MINUTES HORRY COUNTY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING June 17, 2008

6:00 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Liz Gilland, Chairman; Harold Worley; Brent Schulz; Marion Foxworth (arrived at 6:10 p.m.) Howard Barnard; Bob Grabowski; James Frazier; Carl Schwartzkopf; Paul Prince; Kevin Hardee; and Al Allen.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Mike Ryan.

OTHERS PRESENT: Danny Knight; Pat Hartley; Arrigo Carotti; Anne Wright; Steve Gosnell; Paul Whitten; Janet Carter; Westley Sawyer; and Lisa Bourcier.

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.

INVOCATION: Mr. Allen gave the invocation.

PLEDGE: Mr. Schwartzkopf led the pledge.

PUBLIC INPUT:

- 1. Mike Shank spoke in support of the bike rallies.
- 2. Mary and James Kirsch spoke in support of the bike rallies.
- 3. Casey Koerner spoke in support of the bike rallies.
- 4. Tyson Thomas was to speak but was absent.
- 5. David Ankin was to speak but was absent.
- 6. Jonathan Formo spoke in support of bike rallies.

Chairman Gilland stated that the City of Myrtle Beach would take the leadership role on developing strategies on how best to handle the rallies.

Chairman Gilland closed public input at 6:32 p.m.

CHANGES TO AGENDA:

Chairman Gilland removed from the Consent Agenda the District Board Appointments of Edgar Dyer and Julie Harbin to the Planning Commission and placed them on the regular agenda.

Mr. Allen moved to add the nomination of Christopher Brittain to the Parks and Open Space Board. There was no second to the motion. A vote was taken that passed unanimously. (Mr. Ryan was absent.)

APPROVAL OF AGENDA CONTENTS:

Mr. Frazier moved to approve the agenda as amended, seconded by Mr. Barnard. The motion passed unanimously. (Mr. Ryan was absent.)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Regular Meeting June 3, 2008: Mr. Hardee moved to approve the minutes as submitted, seconded by Mr. Worley. The motion passed unanimously. (Mr. Ryan was absent.)

MEMORIAL DEDICATION: It was requested that upon adjournment, Council adjourn in memorial of the following individuals:

Helen Richardson

Mary L. Dudley

Timothy Lantier

Hazel Shelley

Deborah Poinsette

Harry Blue Huckabee

Gracie R. Martin

Fleta Evans Poole

Arthur & Rose Geddings

Chester Inman

Kathy Livingston

Larry Fowler

Eldred Prince, Sr.

Chris Yahnis

James Hayes

Clifton Bellamy

CHARATERISTIC OF THE MONTH: <u>Alertness:</u> being aware of what is taking place around me so I can have the right responses.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA: Mr. Barnard moved to approve the Consent Agenda, seconded by Mr. Schwartzkopf. The Consent Agenda consisted of the following:

Third reading of <u>Ordinance 67-08</u> to amend the County Code pertaining to the Parks & Open Space Board.

Third reading of <u>Ordinance 68-08</u> to amend the County Code pertaining to the establishment of an Airport Environs Overlay Zone at Myrtle Beach Int'l, Grand Strand, Conway-Horry County, and Loris-Twin Cities Airports.

Third reading of <u>Ordinance 69-08</u> to adopt a rural area management plan for the Mt. Vernon Community.

Third reading of the following ordinances to approve the request to amend the official zoning maps: **71-08** Sridhar Kamma, agent for Sunhouse Petroleum; **72-08** Derrick Blanton, agent for Beach Flowers, Inc.; **73-08** Fred Tew, agent for Frank Whiting, III, Whiting Construction Minor PDD and **74-08** Sean Williams, agent for Willie Edward Allen.

Third reading of <u>Ordinance 76-08</u> approving and authorizing the administrator to execute a lease agreement with Cellco Partnership, d/b/a Verizon Wireless of property located at Myrtle Beach Int'l Airport for the purpose of construction of a telecommunications facility.

First reading of the following ordinances to approve the request to amend the official zoning maps: 79-08 Queen's Harbour, Tract 5A, PDD; 80-08 Bill Oram, agent for KDC, Inc.; 81-08 Sean Harrelson, agent for Low Country Acquisitions & Investments; 82-08 Star Bluff PDD; and 83-08 Coleman Turner, agent Ottis Turner.

Resolution R-114-08 approving submittal of an application for Preserve America grant funds.

At-Large Reappointments to the Shoreline Behavioral Health Services Board of Directors: Mark Singleton, Harold Ford, Albert Kresken, Theodore Lewis and Kerry Hannah. New Appointment of Matt Turbeville.

District 11 Board Appointment: Christopher Brittain to the Parks & Open Space Board.

The motion passed unanimously. (Mr. Ryan was absent.)

RESOLUTIONS/PRESENTATIONS:

<u>Progress Report on the Myrtle Beach Int'l Airport Terminal Enhancement Project.</u> Rick Ott, MBKahn Construction, gave a report on the terminal stating they were a month ahead of schedule. Debbie Harwell spoke on upcoming public information meetings.

<u>Update on North Eastern Strategic Alliance (NESA) Activities</u>. Jeff McKay, Executive Director of NESA, gave an update on NESA activities and presented an annual report.

<u>Resolution R-113-08</u> honoring Adam Parness for his service to the citizens of Horry County. Mr. Schwartzkopf presented the resolution to Mr. Parness. **Mr. Schwartzkopf moved to approve, seconded by Mr. Worley. The motion passed unanimously.** (**Mr. Ryan was absent.**) Mr. Parness thanked Council.

Chairman Gilland called a recess at 7:25 p.m. The meeting reconvened at 7:40 p.m.

<u>Resolution R-112-08</u> declaring the month of June as National Homeowners Month. Mr. Grabowski moved to approve, seconded by Mr. Schwartzkopf. The motion passed unanimously. (Mr. Ryan was absent.)

<u>Resolution R-117-08</u> recognizing Horry/Georgetown Home Builders Association for their contributions to the community. Mr. Grabowski presented the award to Harry Dill and Roseanne Baker. Mr. Dill and Ms. Baker thanked Council. Mr. Grabowski moved to approve, seconded by Mr. Schwartzkopf. The motion passed unanimously. (Mr. Ryan was absent.)

Resolution R-106-08 authorizing and approving accommodations tax funding. Mr. Frazier moved to approve, seconded by Mr. Schulz. Mr. Allen moved to amend to increase the funding from \$4500 to \$10,000 for the Aynor Chamber of Commerce, seconded by Mr. Hardee. The motion to amend passed. (Mr. Barnard voted nay and Mr. Ryan was absent.) The main motion as amended passed. (Mr. Barnard voted nay and Mr. Ryan was absent.)

<u>Resolution R-115-08 and Public Hearing</u> approving a permit for a telecommunications tower to be located on Turkey Pen Rd near the intersection of Hwy. 905. **Mr. Prince moved to approve, seconded by Mr. Hardee.** Ryan Graham, HTC, spoke on the project. Mr. Prince requested that staff check on the easements for paving the road and also contact HTC regarding picnic areas in that area. **The motion passed unanimously.** (**Mr. Ryan was absent.**)

Resolution R-116-08 and Public Hearing approving a permit for a telecommunications tower to be located near the intersection of Juniper Bay Road and Pee Dee Hwy. Mr. Worley moved to approve, seconded by Mr. Prince. There was no public review. Mr. Allen moved to defer. There was no second to the motion. A vote was taken that passed unanimously. (Mr. Ryan was absent.)

READING OF ORDINANCES:

Second reading and public review of <u>Ordinance 60-08</u> to amend the zoning ordinance and to approve the request of DDC Engineers, agent for International Paper Realty Corp., Carolina Station PDD, to amend the official zoning maps. **Mr. Prince moved to approve, seconded by Mr. Hardee. Mr. Schulz recused himself.** There was no public review. **The motion passed. The vote was as follows:**

In favorOpposedAbsentFoxworthSchwartzkopfRyanGrabowskiBarnardSchulzFrazierWorley

Prince Hardee Allen Gilland

Second reading and public review of <u>Ordinance 61-08</u> to approve the Carolina Station Development Agreement with International Paper Realty Corp. for approximately 6259 acres located between Hwy. 9 to the North, Hwy 905 to the East, West Bear Grass Road to the South, and Hwy. 398 to the West. **Mr. Prince moved to approve, seconded by Mr. Hardee.** The following people spoke at public review: Jim Paullin; Cheryl Kelley; Pam Creech; George Edwards; Dick Levitt; Bo Ives; Claude Epps and Mike Wooten.

Mr. Grabowski moved to amend to the amended version presented in the packet, seconded by Mr. Allen. Mr. Schulz recused himself. The motion passed unanimously. (Mr. Schulz and Mr. Ryan were absent.) The main motion as amended passed. The vote was as follows:

In favorOpposedAbsentFoxworthSchwartzkopfSchulzGrabowskiWorleyRyan

Frazier Barnard Prince Gilland

Hardee Allen

Mr. Worley asked staff to request a performance bond from the developer before third reading.

Chairman Gilland called a recess at 9:23 p.m. The meeting reconvened at 9:30 p.m.

Third reading of <u>Ordinance 75-08</u> to add the following properties to the Horry County Historic Property Register: Nixon Cemetery, Thompkins Cemetery, Parker Cemetery, Buffkin/Turbeville Cemetery, Buffkin/Rowe Cemetery, McNeill Farm, Bunker Hill Cemetery, State Branch Cemetery, and Gowens/Cochran Cemetery. Mr. Schwartzkopf moved to approve, seconded by Mr. Grabowski. The motion passed unanimously. (Mr. Allen and Mr. Ryan were absent.)

Third reading of <u>Ordinance 77-08</u> approving and authorizing the administrator to execute an amendment to the lease agreement with KNH Aviation Services of property located at the Myrtle Beach Int'l Airport for the purpose of surrendering a portion of leasehold to another lessee. Mr. Grabowski moved to approve, seconded by Mr. Schwartzkopf. Mr. Barnard moved to amend to the amended version as presented in the packet, seconded by Mr. Frazier. The motion passed unanimously. (Mr. Allen and Mr. Ryan were absent.) The main motion as amended passed unanimously. (Mr. Allen and Mr. Ryan were absent.)

Second reading of <u>Ordinance 78-08</u> to approve the request of Timothy Meacham, agent for CCU Student Housing Foundation to amend the official zoning maps. Mr. Schwartzkopf moved to approve, seconded by Mr. Grabowski. The motion passed unanimously. (Mr. Ryan was absent.)

Second reading and public review of Ordinance 48-08 to raise revenue, make appropriations and adopt a budget for Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2009. Mr. Grabowski moved to approve, seconded by Mr. Schwartzkopf. Mr. Prince moved to amend that the \$10 increase in the road fee be designated to pave, repair, and resurface County roads, seconded by Mr. Allen. Mr. Foxworth moved to amend to include the entire \$30 road fee to be designated to pave, repair, and resurface County roads, seconded by Mr. Schwartzkopf. The motion passed unanimously. (Mr. Ryan was absent.) Mr. Allen recused himself from voting on aerial spraying and vegetation spraying. Chairman Gilland stated that the version of the budget ordinance that had been distributed on pink sheets included the changes made at the previous week's workshop, and would be the version as previously amended on which second reading would be given. Mr. Sawyer spoke on Section 9 wording change as to items that traditionally

rolled. The following people spoke at public review: Joanne Patterson; General James Vaught; Vincent Lehotski; and Pam Creech. **The motion to approve second reading of the budget failed. The vote was as follows:**

In favor
Schulz
Hardee
Ryan
Grabowski
Worley
Frazier
Allen
Schwartzkopf
Barnard
Gilland
Foxworth
Prince

Mr. Foxworth moved to reconsider Second reading of Ordinance 48-08, seconded by Mr. Worley. The motion passed unanimously. (Mr. Ryan was absent.)

Mr. Barnard moved to amend the budget to decrease the millage by 1.5 mills, seconded by Mr. Hardee. The motion passed unanimously. (Mr. Grabowski voted nay and Mr. Ryan was absent.)

Mr. Grabowski moved to amend to increase by one mill, seconded by Mr. Schwartzkopf. The motion failed. The vote was as follows:

In favor
Schulz
Prince
Ryan
Grabowski
Foxworth
Frazier
Hardee
Schwartzkopf
Worley
Gilland
Barnard

Mr. Schwartzkopf moved to amend to increase by .5 mills, seconded by Mr. Grabowski. The motion failed. The vote was as follows:

In favor
Schulz
Hardee
Ryan
Grabowski
Worley
Frazier
Allen
Schwartzkopf
Barnard
Gilland
Foxworth
Prince

The vote for no tax increase passed. The vote was as follows:

In favorOpposedAbsentWorleyGillandRyan

Barnard Grabowski
Frazier Schulz
Schwartzkopf Foxworth

Prince Hardee Allen

District Board Appointments: A unanimous vote was taken to appoint Edgar Dyer to the Planning Commission. (Mr. Ryan was absent.) Mr. Allen moved to defer the appointment of Julie Harbin to the Planning Commission until the incoming Council member for District Four was seated, seconded by Mr. Schulz. The motion passed unanimously. (Mr. Foxworth and Mr. Schwartzkopf voted nay and Mr. Ryan was absent.)

OLD/NEW BUSINESS:

Appointments to the Solid Waste Authority Board of Directors, nominated by the League of Cities. John Long, reappointment and Norfleet Jones, reappointment. A unanimous vote was taken to not appoint Mr. Long and Mr. Jones. (Mr. Ryan was absent.)

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Disbursement of District Recreation Funds to the City of Myrtle Beach for the purpose of undergrowthing a county park located within the Myrtle Beach city limits- \$600.00. Chairman Gilland announced the distribution. Mr. Foxworth spoke briefly on the distribution.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 10:26 p.m. in memorial of Helen Richardson; Mary L. Dudley; Timothy Lantier; Hazel Shelley; Harry Blue Huckabee; Gracie Ray Martin; Fleta Evans Poole; Arthur & Rosa Geddings; Deborah Poinsette; Chester Inman; Kathy Livingston; Larry Fowler; Eldred Prince, Sr.; Chris Yahnis; James Hayes; and Clifton Bellamy.