



**NEWBERRY COUNTY COUNCIL  
MINUTES  
FEBRUARY 18, 2015**

Newberry County Council met on Wednesday, February 18, 2015, 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  
Wayne Adams, County Administrator  
A.J. Tothacer, County Attorney  
Laurie Renwick, Clerk to Council  
Debbie Cromer, Finance Director

**ABSENT:** Leslie (Les) Hipp, Councilman

**MEDIA:** Andrew Wigger, Newberry Observer  
Samie Truong, WKDK

The meeting was duly advertised as required by law.

Chairman Livingston called the meeting to order.

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

***1. Additions, Deletions and Adoption of Agenda***

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

***2. Newberry County Service Awards***

Chairman Livingston presented the following service awards: Arvid Lominack Jr., Sheriff Office (absent) – 5 years; Bridgett Fain, Planning and Zoning Office (absent) – 10 years; Nora Sanders, Auditors Office – 10 years; and Jackie Bowers, Clerk of Court- 45 years.

Mrs. Bowers recognized and thanked her husband, Tommy, and her staff, Beth Folk, Carol Lively, Beverly Brehmer, Maggie Mills, Janeen Toby and her son, and Janice Allen for supporting her tonight.

### **3      *Personal Appearances***

- a. Mr. Mike Briggs, CEO, Central SC Alliance

Mr. Briggs introduced himself along with David King, Stephen Roddey, and Melissa Mims with Central SC Alliance. A copy of his presentation was distributed to members of Council and Mr. Briggs concluded with a verbal briefing of regional activities to include Newberry County over the past year.

### **4.      *Appointments***

No appointments.

### **5.      *Committee Reports***

- a. Economic Development – 02/09/15

Mrs. Teresa Powers reported that the Economic Development Committee met on Monday, February 9, 2015 and Mr. Les Hipp was re-elected as Chairman of that committee. The Central SC Alliance quarterly report was received as information and Mr. Keith Avery, CEO, Newberry Electric Cooperative made a presentation about their fiber plan. The committee was informed about the CSX Select Site Event scheduled for March 18, 2015 at 10:00 a.m. at Piedmont Technical College. Mrs. Powers shared the plans for Industry Appreciation Week and the county's event which is scheduled to be held on April 9, 2015. The committee convened in Executive Session and no action was taken in that session.

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

No comments.

### **7.      *Executive Session***

Mr. Adams reported that an Executive Session was needed under SC Code Section 40-3-70(a)(2) to address matters pertaining to property acquisition and legal advise.

Mr. Waldrop motioned to go into Executive Session; seconded by Mr. Stockman. The vote was unanimous.

***EXECUTIVE SESSION [7:24 p.m. – 8:32 p.m.]***

Mr. Adams reported that Council met in Executive Session for the stated purposes and took no action in that session.

**8. *Comments/Request from County Administrator***

No comments.

**9. *Comments/Request from Council Members***

No comments.

**10. *Future Meetings***

- a. Personnel and Intergovernmental Relations 2/23/15 @ 6:00 p.m.
- b. Public Works and Planning 03/02/15 @ 6:00 p.m.
- c. County Council 03/04/15 @ 7:00 p.m.
- d. “On the Move with Margaret” 03/09/15 @ 9:15 a.m.
- e. County Council 03/18/15 @ 7:00 p.m.

**11. *Adjournment***

Chairman Livingston declared the meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

**NEWBERRY COUNTY COUNCIL**

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**Henry H. Livingston, Chairman**

**APPROVED:**

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**Laurie N. Renwick, Clerk to Council**