

**CONCISE SUMMARY  
LEXINGTON COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING  
DECEMBER 09, 2003**

**COMMITTEE MEETINGS - Planning and Administration - Zoning Map Amendment M03-06 - 6172 Bush River Road** - The Committee voted to recommend that Council deny Zoning Map Amendment M03-06 - 6172 Bush River Road. The Committee also voted to a one-time fee wavier should the applicant reapply.

**Zoning Map Amendment M03-05 - Portions of Counts Ferry Road, Rocky Cove Road, & Quail Trail** - The Committee voted to recommend that Council deny Zoning Map Amendment M03-05 based on the recommendation of the Planning Commission.

**Revised Driver Record Policy - Personnel - Katherine Doucett, Director** - Ms. Doucett discussed the proposed revisions to the Driver Record Policy. The Committee voted to recommend that Council adopt.

**Review of Zoning Ordinance Section 25.40 - Temporary Signs - Community & Economic Development - Tammy Coghill, Director** - Ms. Coghill discussed Zoning Ordinance Section 25.40 - Temporary Signs.

The Committee voted to recommend that Council form a committee comprising of nine (9) members (either business owners or citizens) to create a workable solution for the use of temporary signs and permitting and to have this committee in place by the middle of January. Also the committee asked staff to monitor whether or not violators are being issued warning tickets and to review the overall sign ordinance with recommendations to Council.

**Health Insurance Prescription Medication Deductible - Finance - Larry Porth, Director** - Mr. Porth discussed the upcoming change in the pharmacy plan. He stated effective January 1, 2004 there will be a \$50.00 annual prescription deductible. He also stated that during the budget process the County may want to look at a new instrument called a Health Reimbursement Account which is a new feature in the Internal Revenue Code.

**Old Business/New Business** - Mr. Carrigg asked staff to review the R3 zoning that exists in the neighboring areas of Coldstream and to see if it can be zoned correctly.

**Adjournment.**

**Justice - Continuation Gang Grant - Sheriff's Department - Chief Tim James, Assistant Sheriff and Interim Public Safety Director** - The Committee voted to recommend that Council approve staff's request to move forward with the Continuation Gang Grant application. This grant is used to identify gang activity throughout Lexington County.

**Old Business/New Business** - The Committee voted to recommend that Council take over the Banking Services RFQ from the Treasurer if not completed by January 15, 2004 and to explore the possibility of installing an ATM in the Administration Building.

**Adjournment.**

**Public Works - In-Kind Costs - Recreation Commission Parking Lot - Public Works - John Fechtel, Director** - The Committee voted to recommend to Council that staff be allowed to meet with the Executive Director of the Lexington County Recreation Commission to negotiate the paving of the parking lot on Oak Drive in exchange for three acres of land for the Oak Grove Magistrate's office. The cost of the project is not to exceed \$56,570.00.

**Stoney Point at Bear Creek Subdivision - Incomplete Road Work - Public Works - John Fechtel, Director** - Mr. Fechtel discussed the need to complete the road work for Stoney Point at Bear Creek subdivision. He stated this has been ongoing for the past five years and has yet to be completed by the developer. He indicated the cost would be approximately \$100,000.00 to bring the road up to County standards. Due to legal questions, this was deferred until Executive Session.

**CAT 938-G Front-End Loader, CAT 623-G Self Loading Wheel Tractor Scraper and CAT 826-C Compactor** - The Committee voted to recommend to Council to approve the bid for Solid Waste to purchase a CAT 938-G Front-End Loader without tires (equipped with fire suppressant system) CAT 623-G Self Loading Wheel Tractor Scraper and CAT 826-C Compactor to Blanchard Equipment in the amount of \$1,119,902.70 including tax. The Committee also voted to recommend to Council to approve the bid for tires for the CAT 938-G Front-end Loader to Miller Brothers Giant Tire in the amount of \$17,850.00 including tax and that staff be allowed to transfer \$17,850.00 from the Tire Recycling Fund to cover the cost of the tires.

**Old Business/New Business - Turn Lanes - Maxie and Old Cherokee Roads** - Mr. Fechtel reported that SCDOT has received \$22,304.41 from the original developer, Pulte Homes, to complete the turning lanes at the intersection of Maxie and Old Cherokee with no cost to the County.

**SCDOT Bid on Cannon Road** - The Committee voted to recommend to Council staff's recommendation to approve SCDOT bid on Cannon Road. Cannon Road is a County maintained road in the Chapin area and is 5245' in length. The total cost of the project is \$520,348.13.

**Adjournment.**

**Economic Development - Community & Economic Development - Tammy Coghill, Director - Project AF, Project Mallard, and Update on Pelion Airport** - The Committee voted to enter into Executive Session to discuss potential contracts and to receive an Economic Development update.

Committee Chairman Jeffcoat reconvened the meeting in open session.

Mr. Jeffcoat stated during the Executive Session three potential projects were discussed and reported there were no motions to be considered.

**Old Business/New Business** - None.

**Adjournment.**

**4:30 P.M. - COUNCIL CHAMBERS - Employee Recognition - Art Brooks, County Administrator** - Mr. Brooks recognized Eugene "Ski" Rishkofski, Deputy Delinquent Tax Collector, in the Treasurer's Office for his professional and courteous manner while assisting a citizen whose property was listed for auction.

**Employee of the Quarter - Art Brooks, County Administrator** - Nominees for the third quarter - Jolynn Hardee, Civil Clerk and Mary Jones, Criminal Clerk, employees with Magistrate Court Services/Oak Grove Magistrate's Office and Timothy M. James, Assistant Sheriff and Interim Public Safety Director.

Mr. Brooks presented a plaque to Assistant Sheriff Tim James as the Employee for the Third Quarter and Certificates of Excellence were presented to Jolynn Hardee and Mary Jones.

**Mental Illness Recovery Center, Inc. - Designation for MIRI to Obtain Funds to Transport Persons With Disabilities Through the State Mass Transit Assistance Program** - Council approved the resolution for the Mental Illness Recovery Center, Inc.

**Appointments - Lexington County Health Services District - Ms. Jennifer Cunningham, Mr. Billy Oswald, and James D. Whitehead, M.D.** - Ms. Jennifer Cunningham, Mr. Billy Oswald, and James D. Whitehead, M.D. were appointed to the Lexington County Health Services District Board of Directors.

**Building Code Board of Appeals -Marvin Smith** - Mr. Marvin Smith was appointed to the Building Code Board of Appeals.

**River Alliance - Councilman Todd Cullum, Councilman Joe Owens, Mr. Jimmy Doar, and Mr. Todd Sease** - Councilman Todd Cullum, Councilman Joe Owens, Mr. Jimmy Doar and Mr. Todd Sease were reappointed to the River Alliance Board.

**Bids/Purchases/RFPs - Fire Station Renovations/Pelion, Edmund, Sandy Run, and Round Hill - Fire Service** - Council approved the bid for Fire Service renovations for Pelion, Edmund, Sandy Run, and Round Hill to MAR Construction in the amount of \$312,600.00. The project includes all equipment, materials, and labor necessary for the renovation of the existing three-bay garages at Pelion, Edmund, and Sandy Run Fire Stations. Also included is the renovation of the existing three-bay garage and the construction of a 30' x 60' steel frame three-bay addition at the Round Hill Fire Station which includes site preparation and grading.

**Computers and Monitors - Library/Information Services** - Council approved the request for Library/Information Services to purchase twenty-one (21) Dell computers and monitors directly from Dell Computer through State Contract Number 03-S5869-A9659. The total cost is \$16,250.88 including tax.

**Streamlight Stringer Rechargeable Flashlights - Sheriff's Department** - Council approved the bid and the request for the Sheriff's Department to purchase Streamlight Stringer Rechargeable Flashlights and holsters from Lawmen's Safety Supply. The cost of the Streamlight Stringer Rechargeable Flashlights including tax is \$8,228.06. The cost of the holsters through State Contract Number 04-S6265-A10290 including tax is \$1,890.00. The total cost for the flashlights and holsters including tax is \$10,118.06.

**Laptop Computers - Public Safety/Communications/Information Services** - Council approved the request for Public Safety/Communications/Information Services to purchase three (3) Gateway laptop computers directly from Gateway through State Contract Number 03-S5869-A9661. The total cost is \$6,737.85 including tax.

**Sole Source Procurement - MSA Air Cylinders - Public Safety/Emergency Preparedness** - Council approved the request for Public Safety/Emergency Preparedness to purchase Mine Safety Appliance (MSA) Air Cylinders from the sole source provider, Newton's Fire & Safety Equipment Inc., in the amount of \$13,847.40 including tax.

**Drainage Improvements Bellemeade Subdivision Community Development Block Grant - Public Works** - Council approved the bid for Public Works to move forward with drainage improvements of the Bellemeade Subdivision to Ideal Construction Company. This project will include approximately 1,030 L.F. placement of pipes and removal or replacement of other drainage structures. The cost, based on estimated quantities, is \$167,830.00.

**Fleet Vehicle Replacements/Addition - Various Departments** - Council approved all but two of the requests for various departments to purchase Fleet Vehicle Replacements/Addition through State Contract. The cost of approved vehicles is \$452,465.53 including tax. The two vehicles not approved are motor pool replacements in the amount of \$33,190.14.

**Convection Oven and Kettle Replacement - Emergency Procurement - Sheriff's Department -** Council approved the bid for a Convection Oven and Kettle for the Sheriff's Department to Dietary Equipment Company in the amount of \$15,231.35 including tax and installation.

**Chairman's Report** - Mr. Davis stated starting in January 2004 the complete agenda packet will be available on the internet.

**Administrator's Report** - Mr. Brooks reported that moving has begun into the Lexington County Judicial Center and anticipates it being open to the public on Monday, December 15, 2003.

**Budget Amendment Resolutions** - The following BARs were distributed and signed.

Supplemental appropriation increase of \$16,400.00 awarded to the Lexington County Sheriff's Traffic Safety Division for the purchase of radar units through a multi-agency grant with the Town of Lexington.

Supplemental appropriation increase of \$1,800.00 for interest earned on the federal funds received for the FY02 Local Law Enforcement Block Grant. Interest is budgeted for Magistrate Court Services to standardize their software programs.

Supplemental appropriation increase of \$66,624.00 from the Inmate Services Fund to the Sheriff's General Fund to provide additional funds for medical services for inmates due to population overages and catastrophic medical cases.

Supplemental appropriation increase of \$3,580.00 received from the Leadership Lexington County, Inc. for the purchase of courthouse benches and receptacles.

Appropriate transfer of \$60,000.00 for a building addition to house the Cobra response vehicle and the equipment purchased through the grants for weapons of mass destruction events. This cost includes the site preparation and building addition as part of the station renovation project at Round Hill.

**Approval of Minutes - Meeting of October 28 and November 13, 2003** - Minutes of the October 28 and November 13, 2003 meetings were approved as submitted.

**Ordinances - Ordinance 03-8 - Landscape Ordinance - Text Change - 3<sup>rd</sup> and Final Reading** - Council approved third and final reading of Ordinance 03-8.

**Ordinance 03-12 - Conveyance of Real Estate From Lexington County to the Town of Lexington (Hendrix Street) - 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading** - Council approved second reading of Ordinance 03-12.

**Committee Reports - Planning & Administration, B. Rucker, Chairman - Revised Operation and Maintenance Plan for Judicial Center and County Buildings** - The Committee recommended

and Council approved staff's proposed Operation and Maintenance Plan for the Judicial Center and Administration Buildings with the following amendment which states: (1) All courtroom space in the Judicial Center is to be accessible on the basis of availability, (2) The family courtrooms will be scheduled by the Chief Administrative Family Court Judge and all other courtrooms will be scheduled by the Chief Administrative Judge for Circuit Court, and (3) Food and/or drinks are allowed in the courtrooms only on special occasions as approved by the judge responsible for scheduling of the respective courtroom(s).

**Health Insurance Prescription Medication Deductible** - The Committee met and discussed the Health Insurance Prescription Medication Deductible and reported effective January 1, 2004 there will be \$50.00 annual prescription deductible.

**Zoning Map Amendment M03-06 - 6172 Bush River Road** - Council voted to deny the request of Zoning Map Amendment M03-06 to C-2.

**Zoning Map Amendment M03-05 - Portions of Counts Ferry Road, Rocky Cove Road, & Quail Trail** - Council voted to deny the request of Zoning Map Amendment M03-05 to RL4.

**Justice, J. Carrigg, Chairman - Continuation Gang Grant** - The Committee recommended and Council approved staff's request to move forward with the Continuation Gang Grant application.

**Old Business/New Business** - The Committee recommended and Council approved that Council take over the Banking Services RFQ from the Treasurer if not completed by January 15, 2004.

**Public Works, B. Derrick, Chairman - In-Kind Costs - Recreation Commission Parking Lot** - The Committee recommended and Council approved that staff be allowed to meet with the Executive Director of the Lexington County Recreation Commission to negotiate the paving of the parking lot on Oak Drive in exchange for three acres of land for the Oak Grove Magistrate's office. The cost of the project is not to exceed \$56,570.00.

**Stoney Point at Bear Creek Subdivision - Incomplete Road Work** - Deferred until after Executive Session.

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**Economic Development, J. Jeffcoat, Chairman - Project AF (American Fiber & Finishing) -** Council approved the resolution which puts certain property owned by American Fiber and Finishing located in Newberry County into the Multi-County Park.

**Ordinance 03-13 - American Fiber & Finishing - 1<sup>st</sup> Reading** - Council approved first reading of Ordinance 03-13 that amends the County's Multi-County Park agreement with Newberry County and provides for the distribution of funds.

**Project Mallard (Honeywell International)** - Council approved a restructuring agreement with Honeywell International which consists of Assignment of fee-in-lieu documents, Assignment of memorandum of lease, and resolution authorizing the Assignment of fee-in-lieu documents.

**Presentations - Ms. Denise Wilkinson and Mr. Stewart Mungo, P.O. Box 93, Ballentine, SC 29202 - Project Pet** - Ms. Wilkinson and Mr. Mungo gave a presentation for a proposed regional pet adoption center and asked Council to lease property located on Bower Parkway for a fee of \$1.00 a year for 25 years for the proposed site.

**Ordinance 03-14 - Project Pet - Bower Parkway - 1<sup>st</sup> Reading** - Council approved 1<sup>st</sup> reading of Ordinance 03-14.

**Old Business/New Business** - None.

**Executive Session/Legal Briefing** - Council entered into Executive Session to receive the legal briefing and discuss a personnel matter.

Chairman Davis reconvened the meeting in open session.

**Matters Requiring a Vote as a Result of Executive Session** - Chairman Davis reported Council received the legal briefing during the Executive Session and discussed a personnel matter and indicated one motion was to be considered.

**Stoney Point at Bear Creek Subdivision - Incomplete Road Work** - Council approved the request for Public Works to move forward with the bid process for Stoney Point at Bear Creek Subdivision. This project will involve some curb replacement, complete rehabilitation of the existing asphalt and base with soil cement, and a new 1 ½" asphalt paving surface. The estimated cost is \$142,180.00.

Council also approved that the County Attorney proceed with legal action against Five Star Development, LLC.

**Adjournment.**

