MINUTES
HORRY COUNTY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
May 1, 2007
6:00 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Liz Gilland, Chairman; Harold Worley; Brent Schulz; Marion Foxworth; Howard Barnard; Bob Grabowski; James Frazier; Carl Schwartzkopf; Paul Prince; Kevin Hardee; and Al Allen. Mike Ryan arrived later in the meeting.

MEMBERS ABSENT:

OTHERS PRESENT: Danny Knight; Pat Hartley; John Weaver; 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 6:08 p.m.

INVOCATION: Mr. Schulz gave the invocation.

PLEDGE: Mr. Hardee led the pledge.

PUBLIC INPUT:

1. Pat Lebietz spoke on County Boards and Commissions.
2. Randy Fisher spoke on Zero Tolerance Litter Campaign.
3. Pat Milley spoke on Casino Boats.
5. Vincent Lehotski spoke on Ordinance 69-07 and a missing County check.
6. Ervin Kruetter spoke on a board game dealing with the future.

Chairman Gilland closed public input at 6:30 p.m.

CHANGES TO AGENDA:

Mr. Foxworth requested to remove from the Consent Agenda Resolutions R-61-07, R-62-07 and R-63-07.

Ms. Wright stated staff requested that Council table Resolution R-65-07. She also requested that Resolution R-64-07 be amended to relate only to general aviation grants. Mr. Frazier moved to table Resolution R-65-07, seconded by Mr. Hardee. The motion passed. (Mr. Ryan was absent.) Mr. Barnard moved to defer Resolution R-64-07, seconded by Mr. Worley. Mr. Kemp spoke briefly on the resolution being time sensitive. There was no vote on the motion to defer. Mr. Grabowski moved to amend the following: WHEREAS, the HCDA has submitted
federal fiscal year 2007 (FY07) general aviation grant applications to the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) and intends to submit grant applications for matching funds to the State of South Carolina (SCDOA). NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Horry County Council that: 1.) The Horry County Council hereby ratifies and approves the submission of any grant applications for general aviation by the HCDA. The Horry County Council hereby accepts any funding grant from the FAA or any other governmental agency for the purpose of planning and/or implementing of various projects at the County General Aviation Airports, seconded by Mr. Schwatzkopf. The motion passed. (Mr. Ryan was absent.) Mr. Barnard moved to approve the resolution as amended, seconded by Mr. Prince. The motion passed. (Mr. Ryan was absent.)

Mr. Frazier moved to defer the Recognition of the IT/GIS Department’s Excellence Award from Geospatial Information & Technology Association (GITA), seconded by Mr. Grabowski. The motion passed. (Mr. Ryan was absent.)

APPROVAL OF AGENDA CONTENTS: Mr. Schwatzkopf moved to approve the agenda as amended, seconded by Mr. Grabowski. The motion passed. (Mr. Ryan was absent.)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Regular Meeting April 17, 2007: Mr. Barnard moved to approve the minutes as submitted, seconded by Mr. Frazier. The motion passed. (Mr. Ryan was absent.)

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

Mr. Garvin Huggins, III (Mr. Frazier)
Mrs. Gladys H. Vereen (Mr. Frazier)
Mrs. Maggie Liles (Mr. Frazier)
Mr. Leman L. Stroud (Mr. Allen)
Mrs. Marian T. Anderson (Mr. Allen)
Mr. Sidney J. Shelley (Mr. Allen)
Mrs. Mazie S. Turbeville (Mr. Allen)
Mrs. Maudell E. Jenkins (Mr. Allen)
Mr. Byron P. Graham (Mr. Allen)
Donald Gowd
Ellis Singleton
Mrs. Bessie H. Lee (Chairman Gilland)
Mrs. Doris L. Herring (Mr. Prince)
Mr. E. J. Duncan (Mr. Worley)
APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA: Mr. Worley moved to approve the Consent Agenda, seconded by Mr. Grabowski. The Consent Agenda consisted of the following:

Third reading of Ordinance 62-07 to approve the request of David Barringer, agent for Hacienda Gardens Minor PDD, to amend the official zoning maps.

Third reading of Ordinance 36-07 to amend the zoning ordinance pertaining to telecommunications tower facilities.

Third reading of Ordinance 37-07 to amend the county code to adopt procedures for the issuance of a telecommunications tower permit.

Third reading of Ordinance 66-07 to provide for installment payment of real property taxes.

Third reading of Ordinance 67-07 to amend the zoning ordinance pertaining to establishment of residential zoning district labels.

First reading of Ordinance 86-07 to amend the zoning ordinance to establish a Traditional Neighborhood District (TND).

District Appointments: District 5 Planning Commission- Ed Buffum and District 2 Airport Advisory Committee- Tom Staats, Jr.

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

Chairman Gilland read a letter from the FAA regarding funding for the new terminal. She also read a personal statement on the status of the new terminal.

RESOLUTIONS/PRESENTATIONS:

Resolution R-59-07 to request that the SC General Assembly and the SC Congressional Delegation continue to support the manufacturing sector, the working families of South Carolina, and strong national trade policy, and to take swift and responsive actions to halt unlawful barriers to fair and free trade. Mr. Frazier moved to approve, seconded by Mr. Prince. The motion passed unanimously. Chairman Gilland suggested that a copy be sent to the elected officials in Washington and Columbia.

Resolution R-61-07 proclaiming the month of May 2007 as Horry County Historic Preservation Month and the week of May 13-19, 2007, as Horry County Historic Preservation Week. Mr. Foxworth moved to approve, seconded by Mr. Schwartzkopf. The motion passed unanimously.

Resolution R-62-07 approving the designation of Horry County as a Preserve America Community. Mr. Foxworth moved to approve, seconded by Mr. Schwartzkopf. The motion passed unanimously.
Resolution R-63-07 proclaiming May 18th as Horry County Museum Day. Mr. Schwartzkopf moved to approve, seconded by Mr. Foxworth. The motion passed unanimously.

READING OF ORDINANCES:

Third reading of Ordinance 40-07 to approve the request of Thomas & Hutton Engineering, agent for Carolina Forest Waterway Tract PDD, to amend the official zoning maps. Mr. Foxworth moved to adopt the amended version, seconded by Mr. Hardee. The motion passed unanimously. No motion was made to approve as amended but a vote was taken that passed unanimously.

Second reading of Ordinance 05-07 to approve the request of Mark Talbot, agent for International Partners LLC, to amend the official zoning maps. Mr. Hardee moved to approve, seconded by Mr. Prince. The motion passed unanimously.

Second reading and public review of the following ordinances to approve the request to amend the official zoning maps: 58-07 Paul King, agent for Lewis Family Investments LLC; 73-07 Archie Vereen; 74-07 Michael Welch, agent for Charlie & Sarah Welch; 75-07 Betty & Delia Smith; 76-07 Peachtree Plantation PDD; 77-07 Patrick Marino, agent for Deluxe Land Partners LLC; 78-07 Lou Mancil & Tony Martin; 79-07 Crystal Corley; 80-07 Ronald & Grady Chestnut; 81-07 Mitchell & Dewey Small; 82-07 John Mabry, agent for Sunhouse Petroleum; and 83-07 Helen McLain, agent for Crescent Land Holding Co. LLC. Mr. Prince moved to approve, seconded by Mr. Grabowski. There was no public review. Mr. Grabowski moved to amend Ordinance 76-07 to add a community benefit which would read- the developer will improve Peachtree Road to include a center turn lane and an appropriate deceleration lane along the section of Peachtree Road fronting this project. The developer will also pay to Horry County the prorata share of costs not to exceed 25% to install a traffic signal at the intersection of Peachtree Road and Millpond Road at the time SCDOT warrant analysis was met, seconded by Mr. Prince. The motion to amend passed unanimously. Mr. Schulz recused himself from discussion and voting on Ordinance 58-07 and Ordinance 77-06. Mr. Hardee moved to defer Ordinance 81-07, seconded by Mr. Ryan. The motion to defer passed unanimously. The motion passed on the remaining ordinances.

Second reading and public review of Ordinance 39-07 to amend the zoning ordinance to require that certain solid waste transfer stations shall be permitted only within a planned development district. Mr. Schwartzkopf moved to approve, seconded by Mr. Prince. The following people spoke at public review:

1. Pete Murdock spoke in favor.
2. Chuck Rhome spoke in favor.
The motion to approve failed. The vote was as follows:

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Mr. Worley left the meeting.

Second reading and public review of **Ordinance 69-07** to amend the county code pertaining to animals and fowl. **Mr. Schwartzkopf moved to approve, seconded by Mr. Grabowski.** The following people spoke at public review:

1. Brian Rogers spoke in opposition.
2. Pam Creech spoke in opposition.
3. Felicia Richardson spoke in opposition.
4. Marvin Fretwell spoke in favor.
5. William Dagle spoke in favor.
6. Chuck Johns spoke in favor.
7. Brian Rogers spoke again in opposition.
8. Joel Ratcliff spoke in favor.
9. George Paculla spoke in favor.

The motion passed. The vote was as follows:

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Second reading and public review of **Ordinance 70-07** to amend the FY 2007 budget to provide funding for a victim witness advocate and an administrative assistant in the Solicitor’s office. **Mr. Grabowski moved to approve, seconded by Mr. Schwartzkopf.** The motion passed. (Mr. Worley was absent.) Ervin Kruetter spoke at public review.
First reading of **Ordinance 84-07** to amend Ordinance 181-05 so as to allow for the effective date of salary adjustments for Horry County Elected Officials, other than members of County Council, to be upon Resolution of Council. **Mr. Hardee moved to approve, seconded by Mr. Grabowski. The motion passed. The vote as follows:**

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**First reading of Ordinance 85-07** approving an exchange of properties by and between Horry County and Burroughs & Chapin Company. **Mr. Grabowski moved to approve, seconded by Mr. Hardee.** Mr. Ryan requested information on the description of the fire station, ISO rating and how the station was to be manned, etc. **The motion passed. (Mr. Worley and Mr. Grabowski were absent.)**

**OLD/NEW BUSINESS:**

Nominations for an at-large appointment to the Myrtle Beach Redevelopment Authority Board: Richard Heath and Arthur Thompkins. Ms. Hartley distributed ballots and later in the meeting Chairman Gilland announced that Arthur Thompkins had been appointed.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Mr. Prince announced that the Public Safety Committee was working on programs to combat the problem of litter in the County.

Chairman Gilland announced that the Jazz Festival was taking place in Conway over the weekend.

Mr. Allen announced that the District Eleven Road Oversight Committee would have their first public hearing on the Aynor Overpass on May 21st at the Aynor Senior Citizen Center.

Mr. Frazier requested that Council pass a resolution regarding not allowing children to carry guns to school. Chairman Gilland said they would do that at the next meeting.
ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m. in memorial of Mr. Garvin Huggins, III; Mrs. Gladys Vereen; Mrs. Maggie Liles; Mr. Leman L. Stroud; Mrs. Marian T. Anderson; Mr. Sidney J. Shelley; Mrs. Mazie S. Turbeville; Mrs. Maudell E. Jenkins; Mr. Byron P. Graham; Donald Gowd; Ellis Singleton; Mrs. Bessie H. Lee; Mrs. Doris L. Herring and Mr. E.J. Duncan.