Walterboro City Council Regular Meeting Tuesday, April 25, 2006

MINUTES

A Regular Meeting of Walterboro City Council was held at City Hall on Tuesday, April 25, 2006 at 6:15 P.M., with Mayor Charles H. Sweat, Jr. presiding.

<u>PRESENT WERE</u>: Mayor Charles H. Sweat, Jr., Council Members: Charles Lucas, Bill Young, Johnnie Thompson, Franklin Smalls, Ted Parker and Mary Anne Cannady. City Manager Tuck McConnell, City Clerk Betty Hudson and City Attorney George Cone were also present.

There being a quorum present, Mayor Sweat called the meeting to order and called on Council Member Smalls for the invocation and Council Member Lucas to lead the pledge of allegiance to our flag.

The following minutes were approved unanimously on the motion of Council Member Cannady and seconded by Council Member Thompson.

- 1. April 4, 2006 Public Hearing and Special Called Meeting Minutes.
- 2. April 11, 2006 Regular Meeting Minutes.
- 3. April 18, 2006 Special Called Meeting Minutes.

Under Old Business, Ordinance # 2006-12, As Amended, was given Second Reading and Adoption on the motion of Council Member Parker, seconded by Council Member Young and passed unanimously; being: AN ORDINANCE TO ANNEX CERTAIN PROPERTY, Tax Map # 147-000-00-111, fronting on Robertson Boulevard, being .9 acres more or less, property owned by Terry O'Quinn (commonly known as Dukes Barbecue).

Under New Business, a proclamation designating May 4, 2006 as ETV Day in Walterboro was ADOPTED on a motion by Council Member Cannady, seconded by Council Member Young with all members voting in favor. A copy of said proclamation is attached as part of these minutes.

A second proclamation designating the week of May 14-20, 2006 as National Nursing Home Week in Walterboro was ADOPTED on a motion by Council Member Lucas, seconded by Council Member Smalls and passed unanimously. A copy of this proclamation is attached as part of these minutes.

A third proclamation (an add-on agenda item requested by Council Member Cannady) was ADOPTED, declaring May 2006 as Neurofibromatosis Awareness Month. The motion to adopt said proclamation was made by Council Member Cannady, seconded by Council Member Parker and passed unanimously.

Resolution # 2006-R-06, an add-on agenda item, was ADOPTED on the motion of Council Member Cannady, seconded by Council Member Smalls and passed unanimously. This resolution affirms that the City of Walterboro is committed to inclusion as a fundamental aspect in our community. It recognizes Walterboro as an inclusion city in partnership with the National League of Cities. Council Member Cannady pointed out that this means getting everybody involved. A copy of the resolution is attached and made a part of these minutes.

The next agenda item was Consideration of the Bids for the Tax Increment Financing (TIF) Bond. City Manager McConnell reported that the city received two proposals for financing a \$1,800,000 Tax Increment Revenue Bond, Series 2006, from two financial institutions: Bank of America - at the interest rate 5.40 and BB&T Bank - at the interest rate of 4.22. He recommended approval of

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the low bidder, BB&T Bank. He also stated that all local banks were notified. A motion to accept the low bid of BB&T Bank at the interest rate of 4.22 was made by Council Member Cannady, seconded by Council Member Lucas and passed unanimously.

A letter request by Ms. Tommie Derry of the Double D Arena to place directional signs in the city limits for the Rodeo scheduled for May 5 and 6th was before Council. There was a total of 8 signs to be placed basically in the same locations as the past. The signs would be put up on Wednesday or Thursday before the rodeo and removed by Monday, May 8th. A motion to allow the placement of the directional signs for the rodeo as requested was made by Council Member Young, seconded by Council Member Thompson and passed unanimously.

At this point the Mayor acknowledged receipt of a large picture thank-you card from a 4-year-old class of students who were given a tour of the city. One card was received for the Mayor, one for the Police Department and one for the Fire Department. Mayor Sweat stated the teacher of this class was Council Member Young's wife.

There were no Committee reports given. A motion to enter an executive session for a briefing on a contractual and property matter was made by Council Member Lucas, seconded by Council Member Cannady and passed unanimously.

The meeting returned to Open Session with no business conducted in the Executive Session.

There being no further business to consider, a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Council Member Parker, seconded by Council Member Cannady and passed unanimously. The Mayor adjourned the meeting at 7:03 P.M. Notice of this meeting was distributed to all local media and posted on the City Hall bulletin board at least twenty-four hours prior to meeting time.

Respectfully,

Betty J. Hudson City Clerk

APPROVED May 9, 2006