

UNION COUNTY COUNCIL
TUESDAY, JULY 12, 2016 AT 5:30 P.M.
GRAND JURY ROOM AT UNION COUNTY COURTHOUSE

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

Absent: Chairman Frank Hart

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, Mr. James Kollock, Mrs. Curtiss Hunter 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.

Vice-Chairman Tommy Ford called the meeting to order. County Council Chaplin Ben Ivey gave the invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

Joan Little, District 1 – Present

Ralph Tucker, District 2 – Present

Tommy Ford, District 3 - Present

Ben Ivey, District 4 - Present

Randall Hanvey, District 5 - Present

Kacie Petrie, District 6 – Present

Vice-Chairman Tommy Ford called for any elected officials or department heads who wished to address Council.

Airport and Stadium Manager Ronnie Wade reminded everyone of the drive-in movie at the fairgrounds on July 23rd. The state tournament begins at the Timken Sports Complex this weekend. Vice-Chairman Tommy Ford stated it would start with the opening ceremony Friday night beginning at 7:00 p.m. and invited Council to attend. The games will begin Saturday at 9:00 a.m.

Councilman Ben Ivey asked Airport Manager Ronnie Wade about the properties around the airport that were supposed to be cleared. Airport Manager Ronnie Wade responded that all but one has been cleared and we are holding their \$1,000.00 deposit. If they get it cleared then they will get the deposit back and if not then the County would use those funds to have it cleared. Once that is done then it would be completed.

Vice-Chairman Tommy Ford presented for third and final reading an ordinance to levy and impose a One Percent Local Option Sales and Use Tax within Union County, South Carolina, pursuant to Section 4-10-10 et seq., of the South Carolina Code of Laws, 1976, as amended; to

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define the specific purpose of the tax; to impose conditions and restrictions upon the use of the proceeds of the tax; to provide for a county-wide referendum for the imposition of the tax; to provide for the conduct of such referendum; to provide for the administration of the tax; and other matters relating thereto.

Ben Ivey: Made a motion to adopt the ordinance to levy and impose a One Percent Local Option Sales and Use Tax within Union County as stated.

Ralph Tucker: Seconded the motion. The vote on the motion was unanimous.

Councilman Randall Hanvey stated they would be holding some informative meetings in each of the districts prior to the general election to education the public.

Vice-Chairman Tommy Ford presented for third and final reading an ordinance repealing, rescinding, and revoking all prior enactments of Union County Council in any way calling for or requiring a referendum, advisory or otherwise, prior to the appointment by Union County Council of members of the governing body of special tax districts or fire districts previously created by Union County Council in Union County, except where such referendum may be required by law or where specifically excepted and exempted from the effect of this ordinance by subsequent ordinance of Union County Council; and other matters related thereto.

Ben Ivey: Made a motion to adopt the ordinance repealing, rescinding and revoking all prior enactments of Union County Council in any way calling for or requiring a referendum, advisory or otherwise, prior to the appointment by Union County Council of members of the governing body of special tax district or fire districts previously created by Union County Council as stated.

Ralph Tucker: Seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

Vice-Chairman Tommy Ford presented for second reading an ordinance to acknowledge and authorize the execution and delivery of an Intergovernmental Agreement between Union County and the City of Union for the provision of the Union County Code Enforcement Officers to enforce the City of Union Animal Control ordinances within the municipal limits of the City of Union and on behalf of the City of Union; and other matters related thereto.

Randall Hanvey: Made a motion to accept second reading of the ordinance authorizing the Intergovernmental Agreement with the City of Union pertaining to enforcement of the City of Union Animal Control ordinances as stated.

Ralph Tucker: Seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

Vice-Chairman Tommy Ford called for any committee reports but there were none.

Council agreed to hold a public hearing and special meeting pertaining to the ordinance for the creation of the Bonham Fire District on Wednesday, August 3, 2016 at 5:30 p.m. in the Grand Jury Room at the Union County Courthouse.

Vice-Chairman Tommy Ford stated that Councilman Ben Ivey would like to hold a meeting of the Committee on Public Works, Roads, and Bridges and County Property on Wednesday, August 3, 2016 at 5:00 p.m. in the Grand Jury Room at the Union County Courthouse.

Vice-Chairman Tommy Ford called for any other business but there was none.

Randall Hanvey: Made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

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Ralph Tucker: Seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.
The meeting was adjourned at 6:57 p.m.

Tommy Ford, Vice-Chairman
Union County Council

Linda G. Jolly, Clerk to Council