show the  
20 motion carries.

21 Moving on to Item number 4.

22 CRAIG WOOTEN: The second item was an item  
23 of discussion in regards to summer adjustments. If you  
24 think about it in a way when your water comes in and  
25 your water goes out via sewer. Well, in the summer  
26 time people will use water to water their grass,  
27 they'll fill up their pools, they'll wash their cars,  
28 at a higher rate. If that individual doesn't have two  
29 water taps, it's hard to differentiate what water came  
30 out and then went back out as sewer. And so  
31 traditionally there's been some summer adjustments  
32 within billing to accommodate that. But that doesn't  
33 always line up with the way the water companies do  
34 their billing and there's some irregularities there.  
35 So the county talked about a phase-in approach where we  
36 can start reconciling those systems so that people will  
37 get accurate billing on those summer water outputs. So  
38 from the committee's standpoint, we wanted to make sure  
39 that in aggregate people were not getting hit with any  
40 kind of increase but that we were searching a way to  
41 make it be equitable and fair to those across the board  
42 and would be favorable to the county. We're going to  
43 continue the discussion with staff moving forward in  
44 the budget process.

45 TOMMY DUNN: Thank you, Mr. Chairman.  
46 Anything else?

47 CRAIG WOOTEN: No, sir.

48 TOMMY DUNN: At this time we'll be  
49 moving on to Item number 14, report from the Finance  
50 Committee held March 15, 2019. Chairman Wooten.

1                   CRAIG WOOTEN:           Thank you, Chairman Dunn.  
2   With this committee we had a good many line items, but  
3   we started the committee meeting hearing from Coach  
4   Denny Floyd. He runs what they call a Cavaliers  
5   football team. Myself thought it was just a football  
6   team, but he went on to elaborate that they do many  
7   sports within the county. And they use the McCants  
8   field over here behind Mills on Wheels. And basically  
9   whether it's for home school, private school,  
10  alterative school, kids, boys and girls who need a  
11  place after school to play sports, have a mentor, have  
12  a positive role model in their life. They're doing a  
13  jam-up job with this. Coach Denny Floyd is very  
14  passionate about it. Don Peppers is a community leader  
15  from the Pendleton area who's heavily involved.  
16  Michael Cousar (Phonics) is a coach on this team. So  
17  this is a quality program that allows for young folks  
18  to have a mentor and to have some productive outlets in  
19  the afternoons with their time.

20                We talked about trying to help them with using the  
21  Civic Center for some practices. And that was a  
22  positive way the county could support their mission.  
23  We also talked about being a liaison to the city with  
24  them because they were incurring some costs with the  
25  city for using the McCants field and we wanted to work  
26  with them to help them with those expenses. And then  
27  individual council members talked about being able to  
28  help them moving forward in the budget process for next  
29  year. With that we received it as discussion and  
30  information, and it was a very positive way to start  
31  the meeting.

32                But from there we went on to some items of a more  
33  technical nature. And the first one is Bid 19-030.  
34  The title of it is a little confusing. It says  
35  aircraft rescue and fighting vehicle. So at first  
36  glance you think that this might be like an Apache  
37  helicopter. But in reality what it is, is a fire truck  
38  for the airport. And with our expanded ... (end of  
39  audio)

40                CRAIG WOOTEN:           ... doing out there. We're  
41  seeing larger and larger planes come in on a more  
42  frequent basis. Heaven forbid if there were to be a  
43  fire out there, you know, with jet fuel. We want to  
44  make sure that we have the appropriate fire truck that  
45  can respond. And the fire truck that we have in  
46  Townville is (audio is going in and out) We wanted to  
47  make sure that the county had the appropriate vehicle.  
48  So there were two bidders. With it being a unique item  
49  you would expect only a couple of bidders. Not  
50  everybody makes things like this. But the bid that

1 procurement recommended was to a company called Oshkosh  
2 and it's three hundred and twenty-two thousand one  
3 hundred and seven dollars. And that came as a  
4 unanimous recommendation from the committee. And I put  
5 that in the form of a motion.

6 TOMMY DUNN: Have a motion. Have a  
7 second? I'm sorry, don't need a second. But  
8 discussion. I would just like to say -- correct me if  
9 I'm wrong, Mr. Burns or Chairman Wooten -- this is  
10 being funded by a grant. Is that not correct?

11 CINDY WILSON: Yes.

12 RUSTY BURNS: (Not speaking into mic)  
13 federal government, five percent from the state. We'll  
14 have approximately seventeen thousand dollars in the  
15 ---

16 TOMMY DUNN: Council voted I think this  
17 year to put this in play. It'll be in the process here  
18 now. Anymore discussion?

19 BRETT SANDERS: Yes, sir, Mr. Chairman.

20 TOMMY DUNN: Go ahead, Mr. Sanders.

21 BRETT SANDERS: Correct me if I'm wrong,  
22 but I think it's required by the FAA; isn't it? It's a  
23 requirement from the FAA to have to respond within a  
24 certain time frame with a certain distance and what  
25 they have out there now does not meet those  
26 qualifications.

27 TOMMY DUNN: We've had trouble meeting  
28 them before and I want -- the trouble is we would have  
29 to have a fire truck that would be centralized that  
30 would have to come stand by there. They volunteered.  
31 It would be very difficult to come by there and stand.  
32 So to keep the airport open, we do need to do  
33 something.

34 BRETT SANDERS: Okay.

35 TOMMY DUNN: And I think it was our  
36 airport manager that went out and helped find it --  
37 found this grant to help us fund this on that thing  
38 right there. Anything else? All in favor of the  
39 motion show of hands. Mr. Chairman, carry on.

40 CRAIG WOOTEN: The second item was bid 19-  
41 042 is the Historic McCants Gym re-roof. And this is a  
42 gym that I grew up having activities in. It's a  
43 quality facility, but it's an older facility and it  
44 needs to be taken care of. And for us we needed to  
45 seriously look at putting a roof on top of it because  
46 if it were to incur more damage then it could reach a  
47 point that we couldn't insure it and we couldn't bring  
48 it back up to speed. So the committee heard from staff  
49 on that and had discussion. And we unanimously  
50 recommended to go ahead and re-roof this gym at a cost

1 of two hundred fifty-one thousand seven hundred fifty  
2 dollars. There were seven bids, which was encouraging.  
3 I mean this was an item that a lot of people could do.  
4 And what was also encouraging, the lowest bidder was  
5 Turnkey Construction, which was a local roofing  
6 company, and we've really made an initiative of hoping  
7 to work local when it makes sense.

8 TOMMY DUNN: Coming from the committee,  
9 it doesn't need a second. Any discussion? All in  
10 favor of the motion show of hands. Opposed like sign.  
11 Show the motion carries. Mr. Chairman, moving on.

12 CRAIG WOOTEN: We had three capital items.  
13 One is the donation of a truck to the town of Honea  
14 Path. It was roughly about a four thousand dollar  
15 Chevy truck that was an older truck that we were  
16 rotating out of our fleet. And they were in need of a  
17 vehicle to be donated for their animal control  
18 department and this seemed like just a win-win for  
19 everybody and the fact that we could work with them to  
20 get that. So we bring -- that was unanimously approved  
21 or recommended. And we bring forth that as a motion to  
22 allow Honea Path to have the Chevy truck.

23 TOMMY DUNN: Again, coming from the  
24 committee it doesn't need a second. Any discussion?  
25 All in favor of the motion show of hands. Opposed like  
26 sign. Show the motion carries. Moving on, Mr.  
27 Chairman.

28 CRAIG WOOTEN: The second item was a  
29 building in Belton. It was talked about earlier, that  
30 Belton could use this small building as a Farmer's  
31 Market. It's in the middle of town. They could allow  
32 police access there. It's at 101 Breazeale Street. It  
33 was a building that the county owned and we leased for  
34 a nominal amount to a local entity. That lease came up  
35 and for us we had discussion about the benefit of it to  
36 Belton. Obviously, being in the county, we wanted to  
37 support them as much as we could. About a sixty  
38 thousand dollar market appraisal value. And we had a  
39 little bit of discussion, we want to make sure if we  
40 give somebody something like this that they use it for  
41 their benefit, they don't turn around and sell it. We  
42 were assured by staff that we could have some  
43 precautions put in there to make sure that didn't  
44 happen. So that comes as a unanimous recommendation  
45 from the Finance Committee.

46 TOMMY DUNN: Again, doesn't need a  
47 second from the committee. Any discussion? All in  
48 favor of the motion show of hands. Opposed like sign.  
49 Show the motion carries unanimously.

50 Moving on, Mr. Chairman.

1           CRAIG WOOTEN:           The last capital item was  
2 the Mill Town Players sign. My children went to an  
3 event there two weeks or three weeks ago, I believe it  
4 was. They're doing some very quality items up there  
5 that actually I feel is attracting folks from all over  
6 the county and even outside the county. But they had a  
7 sign that they put forth at a cost of about fifty-four  
8 hundred dollars and outlined what they were doing.  
9 It's a good thing going on up there, and we made a  
10 motion to recommend that unanimously.

11           TOMMY DUNN:           Coming from the Finance  
12 Committee, again, doesn't need a second. Any  
13 discussion? All in favor of the motion show of hands.  
14 Opposed like sign. Show the motion carries.  
15 Moving on, Mr. Chairman.

16           CRAIG WOOTEN:           Last item, number 6, was a  
17 financial update that just led into a level of  
18 discussion. But, you know, from the comprehensive  
19 annual financial report from 2018 and schedule of  
20 expenditures. We looked at different line items that  
21 were performing well that were coming under budget.  
22 And just trying to get an understanding of where we're  
23 going and where we've been. You know, in that same  
24 vein, we had discussion on how to improve operations  
25 and potentially how to incentivise staff or reward  
26 staff for operating under budget. And a lot of times  
27 spending throughout the year is not consistent. It can  
28 be up and down, depending on the timing of the year,  
29 ending of the year, beginning of the year, and we  
30 wanted to make sure that we put in procedures that  
31 allow staff to feel confident that they can provide the  
32 utmost service to county, but also that if they were to  
33 find ways to make improvements and to save money that  
34 they're rewarded for that and recognized for that and  
35 that we didn't have any negative incentives in place.  
36 So we had a robust discussion about that. Heard from  
37 staff. Heard from council members. And really had a  
38 lot of items that we'll take forward to the next  
39 meeting and continue the conversation with.

40           With that, that concludes what we spoke about at  
41 the Finance Committee held on March 15th.

42           TOMMY DUNN:           Thank you, Mr. Chairman.  
43 Moving on to Item number 15, report ---

44           GRACIE FLOYD:           Mr. Chair?

45           TOMMY DUNN:           Yes, ma'am.

46           GRACIE FLOYD:           Thank you. Mr. Wooten,  
47 also in the Finance Committee meeting we had an issue  
48 there on 6(a). Will that one be carried over into the  
49 next council meeting as -- for discussion on that? Be  
50 continued in the next financial meeting? Because



1 that's important.

2 CRAIG WOOTEN: Yes, ma'am. That's what I  
3 asked staff with all this that, you know, whenever we  
4 have discussion on this, I don't want it to end at one  
5 meeting. I want it to continue and hopefully grow to  
6 some kind of resolution; either that we either act on  
7 it or decide to change it. But most definitely.

8 GRACIE FLOYD: Okay. But we're not  
9 prepared to discuss it at this time?

10 CRAIG WOOTEN: No, ma'am. No, ma'am.

11 TOMMY DUNN: Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

12 Moving on to item number 15, report from the Public  
13 Safety Committee held March 18, 2019. Chairman Graham.  
14 Chairman.

15 RAY GRAHAM: Thank you, Mr. Chairman.  
16 This is in reference to a meeting held March 18th for  
17 Public Safety Committee. As one of the council members  
18 from Pelzer had discussed earlier, this is an  
19 intergovernmental agreement with the town of Pelzer,  
20 along with Anderson County Sheriff's Department. It's  
21 a fairly common practice throughout the state.  
22 Basically what it's doing it allowing county deputies  
23 -- they've done some figuring and basically they've got  
24 it down to where the town of Pelzer is going to hire  
25 off-duty deputies which would patrol in the Pelzer Town  
26 limits, naturally in uniform in marked vehicles as a  
27 deputy stationed specifically for that area. And the  
28 town of Pelzer is actually going to cover the cost of  
29 that. This will be in addition to the actual region  
30 deputy that's already assigned to that area, which is  
31 actually outside of Pelzer, as well. And in a sense,  
32 it's an opportunity for them to get some extra coverage  
33 without having to front the money up front for a police  
34 department or starting something like that up.  
35 Basically kind of gives us an opportunity to kind of  
36 get ahead of the game and see what benefits it brings.  
37 A lot of times it can bring some tremendous benefits as  
38 far as economic development or curb some problems in  
39 some specific areas. Definitely commend them for  
40 taking a step toward doing this and commend the Sheriff  
41 and his staff for working this plan out. This was  
42 voted on at Public Safety and it's brought before full  
43 council for your support, with one hundred percent  
44 support from the Public Safety Committee.

45 TOMMY DUNN: Coming from the committee,  
46 doesn't need a second. Any discussion? All in favor  
47 of the motion show of hands. All opposed?  
48 Abstentions? Show the motion carries unanimously. Ms.  
49 Floyd, you abstaining?

50 GRACIE FLOYD: I did.

1 TOMMY DUNN: Okay. Mr. Davis, Mr.  
2 Sanders, Mr. Dunn, Mr. Graham, Mr. Wooten, Ms. Wilson  
3 in favor and Ms. Floyd abstains.  
4 Moving on, Mr. Chairman.

5 RAY GRAHAM: Thank you, Mr. Chairman.  
6 For council members that did support that, I do  
7 appreciate it. It does bring some benefit to our  
8 citizens in Anderson County.

9 Moving on to number 4, discussion concerning small  
10 unmanned aircraft safety and privacy issues. This is  
11 basically the kind of -- bring it down to layman's  
12 terms, it's concerning drones throughout the county.  
13 It's beginning to be a pretty popular hobby that people  
14 has as far as with these drones. And there's been some  
15 issues as far as on personal level as far as with  
16 citizens and also members of the community that's had  
17 some issues where basically they feel like their  
18 privacy has been impeded on.

19 With that being said, this was brought forth to  
20 Public Safety from last council meeting that we look at  
21 this. Basically there was no action taken. No action  
22 recommended back to full council. We have got several  
23 questions concerning basically what's the FAA's  
24 responsibilities as far as enforcing what's already in  
25 place. And you know, on the other hand, what can the  
26 county do? What can we put in place that's not going  
27 to step on FAA's policy already there. And you know,  
28 basically how can we make a situation better? I mean  
29 whether it's through an ordinance or whether it's  
30 through working with FAA or whoever. So we've got a  
31 lot of questions from the committee. Our attorney is  
32 going to be checking on some of those and trying to get  
33 us some answers back. Ms. Wilson, she has done a  
34 tremendous amount of research on this with FAA and is  
35 remaining in contact with them on a regular basis and  
36 bringing information back as far as what's already in  
37 place.

38 The biggest thing that we -- and I say we. I think  
39 all the way across through government lines whether  
40 it's local, state, federal, it's always real easy to  
41 raise your hand to enforce or to put something in  
42 place. But we don't put the meat and potatoes behind  
43 it to actually enforce it or, you know, give the true  
44 backing as far as what it would need to basically solve  
45 the issue. So in a sense I think that's what the  
46 committee has recommended, that we kind of do our  
47 homework and determine what can we actually do as a  
48 county to make it better for our citizens. At this  
49 time there's no recommendation on that. We will be  
50 carrying that on with some other meetings. Thank you,  
51 Mr. Chairman.

1 TOMMY DUNN: Thank you, Mr. Chairman.  
2 Look forward to hearing that. Appreciate the  
3 committee's work.  
4 Moving on to Item number 16, road acceptance into  
5 county inventory. If there's no objection we can take  
6 all three of these at one time. I make the motion we  
7 accept these in the county as inventory as long as they  
8 meet all county standards and with staff's  
9 recommendation. Put that in the form of a motion.  
10 CINDY WILSON: Second.  
11 TOMMY DUNN: Second Ms. Wilson. Any  
12 discussion? All in favor of the motion show of hands.  
13 All opposed? Abstentions? Mr. Davis, Mr. Sanders, Mr.  
14 Dunn, Mr. Graham, Mr. Wooten, Ms. Wilson in favor and  
15 Ms. Floyd abstains.  
16 Moving on to appointments. Are there any  
17 appointments tonight? I'm not aware of any.  
18 Moving on to requests by council members. Mr.  
19 Davis.  
20 JIMMY DAVIS: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I  
21 would like to allocate from my special projects fund  
22 three hundred dollars to the Piedmont Public Service  
23 Convention to be carried on to the Piedmont Crime Watch  
24 Group. This is a group that's very active in the  
25 Piedmont area and is working hand-in-hand with the  
26 Anderson County Sheriff's Department, and they're doing  
27 a lot of great things. And this will help them with  
28 their advertising and just reaching out to the  
29 community to aid our sheriff's department and help curb  
30 crime in Piedmont. So I make that in the form of a  
31 motion.  
32 TOMMY DUNN: Have a motion Mr. Davis.  
33 Have a second?  
34 CINDY WILSON: Second.  
35 TOMMY DUNN: Ms. Wilson. Any  
36 discussion? All in favor of the motion show of hands.  
37 Opposed like sign. Motion passes unanimously.  
38 Anything else, Mr. Davis?  
39 JIMMY DAVIS: That's all, sir.  
40 TOMMY DUNN: Mr. Sanders?  
41 BRETT SANDERS: Yes, sir. I'd like to put  
42 in the form of a motion for the Riverside Middle and  
43 Pendleton High School Archery Teams in District 4, the  
44 sum of one thousand. And also, and I don't know how to  
45 do this the proper way. Maybe you can assist me. The  
46 Anderson Class Tiny Home Foothills Community  
47 Foundation, I would like to donate a thousand to them,  
48 but I'm also in the process of working on getting the  
49 concrete poured and the foundation done as a gift. So  
50 I guess what I want to do is a thousand there and then

1 I'm working on getting the slab and some other things  
2 done for them.

3 TOMMY DUNN: Put that in the form of a  
4 motion?

5 BRETT SANDERS: Yes, sir.  
6 CINDY WILSON: Second.  
7 TOMMY DUNN: Second by Ms. Wilson. Any  
8 discussion?

9 CINDY WILSON: That's awesome.  
10 TOMMY DUNN: All in favor of the motion  
11 show of hands. Opposed like sign. Show the motion  
12 carries unanimously. Anything else, Mr. Sanders?

13 BRETT SANDERS: No, sir, I'm fine. Thank  
14 you.

15 TOMMY DUNN: Ms. Floyd?  
16 GRACIE FLOYD: I have some plans, but I  
17 don't have anything tonight.  
18 TOMMY DUNN: Thank you, Ms. Floyd. Mr.  
19 Graham?

20 RAY GRAHAM: Thank you, Mr. Chairman.  
21 I'd like to -- if I could ---  
22 TOMMY DUNN: Go ahead.  
23 RAY GRAHAM: --- I've got several, do  
24 them all at one time if that's fine with you.  
25 TOMMY DUNN: Go ahead.  
26 RAY GRAHAM: I'd like to do one thousand  
27 dollars to the Tiny Home fund. I'd like to do three  
28 hundred dollars to Westside Community Center, and I'd  
29 like to do two thousand dollars to Belton Alliance for  
30 the Chili Cookoff.

31 TOMMY DUNN: Mr. Graham puts that in the  
32 form of a motion. Do we have a second?  
33 CINDY WILSON: Second.  
34 TOMMY DUNN: Second Ms. Wilson. Any  
35 discussion? All in favor of the motion show of hands.  
36 Opposed like sign. Show the motion carries  
37 unanimously. Anything else, Mr. Graham?  
38 RAY GRAHAM: That's it, Mr. Chairman.  
39 Thank you.

40 TOMMY DUNN: Mr. Wooten?  
41 CRAIG WOOTEN: Yes. I would like to help  
42 the Leadership Anderson Tiny Home Foundation, but I  
43 plan to do it in the next fiscal year, just for  
44 budgeting. I don't know that I can be of much help  
45 with what I have, my balance. But for the Westside  
46 Community Center made a request to all council members,  
47 I'd make a motion to do two hundred and fifty dollars.  
48 CINDY WILSON: Second.  
49 TOMMY DUNN: Have a second Ms. Wilson.  
50 Anymore discussion -- I mean any discussion? All in

1 favor of the motion show of hands. Opposed like sign.  
 2 Show the motion carries unanimously. Anything else,  
 3 Mr. Wooten?

4 CRAIG WOOTEN: No.  
 5 TOMMY DUNN: Ms. Wilson?  
 6 CINDY WILSON: District 7 is broke.  
 7 TOMMY DUNN: Okay. Out of District 5's  
 8 special source account, I'd like to appropriate fifteen  
 9 hundred dollars to the Westside Community Center. I'd  
 10 also like to appropriate fifteen hundred dollars to  
 11 Tiny Homes. Put that in the form of a motion.

12 CINDY WILSON: Second.  
 13 TOMMY DUNN: Second Ms. Wilson. Any  
 14 discussion? All in favor of the motion show of hands.  
 15 Any opposed? Show the motion carries unanimously.  
 16 Thank y'all.

17 Moving on to Item number 19, request for  
 18 endorsements. Family Promise of Anderson County and  
 19 United Housing Connections. I think we've done this in  
 20 the past and I'll let Mr. Burns explain it.

21 RUSTY BURNS: In the past these groups  
 22 were to provide services for the homeless in Anderson  
 23 County. There's no monetary contribution requested of  
 24 the county. They just request county council to  
 25 endorse and allow us to send a letter on your behalf.

26 TOMMY DUNN: Do we have a motion to move  
 27 this forward?

28 CINDY WILSON: Second.  
 29 TOMMY DUNN: Motion Mr. Davis, second  
 30 Ms. Wilson. Any discussion? All in favor of the  
 31 motion show of hands. Opposed like sign. Show the  
 32 motion carries.

33 Administrator's report.

34 RUSTY BURNS: Nothing at this time, Mr.  
 35 Chairman.

36 TOMMY DUNN: Thank you.

37 Moving on to Item number 21, Citizens Comments.  
 38 When Mr. Harmon calls your name please step forward,  
 39 state your name for the record and your district and  
 40 address the chair. You've got three minutes.

41 LEON HARMON: Mr. Chairman, first citizen  
 42 signed up is Tonya Winbush.

43 TONYA WINBUSH: Thank you so much. I am a  
 44 part of, I think, District 2 or 1, Mr. Wooten. And  
 45 again, my name is Tonya Winbush. I just really want to  
 46 address Ms. Floyd, how she constantly asks questions  
 47 and she clarifies everything. The only thing that we  
 48 have is what you give us, which is this. And the  
 49 people that come up to give a report or kind of give us  
 50 background, we don't have privy to any meeting minutes

1 that I think was appropriate to ask for the minutes  
2 because if you tell us what they said, you're going to  
3 miss something. And that's why the rules are there and  
4 that's why we have policies. That's why we try to  
5 follow what people have taught us to do with the rules  
6 that Ms. Floyd has suggested. I don't think that  
7 that's unreasonable to ask for minutes for every  
8 meeting. I work. I have children. And I can't be at  
9 every planning meeting, every sewer ad hoc meeting,  
10 every meeting that they're talking about here. And I  
11 would just want to really, really applaud Ms. Floyd for  
12 allowing us the opportunity to break everything down  
13 and to say this is what this means and this is why you  
14 are saying this and this is what you're referring to  
15 because it makes it plain for me. And even the little  
16 bit that she does, which I really want even more  
17 explanation, I just want to applaud you. And I'm  
18 hoping that we can bring more suggestions to that. I  
19 would like to be able to get the video, as well. And  
20 I've been trying to find it and I can't, so I will ask  
21 later on how to get that. But I think that that would  
22 make more citizens want to be a part of these meetings  
23 if they knew what was going on. It's a lot of  
24 information that's being put out. And if we had those  
25 minutes somewhere or if it was a part of the email or  
26 those packets, those long documents. For you not to  
27 have them available to us, it's an insult to say maybe  
28 that I wouldn't understand, but I would. And a lot of  
29 other citizens would, as well. And so I just  
30 appreciate you and I thank you and I hope that you do  
31 more of that. And I hope that this statement and this  
32 comment will have more of an impact and an influence  
33 and we will be getting more information in reference to  
34 what's going on in the county council. Thank you.

35 TOMMY DUNN: Mr. Harmon.

36 LEON HARMON: Mr. Chairman, next speaker  
37 is Elizabeth Fant.

38 ELIZABETH FANT: Elizabeth Fant, District 3.  
39 I want to talk about safety issues. You've talked  
40 about -- touched on a lot of them tonight. I happened  
41 to go on a street beside the Uptown Lounge heading  
42 towards Main Street. There's a building, the Johnson  
43 Building that's right there and there's no curb or no  
44 sidewalk beside it. Getting a little (not speaking  
45 into mic) of road down. As I was coming down there  
46 were two individuals who had what looked like a  
47 forklift. The forklift kept raising up and raising up  
48 (not speaking into mic). There weren't any cones out  
49 in the road. There weren't any blocking to keep me  
50 from going down there, but I saw it going on and I

1 thought about these commercials where you see a piano  
2 falling off a building on top of a car. And I said,  
3 I'm not going there. Anyway, it finally got to the top  
4 and there was an individual on top of the building that  
5 was trying to grab a box. After they grabbed the box,  
6 I came up to the two individuals and I was going to  
7 (not speaking into mic) they could forward a message to  
8 their boss and neither one of them spoke English. So I  
9 realized probably they didn't even realize the safety  
10 issue there. I found that -- I find that  
11 unconscionable that how that can happen in the city.  
12 There must be safety regulations about blocking off  
13 with cones and so forth. I don't understand how stuff  
14 like that happens.

15 The new courthouse is getting a roof. I had  
16 mentioned to Mr. Burns I thought they needed it. I  
17 could see tiles. They've had the parking lot blocked  
18 off for a good long while in the back. I want to  
19 suggest about that parking lot. Number one, there  
20 shouldn't be any individual that parks back there that  
21 works in that courthouse with the exception perhaps of  
22 the major judges to have a designated parking place.  
23 Sheriff's patrol, all the other employees, they need to  
24 park in the parking garage. That parking lot needs to  
25 be for the individuals who come for business. Not  
26 people who are coming there daily to work. When they  
27 rework the parking lot, they need to design it angle  
28 lines, not square lines. You can hardly get in a  
29 parking place there. And they've got so many jammed in  
30 there that when you do try to park in there, if there's  
31 one empty, you're at the risk of running into somebody  
32 or whacking a door off. Mr. Burns, I'm putting that as  
33 a hot and heavy recommendation.

34 We've got real problems with our roads. Over in  
35 Belton we have two sinkholes. I'm not talking about a  
36 pothole. I'm talking about where you look down into  
37 it, it goes to black in there. We've had so much rain,  
38 I don't know what all is wrong with the roads there.  
39 It just so happens that one is in a private parking lot  
40 and the other one is ---

41 LEON HARMON: Time, Mr. Chairman.

42 TOMMY DUNN: Thank you, Mr. Harmon.

43 Next?

44 LEON HARMON: Next speaker is William  
45 Meredith.

46 WILLIAM MEREDITH: I want to reiterate what I  
47 was talking about and try to expand just to a small  
48 degree. But I'd like to thank y'all for what I heard  
49 tonight. I'm heartened to hear the Amicus Brief thing  
50 that we're going to be standing up to these people that

1 are hopefully not going to be allowed to get away with  
2 polluting Broadway Lake. But yeah, again, we've got a  
3 little Facebook thing that I think somebody may have  
4 already signed up for, it's called Waste Nothing.  
5 That's what I want to do. But I'd like to see us  
6 commend the elected officials and as citizens, just try  
7 and do better. We're wasting a lot of our resources by  
8 virtue of petty turf wars or bureaucratic whatever. I  
9 heard -- and I appreciate what you're doing. I have  
10 worked for the Great American Clean-up or Anderson  
11 County Clean-up for several years now. I mean, it's  
12 good. I'm glad we're doing it. But we could do so  
13 much better. I don't know why we're just doing it  
14 twice a year? Why don't we do it every season? Why  
15 don't we do it four time a year?

16 Now, I said something about schools earlier. You  
17 know, every school could be a drop-off location for  
18 people to take their recycling. Cardboard is a  
19 profitable recyclable according to our recycling  
20 specialist. We've got Clemson University right up the  
21 road, the number one in college football, okay, rah-  
22 rah. We could be number one in environmentalist --  
23 environmentalism if we dedicated ourselves to doing  
24 that. It would be incredibly beneficial economically.  
25 People want to live in desirable locations. We have a  
26 beautiful, natural environment here, but we're not  
27 taking care of it.

28 And so I'd like to challenge -- this is what I'm  
29 trying to get citizens involved through this Facebook  
30 thing and that'll make it happen. But we've got to get  
31 cities and towns working together. Because if you're a  
32 resident of the city, you're still a resident of the  
33 county. You're still paying county taxes and they're  
34 still using the same landfill. So I understand it  
35 costs us money ultimately to -- everything that goes in  
36 that landfill cost a little bit of money. So anything  
37 we can keep out of it will save us that little bit of  
38 money. So it makes economic sense, it makes  
39 environmental sense. And we've got to educate or kids.  
40 Why don't we have competitions between Hanna and  
41 Westside, who's the best environmentalist? Like I  
42 said, we have a lack of imagination, is the way I look  
43 at it. We've got a lot of doing things the way we've  
44 always done them and I think we ought to look outside  
45 the box a little bit. So I'd like to challenge every  
46 one of you to do it. Thank you for the job you're  
47 doing. I just hope we can all do a little better.  
48 Turn it up; okay? Thank you guys. Appreciate it.

49 TOMMY DUNN: Mr. Harmon?

50 LEON HARMON: No one else is signed up,



1 Mr. Chairman.

2 TOMMY DUNN: Comments from council  
3 members. Ms. Wilson?

4 CINDY WILSON: Thank you, Mr. Chairman.  
5 Interestingly enough, our county finished number one in  
6 the state for recycling last year. So we've got a long  
7 ways to go, but it was a good start.

8 The other item is that our county council has in  
9 its Codes of Ordinances a prescription of how we run  
10 our meetings. And every January, after we nominate a  
11 new chairman, the next meeting he's supposed to address  
12 the standing committees. Standing committees in our  
13 county are so vitally important. There were never any  
14 standing committees until 2009; not in the years I came  
15 on since '01. I could not get public information. I  
16 even went all the way to the State Supreme Court trying  
17 to get access to the financial ledgers for our county  
18 and to look at why we were spending one million plus or  
19 minus every year on legal expenses. Not case files,  
20 mind you, just legal expense invoices.

21 Most of us up here are supposed to be considered  
22 part-time employees. Right now we have all the  
23 standing committees appointed. We have a number of ad  
24 hoc committees appointed. It's our way to look at the  
25 issues and get input from people and study it before it  
26 comes back in the form of a resolution or an ordinance.  
27 It's not a perfect process. There's a lot of  
28 discussion. Most all of us make reports back to the  
29 committee. The meetings are recorded. I'm sure you  
30 could get a copy of the recording and we'll take up the  
31 potential of minutes for those meetings. But every  
32 report that's made on the floor comes back in the next  
33 -- in the minutes of the regularly scheduled council.

34 So we may be adding more to the paper trail than  
35 what we want to deal with, but we are so grateful to  
36 have citizens who are interested, who want to come and  
37 learn with us and give us their input. That is a real  
38 treasure and of great value to the process of the  
39 county. Thank you.

40 TOMMY DUNN: Mr. Wooten?

41 CRAIG WOOTEN: Yeah. I think from my  
42 standpoint, anything that we can do to make it more  
43 transparent and readily accessible, I mean, I'd be  
44 willing to entertain that and figure out a functional  
45 way to make it happen.

46 In regards to recycling, I'm one hundred percent  
47 with you. We've got to be innovative, but we've also  
48 got to be tactical on what could we do in the immediate  
49 future? But both of those things are positive things  
50 and look forward to speaking about it in the future.

1 TOMMY DUNN: Mr. Graham?

2 RAY GRAHAM: Thank you, Mr. Chairman.  
3 Kind of the same thing on recycling. The sad thing  
4 about it, this is a true issue all the way across the  
5 nation. And I definitely thing we've got a major  
6 problem here in Anderson County and it's going to take  
7 citizens like yourself to spearhead ideas as far as  
8 getting out there and leading clean-ups. I know I've  
9 got one in my district that does it on a regular basis.  
10 And that's what it's going to take to truly make a  
11 difference.

12 I think another very important thing is getting --  
13 we have truly been blessed with economic development.  
14 If we could get some of the industries involved for  
15 them to challenge their employees to get out and maybe  
16 have a clean-up day, as well, and I mean things like  
17 that is what's going to truly make an impact. One or  
18 two people, you know, I like what Mr. Sanders commented  
19 on on Facebook, you know, one piece at a time. And  
20 that's true. That's what it's going to take. But I  
21 mean to truly see an impact we're going to have to get  
22 some major players involved. And I think that's going  
23 to take getting some of your volunteer fire  
24 departments, you know, boy scout groups, some of your  
25 industry leaders. You go piling all that together,  
26 it's going to be a lot of trash at the time. That's  
27 where you're going to drive through and you're going to  
28 see a major difference over night and I think that's  
29 what it's going to take.

30 Another thing I think, I harp on this every time,  
31 is education. I think we've truly got to change the  
32 mentality. Kids don't -- need to realize throwing a  
33 piece of trash out the window isn't the norm. They  
34 need to realize it's wrong. And we've got to educate  
35 them to change that mentality.

36 Appreciate what everyone in Public Safety is doing.  
37 I know we've had a couple of meetings and I've spoken  
38 to different ones through EMS, fire service, law  
39 enforcement. The Sheriff is doing a great job. And we  
40 continue moving forward. Appreciate everything every  
41 one is doing. Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

42 TOMMY DUNN: Thank you. Ms. Floyd?

43 GRACIE FLOYD: Thank you. We did not  
44 always have committee meetings because we found out  
45 years ago that when you have the committee meetings  
46 some folks don't get information. Just the people that  
47 was in the room at the time, they're the ones that know  
48 everything and they are the ones who we don't get  
49 information.

50 Let me explain -- let me give you an illustration.

1 Sometimes back there in 2003 or '4, a bus company came  
2 to us, Anderson County, and offered us six hundred  
3 thousand dollars to buy a bus so we could take our kids  
4 back and forth to Tri-County Tech and back. Six  
5 hundred thousand dollars. It was, it was mentioned to  
6 the -- I think it was the Financial Committee, like the  
7 papers say, the powerful Financial Committee. They  
8 turned it down. They turned it down. I didn't know  
9 about it until I went to a meeting up in Pendleton and  
10 I met with the people who told me that they offered to  
11 give us a bus to help us transport our kids. Financial  
12 -- the powerful Financial Committee didn't say nothing.  
13 Didn't even bring it to the county -- the council for  
14 us to vote it up or vote it down. They just said no.  
15 We didn't get it. Other things have happened that we  
16 don't know about because we aren't there. We decided  
17 years ago that it would be best for all things to come  
18 before the county -- the council and we would discuss  
19 it. And it's proven to be better.

20 The last Financial Committee meeting I went to, it  
21 was a good meeting, very good meeting, but they were  
22 tired. Why were they tired? Because the same people  
23 on -- they had three meetings that morning, 9:00, 11:00  
24 and 12:30. And we had people there who was on all  
25 three committees and they were tired. They were tired  
26 because there's not enough people to go around to all  
27 these committees. It's the same people over and over  
28 and over and over again. So that's -- and we did  
29 better. We did better.

30 Okay. The minutes. We're going to have to have  
31 minutes, folks. It says in everything -- any meeting  
32 you have ever been to in your whole life, you have  
33 gotten minutes. And you mean to tell me that the  
34 powerful Financial Committees doesn't have to give me  
35 minutes? Or the Sewer Committee, I don't have to sit  
36 -- they can come and read to me what they want me to  
37 know. Suppose we did you like that? Okay. The roads  
38 that we were given tonight to bring into the county has  
39 always been a very, very watched thing because we don't  
40 want to take in roads that do not meet the standards of  
41 Anderson County. Do not. And I remember Fred, Fred  
42 Tolly, used to always ask everybody, does it meet the  
43 standards of Anderson County? But tonight we voted on  
44 one that we said if it meets the standards we'll take  
45 it in. We didn't vote to take it in because it meets  
46 the standards.

47 Also, the lack of information that I did not get  
48 because it was not put in the books, a lot of the --  
49 three of us didn't have it in our books. So I was  
50 denied the, I was denied the fact of -- I don't know

1 what they're talking about. It was mentioned that this  
2 is something that got by them last year, I think that's  
3 what I heard, because I don't understand a lot of  
4 what's happening or what's being said. I'm not deaf.  
5 But anyway, anyway, those are the things that I have to  
6 say. Sometime it makes me feel like I don't know what  
7 I'm talking about. But you know, I beg to differ. I  
8 beg to differ. Thank you, Mr. Chair.

9 TOMMY DUNN: Mr. Sanders?

10 BRETT SANDERS: Yes, sir, Mr. Chairman.  
11 I'd like to just quickly address Vice Chairman Graham  
12 talking about getting manufacturers involved. I know  
13 I've actually talked with Terry Gilstrap with the  
14 Manufacturing Alliance. She's working on a plan for  
15 us. And also, I'm new to council. There's a lot of  
16 things I don't know. I like the idea of committees. I  
17 can go in there. I can ask questions. I'm talking  
18 with the people in charge, whether it be dealing with  
19 litter, I'm actually talking with the Solid Waste head  
20 guy. I can ask questions. I can put them on the spot.  
21 I can make a more informed decision. And then the  
22 packets that I've heard a lady request about is -- it's  
23 a book. And I mean, I sit down and I take pride in  
24 what I'm doing up here for Anderson County and my  
25 district. I read every word, everything in there. If  
26 I have a question, I'll go back to the source.

27 I understand the litter problem. Printing all this  
28 stuff out for everyone in the county, I mean look at  
29 what we're doing with litter there. I mean most people  
30 will thumb through it and never read beyond the first  
31 page or paragraph. But I would like to go on record  
32 and say that any committee that I'm on, I think you can  
33 reach out to our clerk of council, any committee I'm  
34 on, my personal cell phone number is on there. If  
35 someone is not able to attend the meeting, whether it  
36 be in my district or not in my district, please feel --  
37 reach out to me. I will discuss anything, try to  
38 answer any questions. If I don't know the answer, I  
39 will find an answer for you. And hopefully we can get  
40 it addressed to where people can be a little more  
41 informed. But until then, like I said, reach out to  
42 our clerk. Any questions, anything you have for me,  
43 I'll be more than happy to discuss with anyone. Thank  
44 you.

45 TOMMY DUNN: Thank you, Mr. Sanders.  
46 Mr. Davis?

47 JIMMY DAVIS: I have nothing, sir.

48 TOMMY DUNN: Appreciate it. Appreciate  
49 everybody coming to the meeting tonight. Meeting  
50 adjourned.

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**(MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:20 P.M.)**