

PUBLIC HEARING:

- a) An ordinance (06-15) providing for the transfer of authority for conducting Town of Due West Municipal Elections to the Abbeville County Registration and Elections Commission. Lynn West, Director of Registration and Elections informed Council that the Abbeville County Registration Board & Election Commission is willing to assume the transfer of the powers, duties and responsibilities for conducting the Municipal Election for the Town of Due West in accordance with the terms and conditions contained in Ordinance 2-300 if the Abbeville County Council finds it proper, appropriate and in the public interest and further adopts an ordinance accepting said transfer of authority. Hearing no further comment, Chairman Gunnells closed the public hearing.
- b) An ordinance (06-16) to amend the Abbeville County Road System, Ordinance 2000-5, index of roads maintained by Abbeville County, South Carolina by adding State Park Road to the County Road System. Hearing no comment, Chairman Gunnells closed the public hearing.
- c) An ordinance (06-17) to amend the Abbeville County Official Zoning Map for a one (1) acre tract of land located at Nance Road and Sunset Cove and identified by tax map number 054-00-00-412 from Forest/Agricultural (FA) to General Residential (GR). Hearing no comment, Chairman Gunnells closed the public hearing.
- d) An ordinance (06-18) to amend the Abbeville County Official Zoning Map for a 4.184 acre tract of land located at Bera Simpson Road, Vineyard Road and Songbird Lane and identified by tax map number 054-00-00-231 from Forest/Agricultural (FA) to General Residential (GR). Hearing no comment, Chairman Gunnells closed the public hearing.

**ABBEVILLE COUNTY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
NOVEMBER 27, 2006
MINUTES**

PRESENT: Chairman Gunnells, Vice Chairman Simpson, Councilman O’Quinn, Councilman Davis, Councilman Thomas and Councilman Norris.

ABSENT: Councilman Calhoun

CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Gunnells called the meeting to order at 7:35 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Chairman Gunnells led the Pledge of Allegiance.

INVOCATION:

Councilman Thomas gave the invocation.

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT:

Chairman Gunnells stated for the record that both the Press and Banner and the Index Journal were notified of the meeting and that the meeting was posted on County Buildings as required by the Freedom of Information Act.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Vice Chairman Simpson made a motion to approve the minutes of the November 13, 2006, regular county council meeting. Councilman Norris seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0-1 with Councilman Thomas abstaining.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Ms. Sarah Snell of 508 Suttles Landing Road, Iva, informed Council that a QRV in the Lake Secession area is not enough help for severe cases, who will still have to long wait for an ambulance to arrive. An ambulance was promised for the McGill Fire Station and that is what the building was made to accommodate. It is not logical to spend my tax dollars for the Diamond Hill location, when one is available and better suited for the placement.

PRESENTATIONS: None

OLD BUSINESS:

- a) Second reading of an ordinance (06-15) providing for the transfer of authority for conducting Town of Due West Municipal Elections to the Abbeville County Registration and Elections Commission. Vice Chairman Simpson made a motion to approve second reading. Councilman O'Quinn seconded the motion. The motion carried 6-0-0.
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NEW BUSINESS:

- a) First Readings: New Policy – All first readings are read into the record by the Chairman, and a vote is not necessary.
 - 1) An ordinance (06-19) to amend the Abbeville County Official Zoning Map for a 28.99 acre tract of land located at Beulah Land Farm Road and identified by tax map number 103-00-00-005 from Forest/Agricultural (FA) to General Commercial (GC).
 - 2) An ordinance (06-20) to amend the Abbeville County Official Zoning Map for a 705.01 acre tract of land located at Beulah Land Farm Road and identified by tax map number 103-00-00-005 from Forest/Agricultural (FA) to Restricted Residential (R-8).
- b) Resolutions:
 - 1) A resolution (06-66) suspending Sunday work prohibitions during the upcoming Holiday Season. Councilman Norris made a motion to approve this resolution. Councilman Thomas seconded the motion. The motion carried 6-0-0.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

County Director Moulder requested for Council to meet with the Landfill engineers in regards to the study made on future management and expansion of the landfill on December 6th at 6:30 p.m. Also, requested Councils support on using the Church Street building for records retention, a grant for a multi use recreation facility for land purchase with a match of \$200,000 and another grant for Upper Abbeville County Recreation, which could be a \$100,000 match.

Requested formal confirmation on appraisal and architectural concept plan for the old hospital. Councilman Thomas made a motion to approve both. Councilman O'Quinn seconded the motion. The motion carried 6-0-0.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- a) Finance Committee—Ray Gunnells, Claude Thomas and Billy Norris. No report was given.
- b) Personnel and Administration—Mike Davis, Jeff Simpson and Claude Thomas. No report was given.
- c) Public Works—Jeff Simpson, Larry O'Quinn and Billy Norris. No report was given.

- d) Intergovernmental Relations—Billy Norris, Mike Davis and John Calhoun. No report was given.
- e) Planning and Industrial Development—Claude Thomas, Ray Gunnells and John Calhoun. Councilman Thomas requested that the County Director enforce Article 2 (General Provisions) of the Abbeville County Land Development Regulations
- f) Education, Recreation, Health and Welfare—John Calhoun, Jeff Simpson and Larry O’Quinn. No report was given.
- g) Public Safety—Larry O’Quinn, John Calhoun and Billy Norris. No report was given.

A motion was made by Councilman Thomas to go into Executive Session to discuss a personnel issue in regards to the personnel policy. Vice Chairman Simpson seconded the motion. The motion carried 6-0-0.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Chairman Gunnells reconvened the meeting following executive session and announced that no action was needed following executive session.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further items of discussion Vice Chairman Simpson made a motion to adjourn. Councilman Thomas seconded the motion. The motion carried 6-0-0.

The meeting adjourned at 8:13 pm.

Done this _____ day of _____, 2006

Abbeville County Council

By: _____
Ernest R. Gunnells, Chairman

ATTEST:

By: _____
Lynn Sopolosky, Clerk to Council

