

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING  
OF THE  
LANCASTER COUNTY COUNCIL

August 18, 2008

Chairman Carter called the special meeting to order at 5:30 on Monday, August 18, 2008. Wayne Kersey offered the invocation.

County Council members present were Rudy Carter, Fred Thomas, Wesley Grier, Jack Estridge, Wayne Kersey, and Larry Honeycutt. Bryan Vaughn was absent due to illness in his family. Also present were Steve Willis, Irene Plyler, Veronica Thompson, Lanny Bernard, several department heads and employees, and several citizens. The county attorneys were not present. There was no press in attendance.

The following press were notified of the meeting by mail or by fax in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act: Lancaster News, York Observer, Kershaw News Era, The State, The Rock Hill Herald, Fort Mill Times, WRHI Radio, Cable News 2, Channel 9, and the local Government Channel.

AGENDA APPROVAL

MOTION was made by Fred Thomas to amend the agenda to include an executive session after the meeting to discuss a personnel issue. SECONDED by Jack Estridge. PASSED 6-0.

CITIZENS COMMENTS

There were no citizens comments.

AMBULANCE BIDS

Three bids for purchase of 3 ambulances were presented to Council. Lanny Bernard recommended the low bidder, Northwestern Emergency Vehicles, whose bid came in at \$199,873 per vehicle. He noted that this vendor is reputable.

MOTION was made by Larry Honeycutt to accept the recommendation of Lanny Bernard and accept the low bid of \$199,873 per vehicle and award the contract for three ambulances to Northwestern Emergency Vehicles. SECONDED by Wesley Grier. PASSED 5-1. Opposed: Wayne Kersey. Absent: Bryan Vaughn

MOTION was made by Wesley Grier to adopt first reading, by title only, of the ordinance authorizing Lancaster County, South Carolina, to enter into a Lease Purchase Transaction relating to the financing of ambulances; authorizing the execution and delivery of an Equipment Lease Purchase Agreement in an amount not to exceed \$1,625,000; and other matters relating thereto. SECONDED by Fred Thomas. PASSED 5-1. Opposed Wayne Kersey. Absent: Bryan Vaughn

A brief recess was held

Chairman Carter called the meeting back to order at 6:00 pm.

PRESENTATIONS

Proposals for energy savings programs were presented to County Council by two firms:

- Energy Systems Group – James Bennett, Dean Dorwal, Roy Williams and Frank Clifton.
- Johnson Controls – Steve Zip, and Phillips Lowery from Local Government Solutions.

A presentation regarding set aside money to fund retiree insurance benefits (GASBY-45) was made by Larry Plyler and Morgan Armstrong from Plan Benefit Services, Inc.

BUDGET AMENDMENT ORDINANCE

Steve Willis advised that the proposal that came out the last meeting and placed on the agenda for first reading tonight would have 1 mil for York Tech, 1 mil for USC-L, and 1.5 mils for the Sheriff's Office.

MOTION was made by Wesley Grier to table first reading of an Ordinance amending the 2008-2009 County Budget to include supplemental appropriations and additional millage. SECONDED by Jack Estridge. PASSED 5-1. Opposed: Wayne Kersey. Absent: Bryan Vaughn

EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOTION was made by Jack Estridge to go into executive session concerning a personnel issue. SECONDED by Wayne Kersey. PASSED 6-0.

MOTION was made by Larry Honeycutt to go out of executive session and back into regular session. SECONDED by Wayne Kersey. PASSED 6-0.

As Council came out of executive session, Chairman Carter announced that council discussed a personnel issue and no action would be forthcoming as a result of executive session.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION was made by Wesley Grier to adjourn. PASSED 6-0.

The meeting adjourned at 9:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Irene Plyler  
Clerk to Council

APPROVED BY COUNCIL 09-08-2008

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Wesley Grier, Secretary