

**MINUTES
HORRY COUNTY COUNCIL
REGULAR SESSION
May 4, 2004
6:00 p.m.**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Liz Gilland, Chairman; Harold Worley; Mark Lazarus; Marion Foxworth; Mike Ryan; Howard Barnard; Gene Smith, Jr.; James Frazier; Carl Schwartzkopf; Paul Prince; Kevin Hardee; and John Boyd.

MEMBERS ABSENT:

OTHERS PRESENT: Danny Knight; Pat Hartley; Janet Carter; Paul Whitten; Steve Gosnell; Beth Fryar; Westley Sawyer; and Roland Meyer.

In accordance with the FOIA, notices of the meeting were provided to the press stating the time, date, and place of the meeting.

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Gilland called the meeting to order at approximately 6:00 p.m. and welcomed everyone.

INVOCATION: The Honorable Mark Lazarus gave the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: The Honorable Kevin Hardee led in the Pledge.

PUBLIC INPUT:

1. Karen Barber spoke on Sav-R-Cats and Improvements at the Animal Shelter.
2. Daren Watson spoke on Animal Care and the Animal Shelter.
3. Sam Dun was to speak on Zoning of Junked Vehicles but was absent.

Chairman Gilland closed public input.

CHANGES TO THE AGENDA:

Mr. Prince **moved to add Resolution R-70-04**, seconded by Mr. Ryan. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Frazier **moved to add an Indigent Claim**, seconded by Mr. Ryan. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Frazier requested to add a \$20,000 transfer item from the road maintenance fund. Chairman Gilland requested that he do that at the next meeting since a resolution had not been prepared.

Mr. Boyd **moved to add a presentation on Strategic Planning**, seconded by Mr. Hardee. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Hardee **moved to defer Ordinance 58-04 to the next meeting**, seconded by Mr. Ryan. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Prince **moved to add Ordinance 52-04**, seconded by Mr. Lazarus. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Foxworth **moved to add under Old/New Business discussion on the Board of Assessment Appeals**, seconded by Mr. Boyd. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Foxworth requested discussion on the Airport agreement. Chairman Gilland stated Mr. Foxworth could discuss that under the reading of ordinances.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA CONTENTS:

Mr. Boyd **moved to approve the agenda contents**, seconded by Mr. Prince. The motion passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

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Mr. Ryan **moved to approve the minutes as submitted**, seconded by Mr. Prince. The motion passed unanimously.

MEMORIAL DEDICATION OF MEETING:

Chairman Gilland **moved that upon adjournment Council adjourn in memorial of Mr. Julian Richardson**. Mr. Frazier **moved that upon adjournment Council adjourn in memorial of Ms. Haleystine Dewitt; Ms. Getha Lee Floyd and Rev. Alex Lee Turner**.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA:

Mr. Smith **moved to approve the following Consent Items**, seconded by Mr. Prince:

- Third reading of **Ordinance 50-04** to amend Ordinance 111-01 (local accommodations tax) adding a provision relating to certain reporting requirements of the recipient organizations and to delete the provision relating to out-of-market advertising sources.
- Third reading of **Ordinance 53-04** authorizing the issuance and sale of general obligation bonds in the amount of \$3 million for a centralized healthcare education facility at Horry-Georgetown Technical College.
- **Resolution R-58-04** to *disapprove* the request of Cynthia M. Thompkins to amend the official zoning maps.
- **Resolution R-62-04** declaring surplus the service weapon of Detective Teresa Diane Johnson and making it available for sale to her.
- District 2 Appointment of W.R. "Skip" Skeen to the Library Board of Trustees.

- District 3 Appointment of Rick Walls to the Stormwater Advisory Committee.
- Appointment of Brant Branham to fill an unexpired term on the Mt. Gilead Special Tax District Commission.
- Approval of an indigent claim by United Funeral Home, Loris, for William W. Douglas.

Mr. Boyd abstained from voting on Ordinance 53-04. The motion passed unanimously.

RESOLUTIONS/PRESENTATIONS:

Presentation to Don Leonard, Chairman, State Transportation Infrastructure Bank.

Chairman Gilland presented the award to Mr. Leonard. Mr. Leonard thanked Council.

Award of Resolutions honoring recipients for events during National Historic Preservation Week activities. Mr. Joel Carter presented an award to Mr. Ben Burroughs for the C.P. Quattlebaum Office/Conway Visitor Center and an award to Mr. Holt for the Myrtle Beach Train Depot. Mr. Jack Thompson and Ms. Tempe Oehler spoke briefly. Mr. Thompson invited Council to the ribbon cutting ceremony for the train depot on May 6, 2004 at 12:00 p.m.

Update on the progress of Hwys. 501 and 544 construction. Mr. Gosnell gave an update on the progress of the RIDE I Program. The Hwy. 544 widening was the last project and would be completed by the end of May.

Resolution R-63-04 of support and appreciation to the Horry County Police Department for its recent professional efforts in saving the life of a choking victim. Mr. Whitten presented the resolution to officer Boyd. Mr. Boyd **moved to approve**, seconded by Mr. Lazarus. The motion passed unanimously.

Resolution R-64-04 of support and appreciation to the Horry County Police Department of its recent professional efforts in saving the life of a newborn baby. Mr. Whitten presented the resolution to officer Rhodes. Mr. Boyd **moved to approve**, seconded by Mr. Foxworth. The motion passed unanimously.

Resolution R-65-04 to approve a new fire service agreement between Horry County and the City of Myrtle Beach. Mr. Foxworth **moved to approve**, seconded by Mr. Schwartzkopf. Mr. Lazarus stated he could provide a rough estimate of the difference in the cost of insurance in the City or County if anyone were interested. Mr. Barnard requested a copy of Appendix A. The motion passed unanimously.

Resolution R-70-04 authorizing the County Administrator to transfer funds from Road Maintenance Fee Account #34-471-0333 “Christa McAullife” to Road Maintenance Fee Account # 34-471-333 “Long Leaf Drive.” Mr. Prince **moved to approve**, seconded by Mr. Schwartzkopf. The motion passed unanimously.

Chairman Gilland called a recess at 6:55 p.m. The meeting reconvened at 7:05 p.m.

READING OF ORDINANCES:

Third reading of **Ordinance 51-04** to approve an intergovernmental agreement with the City of Myrtle Beach wherein the details and specifics of a settlement and resolution of the ongoing dispute and controversy between the two governmental entities related to the use of funds received by the City of Myrtle Beach from lease proceeds on the Seascap Property, a/k/a the aviation trust fund. Mr. Smith **moved to amend by deleting the following words in the Intergovernmental Agreement, page 3, paragraph 9, "... provided however that each party shall fully participate in any zoning process or procedure required by law notwithstanding the waiver of any fees arising from said process or procedure"**, seconded by Mr. Lazarus. The motion to amend passed. The vote was as follows:

<u>In favor</u>	<u>Opposed</u>
Lazarus	Worley
Foxworth	Prince
Ryan	
Barnard	
Smith	
Frazier	
Schwartzkopf	
Hardee	
Boyd	
Gilland	

Mr. Boyd **moved to defer Third reading until the next day**, seconded by Mr. Schwartzkopf. The motion passed unanimously.

Ordinance 52-04- Mr. Lazarus **moved to amend**, seconded by Mr. Frazier. The motion passed unanimously. Mr. Boyd **moved to defer**, seconded by Mr. Hardee. Mr. Foxworth **moved to amend to include a new section to read “County Council does hereby approve and ratify the attached Intergovernmental Agreement between the County and the City of Myrtle Beach concerning the development and maintenance of the boat ramp and recreational area, and hereby authorizes the Horry County Administrator to execute the same and include the PUD ordinance and the Development Agreement in the Appendix**, seconded by Mr. Ryan. The motion passed. The vote was as follows:

<u>In favor</u>	<u>Opposed</u>
Worley	Barnard
Lazarus	
Foxworth	
Ryan	
Smith	
Frazier	
Schwartzkopf	
Prince	
Hardee	
Boyd	

Mr. Lazarus **moved to defer Third reading until the next day**, seconded by Mr. Ryan. The motion passed unanimously. Chairman Gilland stated the joint meeting with the Myrtle Beach City Council would be the next day at 2:00 p.m., which was why the ordinances were being deferred. The groundbreaking of the terminal would be after the 2:00 p.m. meeting.

Second reading and public review of **Ordinance 54-04** to provide for the sale of 6.02 acres on SC Hwy. 50 in Little River. Mr. Prince **moved to approve**, seconded by Mr. Hardee. There was no public review. The motion passed unanimously.

Second reading and public review of the following ordinances to approve the request to amend the official zoning maps: **55-04** Venture Engineering, agent for Southern Ladies, Inc.; **56-04** James Odell Jordan and **57-04** Alice “Bunny” Hilburn. Mr. Hardee **moved to approve**, seconded by Mr. Ryan. There was no public review. The motion passed unanimously.

OLD/NEW BUSINESS:

Strategic Planning. Mr. Boyd presented a powerpoint presentation. Chairman Gilland requested copies of the presentation be given to council members.

Indigent Claim. Mr. Frazier **moved to approve the claim from McKeiver Funeral Home**, seconded by Mr. Boyd. The motion passed unanimously.

Board of Assessment Appeals. Mr. Foxworth spoke about the change to the boards and commission term limit ordinance. He reported that appointments were needed for this board because the majority of Board Members would not be eligible to serve an additional term.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Mr. Lazarus announced representatives from Coastal Carolina University involved in the Economic Study of LYMO would be meeting the next day in the Administrator's Conference Room.

Chairman Gilland reminded Council about the 2:00 p.m. joint meeting with Myrtle Beach City Council regarding the Airport. She also reminded Council of the May 6 ribbon cutting ceremony of the railroad depot, as well as the League of Cities dinner Thursday night at 6:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mr. Hardee **moved to adjourn**, seconded by Mr. Ryan. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m. in memorial of Mr. Julian Richardson; Ms. Haleystine Dewitt; Ms. Getha Lee Floyd and Rev. Alex Lee Turner.