MARLBORO COUNTY COUNCIL

MARLBORO COUNTY CONFERENCE ROOM

TUESDAY, AUGUST 11, 2009

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CHAIRMAN DR. CAROLYN PRINCE

VICE-CHAIR CORRIE PLATO

ADMINISTRATOR CECIL KIMREY

COUNTY ATTORNEY HARRY EASTERLING, JR.

COUNCIL:

JEAN MCLEAN,
RON MUNNERLYN,
DR. CAROLYN PRINCE,
STEVE BLACKMON, AND
WILLIE GLADDEN,
CORRIE H. PLATO,
KEN ALLEN,
ANTHONY WOODS

* ABSENT

<u>INVOCATION</u> – Mr. Anthony Woods.

<u>EXECUTIVE SESSION</u> – Discussion of a contractual issue.

Motion made by Mr. Anthony Woods, seconded by Ms. Jean Wallace McLean, to enter executive session for discussion of a contractual issue. Vote in favor. Unanimous. Motion carried.

Motion made by Mr. Steve Blackmon, seconded by Mr. Anthony Woods, to leave executive session and re-enter open session. Vote in favor. Unanimous. Motion carried.

Dr. Carolyn Prince, Chair advised no decisions had been made, no votes had been taken.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA ITEMS

Staff requested the addition of a "Proclamation" for the recognition of A. Vic Bethea under new business as item I. Mr. Bethea has worked for Clemson University Cooperative Extension Service Programs since 1983 and will retire as of August 2009.

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Motion made by Mr. Ken Allen, seconded by Ms. Corrie Plato, to add under new business as Item I-A Proclamation for the recognition of A. Vic Bethea. Vote in favor. Unanimous. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

JULY 14, 2009

Motion made by Mr. Anthony Woods, seconded by Mr. Steve Blackmon, to approve the minutes for July 14, 2009. Vote in favor. Unanimous. Motion carried.

JULY 23, 2009

Motion made by Mr. Ken Allen, seconded by Mr. Anthony Woods to approve the minutes for July 23, 2009. Vote in favor. Unanimous. Motion carried.

PRESENTATIONS

Mr. Chuck Black, Fire Departments - advised the various departments met on July 27, 2009 and reviewed the ISO Study focusing on the Fire Committee. It is their recommendation to appoint two members from each department - one a fire department member and one a community leader. He stated they met with the Council committee on August 4, 2009. Mr. Black stated it is their understanding the City of Bennettsville Fire Department will not participate in the Fire Committee.

Mr. Ronnie Crow, Marlboro County CTC - advised County Council of a new procedure the County Transportation Committee has put in place because of the reduction of revenue. Mr. Crow advised they do not have the staff to inventory road situations with over 900 miles of asphalt roads in the county. He stated costs have increased astronomically. The new procedures for getting roads paved in the future include: the road must be put into the Marlboro County Road System, Ordinance #531 which was adopted on September 13, 2001 must be amended requiring council to accept the roads into the system. In the future the citizens will have to come to county council with their request, county staff must review the road and qualify it, accept it into the county system, county will decide if they want it paved. If the county wants it paved – they will contact the CTC with request and provide documentation. Mr. Crow advised he gave a brochure with the CTC's qualifications to Mr. Kimrey. He advised another concern the CTC has is the State Highway Department will not take another road into their system.

Mr. Crow advised the CTC would also like to have a representative on the Economic Development Board as a non-voting member.

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OLD BUSINESS

ORDINANCE # 660 - AN ORDINANCE TO POSTPONE THE IMPLEMENTATION REVISED VALUES RESULTING FROM THE EQUALIZATION PROGRAM (REASSESSMENT) - THIRD READING.

Motion made by Mr. Ron Munnerlyn, seconded by Mr. Ken Allen, to approve the third reading of Ordinance # 660 – An Ordinance to postpone the implementation revised values resulting from the equalization program (reassessment). Vote in favor. Unanimous. Motion carried.

ORDINANCE # 661 - AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING MARLBORO COUNTY TO CONTINUE AN AGREEMENT WITH THE MARLBORO COUNTY RESCUE SQUAD PROVIDING PARAMEDIC LEVEL EMERGENCY SERVICE AND TRANSFER SERVICE THROUGHOUT MARLBORO COUNTY - SECOND READING.

Mr. Cecil Kimrey, County Administrator advised the agreement has been revised to one year.

Motion made by Mr. Ken Allen, seconded by Ms. Jean Wallace McLean, to approve the second reading of Ordinance # 661 – An Ordinance authorizing Marlboro County to continue an agreement with the Marlboro County Rescue Squad providing paramedic level emergency service and transfer service throughout Marlboro County. Vote in favor. Unanimous. Motion carried.

ORDINANCE # 662 - AN ORDINANCE TO RE-ESTABLISH THE POLICY RELATIVE TO THE ADMINISTRATION OF RESERVED FIRE PROTECTION AD VALOREM TAX AND TO ESTABLISH A FIRE COMMITTEE, REPEALING ORDINANCES # 483 AND # 615. - SECOND READING (OPTION A/OPTION B).

It was advised Option A has one representative per rural fire department. Option B has two representatives as recommended by the Fire Departments – one fire department member and one community leader.

Motion made by Mr. Anthony Woods, seconded by Mr. Steve Blackmon, to approve the second reading of Ordinance # 662 (Option B) – An Ordinance to re-establish the policy relative to the administration of reserved fire protection ad valorem tax and to establish a fire committee, repealing ordinances # 483 and # 615. Vote in favor. Unanimous. Motion carried.

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NEW BUSINESS

ORDINANCE # 663 - AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE A FRANCHISE AGREEMENT FOR THE COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL OF HOUSEHOLD SOLID WASTE. - FIRST READING

Mr. Cecil Kimrey, County Administrator advised only one proposal had been received – Mr. Jodie Davis, USA Waste & Recycling. Mr. Kimrey advised he had spoken with three potential companies, however, had received only one proposal. The cost per cart per month from Mr. Davis is \$18.00.

Motion made by Mr. Ron Munnerlyn, seconded by Mr. Anthony Woods, to approve the first reading of Ordinance # 663 – An Ordinance to authorize a franchise agreement with USA Waste & Recycling for the collection and disposal of household solid waste at \$18.00 per month. Vote in favor. Unanimous. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION # 08-09-01 – A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE MARLBORO COUNTY SECTION 504/ADA COMPLIANCE PLAN DATED AUGUST 2006.

Mr. Cecil Kimrey, County Administrator advised the Plan was presented by Pee Dee Cog in 2006, however, it was never adopted by Council. This is a requirement for CDBG grants.

Motion made by Mr. Ron Munnerlyn, seconded by Ms. Corrie Plato, to approve the acceptance of Resolution # 08-09-01 – A Resolution adopting the Marlboro County Section 504/ADA Compliance Plan dated August 2006. Vote in favor. Unanimous. Motion Only.

RESOLUTION # 08-09-02- A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE COPS HIRING RECOVERY PROGRAM GRANT # 2009RKWX0769, ORI # SC03500.

Motion made by Ms. Jean Wallace McLean, seconded by Mr. Anthony Woods, to approve the acceptance of Resolution # 08-09-02 – A Resolution accepting the COPS Hiring Recovery Program Grant # 2009RKWX0769, ORI # SC03500. Vote in favor. Unanimous. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION # 08-09-03 – A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SETTING OF THE LOCAL OPTION SALES TAX CREDIT FACTOR FOR TAX YEAR 209-2010.

Motion made by Mr. Ron Munnerlyn, seconded by Mr. Ken Allen, to authorize the County Administrator and County Tax Assessor to set the Local Option Sales Tax Credit Factor for tax year 2009-2010. Vote in favor. Unanimous. Motion carried.

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REQUEST APPROVAL FOR ACCEPTANCE OF PERMIT FOR THE WALLACE WATER COMPANY PROJECT – SHERRILL ROAD AND HOLLY CIRCLE.

Funds were left over from another project.

Motion made by Ms. Jean Wallace McLean, seconded by Mr. Steve Blackmon, to approve acceptance of the permit for the Wallace Water Company project – Sherrill Road and Holly Circle. Vote in favor. Unanimous. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF "PUBLIC" GRIEVANCE PROCEDURE FOR THE COUNTY OF MARLBORO FY 2009/2010.

Mr. Cecil Kimrey, County Administrator advised this was a requirement for CDBG grants.

Motion made by Mr. Ron Munnerlyn, seconded by Mr. Anthony Woods to approve the "Public" Grievance Procedure for the County of Marlboro FY 2009-2010. Vote in favor. Unanimous. Motion carried.

MARLBORO WATER COMPANY REQUEST

Marlboro Water Company sent a letter requesting additional funds of \$45,000 for the on-going Highway 385 Water System Extension project which is being funded by a Community Development Block Grant. Mr. Cecil Kimrey, County Administrator advised funds from the Marshall Street and Southeast Rehab funds were to be used. Council wished to stipulate the use of 8" lines and requested the administrator to question the number of fire hydrants.

Motion made by Mr. Ken Allen, seconded by Mr. Anthony Woods, to approve the request from Marlboro Water Company for \$45,000 additional funds for the Highway 385 CDBG project to be used from the Marshall Street and Southeast Rehab funds with the stipulation of using 8" lines. Vote in favor. Unanimous. Motion carried.

MOSELEY ARCHITECTS REQUEST

An amendment to the Professional Services Agreement was received from Moseley Architects requesting authorization to proceed with additional services consisting of additional construction contract administration services commencing August of 2009 which includes compensation of \$3,400.00 per month for six months or until Final Completion is achieved. No representative was present from Moseley Architects. No decisions were made.

<u>PROCLAMATION – A PROCLAMATION FOR THE RECOGNITION OF A. VIC BETHEA.</u>

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Motion made by Mr. Anthony Woods, seconded by Ms. Corrie Plato, to approve the Proclamation for the recognition of A. Vic Bethea. Vote in favor. Unanimous. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF BIDS

a. Wallace Water – Booster Pump – only one bid was received from Carolina Pumpworks, LLC (CPW) for a total cost of \$17,970.00.

Motion made by Mr. Ron Munnerlyn, seconded by Ms. Jean Wallace McLean, to accept the bid of \$17,970.00 as offered by Carolina Pumpworks, LLC. Vote in favor. Unanimous. Motion carried.

b. Airport Hangar Taxiway & Apron Expansion – bids received for Schedule I & II were: L & L Contractors, Inc. - \$391,654.60, Cherokee, Inc. - \$395,507.60, Weaver Co., Inc. - \$426,565.11, KD Construction Company - \$421,733.50, MAR Construction Co., Inc. - \$406,113.40, Ray Miles Construction Co. - \$449,441.05, Boggs Paving, Inc. - \$449,387.50, Barnhill Contracting Co. - \$417,209.30, D & L Sitework, Inc. - \$464,515.50, Kirven Construction, Inc. - \$487,232.25, Four S Construction, Inc. - \$499,532.00, Hudson Paving, Inc. - \$496,378.30, Plowden Construction Co. - \$630,545.00, and Blythe Construction, Inc. - \$675,800.00. The lowest bid was from L & L Contractors, Inc.

Mr. Cecil Kimrey, County Administrator advised the county should receive the formal grant offer within 25 days.

Motion made by Mr. Anthony Woods, seconded by Mr. Ron Munnerlyn, to accept the bid from L & L Contractors, Inc. in the amount of \$ 391,654.60 for the airport hangar taxiway & apron expansion. Vote in favor. Unanimous. Motion carried.

APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS & COMMISSIONS

Motion made by Mr. Anthony Woods, seconded by Mr. Ron Munnerlyn to appoint Mr. Johnny Sellers to the Marlboro County Planning Commission Board. Vote in favor. Unanimous. Motion carried.

Motion made by Dr. Carolyn Prince, seconded by Ms. Jean Wallace McLean to appoint Mr. John Troy Henegan, Sr. to the Marlboro County Board of Zoning & Appeals. Vote in favor. Unanimous. Motion carried.

Motion made by Ms. Corrie Plato, seconded by Mr. Anthony Woods to appoint Mr. Stephen Rogers to the Marlboro County Board of Zoning & Appeals. Vote in favor. Unanimous. Motion carried.

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Following the appointment, Mr. Stephen Rogers advised Ms. Corrie Plato that he would not be able to serve on the Board of Zoning & Appeals at the present time.

Motion made by Dr. Carolyn Prince, seconded by Mr. Anthony Woods to appoint Mr. Charlie Hunter to the Marlboro County Board of Zoning & Appeals. Vote in favor. Unanimous. Motion carried.

Motion made by Dr. Carolyn Prince, seconded by Ms. Jean Wallace McLean, to appoint Mr. Kenneth Stroman to the Marlboro County Economic Development Partnership Board. Vote in favor. Unanimous. Motion carried.

REPORTS

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Ms. Jean Wallace McLean, Public Safety Committee – advised the committee met with the Fire Departments and all went well.

Mr. Anthony Woods, Recreation – advised Mr. Thomas Stevens had an operation, Ms. Patty English's father had passed away – this left Mr. Gary Harrington, Director carrying the load. Plans were to hold a mandatory meeting on August 24, 2009 at 6:30 p.m.

Mr. Tim Brown, Library & Justice Complex – advised the construction for the library is continuing. Arches are in progress. The exterior of the building is 36% complete. The project is 55% complete – the new superintendent is doing an excellent job.

Mr. Brown advised the Justice Complex is ahead of schedule, with no issues. He wished to solicit bids for the additional parking. The project is 60% complete.

<u>ADMINISTRATIVE/FINANCIAL REPORT - CECIL KIMREY, COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR</u>

Employee Recognition – the following employees were recognized with five or more years of service to Marlboro County through the month of July: Patricia Karneckis, Jacqueline Bright, Sandy Wilkes, Bobbie Coxe, Tammy Perkins, and Jeffrey Dudley.

Expenditures – were at 91% for the general fund through July of the total budget, Revenue was at 86% of the budgeted amounts through July. All figures were tentative – the finance department was still closing out for the year. There may be additional state funds received for the year.

Bids – the bids for the CDBG 385 project was scheduled to be opened September 8, 2009.

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Bennettsville request – the City of Bennettsville requested permission to apply biosolids to land at the airport (1 acre). A letter would be received from the City of Bennettsville stating that they would be solely responsible and would indemnify and hold harmless the county from this activity as required.

CTC Request – the Transportation Committee advised they would like to have a representative on the Marlboro County Economic Development Partnership Board.

Removal of House – permission has been given to the county to remove a house on Union Street. The source of funds for removal of the house had not yet been identified.

Removal of Burned House – the county is working with the City of Bennettsville to remove a house (burned) that is owned by the Forfeit Land Commission.

Industry Appreciation Day – scheduled for September 15, 2009.

Energy Grant – the grant will require a match of \$9,860.00 to receive \$37,000. The system at the old library needs to be replaced. The match was needed in order to make the application competitive.

Domtar – the administrator requested permission to allow Ray Jones to review the Domtar tax since he has been involved in the calculations in the past. Council was agreeable.

Budgets – State and Local Budgets are expected to continue to suffer for two weeks after the economy improves.

Furlough – the second furlough day for the county was scheduled for August 14, 2009.

Certification – the training certification classes for the new members of the Planning Commission and Board of Zoning & Appeals were scheduled for August 20, 2009 and August 25, 2009.

RECOGNITION OF CITIZEN'S REQUEST BEFORE COUNCIL

Mr. Tom Wood – spoke in opposition of the proposed landfill. He stated Lee County was doing a poor job with their landfill. He also questioned whether the brochure handed out to everyone present represented MRR.

Mr. Belvin Sweatt – spoke in opposition of the proposed landfill. He referred to the Lee County Budget shortage. He asked council to take a "no" vote against MRR.

Ms. Polly McAlpine – spoke in opposition of the proposed landfill. She stated if it comes it would destroy the counties assets – she wants the county to become a tourist center.

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RECOGNITION OF COUNCIL MEMBERS

No discussion was heard.

NON AGENDA ITEMS

No discussion was heard.

ADJOURN

Motion made by Mr. Anthony Woods, seconded by Mr. Ken Allen to adjourn the meeting. Vote in favor. Unanimous. Motion carried.

No further discussion was heard. The meeting was adjourned.

(SEAL)

Dr. Carolyn A. Prince, Chair Marlboro County Council

ATTEST:

Susan E. Rivers, Clerk
Marlboro County Council

Date Adopted: September 8, 2009