

REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING OF THE UNION COUNTY COUNCIL
TUESDAY, APRIL 14, 2015 AT 6:00 P.M.
CONFERENCE ROOM AT LOCKHART POWER COMPANY
LOCATED AT 420 RIVER STREET IN THE TOWN OF LOCHART

Present: Chairman Frank Hart, Vice-Chairman Tommy Ford, Councilwoman Joan Little, Councilman Ben Ivey, Councilman Randall Hanvey, County Attorney Sammy Diamaduros and Clerk to Council Linda G. Jolly

Absent: Councilwoman Kacie Petrie

Notice of the meeting and a copy of the agenda giving the date, time and place of the meeting was posted on the bulletin board in the hall of the Union County Courthouse and a copy was mailed to the members of the Union County Council, the County Attorney, the Union Daily Times, Spartanburg Herald Journal, the Union County Development Board, Mrs. Anne Brock with Clemson Extension, Mr. Mickey Gist, Mr. Robert Small and emailed to Mike Stevens at WBCU Radio Station and to Graham Williams at the County News. A notice of the meeting was also posted on the County's website.

Chairman Frank Hart called the meeting to order.

The Clerk to Council gave the Roll Call with the following results:

Joan Little, District 1 – Present

District 2 – Vacant Seat

Tommy Ford, District 3 - Present

Ben Ivey, District 4 - Present

Randall Hanvey, District 5 - Present

Kacie Petrie, District 6 – Absent

Tommy Ford: Made a motion to dispense with reading of the minutes of the regular monthly meeting of the Union County Council held on March 10, 2015, the special meeting of County Council held on March 31, 2015 and to adopt the minutes as written.

Randall Hanvey: Seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

Chairman Frank Hart stated Council needed to consider vacancies on the Stadium Commission, Tourism Commission and Kelly-Kelton Fire Board.

Ben Ivey: Made a motion to advertise the vacancies.

Tommy Ford: Seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

Mr. Bill Shilling had asked to be placed on the agenda to discuss the Kelly-Kelton Fire Department but he was unable to attend.

Chairman Frank Hart called for any elected officials or department heads who wished to address Council.

Probate Judge William D. All, III proposed increasing the marriage license fee. They currently charge \$30.00 with \$10.00 going to the County and \$20.00 going to the State. He suggested raising the County's portion to \$15.00.

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Tourism Director Curtis Hunter stated they had taken a trip to Piedmont about canoeing. Once they have the new ramp it could bring industry related to canoe builders. They will be doing a litter pickup and would let Council know more about that later.

Mr. Leroy Worthy as a new member of the Catawba Regional Council of Governments stated he had attended one meeting. He found it interesting that they are trying to come up with a way to start tracking activities by using a computer system to see what the other counties are doing.

Chairman Frank Hart introduced in title only an ordinance authorizing the County of Union to transfer to the Town of Lockhart the vacant lot (Map #050-08-17-005) located at 112 North 1st Street in Lockhart, South Carolina.

Tommy Ford: Made a motion to dispense with referring the ordinance to a committee and to accept first reading of the ordinance as stated.

Ben Ivey: Seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

Chairman Frank Hart introduced a resolution authorizing the amendment of an existing Fee In Lieu of Tax Agreement dated as of December 1, 2009, by and between Union County, South Carolina and Sloan Construction Company, Inc., extending the investment period by five years.

Ben Ivey: Made a motion to dispense with referring the resolution to a committee and to adopt the resolution to extend the FILOT investment period for Sloan Construction Company, Inc. by five years.

Tommy Ford: Seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

Chairman Frank Hart called for any committee reports but there were none.

Chairman Frank Hart stated Wallace Thomson Hospital Board of Trustees received an offer from Spartanburg Regional Hospital system and the Hospital Board voted to enter into that agreement. Spartanburg Regional would contemplate building a new hospital facility in Union County. The agreement will be presented tomorrow to the bankruptcy court who will review it and they have to approve it.

Chairman Frank Hart stated they held a Workforce Development Summit with good attendance. They discussed how to better train our workforce in Union County in a coordinated effort. The goal is to set up the One Stop Office at the SC Works Office on Main Street as a truly one stop shop and central referral agency.

Chairman Frank Hart stated there were about seventy five people who attend the meeting on Monday night with the Legislative Delegation. He thought there was a good exchange on Local Government Funding and unfunded mandates. He said they hope to meet with the Delegation twice a year with the goal that the local folks and the leadership team can line up in such a way to move Union County forward.

Chairman Frank Hart presented audits and financial statements from Union Services, Council on Aging and the Arts Council for Council to review and approve.

Randall Hanvey: Made a motion to approve the audits and financial statements as presented.

Tommy Ford: Seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

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Mayor Ailene Ashe invited everyone to attend a festival in the Town of Lockhart on May 2nd.

Tommy Ford: Made a motion to adjourn the meeting

Randall Hanvey: Seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:12 p.m.

Frank Hart, Chairman
Union County Council

Linda G. Jolly, Clerk to Council