WEEKLY UPDATE FOR DECEMBER 22 – DECEMBER 26, 2014

PUBLIC MEETINGS

DECEMBER 22 – DECEMBER 26, 2014

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 24
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 25
FRIDAY, DECEMBER 26

ALL HORRY COUNTY GOVERNMENT OFFICES, EXCEPT PUBLIC SAFETY OPERATIONS, WILL BE CLOSED IN OBSERVANCE OF CHRISTMAS.

AGENDAS (No meetings)

NEWS RELEASES

HORRY COUNTY OFFICES TO CLOSE FOR CHRISTMAS

Conway, South Carolina – All Horry County offices, other than public safety operations, will be closed on Wednesday, December 24, 2014, Thursday, December 25, 2014, and Friday, December 26, 2014, in observance of Christmas. Regular courts may be in operation in the Horry County Government & Justice Center and all jurors, witnesses, etc. will be required to be present.

In addition, all branches of the Horry County Memorial Library System will close at 5 p.m. on December 22 -23, and December 29 – 31, 2014. The libraries will also be closed Saturday, December 27, 2014. Also, the Horry County Museum and the L.W. Paul Living History Farm will be closed December 24-December 30, 2014.

HORRY COUNTY OFFICES TO CLOSE FOR NEW YEAR’S DAY

Horry (pronounced O-REE) County is situated in the northeastern corner of South Carolina and is a diverse land of rivers, beaches, forests, and swamps. Founded in 1801, Horry County is sometimes referred to as “The Independent Republic of Horry”, a nickname that referred to the politically independent citizens. The County consists of 1,143 square miles, over 300,000 residents and over 1,700 dedicated employees to service their needs. Horry County hosts eight cities/towns that welcome millions of visitors annually who enjoy abundant amenities that include beautiful beaches, shopping, golf and a wide array of entertainment and dining.
Conway, South Carolina – All Horry County offices, other than public safety operations, will be closed on Thursday, January 1, 2015, in observance of New Year’s Day. Regular courts may be in operation in the Horry County Government & Justice Center and all jurors, witnesses, etc. will be required to be present.

HORRY COUNTY ANIMAL CARE CENTER 3RD ANNUAL “HOME FOR THE HOLIDAYS” EVENT

Conway, South Carolina – The Horry County Animal Care Center wants to send all of the animals in the shelter “Home for the Holidays” this year. As part of this special event, the Animal Care Center will feature special rates for animal adoptions throughout the month of December.

- Cat Adoptions are just $30
- Dog Adoptions are just $50
- Adoptions include spay or neuter, vaccines and microchip implant.

The Horry County Animal Care Center’s goal is to adopt 200 wonderful pets into loving homes before Christmas!

For more information, contact the Horry County Animal Care Center at 915-5172.

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 January 2015, 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 quarterly.
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.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT WORKSHOPS AND DEADLINE ANNOUNCED

Conway, South Carolina – The Horry County Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Office has announced the deadline for filing CDBG sub-recipient agency applications for the 2015 cycle will be Friday, February 6, 2015, by 2 pm. The application and instructions can be found on the Horry County website at www.horrycounty.org.

The funding is provided through a federal block grant program to assist in developing a viable urban community by expanding opportunities for decent housing, suitable living environments and needed public services. Projects must provide a benefit to low-to-moderate income citizens and/or address areas of slum or blight. The County CDBG office does not make grants directly to individuals or families, but instead funds non-profit and governmental agencies that carry out projects in the local area. Submission of an application does not guarantee funding.

To assist with the applications, the Horry County CDBG office will hold three classes at the CDBG/Voters Registration and Election Complex located at 1515 Fourth Avenue, Conway. They are scheduled as follows:

- Tuesday, January 13, from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.
- Thursday, January 15 from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.

Interested parties should contact the CDBG office to reserve a seat, as classes fill quickly. For further information regarding the Community Development Block Grant Program, please contact the CDBG Office at 843-915-7033.

ROAD CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

MINOR TRAFFIC INTERRUPTION ON PEACHTREE ROAD
Conway, South Carolina – Contractors for the SC-31 Expansion Project will briefly interrupt traffic on Peachtree Road between the hours of 10 a.m. and noon on Wednesday, December 24, 2014, to move equipment across the road as well as on Monday, January 5, 2015. Motorist may want to select another route during this time period to avoid any potential delays.

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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