



**NEWBERRY COUNTY COUNCIL  
MINUTES  
APRIL 20, 2016**

Newberry County Council met on Wednesday, April 20, 2016, at 7:00 p.m. in Council Chambers at the Courthouse Annex, 1309 College Street, Newberry, SC, for a regular scheduled meeting.

**PRESENT:** **Scott Cain, Vice Chairman**  
**Bill Waldrop, Councilman**  
**Leslie (Les) Hipp, Councilman**  
**Kirksey Koon, Councilman**  
**Travis Reeder, Councilman**  
**A.J. Tothacer, County Attorney**  
**Laurie Renwick, Clerk to Council**  
**Debbie Cromer, Finance Director**

**ABSENT:** **Henry H. Livingston, III, Chairman**  
**Steve Stockman, Councilman**

**MEDIA:** **Andrew Wigger, Newberry Observer**

The meeting was duly advertised as required by law.

Vice Chairman Cain called the meeting to order.

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

***1. Adoption of Consent Agenda***

Mr. Hipp motioned to adopt the consent agenda; seconded by Mr. Koon. The vote was unanimous.

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

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

**3. Newberry County Service Awards.**

Vice Chairman Cain recognized and presented service awards to the following employees: Christopher Monson, Assessor's Office – 5 years; Brandon Granville, Assessor's Office – 10 years; and Beverly Brehmer, Clerk of Court's Office – 25 years.

**4. Ordinance #04-04-16: An Ordinance amending Ordinance Number 04-08-15, the Budget Ordinance for the 2015-2016 fiscal year, to provide for revised revenues and expenditures pertaining to emergency medical services.**

Mr. Reeder motioned to approve second reading of Ordinance #04-04-16; seconded by Mr. Koon. The vote was unanimous.

**5. Ordinance #04-05-16: An Ordinance to provide for the issuance and sale of General Obligation Bonds of Newberry County, South Carolina not exceeding \$2,100,000 in principal amount, to prescribe the purposes for which the proceeds of said bonds shall be expended, to provide for the payment of said bonds, authorizing the issuance of notes in anticipation of the bonds authorized herein, and other matters relating thereto.**

Mr. Koon motioned to approve second reading of Ordinance #04-05-16; seconded by Mr. Reeder. The vote was unanimous.

**6. Ordinance #04-08-16: An Ordinance acting on a request to amend the Official Zoning Map established pursuant to Zoning Ordinance No. 12-24-01, codified in Chapter 153 of the Newberry County Code of Ordinances, so as to rezone a one and thirty-nine hundredths (1.39) acres real estate parcel designated as TMS Parcel No. 340-1-38 from Single Family Residential (RS-3) to General Commercial (GC).**

Mr. Waldrop motioned to approve second reading of Ordinance #04-08-16; seconded by Mr. Reeder. The vote was unanimous.

**7. Consideration of bids for Demolition of Old County Home Place.**

Crystal Waldrop, Purchasing Director, reported that staff received the following ten (10) bids on April 13, 2016 and the scope includes demolition of 10 structures and leaving 3; the granite building, the fleet maintenance building and a smaller structure behind. Staff recommends the low bidder; Carolina Wrecking in the amount of \$88,800.00.

- Carolina Wrecking - \$ 88,800.00
- 4 Seasons Site and Demolition, Inc. - \$ 89,725.00
- Eight Acres Recycling, LLC - \$ 94,999.00
- Jones Grading & Building, Inc. - \$ 99,600.00
- High Point Builders, LLC - \$109,900.00
- IPW Construction Group, LLC - \$116,568.00

- NEO Corporation - \$125,828.00
- Complete Demolition Services, LLC - \$162,000.00
- Wrecking Corp. of America, LLC - \$175,000.00
- Empire Dismantlement Corp. - \$218,760.00

Mr. Koon motioned to approve the low bid from Carolina Wrecking in the amount of \$88,800.00; seconded by Mr. Hipp.

Vice Chairman Cain asked if there was any discussion.

Mr. Koon enquired about the significant difference between the low and high bidder.

Mrs. Waldrop reported that the high bid was from New York.

Mr. Reeder asked if there were funds available for this work.

Mrs. Waldrop stated that there are funds in the Public Works budget in the amount of \$65,279.00 and the remaining amount will come from one-time capital.

Having received no further discussion, the vote was unanimous to approve the low bid from Carolina Wrecking in the amount of \$88,800.00.

#### **8. *Appointments***

Mr. Reeder nominated Mr. Patrick Wiles for an appointment to the Board of Zoning Appeals replacing Mr. Clarence Chick; seconded by Mr. Waldrop. The vote was unanimous.

Vice Chairman Cain nominated Mrs. Anna Kay Coleman for an appointment to the Board of Zoning Appeals; seconded by Mr. Waldrop. The vote was unanimous.

Vice Chairman Cain nominated Tonya Jeter for an appointment to the Recreation Commission; seconded by Mr. Reeder. The vote was unanimous.

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

No comments.

#### **10. *Executive Session (if needed)***

No executive session.

#### **11. *Comments/Request from County Administrator***

No comments.

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

Mr. Reeder shared that our school superintendent, Mr. Bennie Bennett, passed away this weekend due to a tragic car accident. He had been with the district for ten years and has done a great job. Visitation will be held tomorrow at Mid-Carolina High School from 4-8 p.m.

Mr. Koon asked that the family of Coach Lindy Richardson be in prayers.

Mr. Waldrop said that we will all miss our superintendent of schools and our coach at Mid-Carolina.

Vice Chairman Cain commented that enough cannot be said about Mr. Bennett. He touched many lives, was a leader, educator, father, husband, friend, and a valued member of our community. He will be missed and please remember him and his family in your prayers.

**13. *Future Meetings***

- a. Public Safety and Courts - 4/25/16 @ 5:00 p.m.
- b. Public Works and Planning – 5/2/16 @ 7:00 p.m.
- c. County Council – 5/4/16 – 7:00 p.m.
- d. Personnel and Intergovernmental Relations – 5/16/16 @ 6:00 p.m.
- e. County Council – 5/18/16 @ 7:00 p.m.
- f. Budget Work Session – 5/23/16 @ 7:00 p.m.

**14. *Adjournment***

Chairman Livingston declared the meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

**NEWBERRY COUNTY COUNCIL**

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**Henry H. Livingston, Chairman**

**APPROVED:**

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