WEEKLY UPDATE FOR SEPTEMBER 15 – SEPTEMBER 19, 2014

PUBLIC MEETINGS

SEPTEMBER 15 – SEPTEMBER 19, 2014

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

2:30 p.m.-Horry County Board of Architectural Review, Horry County Government & Justice Center, Multi-Purpose Rooms, 1301 Second Avenue, Conway.

6 p.m.-Horry County Council, Horry County Government & Justice Center, Council Chambers, 1301 Second Avenue, Conway.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

3 p.m.-Horry County Board of Fee Appeals, Horry County Government & Justice Center, Multi-Purpose Room C/E, 1301 Second Avenue, Conway.

5 p.m.-RIDE III Advisory Committee, Coastal Carolina University, Wall College of Business Room 318, Conway. (NO AGENDA)

AGENDAS

HORRY COUNTY
BOARD OF ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW MEETING

Tuesday, September 16th, 2014 at 2:30 PM
1301 Second Avenue
Conway, SC 29526

AGENDA

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I. Call to Order.

II. Approval of Minutes.
   A. August 19th, 2014.

III. Certificates of Appropriateness – None.

IV. Public Hearings – None.

V. Special Tax Assessment Application
   A. Final Certification – 706 Elm Street.

VI. Old Business.
   A. The Patriot Tree Project.
   B. Tax Assessment Form Alteration.
   C. Display Case Update.

VII. New Business.
   A. Outreach.
      i. August 26th – Kiwanis’s Presentation.
      ii. September 12th – Patriot Tree Dedication – Horry County Courthouse.

VIII. Board Discussion.

IX. Next Meeting – October 21st, 2014.

X. Adjourn.

Regular Council Meeting
September 16, 2014 – 6:00 p.m.
Council Chambers, 1301 Second Ave., Conway, SC
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C. Pledge of Allegiance

D. Public Input (30-Minute Time Limit)

E. Approval of Agenda Contents

F. Approval of Minutes: Regular Meeting, September 2, 2014

G. CONSENT AGENDA

1. Third Reading – Ordinance 69-14 to amend the zoning ordinance of the County Code pertaining to the Little River Overlay Zone. (Favorable, I&R Comm)

2. Third Reading – Ordinance 70-14 to amend the zoning ordinance of the County Code pertaining to the Restaurant Row Overlay Zone. (Favorable, I&R Comm)

3. Third Reading – Ordinance 71-14 authorizing the county administrator to execute a lease agreement with Coast FA for use of the soccer fields at Socastee Recreation Park. (Favorable, I&R Comm)

4. Third Reading – Ordinance 72-14 approving and authorizing the county administrator to subdivide, advertise and sell an approximately 1-acre portion of the existing Olin I. Blanton, Jr. property. (Favorable, I&R Comm)

5. Third Reading – Ordinance 73-14 approving and authorizing the county administrator to execute Modification #2 to a Retail/Merchandise Concession & Lease Agreement with Hudson Group Retail, LLC for concession space within the terminal building at MYR. (Favorable, Administration Comm)

6. First Reading of the following ordinances to approve the request to amend the official zoning maps:
   Ord 86-14 Linda Ervin, agent for Everett Bibb (Mr. Grabowski)
   Ord 87-14 Larry Williams, agent for L&W of Myrtle Beach LLC & Larry Williams (Mr. Grabowski)
   Ord 88-14 Johanna Haynes, agent for Careteam Inc. (Mr. Schwartzkopf)
   Ord 89-14 Sheila Strickland, agent for Melba Shelley (Mr. P. Prince)
   Ord 90-14 Venture Engineering, agent for Alpharetta Farms LLC (J. Prince)
   Ord 91-14 Patricia Grunskey (Mr. Allen)
   Ord 92-14 Jose & Ana Hernandez (Mr. Allen)
   Ord 93-14 Matthew Galloway, agent for Allen Floyd (Mr. Allen)

7. Resolution R-70-14 to adopt the Horry County Housing & Community Development Consolidated Annual Performance & Evaluation Report for FY 2013-14. (Favorable, Administration Comm)

8. Resolution R-71-14 authorizing changes to the Capital Improvements Program Policies. (Favorable, Administration Comm)

9. Recreation Resolution R-28-14 approving allocation of Council recreation funds for Mr. Calvary Church, Socastee Junior ROTC, Teens & Infants Shelter Home, & Green Sea-Floyds Booster Club. (Favorable, Administration Comm)

10. Recreation Resolution R-29-14 approving allocation of Council recreation funds for American Red Cross. (Favorable, Administration Comm)

H. PRESENTATIONS / RESOLUTIONS

11. Resolution R-69-14 recognizing September 18th as National Pitt Hopkins Syndrome Awareness Day. (Mr. Allen)

12. Resolutions congratulating the Aynor All-Star Sweetees, Angels, and Ponytails Dixie Softball Teams on winning their respective 2014 State Championships and going on to represent their county and state at the Dixie Softball World Series. (Mr. Allen)

R-72-A-14 Aynor All-Star Sweetees
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13. Presentation on the Certified Work Ready Communities Initiative (Mr. Wilson)

14. Presentation on the Burroughs School Museum (Mr. Hill)

15. Resolution R-47-14 to disapprove the request of The Earthworks Group, agent for James Steven Jackson, to amend the official zoning maps. (Mr. Grabowski)

I. READING OF ORDINANCES

16. Second Reading and Public Hearing of the following ordinances to approve the request to amend the official zoning maps:
   - Ord 75-14 Carolina Forest Storage PDD Amendment (Mr. Foxworth)
   - Ord 76-14 Berkshire Forest PDD Amendment (Mr. Foxworth)
   - Ord 77-14 Charles Corbett, Jr. (Mr. Loftus)
   - Ord 78-14 Waccamaw Distribution Center PDD (Mr. Loftus)
   - Ord 79-14 D & S Recycling LLC (Mr. Grabowski)
   - Ord 80-14 James & Wilma Boyd and Olivia Ambrose (Mr. P. Prince)
   - Ord 81-14 Todd Wagner, agent for Betty Leach (Mr. J. Prince)
   - Ord 82-14 Mt. Olive Rental Inc. and Jackie Woodbury (Mr. J. Prince)
   - Ord 83-14 Venture Engineering, agent for Debra Murphy, et al (Mr. J. Prince)
   - Ord 84-14 Shaftesbury Glen PDD Amendment (Mr. J. Prince)
   - Ord 85-14 Lorraine Rose (Mr. Allen)

17. Second Reading – Ordinance 74-14 to approve the request of Carlton Thompkins, agent for Thompkins Investments LLC, to amend the official zoning maps. (Messrs. Loftus/Grabowski)

J. OLD / NEW BUSINESS

18. Vote to change December Council meeting date to Monday, December 8 (from December 9).


K. ANNOUNCEMENTS

20. Memorial Dedications:

21. Upcoming Meetings:
   - Regular Council Meetings, October 7 and 21, 6:00 p.m.
   - I & R Committee, September 29, 9:00 a.m.
   - Public Safety Committee, September 29, 3:00 p.m.
   - Administration Committee, October 10, 1:00 p.m.
   - Fall Budget Workshop, November 14

L. EXECUTIVE SESSION: Discussion of negotiations incident to proposed contractual arrangements and proposed sale or purchase of property.

M. ADJOURN
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HORRY COUNTY BOARD OF FEE APPEALS
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

There will be a public hearing on Thursday, September 18, 2014 3:00 P. M. in the Horry County Judicial and Governmental Complex in the multi-purpose room C/E second floor located at 1301 2nd Ave. Conway. The public is invited to attend. The agenda is as follows:

I. Call to Order
II. Invocation
III. Approval of Minutes
IV. New Business
   • Case # 09-01-14 Beach Vacations LLC (Hospitality Accounts #10874 and #10875)
   • Case # 09-02-14 Myrtle Wood Villas (Hospitality Accounts #15845 and 13582)
   • Case #09-03-14 Maryann & Tom Katonka (BL & Hospitality)
V. Adjournment

NEWS RELEASES

HORRY COUNTY MEMORIAL LIBRARY NAMED 2014 INNOVISION AWARD FINALIST

Conway, South Carolina – The Horry County Memorial Library System is the only library among seventeen other finalists for the 2014 InnoVision Awards. The InnoVision Awards Program was founded in 1999 by Deloitte Development and is presented by the McNair Law Firm. The program is dedicated to the advancement of technology in South Carolina through communication, education and recognition of the spirit of innovation and technological progress.

The Horry County Memorial Library is a finalist in the Technological Application Division that recognizes a company or organization for the innovative application of an existing technology for a product, process or service that may be utilized in the state of South Carolina. The Horry County Memorial Library’s entry involved the revamping of its website by:

• The use of PHP, Java Script, and MYSQL to create a materials browsing program and a new arrivals wall of images that runs on a virtual webserver. This enabled users to more easily find library materials. Also, this allowed the library to make ebooks, selected full-text periodical databases, and their digital collections available in a single, seamless integrated experience.
• The creation of an application for library patrons to use on their smart phones and tablets.
• An embedded catalog widget on their Facebook pages.
• SMS messaging so users could get notices more quickly.
• Enhanced telephone messaging for library patrons without computer access.
Horry County Memorial Library Director, Clifton Boyer, said of being nominated, “It is an honor to be a finalist for this award and extremely satisfying that the high quality of work done by our staff is being recognized by an organization who promotes technological innovations.”

Winners will be announced at the 16th Annual Innovation Awards Dinner on November 11, 2014.

For more information, contact the Horry County Memorial Library at 843-915-5285.

HORRY COUNTY LEGISLATIVE DELEGATION SEEKING APPLICANTS FOR BOARDS/COMMISSIONS

Conway, South Carolina – The Horry County Legislative Delegation is currently seeking applicants for the following boards/commissions that have vacancies, expired terms, or terms that expire in the near future. Individuals interested in serving should call Connie Turner @ (843) 915-5130 between the hours of 9:00 AM & 4:00 PM or email her at turnerc@horrycounty.org to request a board application and the SC Governor’s background check application.

- Board of Voter Registration And Elections of Horry County
- Horry County Board of Social Services
- Horry County Disabilities And Special Needs Board
- Horry County Forestry Commission
- Horry County Higher Education Commission
- Horry County Veteran’s Affairs Officer
- Loris Community Hospital Commission
- South Carolina Children’s Foster Care Review Board 15-C
- South Carolina Forestry Commission
- Waccamaw Center for Mental Health Governing Board
- Waccamaw Regional Council of Governments
- Waccamaw Regional Transportation Authority (The Coast RTA)

HORRY COUNTY ANIMAL CARE CENTER TO HOLD PET VACCINATION CLINIC

Conway, South Carolina – The Horry County Animal Care Center will hold a vaccination clinic, 23 September 2014, from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. at the animal shelter located at 1923 Industrial Park Road in Conway. The Clinic will offer the following services:

Distemper/Parvo $10--must be at least 8-weeks old
(canine)
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**Bordatella (canine)**
- $10--must be at least 8-weeks old

**Rabies (canine & feline)**
- $10--must be at least 4-months old

**Microchip (canine & feline)**
- $15--must be at least 8-weeks old

**Rhinotracheitis/Calici (feline)**
- $10--must be at least 8-weeks old

Dogs and cats are both welcome; dogs must be on a hand-held leash and cats must be in a pet carrier.

The Animal Care Center holds these clinics monthly.

To help homeless animals in Horry County find loving homes, the Animal Care Center will offer discounted adoptions the first Friday and Saturday of each month. Potential adopters are encouraged to visit and spend time with the animal they are interested in. Most of the animals are already spayed or neutered and have their shots up to date, however younger animals may need to be returned later to have shots and/or spay/neutering done. The paperwork is easy and only takes a few minutes to fill out. Adoption fees are discounted and typically include spaying/neuterling, vaccines, heartworm or leukemia testing, heartworm and flea preventative, intestinal parasite treatment and micro-chipping. Qualifying new pet parents also get 30-days free pet health insurance and coupons from local pet businesses.

To view the animals currently available for adoption or for more information on the monthly vaccination clinics, contact the Horry County Animal Care Center at 843-915-5172, follow us on Facebook, or visit our website at [http://www.horrycounty.org/depts/pub safety/AdoptAnimals.asp](http://www.horrycounty.org/depts/pub safety/AdoptAnimals.asp).

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**PROPERTY REASSESSMENT NOTICES AND TAX BILLS TO BE MAILED**

**Conway, South Carolina**— Horry County is in the process of preparing various property tax mailings, as detailed below.

A state-mandated, countywide reassessment of all real properties in Horry County has occurred for tax year 2014, based on values as of December 31, 2013. Horry County’s last reassessment determined the fair market value of real properties as of December 31, 2008, and the amounts of real estate (property) tax paid on those values through tax year 2013.

In September, a notice of reassessment will be mailed to all property owners in Horry County whose property’s market value increases $1,000 or more as a result of reassessment. Only real property is appraised during a reassessment, which includes land and any improvements on it such as a house, outbuilding, swimming pool, or dock. During a reassessment, the Assessor’s Office will review the market values of all properties in the county. Based on changes in the real estate market, the Assessor’s Office will determine which property values need to be increased or decreased.
Each property owner has 90 days after the date of the assessment notice to notify the Assessor's Office if they would like to appeal the value as shown on the reassessment notice. The appeal form is available at http://www.horrycounty.org/portals/0/Docs/assessor/appeal-2014.pdf. Filing an appeal does not waive the tax liability, so while the appeals process is underway, it is recommended that you pay the tax liability prior to the penalty period to avoid further penalties. For more information on property reassessment notices, please contact the Horry County Assessor’s Department at (843) 915-5040.

In October, the Horry County Auditor’s office will mail personal property tax bills. Personal property tax must be paid on all personal property, including business personal property used to generate business income within Horry County. This includes business personal property, such as furniture, which is located within a condominium or house that is rented to third parties to generate revenue for the owner. The tax is assessed on the values that the business owners report to the County when they file the Form PR 26 by April 30th each year. More information regarding this filing requirement, including the form and the instructions, are available at http://www.horrycounty.org/portals/0/Docs/auditor/PersonalPropertyReturn2014.pdf. If you have questions regarding the personal property tax bill that you receive, or if you filed a Form PR 26 but do not receive a personal property tax bill, please call the Auditor’s Office at (843) 915-5054.

Also in October, the county will mail real property tax bills. Approximately 250,000 bills will be mailed. However, if you have been making installment payments during the year as payments to be applied against your 2014 real property tax bill, your tax bill will not be mailed to you until November 15th. The reason for this delay is that the installment payment that you make during the month of October needs to be processed in order to determine the remaining balance due on your 2014 taxes. Tax bills relating to 2014 can be paid without penalty up to January 15, 2015. Payments postmarked after January 15, 2015, and payments paid at the County’s Treasurer’s Office locations after January 15, 2015 will be subject to a 3% penalty, and additional penalty of 7% if not paid on or before February 1, 2015, and a third penalty of 5% if not paid on or before March 16, 2015. Additional information relating to paying real property taxes on-line, or signing up for the installment payment plan, is available at http://www.horrycounty.org/Departments/Treasurer.aspx. New applications for the 2015 tax year Installment Payment Program deadline is January 15, 2015. For more information concerning tax payments please contact the Horry County Treasurer’s Office at (843) 915-5470.

STATE SENATE DISTRICT 32 SPECIAL ELECTION

Conway, South Carolina – The State Election Commission received the Writ of Election from the Senate President calling for a special election in Senate District 32, which covers Berkeley, Florence, Georgetown, Horry, and Williamsburg Counties. The following Horry County precincts can vote in this special election and they are Brownway, Inland, Pawley Swamp, and Port Harrelson.

Important Dates and Deadlines:

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• Noon, Friday, July 4 - Filing Period Opens (County voter registration and elections offices will not be open on July 4. Candidates can begin filing when offices open on Monday morning.)
• Noon, Monday, July 14 - Filing Period Closes.
• August 2 - Voter Registration Deadline for Primary
• September 2 - Primary (if necessary)
• September 16 - Primary Runoff (if necessary)
• October 4 - Voter Registration Deadline for Special Election
• November 4 - Special Election (will appear on General Election ballot)

Candidate Filing Information:

• County voter registration and elections offices will not be open on July 4. Candidates can begin filing when offices open on Monday morning.
• Candidates file at the county voter registration and election office in their county of residence.
• The filing fee for this office is $208. The filing fee is paid by Democratic and Republican party candidates only. Filing fees can be made by check or money order. Filing fee checks should be made out to the appropriate State party.

For more information, please contact the Horry County Registration & Elections Office at (843) 915-5440.

ROAD CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

BRIDGE REPLACEMENTS TO TAKE PLACE ON OLD HIGHWAY 90 ROAD

Conway, South Carolina – Beginning on August 11, work will begin to replace two existing bridge structures. This work is part of the Riding on a Penny sales tax program and will include paving 11,000 feet of the existing dirt road after the bridge-work has been completed.

Individuals traveling along Old Highway 90 Road will experience temporary road closures around the areas of the existing bridges from August 11 to October 6, 2014. Old Highway 90 Road will be closed to thru traffic; however the contractor will maintain access to all properties during construction to sustain the ingress/egress of traffic for property owners.
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To get updates on all SCDOT projects in Horry County, visit SCDOT’s website at http://www.scdot.org choose Quick Links. From the drop down menu select SC Road Conditions. Just click on Horry County on the map for the current listing.

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