WEEKLY UPDATE FOR OCTOBER 20 – OCTOBER 24, 2014

PUBLIC MEETINGS

OCTOBER 20 – OCTOBER 24, 2014

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 21

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

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 23

4 p.m.-Horry County Memorial Library Board of Trustees, Horry County Memorial Library Administrative Offices, 1008-5th Avenue, Conway.

AGENDAS

Regular Council Meeting
October 21, 2014 – 6:00 p.m.
Council Chambers, 1301 Second Ave., Conway, SC

A. Call to Order
B. Invocation
C. Pledge of Allegiance
D. Public Input (30-Minute Time Limit)
E. Approval of Agenda Contents
F. Approval of Minutes: Regular Meeting, October 7, 2014
G. CONSENT AGENDA

1. Third Reading on 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 89-14** Sheila Strickland, agent for Melba Shelley (Mr. P. Prince)
   - **Ord 90-14** Venture Engineering, agent for Alpharetta Farms LLC (J. Prince)

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Ord 91-14 Patricia Grunsky (Mr. Allen)
Ord 92-14 Jose & Ana Hernandez (Mr. Allen)
Ord 93-14 Matthew Galloway, agent for Allen Floyd (Mr. Allen)

2. First Reading of Ordinance 99-14 to amend the County Code of Ordinances pertaining to business licensing, denials, revocations & the license rate classification schedule. (Favorable, Administration Comm)

3. First Reading – Ordinance 100-14 authorizing the administrator to execute an easement to Grand Strand Water & Sewer Authority for a 20’ waterline easement for the installation of an elevated water tank at Michael Morris Graham Athletic Field. (Favorable, I&R Comm)

4. Resolution R-79-14 to adopt budget revision #1 for CDBG Year 7 (2014/2015) Fund regarding Horry County projects. (Favorable, Administration Comm)

5. Recreation Resolution R-30-14 approving allocation of Council recreation funds for Community Clean-Up Day, Racepath Thanksgiving Dinner, Interchange Park at 17/22, Economic Growth Summit, Beach Ball Classic, Help4Kids, Robotics Competition, & Equestrian Center. (Favorable, Administration Comm)

6. Recreation Resolution R-31-14 approving allocation of Council recreation funds for Horry County Teens & Infants Shelter Home. (Favorable, Administration Comm)

H. READING OF ORDINANCES

7. Third Reading – Ordinance 85-14 to approve the request of Lorraine Rose to amend the official zoning maps. (Mr. Allen)

8. Second Reading and Public Hearing – Ordinance 94-14 to amend the zoning ordinance pertaining to penalties for violations. (Favorable, I&R Comm)

9. Second Reading and Public Hearing – Ordinance 97-14 amending the County Code to provide for the regulation of certain additional activities at county boat landings. (Favorable, Public Safety Comm)

10. Second Reading and Public Hearing – Ordinance 98-14 to approve the request of Donald Smith, agent for Smith Land Company, to amend the official zoning maps. (Mr. Price)

I. OLD / NEW BUSINESS

J. ANNOUNCEMENTS

11. Memorial Dedications:

12. Upcoming Meetings: Regular Council Meetings, November 18, December 8, 6:00 p.m.
Fall Budget Workshop, November 14

K. EXECUTIVE SESSION: (If necessary)

L. ADJOURN

Agenda
Horry County Memorial Library Board of Trustees
October 23, 2014
Library Administration Building

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I. Call to Order
II. Approval of September 25, 2015 Meeting Minutes
III. Public Input
IV. Annual Report of the HCML to the SC State Library
V. Director’s Report
VI. Adjourn

NEWS RELEASES

Please join us for the RIBBON CUTTING of the

US 17/SC 707 INTERCHANGE PROJECT

Thursday, October 23rd, at 10 a.m.

The ceremony will take place on the top of the northbound bridge so please enter from the south in the northbound lane. Parking assistance will be provided.
TRAFFIC SHIFT ON THE NEW US17 BYPASS/SC707 INTERCHANGE BRIDGES TO BEGIN SUNDAY

Conway, South Carolina – Contractors will begin shifting traffic on the southbound bridge of the new US17 Bypass/SC707 Interchange on Sunday, October 19 at 8 p.m. The complete traffic shift for the southbound bridge will take approximately three days to complete and will be finalized on Tuesday, October 21, at 6 a.m. Motorists can expect limited nighttime (8 p.m. to 6 a.m.) lane closures southbound on US17 Bypass on October 19 and 20.

The traffic shift for the northbound bridge will begin on Sunday, October 26, at 8 p.m. and will have a similar schedule as the southbound bridge. The complete traffic shift for the northbound bridge will take approximately three days to complete and is expected to be finalized on Tuesday, October 28, at 6 a.m., weather permitting. Motorist can expect limited nighttime (8 p.m. to 6 a.m.) lane closures northbound on US17 Bypass on October 26 & 27.

The entire project will be substantially completed in November 2014 and landscaping will continue into 2015.

UPCOMING 2014 GENERAL ELECTION SCHEDULED FOR NOVEMBER 4

Conway, South Carolina – Horry County Registration and Elections would like to remind registered voters that the election date for the 2014 General Election is Tuesday, November 4, 2014.

The last day to vote absentee in the Horry County Registration and Elections Office is Monday, November 3, 2014. The Horry County Registration and Elections Office is located at 1515 4th Avenue in Conway. (Absentee voting requirements are below.) Keep in mind that there is no EARLY voting in South Carolina.

Voters are encouraged to review their voter registration information to confirm any changes prior to the upcoming General Election by going to www.scvotes.org under the “Voters” tab on the left. Also, voters unsure of their voting location should contact their county voter registration office at 915-5440 or log onto the State Election Commission website at www.scvotes.org.

Voters can now go on www.scvotes.org and pull up their own personal sample ballots. Horry County will feature 51 different ballot styles for the General Election.

1) Visit scvotes.org and click on "Get My Sample Ballot" in the MyscVOTES Section on the right side of the page.
2) Enter your county, name, and date of birth to access your voter registration record.
3) Click "View Sample Ballot."
4) Select a party (primaries only), then click the button to download your ballot.

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5) Click "OK" to view a .pdf of your ballot.


Polls will open from 7 a.m. until 7 p.m. and registered voters waiting in line at 7 p.m. will still be allowed to vote. Registered voters will be required to show any one of five forms of identification in order to vote. Voters must show a voter’s registration card with a picture, driver’s license, a picture ID issued from the Department of Motor Vehicles, any military ID or passport. All forms of identification must be current.

Curbside voting is also available for any voter, because of a physical handicap or aged 65 or older who cannot enter the polling place may vote outside of the polling place in their car.

Unofficial results from the election will be posted on Horry County’s website at www.horrycounty.org immediately after the results are tallied. The results will be on the county’s homepage and will be updated every five minutes. In order to receive the latest information, users will need to hit their “Refresh” or “Reload” button. The polls will close at 7 p.m. and the results will then be tallied. Also, Horry County will be opening the Horry County Government & Justice Center multi-purpose rooms the evening of November 4, 2014, for public viewing of the results as they come in throughout the evening. Keep in mind that the polls close at 7 p.m.

Persons qualified to vote by absentee ballot:

- Persons who will be on vacation outside their county of residence on Election Day
- Members of the Uniformed Services or Merchant Marine, and their spouses and dependents residing with them
- Persons who, for reasons of employment, will not be able to vote on Election Day
- Physically disabled persons
- Persons sixty-five (65) years of age or older
- Persons serving as a juror in state or federal court on Election Day
- Persons admitted to the hospital as emergency patients on day of election or within a four-day period before the election
- Persons with a death or funeral in the family within three days before the election
- Persons confined to a jail or pre-trial facility pending disposition of arrest or trial
- Persons attending to sick or physically disabled persons
- Certified poll watchers, poll managers, and county election officials working on Election Day

Procedures for voting by absentee ballot:

Qualified voters may vote absentee in person or by mail.
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**In Person** - Visit your county voter registration office, complete an application, and cast your ballot. You may vote absentee in person up until 5:00 p.m. on Monday, November 3, 2014. (Horry County Registrations and Elections Office is located at 1515 4th Avenue in Conway.)

**By Mail - Step 1**: Contact your county voter registration office to request an absentee ballot application. You may make the request in person or by phone, mail, email, or fax. (Horry County Registration and Elections Office (843) 915-5440, fax (843) 915-6440)

**Online – Step 1**: Voters can also request an absentee ballot application online at http://www.horrycounty.org/depts/gengov/registration.asp. Once your print and fill out the application, you can submit it by mail, fax (843) 915-6440, or email it to skipperl@horrycounty.org. Then skip to Step 4.

**Step 2**: You will be mailed an application.

**Step 3**: Return the completed application to your county voter registration office by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, October 31, 2014. You may return the application in person or by mail, email, or fax.

**Step 4**: You will be mailed an absentee ballot.

**Step 5**: Vote the ballot following ballot instructions and return it to your county voter registration office by 7:00 p.m. on the day of the election. You may return the ballot in person or by mail.

**QUARTERLY EMPLOYEE AWARDS ANNOUNCED**

Conway, South Carolina – Horry County announced the three winners of the Horry County Employee Quarterly Awards, and a winner from each of the three divisions was chosen.

Devan Shelley, Appraiser Analyst for the Horry County Assessor’s Office, won the Administration Division Quarterly Award for invaluable assistance in getting the tax roll built and finalized to allow the assessment notices to be sent out on time. This is the first reassessment that was finalized under the new system and Ms. Shelley oversaw the scheduling of every aspect of the reassessment. She coordinated with the various sections of the Assessor’s Office to ensure that everyone was aware of deadlines. Devan also performed nightly updates, often from home, to ensure that everything remained on schedule. Ms. Shelley also worked closely with the Horry County Information Technologies & GIS Office to ensure all information technology functions were performed. Devan’s amazing work ethic and attention to detail guaranteed a successful reassessment.

Cory Bellamy, Environmental Technician for Horry County Beach & Street/Roadside Litter, won the Public Safety Division Quarterly Award for his consistent willingness to assist however and wherever needed. Cory started as a custodian for the Horry County Animal Care Center where he cared for the animals and promoted adoptions. He filled a vacant position at the front desk where his knowledge of the animals and adoption process were invaluable. When the Roadside Litter program was being developed, Cory rose to the challenge. Since he had previous experience as a temporary employee, he was an excellent fit for the program. He transports a team and equipment to the

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assigned area and cleans the roadway in a safe and efficient manor. Mr. Bellamy has exceeded all expectations with his flexibility and positive attitude. He is a model employee and an asset to Horry County.

**Tammy Stevens**, Business Analyst for **Horry County Public Works**, won the Infrastructure & Regulation Division Quarterly Award for her effort to collect, interpret and process Horry County Public Works’ disaster response documentation after the 2014 ice storms. Through her diligence, Tammy has submitted requests for assistance to the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) for over $697,000 just for Public Works’ response. Each Public Works employee’s time and equipment use had to be documented in 15 minute increments. Each piece of equipment utilized had to have its serial number documented along with the hours of use. Ms. Stevens spent many nights, weekends, and holidays working on this exhaustive document with no complaints. Tammy exemplifies the ideal employee.

These three winners of the Horry County Employee Quarterly Awards received $250, a designated parking space, a certificate of achievement, and are eligible for the Employee of the Year Award of $1,000.

Other outstanding nominees were:

- Tabitha Barfield-Veteran’s Affairs
- Vicki Bell-Business License
- Tyrone Graham-Maintenance
- Maurice Livingston-Detention
- Hannah Nethken-911
- Matthew Petty-Airport
- Kym Wilkerson-Planning
- Tammy Wilson-Fleet

The Employee Quarterly Award Program focuses on an act or performance accomplished by an employee that is significant or of great value to the department or county organization as a whole and is beyond normal expectations of the employee. Considerations are also given to customer service, cost/time savings, recognized increased efficiency, and/or effectiveness, or revenue generated funds.

**POLL WORKERS NEEDED FOR NOVEMBER ELECTION**

**Conway, South Carolina** – The Horry County Registration & Elections Office is looking for poll workers for the November 4, 2014, General Election in the Garden City, Myrtle Beach, North Myrtle Beach, Socastee, Surfside Beach and Windy Hill areas. Poll workers must be 16 years of age or older (if 18 years of age or older, they must be registered voters in Horry County). Paid training must be completed online or in the office and workers must work the polls the day of the election from 6:30 a.m. until the polls close at 7 p.m. Workers will receive $60 for training and $60 for working Election Day.
For more information, contact the Horry County Registration & Elections Office at 843-915-5440.

HORRY COUNTY ANIMAL CARE CENTER TO HOLD PET VACCINATION CLINIC

Conway, South Carolina – The Horry County Animal Care Center will hold a vaccination clinic, 29 October 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)
- **Bordatella**: $10--must be at least 8-weeks old (canine)
- **Rabies**: $10--must be at least 4-months old (canine & feline)
- **Microchip**: $15--must be at least 8-weeks old (canine & feline)
- **Rhinotracheitis/Calici**: $10--must be at least 8-weeks old (feline)

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/neutering, 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/pubsafety/AdoptAnimals.asp](http://www.horrycounty.org/depts/pubsafety/AdoptAnimals.asp).

HORRY COUNTY LEGISLATIVE DELEGATION TO HOST PUBLIC HEARING ON HOMEOWNERS’ ASSOCIATION ISSUES

Conway, South Carolina – The Horry County Legislative Delegation will host a public hearing on homeowners’ association issues Wednesday, October 29, 2014, at 7 p.m. in the Burroughs and Chapin Auditorium, Building 1100, on the Conway Campus of Horry Georgetown Technical College located at 2050 Highway 501 East in Conway.

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For more information, contact Horry County Legislative Delegation at 843-915-5130.

HORRY COUNTY COMMUNITY CLEANUP DAY

Conway, South Carolina – Horry County Council, in conjunction with Keep Horry County Beautiful and numerous partners, will host a countywide, volunteer litter cleanup event Saturday, November 8, 2014, from 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. The event will feature 11-locations around the county where volunteers can choose to participate. Sign-in at each location will begin at 8:30 a.m. with roadside pickup to begin at 9 am to 11:30 am.

Volunteers are invited to a post celebration party at the Myrtle Beach Speedway from 12 p.m. until 3 p.m. The litter collected at the various locations around the county will be transported to and displayed at the Speedway. There will be food, prizes, entertainment, and much more!

Participating agencies and partners for the event include Keep Horry County Beautiful, Palmetto Pride, Coastal Carolina University, Horry County Schools, Carolina Forest Civic Association, Greater Burgess Community Association, Chicora Indian Tribe, Horry County Solid Waste Authority, Coastal Carolina Association of Realtors, Myrtle Beach Speedway, and many more.

Pre-registration is highly encouraged and available on the Horry County website: www.horrycounty.org. Volunteers may follow the link to pre-register online or may download the preregistration form and mail it to Nancy Tindall, Horry County Planning & Zoning, 1301 2nd Ave, Conway, SC 29526. The public is invited to participate as well as church groups, civic organizations, community associations, local businesses, etc. Come out and show your support for a cleaner Horry County!

Volunteers should also download a waiver form to bring to the registration table on the day of the event. One form will be required per individual. NO ONE WILL BE ALLOWED TO PARTICIPATE IN THE CLEANUP EVENT WITHOUT A SIGNED WAIVER FORM! Please note that participants who are at least 16 years of age, but under 18 years of age, must have a parent or other legal custodian sign the waiver form. NO PARTICIPANTS UNDER THE AGE OF 16 YEARS WILL BE ALLOWED TO PARTICIPATE WITHOUT PRESENCE OF A PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN.

Volunteers must wear closed-toe shoes to participate and are encouraged to wear long sleeves, long pants, leather shoes or boots, and eye protection. Trash bags, gloves, a wristband, and a brightly colored t-shirt will be provided the day of the event.

For more information on the Horry County Community Cleanup Day, contact Nancy Tindall with Horry County Planning & Zoning at tindalln@horrycounty.org or 843-915-5340.
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ROAD CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

To get updates on all SCDOT projects in Horry County, visit SCDOT’s website at [http://www.scdot.org](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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