MINUTES GREENVILLE COUNTY COUNCIL COMMITTEE ON FINANCE JULY 8, 2013 CONFERENCE ROOM D 5:30 P.M.

Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, notice of the meeting date, time, place and agenda was posted on the bulletin board at the entrance of the Council Office and made available to the newspapers, radio stations and television stations and concerned citizens.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT:

CHAIRMAN, WILLIS MEADOWS
JIM BURNS
SID CATES
BUTCH KIRVEN
BOB TAYLOR

NONE

OTHER COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:

JOE DILL XANTHENE NORRIS FRED PAYNE DAN RAWLS

STAFF PRESENT:

JOE KERNELL, COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR VANESSA PAYNE, EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT MARK TOLLISON, COUNTY ATTORNEY

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Meadows called the Finance Committee meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

INVOCATION

Councilor Kirven provided the invocation.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilor Taylor moved to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of June 17, 2013. The motion carried unanimously.

MASTER LEASE - AGREEMENT 2013:

This is a resolution authorizing an equipment lease agreement in an amount not to exceed \$2,000,000 for the financing of the vehicle replacement plan. The 2013 Master Lease was approved in the current biennium budget.

Joe Kernell, County Administrator was present to answer questions of the committee.

Councilor Taylor moved to approve the resolution authorizing an equipment lease agreement in an amount not to exceed \$2,000,000 for the financing of the vehicle replacement plan. The motion carried unanimously.

DRIVE AUTOMOTIVE - FILOT:

This is an ordinance authorizing the execution and delivery of a fee-in-lieu of taxes and incentive agreement and extending the terms of the agreement between Greenville County, Drive Automotive and MI Developments.

Kevin Landmesser, GADC, Ray Jones, Parker Poe and David Sparks, Drive Automotive were present to answer questions of the committee.

Councilor Kirven moved to approve the ordinance and the changes to the FILOT agreement as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

ASSUMPTION OF DEBT - GREENVILLE COUNTY RECREATION DISTRICT:

This is an ordinance which provides for the assumption by Greenville County of certain indebtedness of Greenville County Recreation District which includes General Obligation Bonds, Revenue Bonds and lease financings by Greenville County.

Joe Kernell, County Administrator was present to answer questions of the committee.

Councilor Burns moved to approve the ordinance which provides for the assumption by Greenville County of certain indebtedness of Greenville County Recreation District which includes General Obligation Bonds, Revenue Bonds and lease financings by Greenville County. The motion carried unanimously.

LIBRARY - PURCHASE OF PROPERTY:

This is a request from Greenville County Library system to purchase property in the Five Forks/Woodruff Road area to construct a new library.

Beverly James, Director and other library staff members were present to answer questions of the committee.

Councilor Burns moved to approve the purchase of property by the Greenville County Library system in order to construct a new library in the Five Forks/Woodruff Road area. The motion carried unanimously.

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GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS - RIVER FALLS FIRE DISTRICT:

This is an ordinance allowing the River Falls Fire District to issue general obligation bonds in an amount not to exceed \$950,000 in order to provide for the acquisition, construction, renovation, installation and furnishing of a new fire station. This item was held at the last meeting to allow the district to have an audit completed. The fire district submitted an audit as requested.

Kevin Madden, CPA, Green, Finney and Horton was present to address the audit completed by his firm.

Councilman Taylor moved to approve the ordinance allowing the River Falls Fire District to issue general obligation bonds in an amount not to exceed \$950,000 in order to provide for the acquisition, construction, renovation, installation and furnishing of a new fire station. The motion carried a vote of 4-0. Chairman Meadows provided a written recusal.

BOILING SPRINGS FIRE DISTRICT - MILLAGE INCREASE REQUEST:

The Boiling Springs Fire District is requesting to increase its current millage of 21.1 mills to 34.3 mills in order to meet operational needs and offset losses in previous fiscal years.

Chief Graham, J. R. Christy, Board Chairman, Tommy McDowell (former chief) was present to answer questions of the committee. Kevin Madden, CPA, Green, Finney and Horton gave a presentation addressing the audit completed by his firm and other financial information regarding the district.

Councilor Burns moved to approve the millage increase request from Boiling Springs Fire District. Chairman Meadows requested a roll call vote. The roll call vote is as follows: Cates (yes), Burns (yes), Taylor (yes) and Kirven (yes). The motion carried a vote of 4-0. Chairman Meadows provided a written recusal.

GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS - DUNCAN CHAPEL FIRE DEPARTMENT:

This is an ordinance finding that Duncan Chapel Fire Department may conditionally issue not exceeding \$1,500,000 in General Obligation Bonds to authorize the Board of Fire Control of Duncan Chapel Fire District to issue such bonds and to provide for the publication of notice.

Chief Alleckson, Assistant Chief Watson and several Commissioners from Duncan Chapel Fire Department were present to answer questions of the committee.

Councilor Kirven moved to approve the ordinance finding that Duncan Chapel Fire Department may conditionally issue not exceeding \$1,500,000 in General Obligation Bonds to authorize the Board of Fire Control of Duncan Chapel Fire District to issue such bonds and to provide for the publication of notice. The motion carried unanimously.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Councilor Taylor moved to go into executive session at 6:23 to discuss a contractual matter. The committee came out of executive session at 6:42.

Councilor Taylor moved to approve an ordinance authorizing the execution and delivery of a fee in lieu of tax agreement by and between Greenville County and Project Commodore. The motion carried unanimously.

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There being no further business to come before the Finance Committee, Councilor Taylor moved for the meeting to be adjourned at 6:45. The motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

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Executive Assistant