

APRIL 10, 2018



Approval of Minutes
March 27, 2018



MINUTES
MARCH 27, 2018 - 5:30 P.M.
LAURENS COUNTY COUNCIL
HISTORIC COURTHOUSE – PUBLIC SQUARE
COUNTY COUNCIL CHAMBERS

ATTENDANCE: **COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT-** County Council Chairman Joe Wood; County Council Members: Diane B. Anderson, Stewart Jones, Garrett McDaniel, Ted Nash and David Pitts.

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT – Councilman Keith Tollison, Vice Chairman.

COUNTY STAFF: Laurens County Administrator, Jon Caime; Laurens County Clerk to Council Betty Walsh and Laurens County Attorney, Sandy Cruickshanks.

DEPARTMENT HEADS PRESENT: Laurens County Public Works Director Rob Russian; Laurens County Magistrate Judge, Leesa Inabinette; Laurens County Fire Service Director, Greg Lindley; Laurens County Parks, Recreation and Tourism Director, Andy Howard; Laurens County Coroner, Nick Nichols; and Laurens County Human Resources Manager, Debi Parker.

PRESS: Iva Cadmus, WLBG Radio; Vic McDanald, *Clinton Chronicle* and John Clayton, *Laurens Advertiser*.

SCHEDULED MEETING AGENDA ITEMS – 1.) Call to Order – Chairman Wood; 2.) Invocation – Councilman McDaniel; 3.) Pledge of Allegiance; 4.) Approval of Agenda – March 27, 2018; 5.) Approval of Minutes of Previous Meetings: a.) March 13, 2018 Committee Meeting; b.) March 13, 2018 Regular Meeting; 6.) Reports To Council: a.) Overview - First Draft Fiscal Year 2018/2019 County Budget; 7.) Old Business: a.) Resolution #2018 - 13 - Suspension of Blue Laws; b.) Update - Laurens County Disability & Special Needs - Jason Tavenner, Executive Director; c.) Resolution #2018 - 16 - Disabilities Awareness Month; d.) Second Reading Ordinance #837- Referendum, Alcoholic Beverage Sunday Sales; 8.) New Business: a.) Resolution #2018 - 15 - For Conversion Ryan Realty; b.) Resolution #2018 - 17 - Fair Housing Resolution for CBDG Eligibility; c.) Request – Rescue / Attack Truck Replacement, Ekom Volunteer Fire Department; 9.) Public Comment- Fifteen (15) Minute Period; 10.) _County Council Comments; 11.) Executive Session – NONE; 12.) Adjournment.

MEETING NOTIFICATION – The requesting general public and Press were informed of the meeting in a timely manner. Postings of the Agenda were posted in County facilities on bulletin boards and also posted on the County Web Site.

CALL TO ORDER – Chairman Wood called the meeting to order and invited all to stand for the invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance. Councilman McDaniel provided the invocation.

PUBLIC COMMENT SIGN-UPS – None

APPROVAL OF AGENDA- MARCH 27, 2018 – Chairman Wood called for approval of the agenda with any additions or deletions.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

- a.) March 13, 2018 Committee Meeting – As a MOTION and a SECOND from the COMMITTEE AS A WHOLE, COUNCIL VOTED 6-0 with approval.
- b.) March 13, 2018 Regular Meeting - COUNCILMAN NASH made the MOTION to approve with COUNCILMAN MCDANIEL SECONDING; VOTE 6-0.

REPORTS TO COUNCIL:

OVERVIEW - FIRST DRAFT FISCAL YEAR 2018/2019 COUNTY BUDGET – Administrator Caime informed Council that new packages would be created for each budget session and that the need to bring the

entire book was not necessary. Administrator Caime began with the overview with a visual presentation that covered the following content:

Fiscal Year 2018-2019 Budget - First Draft:

- The points for Council consideration is Priorities, New Structure, Budget and Dollars:
- Wages - With the consumer price index / Cost of living adjustment of 2.1% is not a raise. It keeps our wages the same as last year. The County wages has decreased two percent (2%) since 2010;
- Efficiency Study – to partner with Greenwood County at a fee of forty five thousand dollars (\$45,000) to help determine if our departments over staffed and where our weakness is as to staffing. Wage adjustments, seventy five percent (75%) of our spending is personnel. By cutting revenues is cutting wages. Laurens County has the lowest taxes in state and it would take three hundred and fifty thousand dollars (\$350,000 to get wages to market level. In a 2005 Council priority list, Council stated that standardization and market adjustments was needed.
- Planning – It is time to hire a County Planner. Laurens County has survived. It is Laurens County’s Time to Thrive. We need to determine with guidance where are we going and with what goals? We need to ask what do we want Laurens County to be like in 2040 and what is our plan to make our dreams a reality? We need a comprehensive / strategic plan for the County with appropriate staff to move forward. Greenwood County has 5.5 people in their Planning Department. We need to develop a Visioning Program like Kershaw County developed to the year 2030. This is a key as to why some places thrive and others fail. A Long Range Capital Plan is included in appendix D. To thrive, Laurens County needs to look at the deficits as per audit, overall employment.
- Budget – Special Revenue Funds: Fund 113 Treasurer Funds: Spending was coming from the general fund during fiscal year 2017:
\$400,000 Revenue \$340,000 Expense \$500,000 Fund Balance \$ 60,000 to GF

Fund 113 Sheriff’s Office: Spending was coming from the general fund during fiscal year 2017:
\$122,000 Revenue \$179,000 Expense \$411,000 Fund Balance

Fund 128 EMS - Fire Special Purpose Tax District - Solid Waste Enterprise Fund - Capital Fund
Educational Fund – PTC, USCL - Victims Assistance Fund - Fee In Lieu Of Tax Special Projects
Fund

Revenues: Local Option Sales Tax is eleven percent (11%) of property tax revenue in general fund; FILOT is twenty one percent (21%) of property tax revenues; Real property tax is thirty two percent (32%) of total in the General Fund; Act #388 GF = \$168,000 (1 mill); Unfunded mandate retirement = \$194,000 (1.1mill)

GF Expenditures: Requests = \$24,668,047 (Cuts \$2,006,107); Recommended = \$22,661,940;
Net of surplus = \$395,965

Other Funds: Net of surplus \$395,965; Victim Assistance is balanced; EMS has a \$181,829 deficit; with an overall net deficit of \$110,825.

Budget Books:

- Budget summary – 57 pages of detailed financial information and analysis
- Appendix A- Detailed financial numbers (What you used to see prior to FY 2017
- Appendix B – Detailed backup from Departments (What you used to see prior to FY 2017

- Appendix C – Compensation Study – V 1.0
- Appendix D – Long Range Strategic Capital Plan V 1.0
- Appendix E – Example of CAFR components (Future Financial Product)
- Appendix F – Moody’s credit opinion (important warning on our prior finances)
- Appendix G - GASB 46 – Retirement Insurance liability reduce \$2,500,000
- Appendix H - Unfunded mandates report
- Appendix I – Efficiency study Example (Excerpts)

There was a discussion as to when to hold the first actual budget session. It was determined to hold it following the next meeting of Council – April 24th following the regular session of Council. The staff is to keep the regular agenda of Council to a minimum.

OLD BUSINESS:

RESOLUTION #2018 - 13 - SUSPENSION OF BLUE LAWS – Attorney Cruickshanks stated that this Resolution extended the term of Ordinance #698 for the temporary suspension of the Sunday sales prohibited in the unincorporated areas of Laurens County until December 31, 2018.

COUNCILMAN JONES made the MOTION to approve with COUNCILMAN MCDANIEL SECONDING; VOTE 6-0.

UPDATE - LAURENS COUNTY DISABILITY & SPECIAL NEEDS - JASON TAVENNER, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR – Director Tavenner introduced the present Board Members as Peter Littlefield, Chairman; Betty Beasley, Brenda Ligon, Joyce Rambo, Samuel Stoddard, Maureen Tiller and Janis Tribble. And noted that their Mission is SUPPORT – Supporting Unique People in Pursuing Opportunities while Reaching for a better Tomorrow.

Continuing Mr. Tavenner informed Council that; 1.) an Advisory Council was created in 2016 consisting of nine members that act as a team reinforcing the Board and advisement; 2.) In July of 2018, four (4) of our local special needs athletes will travel to Seattle, Washington to participate in the National Special Olympics; 3.) informed that major renovations to the Evergreen Campus will begin; 4.) the Owings Street Campus will be renovated and repurposed in 2018 so that the participants can use the location to practice job and life skills to gain independence; 5.) enabling campus security with an active shooter policy; 6.) all the while supporting over five hundred (500) families in Laurens County.

RESOLUTION #2018 - 16 - DISABILITIES AWARENESS Month – COUNCILWOMAN ANDERSON made the MOTION to approve the Resolution with COUNCILMAN JONES SECONDING; VOTE 6-0.

SECOND READING ORDINANCE #837 - ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE SUNDAY SALES REFERENDUM – Attorney Cruickshanks asked Council for second reading approval of the ordinance approving for the following question to be placed on a ballot in November:

“Shall the South Carolina Department of Revenue be authorized to issue temporary permits in this county for a period not to exceed twenty four hours to all the possession, sale and consumption of alcoholic liquors by the drink to bona fide nonprofit organizations and business establishments authorized to be licensed for consumption on premises sales and to allow the sale of beer and wine at permitted off premises locations without regard to the days or hours of sales?”

COUNCILWOMAN ANDERSON made the MOTION to approve Ordinance #837 on second reading as presented. COUNCILMAN JONES SECONDING; VOTE 5-0-1 (Councilman McDaniel abstained)

NEW BUSINESS:

RESOLUTION #2018 - 15 - FOR CONVERSION RYAN REALTY – Attorney Cruickshanks stated that this was a Resolution authorizing the conversion of a lease back agreement to a Fee Simple Agreement that allows for the assignment of interest of Ryan Realty, L.L.C. to Lapham-Hickey Steel Corporation and, to maintain a five million (\$5,000,000) investment.


COUNCILWOMAN ANDERSON made the MOTION to approve Resolution #2018-15 as presented with COUNCILMAN MCDANIEL SECONDING; VOTE 6-0.

RESOLUTION #2018 - 17 - FAIR HOUSING RESOLUTION FOR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT ELIGIBILITY – Chairman Wood noted that this is a yearly event required to be approved by Council as it relates to the federal grant process with the Upper Savannah Council of Governments.

COUNCILMAN MCDANIEL made the MOTION to approve Resolution #2018-17 as presented with COUNCILWOMAN ANDERSON SECONDING; VOTE 6-0.

REQUEST – RESCUE / ATTACK TRUCK REPLACEMENT, EKOM VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT - Mr. Lindley approached Council stating that several months ago while responding to a call there was an accident involving their 2008 F-550 Rescue Truck within the Ekom Fire department. The vehicle was totaled with the insurance company allowing one hundred twenty thousand dollars (\$120,000) towards a replacement vehicle. A bid process for a new truck was implemented with the low bid of one hundred thirty three thousand one hundred eighty four dollars (\$133,184.00). This bid amount has a difference of thirteen thousand one hundred eighty four dollar (\$13,184.00) difference than the insurance allowed. We are requesting approval to purchase this vehicle using the insurance money allowance and the remaining to come from the fire reserves”.

Laurens County Fire Service
March 19, 2018



Ekom FD Vehicle Bids Closing Time: 12:00pm

Ekom Mini Pumper Bids

Name	Time	Phone Number	Bid Amount
FES	12:00		\$150,800
Southwest	12:00		\$143,975
Fouls Brothers	12:00		\$133,184
Freedom Fire	12:00		\$141,000

COUNCILWOMAN ANDERSON made the MOTION to approve for the purchase of the vehicle as requested. COUNCILMAN JONES SECONDING; VOTE: 6-0.

PUBLIC COMMENT – NONE.

COUNTY COUNCIL COMMENTS:

- 1.) Councilman Jones noted a tour of the Laurens County Museum second floor on Thursday, March 29, 2018 from 8:00 A.M. to 9:00 A.M.

- 2.) Chairman Wood asked Mr. Russian what progress was being made to the repairs of the Administrative Building. Mr. Russian replied that they were ninety five percent (95%) completed and awaiting the delivery of furniture next week.

Chairman Wood asked Mr. Russian what progress was being made towards the roofing needs of the Judicial / Services Building. Mr. Russian replied that work is being implemented during the evenings and weekend so as to not disrupt day-to-day business of the offices.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – NONE.

ADJOURNMENT – With no further action required by Council, Chairman Wood adjourned the meeting at 6:40 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Betty C. Walsh". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name and title.

Betty C. Walsh
Laurens County Clerk to Council

APRIL 10, 2018



New Business:

Project Yorkshire
Resolution #2018-14



AGENDA ITEM - REQUEST SHEET - COUNTY COUNCIL

This must go before 1st reading of Ordinance

ALL REQUESTS should be submitted by 1:00 P.M. on the Wednesday prior to the Tuesday meeting of Council. All other requests not submitted by the deadline will be retained and scheduled for the next meeting of Council

DATE OF REQUEST: 3/29, 2018 (FOR APRIL 10, 2018 COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING)

DEPARTMENT / AGENCY: LEGAL

NAME: A. "SANDY" CRUICKSHANKS, IV, LAURENS COUNTY ATTORNEY

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

PHONE NUMBER: _____ EMAIL: _____

SIGNATURE: [Handwritten Signature]

SUBJECT MATTER REQUESTED (please be as specific as possible):

SEE THE ATTACHED PROPOSED RESOLUTION 2018-14 REGARDING "PROJECT YORKSHIRE".

STAFF RECOMMENDS APPROVAL OF THIS RESOLUTION.

FINANCIAL AMOUNT REQUESTED: N/A

SOURCE OF FUNDING: N/A

(PLEASE - attach subject matter document pages as necessary)

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REQUEST ASSIGNED TO: _____ DATE RECEIVED: _____

DATE OF ASSIGNMENT: _____ DATE OF AGENDA: _____

DATE RESPONSE DUE: _____

COUNCIL ACTION: _____

RESOLUTION # 2018-14

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)
)
COUNTY OF LAURENS)

A RESOLUTION OF THE
LAURENS COUNTY COUNCIL

**INDUCING AND IDENTIFYING A PROPOSED INVESTMENT UNDER CODE NAME OF
“PROJECT YORKSHIRE” AND OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO**

WHEREAS, Laurens County, South Carolina, a political subdivision of the State of South Carolina (the “*County*”), acting by and through its County Council (the “*County Council*”), is authorized and empowered under and pursuant to the provisions of Title 12, Chapter 44, Code of Laws of South Carolina 1976, as amended (the “*Act*”) (i) to enter into agreements with qualifying industry to encourage investment and projects constituting economic development property to which the industrial development of the State of South Carolina will be promoted by inducing new and existing manufacturing and commercial enterprises to locate and remain in the State and thus utilize and employ manpower and other resources of the State; and (ii) to covenant with such industry to accept certain payments in lieu of *ad valorem* taxes (“*FILOT*”) with respect to such investment; and

WHEREAS, company, whose identity is being withheld upon request until it is in a position to make a public announcement, is considering making a total investment of not less than \$35 million in order to produce and supply to the public electricity by conversion of solar energy at a site located in Laurens County, South Carolina, under the code name of “Project Yorkshire” (“*Project Yorkshire*”); and

WHEREAS, the Act requires that the County induce and identify Project Yorkshire in order for Project Yorkshire to qualify for benefits under the Act.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the County Council as follows:

Section 1. It is the intention of the County Council that this Resolution shall constitute an official action on the part of the County Council relating to the identification of Project Yorkshire.

Section 2. The County Council hereby authorizes the County Administrator, County Attorney and the Executive Director of the Laurens County Economic Development Commission to pursue negotiation of FILOT benefits with the company, including the following parameters: (i) A minimum investment of \$35 million in economic development property as defined in the Act over a 5-year investment period, with an assessment ratio of 6% for the new investment and a fixed millage rate for each Project for the term of thirty (30) years with an option to extend the term for a further ten (10) years, the terms of which shall be further set forth in a fee-in-lieu of ad valorem taxes agreement between the County and the Sponsor (“*Fee Agreement*”), and (ii) Special Source Revenue Credits in the amounts set forth in the Fee Agreement to be applied against those FILOT payments made by the Sponsor or Sponsor Affiliate.

Section 3. This Resolution shall take effect and be in full force from and after its passage by the County Council.

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Done in meeting duly assembled this 10th day of April, 2018

LAURENS COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA

[SEAL]

By: _____
Joseph E. Wood, Jr.
Chairman of County Council
Laurens County, South Carolina

ATTEST:

By: _____
Betty C. Walsh,
Clerk of County Council
Laurens County, South Carolina

APRIL 10, 2018



New Business:

Project Yorkshire
Ordinance #842



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DATE OF REQUEST: 3/29 2018 (FOR APRIL 10, 2018 COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING)

DEPARTMENT / AGENCY: LEGAL

NAME: A. "SANDY" CRUICKSHANKS, IV, LAURENS COUNTY ATTORNEY

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

PHONE NUMBER: _____ EMAIL: _____

SIGNATURE: [Handwritten Signature]

SUBJECT MATTER REQUESTED (please be as specific as possible):

SEE THE ATTACHED PROPOSED ORDINANCE 842 - FIRST READING - PROJECT YORKSHIRE.

STAFF RECOMMENDS FIRST READING APPROVAL OF ORDINANCE 842.

FINANCIAL AMOUNT REQUESTED: N/A

SOURCE OF FUNDING: N/A

(PLEASE – attach subject matter document pages as necessary)

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REQUEST ASSIGNED TO: _____ DATE RECEIVED: _____

DATE OF ASSIGNMENT: _____ DATE OF AGENDA: _____

DATE RESPONSE DUE: _____

COUNCIL ACTION: _____

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)
)
COUNTY OF LAURENS)

ORDINANCE NO. 842

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 44 OF TITLE 12, SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS, 1976, AS AMENDED, THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF A FEE AGREEMENT BETWEEN LAURENS COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA AND YORKSHIRE HOLDINGS LLC AND CERTAIN AFFILIATES AND MATTERS RELATING THERETO.

WHEREAS, Laurens County (the "County"), a public body corporate and politic under the laws of the State of South Carolina has, by an Inducement Resolution adopted on _____, 2018 (the "Resolution"), taken official action to identify the Project (as defined below) for purposes of applicable fee-in-lieu of taxes statutes and otherwise;

WHEREAS, the County desires to enter into a Fee Agreement with Yorkshire Holdings LLC and certain affiliates, (collectively the "Company"), which shall provide for payments of fees-in-lieu of taxes for a project qualifying under the provisions of Title 12, Chapter 44 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina 1976, as amended (the "Act");

WHEREAS, the County and the Company desire to enter into a Fee Agreement, as defined in the Act, concerning the Company's investment in certain land, improvements, fixtures, machinery, equipment, and other personal property for generating solar energy and any and all activities relating thereto (which properties and facilities constitute a project under the Act and are referred to hereinafter as the "Project"). The Project is expected to provide significant economic benefits to the County and surrounding areas. In order to induce the Company to invest in the Project in the County, the County hereby agrees to charge a fee-in-lieu of taxes with respect to the Project and otherwise make available to the Company the benefits intended by the Act;

WHEREAS, Laurens County Council (the "County Council") has caused to be prepared and presented to this meeting the form of the Fee Agreement between the County and the Company, which the County proposes to execute and deliver;

WHEREAS, as further inducement to the Company, the County will cause the Project to be added to a Multi-County Industrial Park (the "MCIP") under the provisions of Article VIII, Section 13 of the Constitution of the State of South Carolina of 1895, as amended (the "State Constitution"), and Section 4-1-170 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, as amended (collectively, the "MCIP Law");

WHEREAS, under the provisions of Sections 4-1-175 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, as amended, and Section 12-44-70 of the Act (collectively, the "Infrastructure Law"), the County is authorized to use revenues received from payments of fees-in-lieu of taxes under the Infrastructure Law, the Act and/or the MCIP Law for the purpose of

defraying a portion of the cost of designing, acquiring, constructing, improving or expanding the infrastructure (the "Infrastructure") serving the Project;

WHEREAS, the Company has requested the County to use a portion of the above aforementioned payments for the purpose of defraying the costs of the Infrastructure serving the Project as permitted by the Infrastructure Law;

WHEREAS, the County Council, having found that the Infrastructure will serve the County and, as a direct result of the acquisition thereof, assist the County in its economic development efforts by inducing the Company to locate a solar facility in the County, proposes to provide an Annual Special Source Revenue Credit (as defined in the Fee Agreement) against payments of fees-in-lieu of taxes to be made concerning the Project pursuant to the Infrastructure Law, the Act and/or the MCIP Law; and

WHEREAS, it appears that the document above referred to, which is now before this meeting, is in appropriate form and is an appropriate instrument to be executed and delivered or approved by the County for the purposes intended;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the County Council in meeting duly assembled as follows:

Section 1. Pursuant to the Act and particularly Section 12-44-40(H) and (I) thereof, the County Council has made and hereby makes the following findings:

(a) The Project constitutes a "project" as said term is referred to and defined in Section 12-44-30 of the Act;

(b) It is anticipated that the Project will benefit the general public welfare of the County by providing services, employment and other public benefits not otherwise adequately provided locally;

(c) The purposes to be accomplished by the Project are proper governmental and public purposes;

(d) It is anticipated that the cost of planning, designing, acquiring, constructing and completing the Project will require expenditures of not less than \$35 million;

(e) The benefits of the Project to the public are greater than the costs to the public;

(f) Neither the Project nor any documents or agreements entered into by the County in connection therewith will give rise to any pecuniary liability of the County or incorporated municipality or to any charge against its general credit or taxing power; and

(g) Having evaluated the purposes to be accomplished by the Project as proper governmental and public purposes, the anticipated dollar amount and nature of the investment to be made, and the anticipated costs and benefits to the County, the County has determined that the Project is properly classified as economic development property.

Section 2. In order to promote industry, develop trade and utilize the manpower, agricultural products and natural resources of the State, the form, terms and provisions of the Fee Agreement which is before this meeting and filed with the Clerk to County Council is hereby approved and all of the terms, provisions and conditions thereof are hereby incorporated herein by reference as if the Fee Agreement was set out in this Ordinance in its entirety. The Chair of County Council, the County Administrator, and the Clerk to County Council be and they are hereby authorized, empowered and directed to execute, acknowledge and deliver the Fee Agreement to the Company. The Fee Agreement is to be in substantially the form now before this meeting and hereby approved, or with such changes therein as shall be approved by the officials of the County executing the same, their execution thereof to constitute conclusive evidence of their approval of any and all changes or revisions therein from the form of Fee Agreement now before this meeting.

Section 3. The Chair of County Council, the County Administrator, and the Clerk to County Council, for and on behalf of the County, are hereby each authorized and directed to do any and all things necessary to effect the execution and delivery of the Fee Agreement and the performance of all obligations of the County under and pursuant to the Fee Agreement.

Section 4. The consummation of all transactions contemplated by the Fee Agreement is hereby approved.

Section 5. This Ordinance shall be construed and interpreted in accordance with the laws of the State of South Carolina.

Section 6. The provisions of this Ordinance are hereby declared to be separable and if any section, phrase or provision shall for any reason be declared by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid or unenforceable, such declaration shall not affect the validity of the remainder of the sections, phrases and provisions hereunder.

Section 7. All orders, resolutions, ordinances and parts thereof in conflict herewith are, to the extent of such conflict, hereby repealed and this Ordinance shall take effect and be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

DONE, RATIFIED AND ADOPTED this ____ day of _____, 2018.

LAURENS COUNTY COUNCIL

Chairman, Laurens County Council

ATTEST:

Clerk, Laurens County Council

First Reading: April 10, 2018
Second Reading: April 24, 2018
Third Reading: May 22, 2018
Public Hearing: May 22, 2018

APRIL 10, 2018



New Business:

Resolution #2018-19
Declaring April as
Foster Grandparents Month



AGENDA ITEM – REQUEST SHEET – COUNTY COUNCIL

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AGENDA ITEM: _____ DATE OF REQUEST: March 8, 2018

DEPARTMENT / AGENCY: Foster Grandparents

NAME: Joselyn Earle

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

PHONE NUMBER: _____ EMAIL: _____

SIGNATURE: _____

COUNCIL ACTION REQUESTED: Declare Foster Grandparents Month

SUBJECT MATTER DESCRIPTION (please be as specific as possible): _____

FINANCIAL AMOUNT REQUESTED: _____

SOURCE OF FUNDING: _____

(PLEASE – attach subject matter document pages as necessary)

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REQUEST ASSIGNED TO: _____ DATE RECEIVED: _____

DATE OF ASSIGNMENT: _____ DATE OF AGENDA: _____

DATE RESPONSE DUE: _____

COUNCIL ACTION: _____

Betty Ann Walsh

From: Jessica Earle <jearle@piedmontaoa.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 08, 2018 11:42 AM
To: bwalsh@co.laurens.sc.us
Subject: LC FGP

Good afternoon Mrs. Wash,

I am looking for a council member to assist us in recognizing our Foster Grandparents of Laurens County on National Recognition Day- April 3rd.

I can't figure out who I would need to contact in regard to that.

Would you be able to direct me to the right place for that?

Thank you and have a wonderful day.

Jessica Earle
Foster Grandparent Program Director
512 Professional Park Rd
Clinton, SC 29325
864-938-0572 ext 8152
Cell: 620-204-1205
Fax: 864-938-0773

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)
)
COUNTY OF LAURENS)

RESOLUTION #2018-19

“DECLARING APRIL - FOSTER GRANDPARENTS MONTH”

WHEREAS, HERETOFORE, the Laurens County Council acknowledges from time to time, admirable accomplishments and services, and;

WHEREAS, The Foster Grandparent Program began in the late 70’s and is a federally funded program that allows our senior citizens to go into the school systems and help children who have a “special need” such as a drop in grades, a mental disability, an incarcerated parent, in the foster care system, or they may have a less-than-desirable home life, and;

WHEREAS, Within Laurens County there are fifty five (55) senior citizens participating in the program presently in eleven (11) locations throughout the County helping students and being a personal mentor, a grandparent type figure, and;

WHEREAS, Most of us have been fortunate enough to have enjoyed a very special relationship with our grandparents – a living bridge to the past. They handed down to us the hard lessons they had learned from life they received from their own grandparents, and;

WHEREAS , Today, the elderly and retired participants in the Foster Grandparent Program provide a unique, personal guidance and care to physically, emotionally, and mentally handicapped children as well as those who have been abused, neglected, or who are in the juvenile justice system, or in need of other special help, and;

WHEREAS, The volunteers who give of themselves, their wisdom, and of their time, discover an independence with their own loneliness and isolation disappearing. Their sense of self-worth is enriched as they find themselves involved with others who depend on them as well as a fulfillment in performing a much-needed community service, and;

WHEREAS, The children in the program blossom under the direction and caring that foster grandparents bring into their lives - working wonders for hearts young and old.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Laurens County Council, does hereby proclaim the month of April, 2018 as Foster Grandparents Month. We invite all to join us in applauding the activities of these foster grandparent volunteers.

LAURENS COUNTY COUNCIL:

Joseph E. Wood, Jr, Chairman

P. Keith Tollison, Vice Chairman

Diane B. Anderson, Council Member

Stewart O. Jones, Council Member

Garrett C. McDaniel, Council Member

Ted G. Nash, Council Member

David A. Pitts, Council Member

ATTEST:

Betty C. Walsh, Clerk to Council
Laurens County Council
Laurens County, South Carolina