

**JASPER COUNTY COUNCIL
ENGINEERING COMMITTEE MEETING
MARY GORDON ELLIS EXECUTIVE BUILDING
COUNCIL OFFICE
MAY 30, 2008
10:00 A.M.**

OFFICIALS PRESENT:

FRED TUTEN, COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN
DR. GEORGE HOOD, COUNCILMAN

STAFF PRESENT:

ANDREW FULGHUM, ADMINISTRATOR
DALE TERRY, DEP. ADMINISTRATOR ENGINEERING SERVICES
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.

CALL TO ORDER:

CHAIRMAN TUTEN CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER.

INVOCATION:

DR. HOOD GAVE THE INVOCATION.

STATUS AND LOCATION OF COUNTY OWNED PROPERTY:

MR. FULGHUM EXPLAINED THAT MR. TERRY RESEARCHED THE PROPERTIES THAT THE COMMITTEE REQUESTED AT A PREVIOUS MEETING. MR. TERRY PRESENTED THE COMMITTEE WITH A LIST OF ALL COUNTY OWNED PROPERTIES AND EXPLAINED WHERE THEY WERE LOCATED. MR. TERRY SAID THE HARDEEVILLE MAGISTRATE CONTACTED HIM ABOUT CHANGES HE WANTED MADE TO HIS OFFICE. MR. TERRY SAID THE MAGISTRATE WANTED A PLATFORM BUILT IN THE COURTROOM SO THAT THE JUDGE WOULD BE ELEVATED. MR. TERRY SAID THE MAGISTRATE WAS ALSO CONCERNED THAT THERE IS ONLY ONE EXIT DOOR; MR. TERRY SAID HE LOOKED AT THE BUILDING AND HE WAS NOT SURE WHERE A SECOND EXIT DOOR COULD BE PLACED. CHAIRMAN TUTEN SAID THE BUILDING WAS IN VERY BAD SHAPE. MR. TERRY SAID THE BUILDING WAS NOT ACTUALLY IN BAD SHAPE, AND THE HVAC IS ONLY ABOUT 2 YEARS OLD. MR TERRY SAID THAT SOMEONE WAS BEING PAID BY HARDEEVILLE TO CLEAN THE BUILDING. MR. TERRY SAID THE PERSON WAS PAID \$250.00 PER MONTH TO CLEAN THE BUILDING ONCE A WEEK. CHAIRMAN TUTEN SAID THE BUILDING WAS FILTHY WHEN HE WENT THROUGH IT WITH

COUNCILMAN BLACKSHEAR. MR. FULGHUM SAID HE WOULD WRITE A LETTER TO HARDEEVILLE AND MAKE THEM AWARE OF THE COUNTY'S INTENT. IT WAS THE CONSENSUS OF THE COMMITTEE THAT THEY DID NOT WANT TO PAY SOMEONE \$250.00 A MONTH TO CLEAN THE BUILDING ONCE A WEEK. MR. TERRY SAID THAT AFTER HE COMPLETES THE WORK IN THE BUILDING THERE WILL BE 5 OFFICES, A COURTROOM, A STORAGE ROOM, AND THREE BATHROOMS.

THE COMMITTEE DISCUSSED COUNTY OWNED PROPERTY LOCATED ON TYE BRANCH ROAD, PURRYSBURG ROAD, CHURCH ROAD, JENKINS ROAD, BRIDGETOWN ROAD, A SAVANNAH RIVER PARCEL, PROPERTY OFF OF BELLINGER HILL ROAD, PROPERTY AT THE END OF PRINCE COURT, A PARCEL IN CYPRESS RIDGE THAT IS LEASED WITH OPTION TO PURCHASE (OHIO GRATINGS), THE GILLISONVILLE SQUARE, PROPERTY NEAR THE DETENTION CENTER OFF OF JACOB SMART BLVD., PROPERTY NEAR PUBLIC WORKS AND THE BALL FIELDS, THE PROPERTIES AROUND THE COURTHOUSE. THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT AND DSS PROPERTY, 2 PIECES OF PROPERTY ON THE SE SIDE OF I-95, A PARCEL ON MACKAY POINT ROAD, AND THE BOAT LANDING AT DELOSS POINT AND THE OLD CLEMSON BUILDING.

IT WAS THE CONCENSUS OF THE COMMITTEE THAT THE OLD CLEMSON BUILDING, THE PROPERTY ON CHURCH ROAD, AND THE PROPERTY ON TYE BRANCH ROAD SHOULD BE SOLD. MR. FULGHUM WAS TOLD TO INVESTIGATE THE OWNERSHIP OF THE SCHOOL BOARD BUILDING, THE PROPERTY ON MACKAY POINT ROAD, AND THE PROPERTY ON JENKINS AVENUE AND TO REPORT BACK TO THE COMMITTEE.

MR. FULGHUM SAID THAT PACKETS CAN BE PUT TOGETHER FOR THE PROPERTIES FOR BID PROPOSALS. CHAIRMAN TUTEN SAID HE FELT THAT A TIME BE DESIGNATED FOR THE PROPERTIES TO BE OPEN FOR INSPECTION. MR. TERRY SAID THE PROPERTIES SHOULD BE SURVEYED AND STAKED. MR. FULGHUM SAID PEOPLE WILL HAVE TO SET A TIME TO INSPECT THE CLEMSON BUILDING. MR. FULGHUM SAID THAT AN ORDINANCE WILL HAVE TO BE DONE FOR THE SALE OF THE PROPERTIES.

HONEY SUCKLES ROAD:

MR. TERRY SAID HE RECEIVED A CALL REGARDING HONEY SUCKLE ROAD. MR. TERRY SAID THAT THIS IS NOT A COUNTY MAINTAINED ROAD, BUT HE HAS BEEN ASKED IF THE COUNTY COULD PULL THE ROAD AGAIN. MR. TERRY SAID THEY DID DO IT ONE TIME LAST YEAR. CHAIRMAN TUTEN ASKED IF IT WAS IN THE DEVELOPMENT THAT DONNY MALPHRUS OWES AND MR. TERRY SAID HE WAS NOT SURE. MR. TUTEN SAID THAT IF IT IS THE PROPERTY OWNED BY MR. RHODES FROM ESTILL, HE NEEDS TO TAKE CARE OF IT HIMSELF. COUNCILMAN HOOD TOLD MR. TERRY TO HAVE THE ATTORNEY INVESTIGATE IT BEFORE THE COUNTY DOES ANYTHING. MR. TERRY SAID THERE WERE ABOUT FOUR HOUSES AND A FARM LOCATED ON THE ROAD.

FOX LANE:

MR. TERRY SAID THAT JAMES PINCKNEY FROM GILLISONVILLE ASKED TO HAVE FOX LANE WORKED. MR. TERRY SAID THE COUNTY CURRENTLY WORKS PART OF THE ROAD. CHAIRMAN TUTEN ASKED IF FIRE AND EMERGENCY VEHICLES CAN GET THROUGH AND IF THEY CAN'T THEN THE ROAD SHOULD BE WORKED. CHAIRMAN TUTEN SAID THAT IF THE FIRE AND EMERGENCY VEHICLES CANNOT GET THROUGH THEN MR. TERRY SHOULD JUST USE HIS JUDGEMENT ABOUT WORKING THE ROADS AND HE DID NOT HAVE TO BRING IT TO THE COMMITTEE. MR. FULGHUM SAID HE FELT MR. TERRY DID A GOOD JOB USING HIS DISCRETION AND THE COUNTY DID ISSUE BUILDING PERMITS TO BUILD IN THOSE LOCATIONS. COUNCILMAN HOOD SAID HE FELT MR TERRY SHOULD RESEARCH THE SITUATION PRIOR TO BRINGING IT TO THE COMMITTEE AND IF THERE IS ANY DOUBT ABOUT WORKING A ROAD, MR TERRY SHOULD GET A WRITTEN LEGAL OPINION FROM THE COUNTY ATTORNEY.

ROBERTVILLE SCHOOL ROOF:

MR. TERRY TOLD THE COMMITTEE THAT THE ATTORNEY SAID THAT THE BID CANNOT BE CHANGED AND THAT THE BID SHOULD GO TO THE NEXT BIDDER. MR. TERRY SAID HE WANTED TO MAKE SURE THAT THE COUNCIL UNDERSTOOD THAT THE NEXT BIDDER FOR THE SAME QUALITY OF MATERIAL AND WARRANTY WAS NOT THE LOWEST BIDDER. THE CLERK INFORMED MR. TERRY THAT THE MINUTES REFLECTED THAT ADVANCED ROOFING WAS REFERENCED IN THE MINUTES. COUNCILMAN HOOD SAID HE FELT THE COUNCIL UNDERSTOOD HIS INTENTION AND WHO WAS RECOMMENDED.

FARMER'S MARKET:

MR. TERRY SAID HE WAS CONTACTED ABOUT PUTTING ROCK DOWN PRIOR TO HAVING THE AREA COVERED WITH ASPHALT. COUNCILMAN HOOD ASKED HOW MUCH WAS NEEDED AND MR. TERRY SAID HE HAD SOME BEHIND THE SHOP THAT HE COULD USE AND IT WOULD TAKE ABOUT 10 LOADS FOR THE FARMERS MARKET. THE COMMITTEE TOLD MR. TERRY HE NEEDED TO GO TO THE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE AND MAKE A REQUEST FOR MORE ROCK DURING THIS BUDGET YEAR. MR. FULGHUM SAID HE WAS ALSO GOING TO MAKE A REQUEST OF THE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE FOR THE PARKING LOT AT THE ANNEX BUILDING.

STOKES BLUFF:

MR TERRY SAID THAT HE HAD A REQUEST TO PULL THE ROAD AT STOKES BLUFF. MR. TERRY SAID HE WOULD HAVE A CREW WORKING IN THE AREA ON MONDAY ON A COUNTY ROAD. MR. TERRY SAID THE COUNTY HAS NEVER WORKED THIS ROAD BEFORE. MR. TERRY SAID THE ROAD DOES NOT HAVE ANY ISSUES THAT WOULD PREVENT EMERGENCY

SERVICE VEHICLES TO GET THROUGH, BUT IT HAD A LOT OF RUTS. THE COMMITTEE SAID THEY WOULD GO AND INVESTIGATE THE ROAD.

HAVEN HOMES:

MR. TERRY SAID THE HAVEN HOMES IS GOING TO CONSTRUCT ANOTHER BUILDING AND THEY ARE GOING TO HAVE TO SCRAPE UP SOME DIRT AND THEY ASKED IF THE COUNTY WOULD LIKE TO HAVE THE DIRT. MR. TERRY SAID HE WAS GOING TO ACCEPT THE DIRT AND STOCKPILE IT ON THE BACK SECTION OF CYPRESS RIDGE BUSINESS/INDUSTRIAL PARK.

THE MEETING ENDED AT 11:20 A.M.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED BY:

APPROVED BY:

JUDITH M. FRANK, CCC
CLERK TO COUNCIL

FRED TUTEN
CHAIRMAN