

MINUTES MAY 28, 2019 LAURENS COUNTY COUNCIL HISTORIC COURTHOUSE

<u>ATTENDING COUNTY COUNCIL MEMBERS</u> – Vice Chairman Joe Wood; Council Members Diane Anderson, Jeff Carroll, Garrett McDaniel and Kemp Younts.

<u>ABSENT COUNTY COUNCIL MEMBERS</u> – Chairman Pitts (work related) and District #4, Stewart Jones (Elected to South Carolina House).

<u>ATTENDING ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF</u> – County Administrator Jon Caime, Betty Walsh, Clerk to Council and County Attorney Sandy Cruickshanks.

ABSENT ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF - None

<u>ATTENDING DEPARTMENT HEADS</u> - Laurens County Fire Service Director, Greg Lindley; Laurens County Public Works Director, Dale Satterfield; Laurens County Finance Director, Lisa Kirk; Billy Wilson, Superintendent Laurens County Vehicle Maintenance / Procurement; Chuck Bobo, Codes Enforcement Official; Andy Howard, Director of Laurens County Parks, Recreation and Tourism; Tim Stoddard, Supervisor, Laurens County Roads and Bridges.

INVITED GUESTS –

<u>ATTENDING PRESS</u> – Laurens County WLBG Radio, Iva Cadmus; *The Laurens County Advertiser*, John Clayton.

AGENDA ITEMS – MAY 28, 2019 – 1.) Call to Order – Vice Chairman Wood; 2.) Invocation, Councilman Carroll; 3.) Pledge of Allegiance; 4.) Approval of Agenda – May 28, 2019; 5.) Approval of Minutes of Previous Meetings; a.). May 9, 2019 – Budget Meeting #2; b.) May 14, 2018 - Regular Meeting; c.) May 14, 2019 - Budget Meeting #3; 6.) Reports To Council: a.) Fiscal Year 2019 – Month #10 - Financial Report Summary - Lisa Kirk; 7.) Old Business: a.) Public Hearing Ordinance #863 – Flood Control Ordinance; b.) Third Reading Ordinance #863 - Flood Control Ordinance; 8.) New Business: a.) Discussion - Lakelands District Fire Service; b.) Presentation - Roads Pavement Management Plan; 9.) Public Comment; 10.) County Council Comments; 11.) Executive Session: a.) Contractual Matter - Clinton Fire Contract Fiscal Year 2019 / 2020; b.) Legal Briefing - Capital Project Sales Tax Legal; 12.) Adjournment.

<u>MEETING NOTIFICATION</u> – The requesting general public, department heads and Press were informed of the meeting in a timely manner. Postings of the Agenda were posted in County facilities on their bulletin boards and also posted on the County Web Site.

<u>PUBLIC COMMENT SIGN UPS</u> – Mrs. Marilyn Easter, Representing the Laurens County Chamber of Commerce.

<u>CALL TO ORDER</u> – In the absence of Chairman Pitts, Vice Chairman Wood called the meeting to order at 5:30 P.M. and invited all to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance. Councilman Carroll provided the invocation.

Vice Chairman Wood acknowledged the new Joanna Fire Truck that was out front of the Courthouse for Council to see.

<u>APPROVAL OF AGENDA – MAY 28, 2019</u> – Vice Chairman Wood asked for approval of the agenda with any additions to or deletions.

COUNCILWOMAN ANDERSON made the MOTION to approve the May 28, 2019 regular session agenda with the omission of the scheduled Agenda for budget deliberations. Councilwoman Anderson explained that a

full Council needs to be in attendance and that presently we have a vacant position with one absent leaving attendance with only five (5) of the seven. COUNCILMAN MCDANIEL SECONDING; VOTE 5-0.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Vice Chairman Wood asked for the approval of the following minutes:

- a) May 9, 2019 Budget Meeting #2 COUNCILMAN MCDANIEL made the MOTION to approve minutes with COUNCILMAN CARROLL SECONDING; VOTE 5-0.
- b) May 14, 2018 Regular Meeting COUNCILMAN CARROLL made the MOTION to approve minutes with COUNCILMAN MCDANIEL SECONDING; VOTE 5-0.
- c) May 14, 2019 Budget Meeting #3 COUNCILMAN MCDANIEL made the MOTION to approve minutes with COUNCILMAN CARROLL SECONDING; VOTE 5-0.

<u>REPORTS TO COUNCIL</u> – Mrs. Lisa Kirk, Director of Finance, provided the April end of the month financial reports using a new format as described as one comparing the data of actual budgeted funds with prior year and current fiscal years data.

LAURENS COUNTY GOVERNMENT REVENUE & EXPENDITURE STATEMENT AS OF APRIL 30, 2019 FY 2019

	F	Y 2019 BUDGET	FY 2018 ACTUAL COMPARISON			
	FY 2019 BUDGET	YEAR-TO-DATE AS OF APRIL 30, 2019	BUDGET FUNDS REMAINING \$	BUDGET FUNDS REMAINING %	FY 2018 YEAR-TO- DATE	VARIANCE OF CURRENT AND PRIOR FISCAL YEAR
110 GENERAL FUND						
REVENUE:						
311 GENERAL PROPERTY TAXES	\$14,119,700	\$12,697,446	\$1,422,254	10.1%	\$12,414,618	\$282,828
313 RESERVED MILLAGE	\$1,035,000	\$1,170,359	(\$135,359)	-13.1%	\$1,144,767	\$25,592
313 LOCAL OPTION SALES TAX	\$840,000	\$647,297	\$192,703	22.9%	\$675,210	(\$27,913)
320 LICENSES & PERMITS	\$572,000	\$424,073	\$147,927	25.9%	\$343,221	\$80,851
330 INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUE	\$3,496,367	\$2,761,062	\$735,305	21.0%	\$2,396,589	\$364,473
340 CHARGE FOR SERVICES	\$2,935,050	\$2,362,534	\$572,516	19.5%	\$2,122,498	\$240,037
361 INVESTMENT EARNINGS	\$105,000	\$165,459	(\$60,459)	-57.6%	\$86,718	\$78,741
363 RENTAL COUNTY PROPERTY	\$6,000	\$50	\$5,950	99.2%	\$2,148	(\$2,098)
364 CONTRIB FROM PRIVATE SOUR	\$1,000	\$10,000	(\$9,000)	-900.0%	\$251	\$9,749
370 MISCELLANEOUS	\$50,000	\$11,258	\$38,742	77.5%	\$26,030	(\$14,772)
390 OTHER FINANCING SOURCES	\$95,000	\$35,000	\$60,000	63.2%	\$35,000	\$0
392 PROCEEDS OF FIXED ASS DIS	\$30,000	\$0	\$30,000	100.0%	\$38,476	(\$38,476)
TOTAL REVENUE	\$23,285,117	\$20,284,538	\$3,000,579	12.9%	\$19,285,525	\$999,013

EXPENDITURE:

			COMPARISON			
	FY 2019 BUDGET	YEAR-TO-DATE AS OF APRIL 30, 2019	BUDGET FUNDS REMAINING \$	BUDGET FUNDS REMAINING %	FY 2018 YEAR-TO- DATE	VARIANCE OF CURRENT AND PRIOR FISCAL YEAR
512 ADMINISTRATION	\$218,311	\$170,804	\$47,507	21.8%	\$171,354	(\$550)
513 AIRPORT	\$99,891	\$65,669	\$34,222	34.3%	\$67,957	(\$2,289)
514 ASSESSOR	\$566,639	\$451,515	\$115,124	20.3%	\$436,724	\$14,790
515 AUDITOR	\$405,837	\$329,859	\$75,978	18.7%	\$324,162	\$5,697
516 BUILDINGS & GROUNDS	\$997,389	\$879,860	\$117,529	11.8%	\$854,604	\$25,256
517 CLEMSON EXTENSION	\$32,800	\$29,996	\$2,804	8.5%	\$30,442	(\$446)
518 CLERK OF COURT	\$815,751	\$658,431	\$157,320	19.3%	\$598,809	\$59,622
519 COMMUNICATIONS (E911 OPER	\$1,210 <mark>,</mark> 033	\$979,320	\$230,713	19.1%	\$820,371	\$158,949
520 CONTINGENCY	\$125,000	\$7,952	\$117,048	93.6%	\$34,871	(\$26,919)
521 CORONER	\$236,390	\$210,124	\$26,266	11.1%	\$180,262	\$29,862
522 COUNTY COUNCIL	\$189,084	\$149,883	\$39,201	20.7%	\$139,339	\$10,544
523 DETENTION CENTER	\$4,037,556	\$3,291,001	\$746,555	18.5%	\$3,208,817	\$82,184
524 E-911 (SUBSCRIBER)	\$612,798	\$456,737	\$156,061	25.5%	\$381,704	\$75,033
526 EMER MANAGEMENT	\$119,508	\$60,672	\$58,836	49.2%	\$74,113	(\$13,441)
527 FINANCE DEPARTMENT	\$344,285	\$310,402	\$33,883	9.8%	\$289,977	\$20,425
531 HEALTH DEPARTMENT	\$12,450	\$11,052	\$1,398	11.2%	\$15,384	(\$4,332)
532 INSPECTIONS/PERMITS	\$516,207	\$373,259	\$142,948	27.7%	\$347,193	\$26,065
533 LIBRARY	\$784,054	\$656,559	\$127,495	16.3%	\$601,390	\$55,169
534 MAGISTRATE	\$593,097	\$427,781	\$165,316	27.9%	\$489,041	(\$61,260)
535 PARKS/RECREATION/TOURISM	\$265,538	\$148,738	\$116,800	44.0%	\$171,010	(\$22,273)
536 HUMAN RESOURCES	\$140,569	\$99,304	\$41,265	29.4%	\$111,716	(\$12,412)
537 PLANNING	\$66,164	\$4,568	\$61,596	93.1%	\$8,339	(\$3,771)
538 PROBATE JUDGE	\$408,839	\$326,975	\$81,864	20.0%	\$317,541	\$9,434
539 PUBLIC WORKS	\$213,776	\$138,251	\$75,525	35.3%	\$171,247	(\$32,995)
540 REGISTRATION/ELECTIONS	\$309,916	\$261,589	\$48,327	15.6%	\$191,773	\$69,816
541 ROADS/BRIDGES	\$1,029,419	\$811,307	\$218,112	21.2%	\$734,538	\$76,770
542 SHERIFF	\$5,481,553	\$4,380,322	\$1,101,231	20.1%	\$4,303,769	\$76,553
543 DSS/SOCIAL SERVICES	\$68,500	\$61,739	\$6,761	9.9%	\$60,619	\$1,120
544 TREASURER	\$386,053	\$549,961	(\$163,908)	-42.5%	\$522,550	\$27,412

545 VETERANS AFFAIRS	\$180,450	\$130,679	\$49,771	27.6%	\$138,054	(\$7,375)
546 PURCHASING/VEHICLE MAINTE	\$101,165	\$82,331	\$18,834	18.6%	\$80,475	\$1,856
548 RISK MANAGEMENT	\$0	\$2	(\$2)	0.0%	\$0	\$2
549 BJA GRANT	\$23,000	\$15,238	\$7,762	33.7%	\$0	\$15,238
551 INSURANCE & BENEFITS	\$1,074,304	\$1,115,217	(\$40,913)	-3.8%	\$1,071,540	\$43,677
556 COUNTY ATTORNEY	\$175,811	\$132,284	\$43,527	24.8%	\$132,884	(\$599)
561 MISCELLANEOUS	\$440,658	\$185,282	\$255,376	58.0%	\$185,974	(\$692)
562 LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSISTAN	\$393,969	\$393,969	\$0	0.0%	\$355,861	\$38,108
563 SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS	\$61,500	\$56,750	\$4,750	7.7%	\$41,500	\$15,250
578 INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY	\$259,573	\$147,676	\$111,897	43.1%	\$83,247	\$64,429
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	\$22,997,837	\$18,563,058	\$4,434,779	19.3%	\$17,749,152	\$813,906
TRANSFERS:		\$304,404	\$304,404	0.0%	\$476,837	(\$172,433)
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUE	\$287,280	\$2,025,884	(\$1,129,796)		\$2,013,210	\$12,673

		FY 2019 BUDGET COMPARISON				FY 2018 ACTUAL COMPARISON	
		FY 2019 BUDGET	YEAR-TO-DATE AS OF APRIL 30, 2019	BUDGET FUNDS REMAINING \$	BUDGET FUNDS REMAINING %	FY 2018 YEAR-TO- DATE	VARIANCE OF CURRENT AND PRIOR FISCAL YEAR
113 TREASURER	SPECIAL REVENUE FUND						
REVENUE:							
	340 CHARGE FOR SERVICES	\$400,000	\$318,702	\$81,298	20.3%	\$243,922	\$74,780
	TOTAL REVENUE	\$400,000	\$318,702	\$81,298	20.3%	\$243,922	\$74,780
EXPENDITURE:							
	113 TREASURER SPECIAL REVENUE	\$340,000	\$383,512	(\$43,512)	-12.8%	(\$127,596)	\$511,108
	TOTAL EXPENDITURE	\$340,000	\$383,512	(\$43,512)	-12.8%	(\$127,596)	\$511,108
	TRANSFERS:		(\$358,404)				
	EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUE	\$60,000	(\$423,214)	\$124,810		\$371,518	(\$436,328)
114 SHERIFF OF	FICE SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS						
REVENUE:	330 INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUE	\$39,500	\$48,565	(\$9,065)	-22.9%	\$21,427	\$27,137
	340 CHARGE FOR SERVICES	\$75,000	\$114,205	(\$39,205)	-52.3%	\$89,849	\$24,355
	364 CONTRIB FROM PRIVATE SOUR	\$7,500	\$8,897	(\$1,397)	-18.6%	\$7,915	\$982
	TOTAL REVENUE	\$122,000	\$171,667	(\$49,667)	-40.7%	\$119,192	\$52,475
EXPENDITURE:	4						
	523 DETENTION CENTER	\$209,000	\$53,575	\$155,425	74.4%	\$65,766	(\$12,191)
	542 SHERIFF'S OFFICE	\$70,000	\$73,817	(\$3,817)	-5.5%	\$35,018	\$38,800
	TOTAL EXPENDITURE	\$279,000	\$127,393	\$151,607	54.3%	\$100,784	\$26,609
	TRANSFERS:						
	EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUE	(\$157,000)	\$44,274	(\$201,274)		\$18,408	\$25,866

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123 FIRE DEPARTI	MENT						
REVENUE:	311 GENERAL PROPERTY TAXES	\$2,935,000	\$2,877,718	\$57,282	2.0%	\$2,782,759	\$94,959
	330 INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUE	\$0	\$922	(\$922)	0.0%	\$825	\$97
	TOTAL REVENUE	\$2,935,000	\$2,878,639	\$56,361	1.9%	\$2,783,584	\$95,056
EXPENDITURE:	101/12 NEVENUE			, .			
EXPENDITORE.	530 Fire DEPT	\$3,070,820	\$2,620,209	\$450,611	14.7%	\$1,723,981	\$896,227
	-	\$3,070,820	\$2,620,209	\$450,611	14.7%	\$1,723,981	\$896,227
	TOTAL EXPENDITURE						
	TRANSFERS: EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUE	(\$35,000) (\$170,820)	(\$21,816) \$236,615	(\$13,184) (\$407,435)		(\$35,000) \$1,024,603	(\$801,172)
135 RURAL FIRE	CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS						
REVENUE:	361 INTEREST EARNED	\$0	\$8,527	(\$8,527)	#DIV/0!	\$10,321	(\$1,794)
	TOTAL REVENUE	\$0	\$8,527	(\$8,527)	#DIV/0!	\$10,321	(\$1,794)
EXPENDITURE:							
	800 RURAL FIRE CAP PROJ	\$0	\$348,174	(\$348,174)	#DIV/0!	\$811,069	(\$462,895)
	-	\$0	\$348,174	(\$348,174)	#DIV/0!	\$811,069	(\$462,895)
	TOTAL EXPENDITURE						
	TRANSFERS: EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUE	\$0 \$0	(\$13,184) (\$352,831)	\$13,184 \$352,831		\$0 (\$800,747)	\$461,101
134 FIRE CAPITAL	RESERVE						
REVENUE:	311 GENERAL PROPERTY TAXES	\$312,000	\$302,179	\$9,821	3.1%	\$288,662	\$13,517
	TOTAL REVENUE	\$312,000	\$302,179	\$9,821	3.1%	\$288,662	\$13,517
EXPENDITURE:							
	530 FIRE DEPARTMENT	\$461,190	\$100,490	\$360,700	78.2%	\$0	\$100,490
	TOTAL EXPENDITURE	\$461,190	\$100,490	\$360,700	78.2%	\$0	\$100,490
	TRANSFERS:	\$0	(\$13,184)	\$13,184		\$0	
	EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUE	(\$149,190)	\$188,505	(\$337,695)		\$288,662	(\$86,973)

		F	Y 2019 BUDGET (N	FY 2018 ACTUAL COMPARISON		
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128 EMERGENO	CY MED SERVICE						
REVENUE:							
	311 GENERAL PROPERTY TAXES	\$1,525,000	\$1,427,112	\$97,888	6.4%	\$1,394,105	\$33,007
	330 INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUE	\$21,500	\$10,214	\$11,286	52.5%	\$10,081	\$134
	340 CHARGE FOR SERVICES	\$2,354,615	\$1,880,017	\$474,598	20.2%	\$1,661,318	\$218,699
	364 CONTRIB FROM PRIVATE SOUR	\$0	\$25	(\$25)	#DIV/0!	\$2	\$23
	370 MISC REVENUE	\$0	\$2,028	(\$2,028)	#DIV/0!	\$2	\$2,026
	TOTAL REVENUE	\$3,901,115	\$3,319,396	\$581,719	14.9%	\$3,065,508	\$253,887
EXPENDITURE:							
	525 EMER MED SERV	\$3,802,487	\$2,829,672	\$972,815	25.6%	\$2,577,989	\$251,683
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	TOTAL EXPENDITURE TRANSFERS:						
	EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUE	\$98,628	\$489,724	(\$391,096)		\$487,519	\$505,570
129 VICTIMS ASSI							
REVENUE:							
	330 INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUE	\$40,550	\$18,372	\$22,178	54.7%	\$29,718	(\$11,346)
	340 CHARGE FOR SERVICES	\$80,000	\$78,986	\$1,014	1.3%	\$62,929	\$16,058
	TOTAL REVENUE	\$120,550	\$97,358	\$23,192	19.2%	\$92,647	\$4,711
EXPENDITURE:							
	550 VICTIMS ADVOCATE	\$110,817	\$94,078	\$16,739	15.1%	\$138,051	(\$43,973)
	TOTAL EXPENDITURE	\$110,817	\$94,078	\$16,739	15.1%	\$138,051	(\$43,973)
	TRANSFERS:						
	EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUE	\$9,733	\$3,280	\$6,453		(\$45,404)	\$48,684
129 VICTIMS ASS	STANCE						
REVENUE:							
	330 INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUE	\$40,550	\$18,372	\$22,178	54.7%	\$29,718	(\$11,346)
	340 CHARGE FOR SERVICES	\$80,000	\$78,986	\$1,014	1.3%	\$62,929	\$16,058
	TOTAL REVENUE	\$120,550	\$97,358	\$23,192	19.2%	\$92,647	\$4,711
EXPENDITURE:							
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	TOTAL EXPENDITURE	\$110,817	\$94,078	\$16,739	15.1%	\$138,051	(\$43,973)
	TRANSFERS:						
	EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUE	\$9,733	\$3,280	\$6,453		(\$45,404)	\$48,684

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210 SOLID WASTE	MANAGEMENT							
REVENUE:								
	330 INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUE	\$139,030	\$100,701	\$38,329	27.6%	\$40,151	\$60,551	
	340 CHARGE FOR SERVICES	\$2,149,000	\$2,011,874	\$137,126	6.4%	\$1,867,969	\$143,905	
	364 CONTRIBUTION	\$0	\$1,500	(\$1,500)	0.0%	\$0	\$1,500	
	TOTAL REVENUE	\$2,288,030	\$2,114,075	\$173,955	7.6%	\$1,908,119	\$205,956	
EXPENDITURE:								
	580 LANDFILL	\$1,299,518	\$893,479	\$406,039	31.2%	\$825,588	\$67,891	
	590 SOLID WASTE/RURAL COLLECT	\$780,873	\$623,163	\$157,710	20.2%	\$568,443	\$54,720	
	592 LITTER & HUMANE	\$288,316	\$216,660	\$71,656	24.9%	\$215,094	\$1,566	
	595 SOLID WASTE CAPITAL	\$235,000	\$175,191	\$59,809	25.5%	\$94,490	\$80,701	
	TOTAL EXPENDITURE	\$2,603,707	\$1,908,493	\$695,214	26.7%	\$1,703,616	\$204,877	
	TRANSFERS							
	EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUE	(\$315,677)	\$205,582	(\$521,259)		\$204,503	\$1,079	
342 TECH/COLLEC	GE EDUCATION							
REVENUE:								
	311 GENERAL PROPERTY TAXES	\$206,664	\$201,008	\$5,656	2.7%	\$195,459	\$5,549	
	TOTAL REVENUE	\$206,664	\$201,008	\$5,656	0.0%	\$195,459	\$5,549	
EXPENDITURE:								
	800 TECH/COLLEGE ED	\$206,664	\$198,355	\$8,309	4.0%	\$0	\$198,355	
	TOTAL EXPENDITURE	\$206,664	\$2,653	\$204,011	0.0%			
	TRANSFERS:	\$0						
	DEFICIENCY OF REVENUE	\$0	\$2,653	(\$2,653)		\$195,459	(\$192,806)	
600 CAPITAL PRO	DJECTS AND EQUIPMENT				,			
REVENUE:	*							
	311 GENERAL PROPERTY TAXES	\$1,035,000	\$1,202,438	(\$167,438)	-16.2%	\$1,157,816	\$44,622	
	330 INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUE	\$152,000	\$0	\$152,000	100.0%	\$398,351	(\$398,351)	
	364 CONTRIBUTIONS	\$0	\$229,792	(\$229,792)	0.0%	\$0	\$229,792	
*	393 LEASE PROCEEDS	\$1,033,900	\$1,137,985	(\$104,085)	-10.1%	\$424,509	\$713,476	
	TOTAL REVENUE	\$2,220,900	\$2,570,215	(\$349,315)	0.0%	\$1,980,677	\$589,538	
EXPENDITURE:								
	555 CAPTIAL ASSETS	\$3,831,395	\$3,467,925	\$363,470	9.5%	\$1,797,413	\$1,670,511	
	TOTAL EXPENDITURE	\$3,831,395	\$3,467,925	\$363,470	0.0%	\$1,797,413	\$1,670,511	
	TRANSFERS:	\$0	\$54,000		-1.5-1			
	DEFICIENCY OF REVENUE	(\$1,610,495)	(\$843,709)	(\$712,786)		\$183,264	(\$1,080,973)	

OLD BUSINESS:

<u>PUBLIC HEARING ORDINANCE</u> #863 – FLOOD CONTROL ORDINANCE – Vice Chairman Wood opened the public hearing at 5:19 P.M. Having no one wishing to address the Ordinance, Vice Chairman Wood closed the hearing at 5:20 P.M.

<u>THIRD READING</u>, <u>ORDINANCE</u> #863 – <u>FLOOD CONTROL ORDINANCE</u> – COUNCILMAN MCDANIEL made the MOTION to approve Ordinance #863 upon second reading as presented with COUNCILWOMAN ANDERSON SECONDING; VOTE 5-0.

NEW BUSINESS:

DISCUSSION - LAKELANDS DISTRICT FIRE SERVICE - Greg Lindley, Director of Fire Services for Laurens County approached Council saying, "We have an issue with several of our Rural Volunteer Fire Departments as to volunteers. We desperately need more volunteers in several of our rural departments. Its not like it was twenty or thirty (20 or 30) years ago. We now have a lot of training for certifications that need to be current. There are three (3) stations that are in a geographic area known as the Lakelands area and each one are lacking in certified volunteers. The Waterloo Station has not had a Fire Chief in over three (3) years. Our Office has had to place a Division Chief to be in charge and keep it running. The Department also only have five (5) active fire personnel with a fifty eight percent (58%) response to calls that are dispatched to them. There are issues with response times. We are trying to start a recruiting process within these areas and are entertaining fourteen to seventeen (14 to 17) year olds. With attempts to train and encourage them to become active within their community fire service. Without volunteers, we will need to consider manning full time employees".

Continuing Mr. Lindley said, "The stations in this area – Waterloo towards Cross Hill – is in dire need of volunteers. The Cross Hill Station is actually the best department we have in this region with a roster of well over twenty (20) volunteers. But, they are handicapped due to not having a Board of Directors for several years leading to the reduction of and maintaining required paperwork. This has resulted in fines from the Secretary of State and the IRS. This department has a sixty five percent (65%) response time to dispatched calls. The Mountville Station is one of the smallest departments as to rural fire stations. Currently they only have three (3) active firefighters with a fifty one percent (51%) response time to dispatched calls. If volunteers aren't found, then we are going to have to look at permanently staffing a station".

Councilman Carroll asked what kind of costs estimates do you have towards staffing a station like this? Mr. Lindley replied that it would be approximately one hundred twenty two thousand dollars (\$122,000) a year to staff.

Vice Chairman Wood stated that a lot of the people in the County do not know where the operational dollars come from – the unincorporated areas.

PRESENTATION - ROADS PAVEMENT MANAGEMENT PLAN — Public Works Director Dale Satterfield, Tim Stoddard, Superintendent, Roads and Bridges and Billy Wilson, Public Works Deputy Director approached Council providing a proposed roads pavement management plan that they have been working on for the County.

Mr. Wilson said, "Our roadways are our largest capital asset. It is a liability that has not been addressed in the past and now we are in dire needs to do something towards maintaining our roadways. In April we completed an inventory of all county roads with a condition assessment of the roads. In the Class 3 assessment, there are approximately two hundred twenty one (221) miles of roads.

Administrator Caime said, "The roadways are like roofs. If you allow them to degrade and fall apart you are in trouble. If one starts the repairs at a good point you have better control of the costly repairs".

The following PowerPoint was presented to Council:

<u>Laurens County Road Condition Assessment</u> 2019 vs. 2029

SCDOT Reported April 2019

South Carolina is #1 in fatality rate in the nation.

And, 60% of the fatalities occur on rural roads.

Laurens County receives \$650,000 per year which resurfaces 8 miles based on recent projects.

With 401 miles of road infrastructure, we're asking our county roads to last 50 years.

With our current investment practices, WE'RE LOSING OUR COUNTY ROAD ASSET!

Current vs. 2029 Infrastructure By Rating

2019				2029	
Class 1	31 roads	16.76 miles	4.8%		
Class 2	231 roads	104.93 miles	26.19%		
Class 3	385 roads	221.20 miles	55.20%	68 miles	16.86%
Class 4	124 roads	56.89 miles	14.20%	325 miles	81.06%

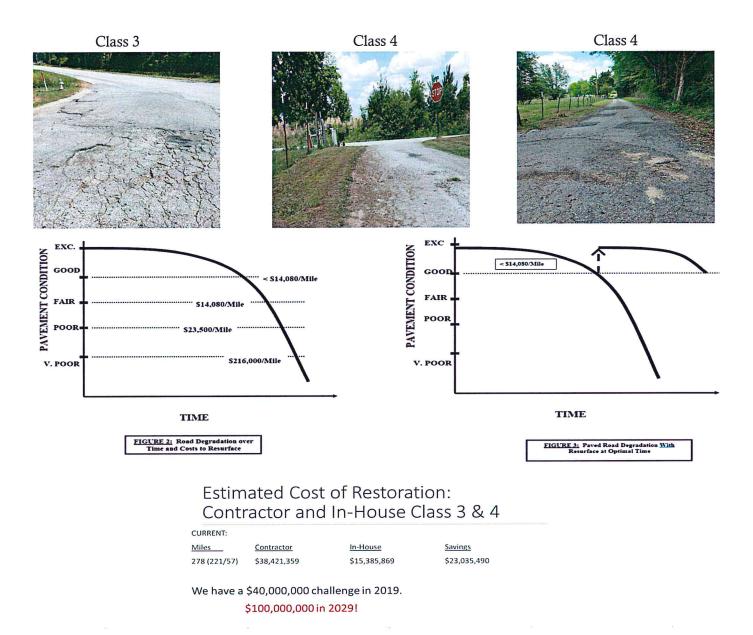
In ten years we will have 325 miles of Class 4 roads, AND, a \$100,000,000 CHALLENGE!

Note: Average length of a county owned road is $\frac{1}{2}$ mile.

Rating Guidelines

- Class 1: New surface no cracking or deformities. 12 to 15 year life.
- Class 2: Minor lateral cracking. 3 to 5 year life.
- Class 3: Prevalent lateral and longitudinal cracking and patching. 2 to 3 year life.
- Class 4: Cracked through-out(alligatored cracking) sub-grade failures.

 Reconstruction of base required.



Mr. Wilson said, "In ten (10) years if we don't do something, we are gonging to have three hundred twenty five (325) miles of class four (4) roads which is deplorable conditions for roads. During our inventory, we learned that the majority of our roads are mostly a half a mile long. We have rated our roads the same way that the County Transportation Committee has rated theirs. In Laurens County we have seven hundred seventy one (771) roads that are approximately four hundred one (401) miles. The costs are going to increase every year if something isn't done. Underfunding Roads and Bridges is going to result in at least one hundred million dollars (100,000,000) to repair. What we are looking at as a short term solution is three (3) personnel at an annual cost of one hundred four thousand dollars (\$104,000); material two hundred twelve thousand dollars (\$212,000); a six (6) year lease purchase of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) for used equipment. The monies for this can come from the road fee if it is increased. In 2007 Laurens County placed a fifteen dollar (\$15) road fee on the tax records. We would need to increase this by seven dollars (\$7.00) totaling twenty two dollars (\$22)".

Mr. Stoddard, Roads and Bridges Superintendent said, "Sealing the cracks in the roadways helps to keep the conditions at bay. It stops the water from getting down in to the subgrade causing a double erosion of a road.

Using a chip-seal method helps to buy some time. Paving is actually a seasonal process within a three to four (3-4) month window. And it allows the in between months for the shoulder work and other preparational means to get things ready".

Vice Chairman Wood stated that it was hard for him to see where three (3) new employees could do all of this work. Mr. Stoddard replied that some of the present crews would also be helping.

Councilman Younts asked what amount of time would be required to do a half mile of roadway. Mr. Stoddard replied that it would be about two or three (2 or 3) miles a day.

Councilman Younts asked how long it take to do the longer roadways. Mr. Stoddard replied that most of the County roads are short roads.

Councilwoman Anderson agreed that the County needs a plan with prioritization in place and that she was not against a plan; that she wanted to understand better as to how this would actually benefit the County.

Councilman McDaniel asked if there were any predictions as to the state and the gas tax. Mr. Wilson replied that the formula with the gas tax and the transportation Committee is based on population per square miles and that the County Transportation Committee can provide and undetermined amount of dollars to a municipality and should be match.

Vice Chairman Wood stated that this should be taken as information at this time. Chairman Pitts assigned this to the Council Committee on Public Works.

PROJECTED SAVINGS 2019 vs. 2029 CURRENT MILES PER CLASS 3 & 4

Rating 2019	<u>Miles</u>	Sq.Yd.	Contr. \$	In-House \$	Savings
3	221	2,046,165	\$14,323,157	\$3,069,248	\$11,253,909
4	57	535,040	\$24,098,202	\$12,316,621	\$11,781,581
	278	2,581,205	\$38,421,359	\$15,385,869	\$23,035,490
Rating 2029 (10 years)	<u>Miles</u>	Sq.Yd.	Contr. \$	In-House \$	<u>Savings</u>
3	68	629,589	\$4,407,125	\$944,384	\$3,462,741
4	325	3,009,067	\$135,528,363	\$69,268,715	\$66,259,648
	393	3,638,656	\$139,935,488	\$70,213,099	\$69,722,389
Pricing/Sq Yd	Class 3	Class 4	Class 3 (2%-10yr)	Class 4 (2%-10yr)	
Contractor	\$7.00	\$45.04	\$3.05	\$54.90	Per Sq Yd
In-House	\$1.50	\$23.02	\$1.83	\$28.06	Per Sq Yd
Investment:					
Equipment					
Steel Wheel Packer	\$35,000	!			
Rubber Tire Roller	\$35,000				
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Chip Spreader	\$68,000				
Tack Truck	\$70,000				*
Water Truck	\$70,000				
Belt Loader	\$50,000				
Broom Tractor	\$61,000				
Low-Boy Trailer	\$30,000				
Asphalt Spreader	\$38,000)			
Dura-Patcher	\$105,000	\$562,000			

<u>Labor</u> Crew Chief/HEO	Hourly Pay \$14.70	Benefits \$5.15			
Light Equip. Operator	\$11.49	\$4.02			
Laborer	\$10.72	\$3.75	\$49.83	\$103.643	Annual w/ benefits
Annual Materials					
Stone	\$71,000				
Emulsion	\$141,000	\$212,000	Total Materials		
	Total Annual Investment.:		\$665,643	Rased on 25	miles/year:
	TOTAL ATTE	uai mvestment	4005,045		
				Savings	ROI
				\$1,290,667	0.52

Note: Contractor/In-House price based on full depth patching and leveling before Chip Seal. Benefits are calculated at 35% of salary.

PUBLIC COMMENT - FIFTEEN (15) MINUTE PERIOD FOR PUBLIC COMMENT:

1.) Mrs. Marilyn Easler, approached Council inviting all to a County Council Forum for County Council District #4 on Thursday at 6:30 P.M. at the Laurens County Farm Bureau.

COUNTY COUNCIL COMMENTS:

- 1.) Councilman Carroll said, "Our roads are neglected and we have got to stop talking and take action. This County Council has got to take action for the people. We need to step up and take ownership of what we need to do as a Council".
- 2.) Councilman Younts said, "I agree with Councilman Carroll on the road conditions. We are not even catching up with all that needs to be done. It is time for this Council to get involved and fix the roads; not just consider it, we need to make it happen".
- 3.) Vice Chairman Wood asked for all to keep those mid-western states in prayer.

<u>EXECUTIVE SESSION</u> – There was a CONSENSUS of COUNCIL (5-0) to move into Executive Session at 6:35 P.M. to discuss a contractual matter, City of Clinton Fire Contract and a Legal Briefing, Capital Project Sales Tax.

There was a COUNCIL CONSENSUS to reconvene in open session at 7:00 P.M. Chairman Pitts reported the following:

- <u>CONTRACTUAL MATTER CITY OF CLINTON COUNCILMAN CARROLL</u> made the MOTION to approve the Clinton Fire Contract for one (1) year at two hundred ninety three thousand and sixty eight dollars (\$293,068). COUNCILWOMAN ANDERSON SECONDING; VOTE 5-0.
- LEGAL BRIEFING, CAPITAL PROJECT SALES TAX No action taken.

<u>ADJOURMENT</u> – COUNCILMAN MCDANIEL made the MOTION to adjourn at 7:15 P.M. with COUNCILMAN CARROLL SECONDING; VOTE 5-0.

As a matter of record, the scheduled session for session #4 of budget discussions was omitted due to the number present.

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Respectfully Submitted,

Betty C. Walsh

Laurens County Clerk to Council