

**JASPER COUNTY COUNCIL
ENGINEERING COMMITTEE
PERRY HOUSE**

**MAY 1, 2007
9:15. A.M.**

MINUTES

OFFICIALS PRESENT:

**FRED TUTEN, CHAIRMAN
HUBERT TYLER, COUNCILMAN**

STAFF PRESENT:

**DALE TERRY, DEP. ADM. ENG. SER.
STEVE SAGER, DEP. ADM. DEV. SER.
JUDITH FRANK, CLERK TO COUNCIL**

IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT, THE ELECTRONIC AND PRINT MEDIA WERE NOTIFIED.

DURING PERIODS OF DISCUSSION AND/OR PRESENTATIONS MINUTES ARE TYPICALLY CONDENSED AND PARAPHRASED.

CHAIRMAN TUTEN CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AT 9:15 A.M. AND COUNCILMAN TYLER GAVE THE INVOCATION.

MR. TERRY REPORTED ON THE TRASH PICKUP AND HE INFORMED THAT COMMITTEE OF THE HEAVY DEBRIS PICKUP WAS ALSO DONE. MR. TERRY REPORTED THAT 40 PIECES OF HEAVY DEBRIS WERE PICKED UP AND 357 BAGS OF TRASH WERE PICKED UP ALONG THE HIGHWAYS. MR. TUTEN SAID THAT MR. BENJAMIN SAID HE WOULD HAVE MORE PEOPLE TO HELP ON THE WEEKENDS. MR. TERRY SAID THAT HE CANNOT DEPEND ON THAT BECAUSE THEY PROMISE HIM PEOPLE, BUT DO NOT FOLLOW THROUGH. MR. TERRY SAID IT IS HARD TO GET A LIST AND SCHEDULE PEOPLE BECAUSE THE JAIL DOES NOT ALWAYS HAVE AS MANY PEOPLE AS THEY THINK THEY WERE GOING TO HAVE. CHAIRMAN TUTEN SAID HE WOULD TAKE THIS MATTER UP WITH MR. WATSON WHEN THE FIRE COMMITTEE MET. CHAIRMAN TUTEN ASKED ABOUT THE COMPLAINT OF SCOTT LOWTHER AND MR. TERRY SAID THE TRASH WAS MOVED WITHIN 2 DAYS OF HIS COMPLAINT

CHAIRMAN TUTEN ASKED MR. TERRY IF HE HAD THE LIST OF COUNTY OWNED PROPERTY THAT HE REQUESTED. MR. TERRY GAVE THE COMMITTEE A COPY OF THE INSURED COUNTY OWNED PROPERTY. CHAIRMAN TUTEN ASKED MR. TERRY WHAT BUILDINGS WERE VACANT AND MR. TERRY SAID ONLY THE CLEMSON BUILDING, THE OLD HOSPITAL, PART OF DR. BENNETT'S OLD HOSPITAL AND THE GRAYS HIGH SCHOOL. MR. TERRY SAID HE IS IN THE PROCESS OF REMODELING DR. SUPAN'S OLD OFFICE FOR THE EOC. MR. SAGER SAID THAT MR. NIMMER SHOULD BE GIVEN NOTICE TO CANCEL THE LEASE. MR. TERRY SAID HE WAS NOT SURE HOW LONG IT WOULD TAKE TO FINISH THE REMODELING AND THE EOC WOULD NEED TIME TO MOVE. MR.

SAGER SAID GIVE THEM 60 DAYS NOTICE AND THAT SHOULD GIVE EVERYONE ENOUGH OF A CUSHION. CHAIRMAN TUTEN SAID NOT TO GIVE ANY NOTICE UNTIL AFTER MR. TERRY SPEAKS WITH THE EOC AND MR. FULGHUM.

CHAIRMAN TUTEN ASKED ABOUT THE EQUIPMENT AT PUBLIC WORKS AND MR. TERRY SAID THAT 1 MOTOR GRADER IS IN CHARLESTON BEING REPAIRED AND ONE IS WORKING.

CHAIRMAN TUTEN ASKED ABOUT THE VACANCIES IN PUBLIC WORKS. MR TERRY SAID HE HIRED A MECHANIC NAMED RENEE WRIGHT AND THE ADVERTISEMENT FOR AN OPERATOR HAS ENDED AND HE WILL BE REV IEWING APPLICATIONS AND SETTING UP INTERVIEWS. CHAIRMAN TUTEN SAID THAT MR BENJAMIN BROUGHT A VEHICLE TO PUBLIC WORKS ON FRIDAY AND WAS TOLD THERE WAS NO ONE THERE TO SERVICE IT. MR. TERRY SAID HE CHECKED INTO IT AND IT WAS NOT TRUE. MR. TERRY SAID THAT WORK ORDERS ARE BEING DONE SO THAT HE WOULD HAVE A RECORD OF ALL WORK DONE AT THE SHOP.

CHAIRMAN TUTEN ASKED MR. SAGER HOW MUCH MONEY HAS BEEN SPENT ON THE PERRY HOUSE. MR. SAGER GAVE THE COMMITTEE A COPY OF THE REPORT HE GAVE MR. MALPHRUS ON FEB. 13, 2007 AND SAID THAT THE RENOVATION EXPENSES HAVE GONE UP TO AROUND \$5,000.00. MR. SAGER SAID THERE WERE STILL SOME ODDS AND ENDS THAT NEEDED TO BE TAKEN CARE OF INSIDE THE BUILDING AND THE COMPLETION OF THE HANDICAP RAMP. MR SAGER SAID THAT THE OUTSIDE PAINTING, CLEANING UP AND LANDSCAPING THE OUTSIDE STILL NEEDED TO BE DONE. MR. SAGER SAID THE BIG MONEY WAS IN THE TECHNOLOGY AND HE DID NOT HANDLE THAT. MR. SAGER CONTINUED THAT HE GOT A NEW DESK AND MR. KITTY WAS USING HIS OLD FURNITURE. MR. SAGER SAID HE FELT THE OVERTIME WAS ABOUT \$1,800.00. COUNCILMAN TYLER ASKED FOR A TOTAL AND MR. SAGER SAID IT WOULD HAVE COST SIX TIMES AS MUCH IF COUNTY EMPLOYEES DID NOT DO THE WORK. MR. SAGER DID NOT GIVE A TOTAL AMOUNT. CHAIRMAN TUTEN ASKED IF THE BUILDING WOULD BE READY FOR THE CHAMBER TO MOVE INTO WHEN THE NEW ANNEX BUILDING WAS COMPLETE E AND MR. SAGER SAID THAT IT WOULD BE. THE COMMITTEE TOURED THE BUILDING.

THE MEETING ADJOURNED AT 10:45 P.M.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED BY:

APPROVED BY:

JUDITH M. FRANK, CCC
CLERK TO COUNCIL

FRED TUTEN
COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN