



**NEWBERRY COUNTY COUNCIL
MINUTES
AUGUST 15, 2018
7:00 P.M.**

Newberry County Council met on Wednesday, August 15, 2018, at 7:00 p.m. in Council Chambers at the Courthouse Annex, 1309 College Street, Newberry, SC, for a regular scheduled meeting.

PRESENT: Henry H. Livingston, III, Chairman
Kirksey Koon, Vice Chairman
Bill Waldrop, Councilman
Steve Stockman, Councilman
Scott Cain, Councilman
Travis Reeder, Councilman
Dr. Harriett Rucker, Councilwoman
Wayne Adams, County Administrator
Laurie Renwick, Clerk to Council

ABSENT: A.J. Tothacer, County Attorney

MEDIA: Andrew Wigger, Newberry Observer

The meeting was duly advertised as required by law.

Chairman Livingston called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Scott Cain led the invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

1. Additions, Deletions, and Adoption of Agenda

Vice Chairman Koon motioned to adopt the agenda as presented; seconded by Mr. Stockman. the vote was unanimous.

2. Personal Appearances

- a. Michelle Long, Executive Director Chamber of Commerce – Leadership Class Presentation

Mrs. Long approached the podium and updated Council on the leadership class and shared that there were 21 participants. She recognized Mary Alex Kopp, Colin Shealy, Ken McBride, Kimberly Kitchen, Laura Kneece and Rick Farmer who were in attendance tonight and program

participants. She presented a PowerPoint that captured the participants' experiences throughout the program that was designed to help them understand the assets and challenges of Newberry County in the areas of health and human services, community, education, infrastructure, emergency services, law enforcement, government, economic development, agriculture and art, recreation and tourism. The program was also designed to elevate leadership for future engagement in the community. Mrs. Long said one of the findings of the class was that we are very blessed in Newberry County with the support and services that are available; however, not everyone knows about them or do not know where to find these services. Some of the folks that the group heard from was DSS, Veterans Affairs, Council on Aging, Free Medical Clinic, and Newberry County Memorial Hospital. She said they toured many facilities and heard from a lot of professionals within the program areas. At the conclusion of the class they identified a need in the educational system for those students that fall through the cracks and they would like to start a 501C3 to include afterschool programs, mentorships, summer programs, and teaching entrepreneur and basic soft skills. She said it will take awhile but hopefully they will have a name, vision, and mission and get that off the ground. She thanked council and asked if they had any questions.

Dr. Rucker responded that this was just super and she thanked Mrs. Long and the group for all they have done and will continue to do.

Mr. Reeder said he receives a lot of phone calls at the district office about afterschool programs and mentoring and that will be an excellent program for Newberry County.

Dr. Rucker shared that Ken McBride is an invaluable resource and gets a lot of things done.

Mrs. Long replied that is why she wanted Mr. McBride on her board; he is currently serving on the Chamber of Commerce Board.

Mr. Cain thanked Mrs. Long for taking the Chamber of Commerce to the next level. He said she has started many of these great programs and is bringing a lot of folks together and is building an organization that is helping Newberry County's vision and is making a positive impact. He thanked her for all of her efforts and to the young adults taking advantage of the leadership programs.

3. **Ordinance #08-10-18:** An Ordinance acting on a request to amend the Official Zoning Map established pursuant to Zoning Ordinance No. 06-11-16, codified in Chapter 153 of the Newberry County Code of Ordinances, so as to rezone a five hundred and ten and fifty-seven hundredths (510.57) acres portion of a five hundred and thirty-one (531.00) acres real estate parcel designated as TMS Parcel No. 239-1 from Rural (R2) to Industrial (Ind).
 - a. Second Reading

Mr. Waldrop motioned to approve second reading of Ordinance #08-10-18; seconded by Mr. Cain. The vote was unanimous.

4. **Ordinance #08-11-18:** An Ordinance authorizing the sale of certain real property from Newberry County, South Carolina to Newberry Electric Cooperative, Inc.; authorizing the provision of certain grant funds to attract economic development projects; and other related matters. (TITLE ONLY)

a. First Reading

5. *Appointments*

6. *Public Comments (by those who signed up at the meeting)*

7. *Executive Session*

a. §30-4-70(a)(1) SC Code of Laws for annual evaluation of the County Administrator and Clerk to Council

8. *Comments/Request from County Administrator*

9. *Comments/Request from Council Members*

10. *Future Meetings*

- a. Public Works and Planning Committee 8/20/18 @ 7:00 p.m.
- b. County Council 9/5/18 @ 7:00 p.m.
- c. "On the Move with Margaret" 9/10/18 @ 9:00 a.m.
- d. Personnel and Intergovernmental Relations Committee 9/10/18 @ 6:00 p.m.
- e. County Council 9/19/18 @ 7:00 p.m.
- f. Economic Development Committee 9/24/18 @ 7:00 p.m.

11. *Adjournment*