

MARLBORO COUNTY COUNCIL

MARLBORO COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PARTNERSHIP BUILDING

COUNCIL CHAMBERS

TUESDAY, JANUARY 10, 2012

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CHAIRMAN	RON MUNNERLYN
VICE-CHAIR	DR. CAROLYN PRINCE
ADMINISTRATOR	CECIL KIMREY
COUNTY ATTORNEY	HARRY EASTERLING, JR.

COUNCIL:

JASON STEEN, RON MUNNERLYN, DR. CAROLYN PRINCE, STEVE BLACKMON, AND	WILLIE GLADDEN, CORRIE H. PLATO, KEN ALLEN, ANTHONY WOODS
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* Absent

INVOCATION – Mr. Anthony Woods

APPROVAL OF AGENDA ITEMS

No items were added.

Motion made by Mr. Steve Blackmon, seconded by Dr. Carolyn Prince to approve the agenda as presented. Vote in favor. Unanimous. Motion carried.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Nominations & Election of Chair

Motion made by Mr. Anthony Woods, seconded by Mr. Willie Gladden to nominate Mr. Ron Munnerlyn as Chair to Council.

No other nominations were made. The nominations for Chair were brought to a close.

Council members were requested to affirm the recognition of Mr. Ron Munnerlyn As Council Chairman by a showing of hands. Vote in favor. Unanimous. Motion carried.

Mr. Ron Munnerlyn continued the meeting as Chairman.

Nominations & Election of Vice-Chair.

Motion made by Mr. Willie Gladden, seconded by Ms. Corrie Plato to nominate Dr. Carolyn Prince as Vice-Chair to Council.

Motion made by Mr. Jason Steen, seconded by Mr. Steve Blackmon to bring the nominations for Vice-Chair to a close. Vote in favor. Unanimous. Motion carried.

Council members were requested to affirm the recognition of Dr. Carolyn Prince as Council Vice-Chair by a showing of hands. Vote in favor. Unanimous. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF COUNCIL MINUTES - DECEMBER 13, 2011.

Motion made by Dr. Carolyn Prince, seconded by Mr. Anthony Woods, to approve the minutes of December 13, 2011 as presented. Vote in favor. Unanimous. Motion Carried.

PUBLIC HEARING

ORDINANCE # 698 - AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF ONE OR MORE INCENTIVE AGREEMENTS BY AND BETWEEN MARLBORO COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA, AND PROJECT GRACELANDPB, AND ONE OR MORE AFFILIATED OR RELATED ENTITIES; AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN OPTION FOR SALE AGREEMENT FOR A PORTION OF THE MCCOLL INDUSTRIAL SITE; PROVIDING FOR A PROJECT INFRASTRUCTURE GRANT; PROVIDING FOR SPECIAL SOURCE REVENUE CREDITS; PROVIDING FOR THE INCLUSION OF THE PROJECT IN MULTICOUNTY BUSINESS OR INDUSTRIAL PARK; PROVIDING FOR CERTAIN SITE PREPARATION AND SITE ACCESS ASSISTANCE; AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY TO NEGOTIATE AND

The Public Hearing was closed.

OLD BUSINESS

ORDINANCE # 696 – AN ORDINANCE TO APPROVE THE LEASE AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN THE COUNTY AND HUMANE SOCIETY OF MARLBORO COUNTY, INC. – THIRD READING.

Ms. Hydeke, Marlboro County Humane Society was recognized. It was noted there were issues with the building which the Humane Society would like addressed before they assume the building. The county has agreed to make repairs only to the roof and heating system. The county has also agreed to continue paying the utilities up to the amount which is budgeted. It was agreed there were still details in the agreement which needed to be worked out.

Motion made by Dr. Carolyn Prince, seconded by Mr. Jason Steen, to approve the third reading of Ordinance # 696 – An Ordinance to approve the lease agreement by and between the County and Humane Society of Marlboro County. Vote in favor. Unanimous. Motion carried.

ORDINANCE # 697 – AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING (1) THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF A FEE IN LIEU OF TAX AND INCENTIVE AGREEMENT BETWEEN MARLBORO COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA (THE “COUNTY”) AND (5-STAR USA CORPORATION), ACTING FOR ITSELF, ONE OR MORE AFFILIATES OR OTHER PROJECT SPONSORS (THE “COMPANY”), IN CONNECTION WITH THE ESTABLISHMENT OR CERTAIN MANUFACTURING AND RELATED FACILITIES IN THE COUNTY (THE “PROJECT”); (2) THE COUNTY TO COVENANT IN SUCH AGREEMENT TO ACCEPT CERTAIN NEGOTIATED FEES IN LIEU OF AD VALOREM TAXES WITH RESPECT TO THE PROJECT; (3) SPECIAL SOURCE CREDITS TO PROVIDE REIMBURSEMENT FOR A PORTION OF CERTAIN COSTS INCURRED IN CONNECTION WITH THE PROJECT; (4) THE BENEFITS OF A MULTI-COUNTY PARK TO BE MADE AVAILABLE TO THE COMPANY AND THE PROJECT; AND (5) OTHER MATTERS RELATING THERETO. – SECOND READING.

Recommendation made to table.

Motion made by Mr. Anthony Woods, seconded by Ms. Corrie Plato, to table the second reading of Ordinance # 697 – An Ordinance authorizing (1) the execution and delivery of a fee in lieu of tax and incentive agreement between Marlboro County, South Carolina (the “County”) and (5-Star USA Corporation), acting for itself, one or more affiliates or other project sponsors (the “Company”), in connection with the establishment or certain manufacturing and related facilities in the county (the “Project”); (2) the County to covenant in such agreement to accept certain negotiated fees in lieu of AD VALOREM Taxes with respect to the project; (3) Special Source

Credits to provide reimbursement for a portion of certain costs incurred in connection with the project; (4) the benefits of a Multi-County park to be made available to the Company and the Project; and (5) other matters relating thereto. Vote in favor. Unanimous. Motion carried.

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Mr. Ron King, Executive Director for Marlboro County Economic Development Partnership advised the company has hired fourteen (14) employees to-date. They are ready to construct the building in McColl. At present they were doing very well.

Motion made by Mr. Steve Blackmon, seconded by Dr. Carolyn Prince, to approve the third reading of Ordinance # 698 - An Ordinance authorizing the execution and delivery of one or more incentive agreements by and between Marlboro County, South Carolina, and Project Gracelandpb, and one or more affiliated or related entities; authorizing the execution of an option for sale agreement for a portion of the McColl Industrial Site; providing for a project infrastructure grant; providing for Special Source Revenue Credits; providing for the inclusion of the project in Multi-County Business or Industrial Park; providing for certain site preparation and site access assistance; authorizing the county to negotiate and execute other agreements to effect the intent of this ordinance; and other related matters. Vote in favor. Unanimous. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

ORDINANCE # 699 – AN ORDINANCE CORRECTING THE NAME OF CURRIE LANE AS OLD CLIO MARION ROAD, CHANGING THE NAME OF THE ROAD CURRENTLY KNOWN AS QUAIL FARM ROAD TO CURRIE LANE, AND CHANGING THE NAME OF PINE FOREST LANE TO EL SHERIF LANE – FIRST READING (TITLE ONLY).

Motion made by Mr. Anthony Woods, seconded by Mr. Jason Steen, to approve the first reading, title only of Ordinance # 699 - An Ordinance correcting the name of Currie Lane as Old Clio Marion Road, changing the name of the road currently known

as Quail Farm Road to Currie Lane, and changing the name of Pine Forest Lane to El Sheriff Lane. Vote in favor. Unanimous. Motion carried.

ORDINANCE # 580 A – AN AMENDMENT TO ORDINANCE # 580 DESIGNED TO AID IN THE SITING OF TELECOMMUNICATION TOWERS AND ANTENNAE IN MARLBORO COUNTY. – FIRST READING (TITLE ONLY).

Mr. Cecil Kimrey, County Administrator stated a company from Hamlet was requesting to put an internet tower in the Wallace area. He advised it was a good alternative for citizens and more affordable. Mr. Kimrey advised when the original ordinance was written it was put in place for cell phone towers. He stated the Planning Commission will be meeting in February and bring a recommendation back at the next council meeting.

Motion made by Mr. Willie Gladden, seconded by Mr. Anthony Woods, to approve the first reading, title only of Ordinance # 580 A - An amendment to Ordinance # 580 designed to aid in the siting of telecommunication towers and antennae in Marlboro County. Vote in favor. Unanimous. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF BENNETTSVILLE HOLDINGS, LLC FORM PT-444.

Mr. Cecil Kimrey, County Administrator advised the county gave the incentive to Bennettsville Holdings, LLC and are not required to approve. The request is in addition to the incentives already given. After various discussion and being advised by Ms. Delorice Barrington, County Treasurer the penalty could always be refunded, Council decided to hold off on making a decision until the next council meeting so they could further review it.

Motion made by Dr. Carolyn Prince, seconded by Mr. Willie Gladden, to table the decision for Bennettsville Holdings, LLC Form PT-444 until the next council meeting. Vote in favor. Unanimous. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF CLERK OF COUNCIL/ADMINISTRATOR ASSISTANT APPOINTMENT.

Mr. Grover McQueen, Personnel Director advised the process for hiring the Clerk to Council/Administrator Assistant had started in September. The county had received approximately one hundred (100) applications and had interviewed approximately 6/7 people. After narrowing it down to three (3) finalists, staff wished to recommend the hiring of Ms. Natalie Manning for the position.

Motion made by Dr. Carolyn Prince, seconded by Mr. Willie Gladden, to approve the appointment of Ms. Natalie Manning for the Clerk of Council/Administrator Assistant Appointment. Vote in favor. Unanimous. Motion carried.

APPOINTMENT TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS.

Other Boards & Commissions

No appointments were made.

PDCOG Board

Rotation until 2013 is Districts 2, 3, 5, and 6. Ms. Corrie Plato is serving in Mr. Ken Allen's place for District 6 at his request. Dr. Carolyn Prince is serving on the Executive Committee. All council members were in agreement.

OPENING & ACCEPTANCE OF BIDS

Tax Assessor's Office – mapping machine – bids received were: Machine 1 (Spartan Office Systems) – \$12,115; Machine 2 (Sandhills Office Systems) - \$11,500; Machine 3 (Herald Office Systems) - \$11,774; and Machine 4 (Duncan-Parnell) - \$8,484.20. Mr. Jeff Dudley, Tax Assessor recommended the acceptance of Machine 3 based on cheaper operational fees for toner.

Motion made by Dr. Carolyn Prince, seconded by Mr. Jason Steen, to approve the proposal as presented by Herald Office Systems in the amount of \$11,774. Vote in favor. Unanimous. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

No committee reports were given.

ADMINISTRATIVE/FINANCIAL REPORT – CECIL KIMREY, COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

Expenditure & Revenue report was provided to Council for the month ending December, 2011. Expenditures were at 45% and revenue was at 17%.

Employee Recognition – Employees with at least five years service through the end of December include: Brooke Freeman (7 years), Paul Mark Heath (11 years), Robert Hilliard (5 years), Robert Kimrey (5 years), Walter Pratt (12 years), and Roger Roller (37 years).

Administration Building Update:

- Roof Advertisement (to stabilize leaks) – January
- Interior Renovation Advertisement - February

Ethics Forms - Information regarding the required Ethics form was sent out with council packets. Must be filed by April.

Detention Center - is partnering with Adult Ed beginning in January in an effort to provide Work Certificates.

I-95 - The Department of Commerce has approved \$500,000 for the Spec Building at the I-95 Gateway Industrial Park. There is a payback provision to Commerce if the building is sold.

Grant Road Project - the Grant Water Line pre-construction conference is scheduled for January 12, 2012 at 10:30 a.m. at the Wallace Water Office.

Various Roads - Surveying should be completed by the end of January for Quail Run and Hood.

Trinity - William Brock is the Acting Director of Trinity Behavioral Care.

Broadband – the administrator contacted Johnny Brown and Bill Fleming regarding Broadband. Also contacted Metro Cast for Public Access service.

Funds – received a \$75,000 check from Progress Energy for the Boro Site project.

Recreation Meeting – scheduled for January 25th at 5:30.

County Signs – are in place for Hwy 38 and 15/401. The Administrator advised Hwy 9 is next and he believed a site has been found on Hwy 1.

Street Signs – the County Transportation Committee may be able to help with funding for new street signs for the county.

Mr. Ron Munnerlyn, Council Chairman questioned Mr. Kimrey about the possibility of raises during the year. Mr. Kimrey advised all employees would not get a raise. He advised he had looked into the possibility of providing potential raises based on a minimum set by the Association of Counties for:

- employees below the minimum for their job classification.
- Employees who have been employed at least five (5) years in their present position as of July 1, 2011 and are not 2% above the minimum for their position
- Employees who have been employed at least ten (10) years in their present position as of July 1, 2011 and are not 5% above the minimum for their position.
- Employees who have been furloughed in the last three (3) fiscal years.

Mr. Kimrey advised all raises included would cost the county approximately \$69,000 per year. Employee raises will be limited to no more than \$1,200 annually.

Motion made by Mr. Ken Allen, seconded by Mr. Willie Gladden, to approve implementation of the plan. Vote in favor. Unanimous. Motion carried.

RECOGNITION OF CITIZEN'S REQUEST BEFORE COUNCIL

No citizens were heard.

RECOGNITION OF COUNCIL MEMBERS

Mr. Anthony Woods – no comments.

Ms. Corrie Plato – no comments.

Mr. Jason Steen – no comments.

Mr. Willie Gladden – requested the county start looking for a part-time Fire Co-ordinator. Mr. Ron Munnery, Council Chair requested Mr. Kimrey, County Administrator review the situation and bring it back to council.

Dr. Carolyn Prince – thanked council for the vote of confidence for re-appointing her as Council Vice-Chair. She advised she was pleased with the salary adjustments. She questioned who would be responsible for notifying citizens of district changes due to redistricting, she was advised Voter Registration.

Dr. Prince advised she had received complaints from citizens in the Boro area concerning abandoned properties and property which needed cleaning. She requested Public Works pick up the bottles and paper from along side the road.

Mr. Steve Blackmon – thanked employees for what they do and with the animal control situation.

Mr. Ken Allen – no comments.

Ron Munnery – thanked council for the votes for Chairman. He believed council is going in the right direction. He wished to challenge the employees to save money for the county. He stated money saved could go to employee salaries.

NON-AGENDA ITEMS

No items were heard.

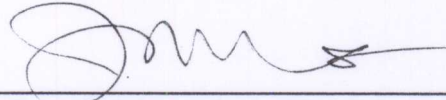
ADJOURN

No further discussion was heard. The meeting was adjourned

Motion made by Mr. Willie Gladden, seconded by Ms. Corrie Plato, to adjourn the meeting. Vote in favor. Unanimous. Motion carried.

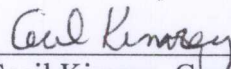
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J. Ronald Munnerlyn, Chairman
Marlboro County Council

ATTEST:



Cecil Kimrey, County Administrator
Marlboro County Council

Date Adopted: February 14, 2012