



**NEWBERRY COUNTY COUNCIL
MINUTES
JANUARY 4, 2017**

Newberry County Council met on Wednesday, January 4, 2017, 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
Scott Cain, Vice Chairman
Bill Waldrop, Councilman
Kirksey Koon, Councilman
Steve Stockman, Councilman
Travis Reeder, Councilman
Dr. Harriett Rucker, Councilwoman
Wayne Adams, County Administrator
A.J. Tothacer, County Attorney
Laurie Renwick, Clerk to Council
Debbie Cromer, Finance Director

MEDIA: Andrew Wigger, Newberry Observer

The meeting was duly advertised as required by law.

OATH OF OFFICE CEREMONY

Chairman Livingston welcomed everyone to the first meeting of the New Year and turned the meeting over to the Honorable John M. Rucker who administered the Oath of Office to the following elected council members:

Scott Cain – District 1
Steve Stockman – District 2
Kirksey Koon – District 4
Dr. Harriett L. Rucker – District 5

COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING

Chairman Livingston called the meeting to order.

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

The meeting was turned over to A.J. Tothacer, County Attorney, for the election of officers.

1. *Election of Chairman for 2017*

Mr. Tothacer opened the floor for nominations for Chairman.

Vice Chairman Cain nominated Henry H. Livingston for Chairman; seconded by Mr. Koon.

Having received no other nominations, the body approved Mr. Livingston as Chairman for 2017 by acclamation.

2. *Election of Vice Chairman for 2017*

Mr. Tothacer opened the floor for nominations for Vice Chairman.

Mr. Reeder nominated Kirksey Koon for Vice Chairman; seconded by Mr. Waldrop.

Mr. Stockman offered to nominate Scott Cain as Vice Chairman. There was no second.

Mr. Tothacer called on the vote for Mr. Koon and he was unanimously approved as Vice Chairman.

Mr. Tothacer turned the meeting over to Chairman Livingston who welcomed Dr. Rucker on board as the first female on County Council.

3. *Adoption of Consent Agenda*

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

4. *Additions, Deletions and Adoption of Agenda*

Mr. Waldrop motioned to adopt the agenda as presented; second by Mr. Cain. The vote was unanimous.

5. *Ordinance #12-18-16: 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 and further revised and amended by Zoning Ordinance No. 06-11-16 to be codified in Chapter 153 of the Newberry County Code of Ordinances, so as to rezone a four and nine hundredths (4.09) acres portion of a fifteen (15.0) acres real estate parcel*

designated as TMS Parcel No. 397-91 from General Commercial (GC) to Industrial (IND).

Mr. Stockman motioned to approve second reading of Ordinance #12-18-16; seconded by Mr. Waldrop. The vote was unanimous.

6. ***Ordinance #12-19-16: An Ordinance authorizing the execution and delivery of a Fee In Lieu Of Ad Valorem Tax and Incentive Agreement by and between Newberry County, South Carolina, and [Project Apollo II], to provide for a Fee In Lieu Of Ad Valorem Taxes Incentive, the grant of infrastructure credits, the transfer of certain property, and other matters related thereto.***

Mr. Stockman motioned to approve second reading of Ordinance #12-19-16; seconded by Mr. Cain. The vote was unanimous.

7. ***Resolution #20-16: A Resolution authorizing the execution and delivery of a Memorandum of Understanding by and among Newberry County, South Carolina, and MM Technics, LP and other matters related thereto.***

Chairman Livingston stated that this resolution will be postponed as the MOU is still under draft. We may call a special meeting to approve the final MOU next week when the owner is in the country.

8. ***Consideration to approve purchase of Sheriff's Office Vehicles less Trade-Ins for a total amount of \$178,325.00***

Mr. Cain motioned to approve the purchase; seconded by Vice Chairman Koon. The vote was unanimous.

9. ***Consideration to approve 2017 County Council Committee Meetings Schedule***

Mr. Cain motioned to approve schedule; seconded by Mr. Waldrop. The vote was unanimous.

Chairman Livingston encouraged council members to contact him if there was a preference for a certain committee. He said he will be making these committee appointments at the next council meeting.

10. ***Appointments***

No appointments.

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

No comments.

12. Executive Session

No executive session.

13. Comments/Request from County Administrator

Mr. Adams welcomed Dr. Rucker and stated that 2017 was going to be very exciting and he looks forward to working with all of council.

14. Comments/Request from Council Members

Dr. Rucker said she was happy to be here and looks forward to working with Council and the constituents of Newberry County.

All members of council welcomed Dr. Rucker on board.

Mr. Reeder announced the MLK Program on January 16th at Bethlehem Baptist Church.

Vice Chairman Koon and Mr. Stockman thanked their constituents for the opportunity to be of continued service.

15. Future Meetings

- a. County Council – 1/18/17 @ 7:00 p.m.
- b. Public Safety and Courts Committee – 1/23/17 @ 5:00 p.m.
- c. Governmental Association Meeting – 1/30/17 @ 6:30 p.m. – Town of Little Mountain

16. Adjournment

Chairman Livingston declared the meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

NEWBERRY COUNTY COUNCIL

Henry H. Livingston, Chairman

APPROVED:

Laurie N. Renwick, Clerk to Council