

MINUTES
GREENVILLE COUNTY COUNCIL
COMMITTEE ON FINANCE
SEPTEMBER 19, 2017
CONFERENCE ROOM D
4:15 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:

CHAIRMAN, BOB TAYLOR
SID CATES
ENNIS FANT
BUTCH KIRVEN
XANTHENE NORRIS
LIZ SEMAN

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT:

OTHER COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:

LYNN BALLARD
FRED PAYNE

STAFF PRESENT:

JOHN HANSLEY, DEPUTY COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR
RUTH PARRIS, BUDGET MANAGER
VANESSA PAYNE, EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT
GENE SMITH, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, RECREATION AND PUBLIC TOURISM
MARK TOLLISON, COUNTY ATTORNEY
JEFF WARD, SHERIFF'S OFFICE

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Taylor called the Finance Committee meeting to order.

INVOCATION

Councilor Fant provided the invocation.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Councilor Seman moved to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of September 11, 2017. The motion carried unanimously.

SC PARK AND RECREATION DEVELOPMENT FUND GRANT:

This is the SC Park and Recreation Development Fund Grant in the amount of \$71,140.64. The grant will allow the Parks, Recreation and Tourism Department to provide improvements to Monaghan Park, which include renovating restrooms improving parking and making the amenities ADA compliant. The Parks, Recreation and Tourism Department will match the grant with \$43,859.35 to complete the project at a total cost of \$115,000.

Ruth Parris, Budget Manager and Gene Smith, Executive Director of Parks & Recreation, were present to answer questions of the committee.

Councilor Seman moved to approve the SC Park and Recreation Development Fund Grant in the amount of \$71,140.64. The motion carried unanimously.

FY2016 HOMELAND SECURITY GRANT – BOMB TEAM:

This is the FY2016 Homeland Security Grant on the amount of \$5,000. This grant will allow the Sheriff's Office to provide bomb handling equipment and scene lights. This grant does not require a County match.

Ruth Parris, Budget Manager and Jeff Ward, Sheriff's Office were present to answer questions of the committee.

Councilor Norris moved to approve the FY2016 Homeland Security Grant – Bomb Team in the amount of \$5,000. The motion carried unanimously.

FY2016 HOMELAND SECURITY GRANT - SWAT:

This is the FY2016 Homeland Security Grant – SWAT Team in the amount of \$24,000. The grant would allow the Sheriff's Office to acquire SWAT personal protective equipment suits and filters. This grant does not require a County match.

Ruth Parris, Budget Manager and Jeff Ward, Sheriff's Office were present to answer question of the committee.

Councilor Cates moved to approve the FY2016 Homeland Security Grant – SWAT Team in the amount of \$24,000. The motion carried unanimously.

BOARDS & COMMISSIONS – 3 VACANCIES:

ACCOMMODATIONS TAX ADVISORY COMMITTEE:

There are three (3) vacancies on the Accommodations Tax Advisory Committee. Applications were received from Michael Heater, Joyce McCarrell, and Penny Cooper.

Joyce McCarrell was present to answer questions of the committee.

By acclamation, Michael Heater, Joyce McCarrell and Penny Cooper were nominated and forwarded to the Committee of the Whole for the vacant seats on the Accommodations Tax Advisory Committee.

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE USE OF THE SETOFF DEBT AND GEAR PROGRAMS:

This is a resolution to approve the Memorandums of Understanding and Agreement between the County of Greenville and the South Carolina Association of Counties relating to the South Carolina Association of Counties being authorized and designated as the claimant agent for County departments pursuant to the Setoff Debt Collection Act of 2003 and to authorize the Tax Collector to use procedures provided and the initial step in the collection of delinquent taxes.

John Hansley, Deputy County Administrator was present to answer questions of the committee.

Councilor Seman moved to approve a resolution to approve the Memorandums of Understanding and Agreement between the County of Greenville and the South Carolina Association of Counties relating to the South Carolina Association of Counties being authorized and designated as the claimant agent for County departments pursuant to the Setoff Debt Collection Act of 2003 and to authorize the Tax Collector to use procedures provided and the initial step in the collection of delinquent taxes. The motion carried.

COMMUNITY PROJECT APPLICATIONS:

CITY OF TRAVELERS REST:

This is a Community Project Application in the amount of \$2,000 for the City of Travelers Rest. The funds will help defray expenses of the parade.

John Hansley, Deputy County Administrator was present to answer questions of the committee.

Councilor Norris moved to approve the Community Project Application in the amount of \$2,000 for the City of Travelers Rest. The motion carried unanimously.

GREENVILLE COUNTY FIRE CHIEF'S ASSOCIATION:

This is a Community Project Application in the amount of \$1,000 for Greenville County's Fire Chief Association. The funds will be used for the county-wide emergency first responder accountability system.

John Hansley, Deputy County Administrator was present to answer questions of the committee.

Councilor Norris moved to approve the Community Project Application in the amount of \$1,000 for the Greenville County's Fire Chief Association. The motion carried unanimously.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Councilor Cates moved to go into executive session at 4:29 to discuss contractual matters. The motion carried unanimously. The committee came out of executive session at 4:40.

PROJECT GOOSE:

Councilor Cates 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 Goose. The motion carried unanimously.

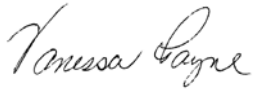
PROJECT GATSBY:

Councilor Norris 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 Gatsby. The motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no additional business to come before the Finance Committee, the meeting adjourned at 4:42.

Respectfully submitted,



Vanessa Payne
Executive Assistant