# RICHLAND COUNTY COUNCIL DEVELOPMENT & SERVICES COMMTTEE TUESDAY, MAY 23, 2000 5:00 P.M.

**PRESENT:** Bernice G. Scott, Chair; Buddy Meetze; Susan Brill; Greg Pearce; Thelma Tillis

**OTHERS PRESENT**: Joseph McEachern, Paul Livingston, Anthony G. Mizzell, Stephen F. Morris, James Tuten, T. Cary McSwain, Milton Pope, Tony McDonald, Michielle Cannon-Finch, Larry Smith, Tonya Dunham, Marsheika Martin, Ash Miller, Pam Davis, Mullen Taylor, Laura Pace, Sherry Wright, Andy Metts, Ralph Pearson, Sack Edge, Mike Byrd, Chief Harrell

# CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at approximately 5:20 p.m.

# <u>APPROVAL OF MINUTES – April 25, 2000</u>

Mr. Meetze moved, seconded by Mr. Pearce, to approve the minutes. The vote in favor was unanimous.

## **ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

Mr. Pearce moved, seconded by Mr. Meetze, to move the Gills Creek Restoration Project to the beginning of the agenda. The vote in favor was unanimous.

It was moved and seconded to adopt the agenda as amended. The vote in favor was unanimous.

## Gills Creek Restoration Project

Mr. Earl McCloud updated Council on the Gills Creek Watershed Association. He stated a comprehensive plan has been in the works for a quantitative and qualitative analysis of the watershed.

Mr. Pearce moved, seconded by Mr. Meetze, to approve a letter indicating intentions of moving forward with this project. The vote in favor was unanimous.

# **ITEMS FOR ACTION**

## **Budget Amendment for the Broad River Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrade**

Mr. Meetze moved, seconded by Mr. Pearce, to approve a budget amendment to utilize existing funds in the Broad River Regional Enterprise Fund for Land acquisition and engineering services. The vote in favor was unanimous.

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# Award of Contract for Phase II of the Atlas Road Sanitary Sewer Project

Mr. Pearce moved, seconded by Mr. Meetze, to approve a contract with the lowest responsive bidder for the construction of Phase II of the Atlas Road Sanitary Sewer Project contingent upon Third Reading approval of matching funds being appropriated. The vote in favor was unanimous.

# **Change Order in the Nazery Circle Construction Contract**

Mr. Tony McDonald, Assistant County Administrator, updated Council on this issue. He stated this would approve the change order for the contract so the contractor can be paid for the work. Mr. McDonald stated the money is available from C-funds and it would cost the County no additional money for this project.

Ms. Scott directed staff to make sure engineers thoroughly check their work.

Mr. Meetze moved, seconded by Mr. Pearce, to consider a change order in the contract. The vote in favor was unanimous.

# Purchase of Equipment for the County Road Maintenance Division

Mr. Meetze moved, seconded by Mr. Pearce, to consider bids for several pieces of equipment for the Road Maintenance Division of Public Works. The vote in favor was unanimous.

# Resolution to participate in the Central Midlands Regional Transportation Authority

Mr. Meetze moved, seconded by Ms. Brill, to request for the Council to participate in a Regional Transportation Authority by approving a resolution that authorizes membership and an agreement with the other participating local governments that will create the authority. The vote in favor was unanimous.

# Award of Contracts for data analysis for GIS and Public Works

Mr. Meetze moved, seconded by Ms. Brill, to approve an award of contract for two projects in the amount of \$27,000.00 each to Thomas & Hutton Engineering to perform data analysis for the Information Technology (GIS) and Public Works Departments. The vote in favor was unanimous.

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### ITEMS PENDING ANALYSIS

# **Citizen Complaints about Genesis Cable Company**

Mr. Milton Pope, Assistant County Administrator, informed Council of a follow-up meeting scheduled for June 5<sup>th</sup> @ 6:30 to be held at the Summit Parkway Middle School. He stated a subscriber list was obtained from Benchmark and notices will be sent out to them. Mr. Popes also stated staff is following up on conflicting reports regarding the improvement of the service.

# Increase in tipping fee at Richland County Landfill

Mr. McDonald reported the tipping fee to accept and dispose wastes at the landfill is \$18.93, but the County is only charging \$18.50.

Mr. Meetze questioned if there was too much overhead.

# Impact of the Closing of City of Columbia Landfill

Mr. McDonald stated notices have been sent to the City regarding termination of agreement to dispose of the City's waste. He stated they are waiting on a response before negotiations can begin.

A discussion took place.

Mr. Pearce requested for staff to write another letter or send the same letter with "2<sup>nd</sup> notice" stamped on it.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at approximately 6:01 p.m.

Submitted by,

Bernice G. Scott Chair

The minutes were transcribed by Marsheika G. Martin