

MINUTES OF



RICHLAND COUNTY COUNCIL SPECIAL CALLED MEETING THURSDAY, MAY 26, 2011 6:00 P.M.

In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act, a copy of the agenda was sent to radio and TV stations, newspapers, persons requesting notification, and was posted on the bulletin board located in the lobby of the County Administration Building.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Chair	Paul Livingston
Vice Chair	Damon Jeter
Member	Joyce Dickerson
Member	Valerie Hutchinson
Member	Norman Jackson
Member	Gwendolyn Davis Kennedy
Member	Bill Malinowski
Member	Jim Manning
Member	L. Gregory Pearce, Jr.
Member	Kit Smith
Member	Kelvin E. Washington, Sr.

OTHERS PRESENT: Milton Pope, Tony McDonald, Sparty Hammett, Roxanne Ancheta, Kevin Etheridge, Daniel Driggers, Micah Watkins, Larry Smith, Stephany Snowden, Tamara King, Melinda Edwards, Lillian McBride, James Hayes, Paul Brawley, Randy Cherry, Sara Salley, Monique Walters, Michelle Onley

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at approximately 6:01 p.m.

SECOND READING ITEMS

All Millage Agencies: Based on the fact most Richland County departments will receive an amount equal or less than last year's budgeted funds, millage agencies will be held to the same standards of receiving an amount equal or less to what they received last year – Mr. Malinowski moved, seconded by Ms. Hutchinson, to approve this item. The motion failed.

School District One & Two: Support local public education by taking the Richland County School Districts to the funding cap allowable by the South Carolina Legislature –

Mr. Washington moved, seconded by Mr. Manning, to approve Items #2-11 at the cap.

Mr. Malinowski made a substitute motion, seconded by Ms. Hutchinson, to divide the question. The vote was in favor.

Mr. Manning moved, seconded by Mr. Jeter, to support public education by taking Richland County Districts One and Two to the funding cap allowable by the South Carolina Legislature.

Ms. Hutchinson made a substitute motion, seconded by Mr. Malinowski, to divide the question and vote separately on School District One and School District Two. The vote was in favor.

Richland School District One: (FY11 Approved: \$177,449,139) – Mr. Pearce moved, seconded by Ms. Kennedy, to approve this item to the cap. The vote in favor was unanimous.

Richland School District Two: (FY11 Approved: \$117,750,851) – Mr. Manning moved, seconded by Mr. Washington, to approve this item to the cap.

Ms. Hutchinson made a substitute motion, seconded by Ms. Dickerson, to approve the millage for Richland School District Two operations be set at 266.3 mills. I further move that the budget be amended to reflect that the funding for Richland Two be \$120,931,563 less the State reimbursement \$45,349,893 for a total of \$75,581,670 with the following proviso attached: should the 266.3 mill assessment yield collections less than \$75,581,670, Richland Two's budget shall automatically be cut to the amount of the tax collections received and should the 266.3 mill assessment yield collections greater than \$75,581,670 Richland Two's budget shall automatically be increased to the amount of the tax collections received. A discussion took place.

<u>For</u>	<u>Against</u>
Pearce	Jackson
Malinowski	Jeter
Hutchinson	Livingston
Dickerson	Manning
Rose	Kennedy
	Washington

The substitute motion failed.

<u>For</u>	<u>Against</u>
Jackson	Pearce
Jeter	Malinowski
Livingston	Hutchinson
Manning	Dickerson
Kennedy	Rose
Washington	

The vote was in favor of the main motion.

Mr. Manning moved, seconded by Ms. Dickerson, to reconsider this item. The vote in favor was unanimous.

Mr. Manning moved, seconded by Mr. Jeter, to approve the millage for Richland School District Two operations be set at 269.3 mills. I further move that the budget be amended to reflect that the funding for Richland Two be \$121,783,028 less the State reimbursement \$46,433,135 for a total of \$76,433,135 with the following proviso attached: should the 269.3 mill assessment yield collections less than \$76,433,135, Richland Two's budget shall automatically be cut to the amount of the tax collections received and should the 269.3 mill assessment yield collections greater than \$75,581,670 Richland Two's budget shall automatically be increased to the amount of the tax collections received. The vote in favor was unanimous.

Recreation Commission: Council directed the Recreation Commission to appropriate funds for recreational activities targeted specifically for adults/seniors in the FY12 budget process – Mr. Manning moved, seconded by Ms. Dickerson, to approve this item. The vote in favor was unanimous.

Recreation Commission: (FY11 Approved: \$10,784,800) – Mr. Washington moved, seconded by Ms. Dickerson, to approve Items #6-11 to the cap. A discussion took place.

Ms. Hutchinson made a substitute motion, seconded by Mr. Malinowski, to take up Items #10-11 separately. The vote was in favor.

The vote on the main motion was in favor.

Midlands Technical College: MTC Operating (FY11 Approved: \$4,341,000) – Mr. Washington moved, seconded by Ms. Dickerson, to approve this item to the cap. The vote was in favor with Mr. Livingston abstaining from the vote.

Midlands Technical College—Capital: (FY11 Approved: \$2,094,000) – Mr. Washington moved, seconded by Ms. Dickerson, to approve this item to the cap. The vote was in favor with Mr. Livingston abstaining from the vote.

Library: (FY11 Approved: \$19,817,000) – Mr. Washington moved, seconded by Ms. Dickerson, to approve this item to the cap. The vote was in favor.

Kennedy Washington
Smith

Riverbanks Zoo: (FY11 Approved: \$2,003,300) – Ms. Dickerson moved, seconded by Ms. Kennedy, to approve this item to the cap.

Ms. Hutchinson made a substitute motion, seconded by Ms. Kennedy, to approve the Riverbanks Zoo funding request. The motion was withdrawn.

Ms. Hutchinson made a substitute motion, seconded by Ms. Kennedy, to approve Items #10-11 at the FY10-11 funding level. The motion was withdrawn.

Mr. Pearce made a substitute motion, seconded by Ms. Dickerson, to approve Items #10-11 at the cap. The vote in favor was unanimous.

Mental Health: (FY11 Approved: \$1,905,500) – Mr. Pearce moved, seconded by Ms. Dickerson, to approve the item at the cap. The vote in favor was unanimous.

Solid Waste: (Approve funding level at \$28,113,764. No millage or fee increase) – Ms. Hutchinson moved, seconded by Ms. Kennedy, to approve \$28,113,764 for this item. The vote in favor was unanimous.

Airport Operations: (Approve Funding Level at \$358,300) – Mr. Pearce moved, seconded by Mr. Rose, to approve \$358,300 for this item. The vote in favor was unanimous.

Utilities System: (The customers of the Broad River Sewer System will not be responsible for expenses incurred by other sewer systems in Richland County when calculating for monthly bills) – Mr. Malinowski moved, seconded by Ms. Hutchinson, to defer this item. The vote in favor was unanimous.

Ms. Hutchinson moved, seconded by Mr. Pearce, to reconsider this item. The vote in favor was unanimous.

Mr. Malinowski moved, seconded by Ms. Hutchinson, to deny this item. The vote was in favor.

Utilities System: (Approve Funding Level at \$6,079,846. Includes transfer of \$500K from Stormwater Fund. No funding for Hopkins Water or Sewer System included. No fee increase—unified system rate remains \$46.54 per month [DHEC approval still needed to bill and collect Hopkins at uniform rate]. Current Hopkins rate=\$22.00 per month.) – Ms. Hutchinson moved, seconded by Mr. Pearce, to approve \$6,079,846 for this item. The vote in favor was unanimous.

Parking Garage: (Approve Funding Level at \$284,850) – Mr. Pearce moved, seconded by Ms. Kennedy, to approve \$284,850 for this item. A discussion took place.

The vote in favor was unanimous.

Victim's Assistance: (Approve Funding Level at \$1,053,700—includes transfer from General Fund of \$361,400) – Mr. Washington moved, seconded by Ms. Kennedy, to approve \$1,053,700 for this item. The vote in favor was unanimous.

Fire Service: (Increase Lump Sum amount for the City of Columbia by \$484,026 for a total of \$17,060,242 [funding is handled by reducing the amount of funding in object 529500 non-capital assets.] This does not change total Fire budget – Ms. Hutchinson moved, seconded Ms. Kennedy, to approve this item. The vote in favor was unanimous.

Fire Service: (Approve Funding Level at \$20,488,254. Includes going to the millage cap)

– Mr. Washington moved, seconded by Ms. Kennedy, to approve \$20,488,254 for this item. A discussion took place.

The vote was in favor.

Hospitality Tax: (Black Expo request for \$16,000 for Page Pages 20th Anniversary)

– Mr. Pearce moved, seconded by Ms. Hutchinson, to allocate \$16,000 for this item. A discussion took place.

Mr. Manning moved, seconded by Ms. Dickerson, to call for the question. The vote was in favor.

The vote was in favor of the main motion.

Hospitality Tax: (One time funding for the Nickelodeon Theatre in the amount of \$250,000. I recommend these funds to be spread over two years)

– Mr. Pearce moved, seconded by Ms. Hutchinson, to approve \$250,000 for this item. A discussion took place.

The vote was in favor.

Hospitality Tax: (To encumber \$250,000 of Hospitality Tax funds for the paving of the Ballentine Community Center Parking lot)

– Mr. Malinowski moved, seconded by Ms. Dickerson, to encumber \$250,000 for this item. A discussion took place.

<u>For</u>	<u>Against</u>
Pearce	Jackson
Malinowski	Jeter
Hutchinson	Livingston
Dickerson	Manning
Kennedy	Rose
	Washington

The motion failed.

Hospitality Tax: (Appropriate additional funding for Benedict College in the amount of \$25,000)

– Mr. Pearce moved, seconded by Ms. Hutchinson, to approve \$6,877 for this item. A discussion took place.

The vote was in favor.

Hospitality Tax: (Appropriate additional funding for Columbia International Festival in the amount of \$35,000)

– Mr. Pearce moved, seconded by Ms. Hutchinson, to approve \$7,967 for the International Festival and \$5,257 for the International Festival Decker parade. A discussion took place.

The vote was in favor.

Hospitality Tax: (Appropriate additional funding for Odyssey Golf Foundation in the amount of \$15,000) – Mr. Pearce moved, seconded by Ms. Hutchinson, to approve \$0.00 for this item. A discussion took place.

The vote was in favor.

Hospitality Tax: (Appropriate additional funding for SC HIV/AIDS in the amount of \$30,000) – Mr. Pearce moved, seconded by Ms. Hutchinson, to approve \$0.00 for this item. A discussion took place.

The vote in favor was unanimous.

Hospitality Tax: (Appropriate additional funding for Southeast Rural Community Outreach in the amount of \$250,000) – Mr. Washington moved, seconded by Mr. Manning, to approve \$200,000 for this item. A discussion took place.

Mr. Pearce made a substitute motion, seconded by Ms. Hutchinson, to approve \$185,000 for this item. The vote was in favor.

Hospitality Tax: (Appropriate additional funding for the Sweet Potato Festival in the amount of \$150,000) – Mr. Washington moved, seconded by Mr. Manning, to approve \$50,000 for this item. A discussion took place.

Mr. Pearce made a substitute motion, seconded by Ms. Hutchinson, to approve \$50,000 for this item. The vote was in favor.

Hospitality Tax: (Appropriate \$3,200,000 for Historic Columbia Foundation for renovations to the Woodrow Wilson House and Hampton Preston Mansion to be funded through bonds) – Mr. Pearce moved, seconded by Ms. Hutchinson, to approve \$750,000 for this item. A discussion took place.

The vote in favor was unanimous.

Hospitality Tax: (Request for appropriation of \$1,000,000 payable over a three to five year period to fund Edventure) – Mr. Pearce moved, seconded by Ms. Hutchinson, to approve \$250,000 for this item. A discussion took place.

The vote in favor was unanimous.

Hospitality Tax: (Add as a recurring budget line to appropriate additional funding for the Township Auditorium in the amount of \$395,000 to offset operational overhead) – Mr. Pearce moved, seconded by Ms. Hutchinson, to approve \$200,000 for this item. A discussion took place.

The vote in favor was unanimous.

Hospitality Tax: (Motion that Richland County use \$900,000 from the Hospitality Tax funds to purchase the proposed Caughman Pond property) – Mr. Jackson moved, seconded by Mr. Jeter, to approve \$900,000 for this item.

<u>For</u>	<u>Against</u>
Malinowski	Pearce
Jackson	Hutchinson
Jeter	Livingston
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The vote was in favor.

Hospitality Tax: (Amend the Hospitality Tax ordinance to include a set percentage of 30% to be dedicated and allocated each year to a local destination marketing organization for the sole purpose of marketing the region) – Mr. Pearce moved, seconded by Ms. Hutchinson, to deny this item. The vote was in favor.

Hospitality Tax: (Approve Funding Distribution—County Promotions) – Mr. Pearce moved, seconded by Ms. Kennedy, to approve this item. The vote in favor was unanimous.

Hospitality Tax: (Approve Funding Allocation of \$1,072,954 for debt service for Regional Recreation Complex) – Mr. Pearce moved, seconded by Ms. Hutchinson, to approve \$1,072,954 for this item. A discussion took place.

The vote in favor was unanimous.

Hospitality Tax: (Approve Funding Allocation at \$5,500,000; includes use of designated fund balance of \$250,000 for Recreational Complex. No use of undesignated fund balance) – Ms. Dickerson moved, seconded by Ms. Kennedy, to approve this item as amended. The vote in favor was unanimous.

Roads & Drainage: (Approve a Low Volume Alternative Paving Pilot Project with the following funding: \$900,000 from the Roads and Drainage fund balance; \$500,000 funding already committed by the CTC for preliminary engineering; and \$2.2 million additional funding to be requested from the CTC) – Mr. Washington moved, seconded by Mr. Pearce, to approve a Low Volume Alternative Paving Pilot Project with the following funding: \$900,000 from the Roads and Drainage fund balance; \$500,000 funding already committed by the CTC for preliminary engineering; and \$2.2 million additional funding to be requested from the CTC and to include the following amendment: In consideration of the obvious value and benefit derived from the continued participation of the SC State

Transportation Center's historical commitment to rural transportation issues; and specifically, to the Richland County Dirt Road paving program through collaboration between the Transportation Center, the Richland CTC and the County DPW be it resolved that the funding of the alternative low-volume paving program be designated to include community participation, technical assistance and program oversight activities as administered through the Transportation Center at SC State University. The funding of the SCSC Transportation Centers involvement shall be appropriated from the \$3,600,000 allocation in this motion. A discussion took place.

Ms. Hutchinson made a substitute motion, seconded by Mr. Rose, to approve this item without the inclusion of Mr. Washington's amendment.

Mr. Jeter moved to call for the question. The vote was in favor.

The vote was in favor of the substitute motion.

Roads & Drainage: (Approve Funding Level at \$5,850,000; includes no use of fund balance) – Ms. Hutchison moved, seconded by Ms. Dickerson, to approve this item as amended. The vote in favor was unanimous.

Mass Transit: (Effective June 30, 2011, the mass transit ordinance establishing the mass transit of the road maintenance fee is repealed. This repeal shall not effect the Road Maintenance fee, which shall remain \$20 on each motorized vehicle in Richland County. The proceeds from the Road Maintenance fee will go into the County Road Maintenance Fund and be used specifically for the maintenance and improvement of the County road and/or drainage systems) – Mr. Pearce moved, seconded by Mr. Malinowski, to reorder the agenda and take up Item #39 prior to Item #38. The vote in favor was unanimous.

Mass Transit: (Move to continue and reduce the current transit fee by 50% which will be \$5 [private] and \$7.50 [commercial]. The purpose of the motion is to provide the 2nd year [FY13] of funding for the CMRTA and to provide a backup plan for future CMRTA funding if Richland County Council does not place the Transportation Penny on the ballot in 2012 or if the initiative is on the ballot and fails there will be a back up funding source for Mass Transit funding. Contingent on approval and longevity of the proposed IGA by County Council) – Ms. Hutchinson moved, seconded by Ms. Dickerson, to approve this item. A discussion took place.

Mr. Jeter moved, seconded by Ms. Kennedy, to call for the question. The vote was in favor.

<u>For</u>	<u>Against</u>
Jackson	Pearce
Hutchinson	Malinowski
Jeter	Rose
Livingston	
Dickerson	
Manning	
Kennedy	
Washington	

The vote was in favor.

Mass Transit: (Approve Funding Level up to \$1,670,000; includes use of fund balance of \$1,670,000) – Ms. Dickerson moved, seconded by Mr. Jeter, to approve \$1,670,000 for this item. The vote was in favor.

Emergency Telephone System: (Approve Funding Level at \$4,807,481; includes use of fund balance of \$563,696) – Ms. Dickerson moved, seconded Mr. Malinowski, to approve \$4,807,481 for this item. The vote in favor was unanimous.

Stormwater Management: (Motion to request funding for the River Keeper Program—Congaree Riverkeeper) – Mr. Pearce moved, seconded by Ms. Dickerson, to approve \$20,000 for this item. The vote in favor was unanimous.

Stormwater Management: (Approve Funding Level at \$3,604,000. No millage increase. Includes transfer out of \$500k to Utilities and is inclusive of use of fund balance of \$500,000) – Mr. Jeter moved, seconded by Ms. Hutchinson, to approve as amended. The vote in favor was unanimous

Accommodations Tax: (Approve Funding Distribution) – Ms. Dickerson moved, seconded by Mr. Jeter, to approve this item. The vote in favor was unanimous.

Accommodations Tax: (Approve Funding Level at \$762,591; includes use of fund balance of \$111,891) – Ms. Dickerson moved, seconded by Ms. Hutchinson, to approve \$762,591 for this item. The vote in favor was unanimous.

Conservation Commission: (Request the County Administrator to include a Director of Sustainability position in the budget) – Mr. Manning moved to approve this item. The motion died for lack of a second.

Conservation Commission: (Motion to allocate resources to purchase Cabin Branch Headwaters—Carolina Bay Mitigation—Conservation Recreation Site) – Mr. Washington moved, seconded by Mr. Manning, to approve \$2,500,000 for this item. A discussion took place.

Mr. Washington moved, seconded by Mr. Malinowski, to withdraw the motion. The vote in favor was unanimous.

Conservation Commission: (Approve Funding Distribution for Conservation Commission) – Mr. Jeter moved, seconded by Ms. Dickerson, to approve this item. The vote in favor was unanimous.

Conservation Commission: (Approve Funding Level at \$1,087,500. No millage increase. Use of fund balance of \$362,500 and transfer of \$362,500 to the General Fund.) – Ms. Hutchinson moved, seconded by Ms. Dickerson, to approve \$1,087,500 for this item. The vote in favor was unanimous.

Neighborhood Redevelopment: (Motion to fund Trenholm Acres Community Association an additional \$1,122. The association annually uses these funds for their community newsletter, National Night Out, and an annual community event) – Mr. Washington moved, seconded by Ms. Dickerson, to approve Items #50-55.

Ms. Hutchinson made a substitute motion, seconded by Mr. Malinowski, to divide the question and vote on the items individually.

<u>For</u>	<u>Against</u>
Malinowski	Pearce
Hutchinson	Jackson
Jeter	Livingston
Manning	Dickerson
Rose	Washington

The substitute motion failed.

Mr. Manning moved, seconded by Ms. Dickerson, to amend Item #55 to add \$35,000 to the Decker lighting project. A discussion took place.

Mr. Manning moved, seconded by Mr. Pearce, to call for the question. The vote was in favor.

The vote in favor of the amendment was unanimous.

Ms. Dickerson moved, seconded by Mr. Washington, to approve Items #50-55, as amended. The vote was in favor.

Neighborhood Redevelopment: (Appropriate grant award to Williamsburg East HOA in the amount of \$2,200 for Back to School Bash, National Night Out, Mailbox, & Membership) – Ms. Dickerson moved, seconded by Mr. Washington, to approve this item. The vote was in favor.

Neighborhood Redevelopment: (Appropriate grant award to Eastway Park in the amount of \$800 for National Night Out & Back to School Bash) – Ms. Dickerson moved, seconded by Mr. Washington, to approve this item. The vote was in favor.

Neighborhood Redevelopment: (Appropriate grant award to Bluff Estates in the amount of \$800 for National Night Out & Back to School Bash) – Ms. Dickerson moved, seconded by Mr. Washington, to approve this item. The vote was in favor.

Neighborhood Redevelopment: (Appropriate grant award to Richard Street in the amount of \$800 for National Night Out & Back to School Bash) – Ms. Dickerson moved, seconded by Mr. Washington, to approve this item. The vote was in favor.

Neighborhood Redevelopment: (Motion to consider \$75,000 street enhancement lights along the Broad River Road Corridor and a possible match from SCDOT) – Ms. Dickerson moved, seconded by Mr. Washington, to approve this item as amended. The vote was in favor.

Neighborhood Redevelopment: (Approve Funding Distribution.) – Mr. Jackson moved, seconded by Mr. Pearce, to approve \$114,885 for this item. The vote in favor was unanimous.

Neighborhood Redevelopment: (Approve Funding Level at \$1,110,445. No millage increase. Use of fund balance of \$385,445 and transfer of \$362,500 to the General Fund) – Mr. Pearce moved, seconded by Mr. Jackson, to approve this item as amended. The vote was in favor.

Temporary Alcohol Permit: (Approve Funding Level at \$92,465.) – Mr. Pearce moved, seconded by Ms. Hutchinson, to approve \$92,465 for this item. The vote in favor was unanimous.

Tourism Development: (Approve Funding Level at \$975,000. Use of fund balance of \$17,369.) – Ms. Hutchinson moved, seconded by Ms. Dickerson, to approve \$975,000 for this item. The vote in favor was unanimous.

Title IV-D Civil Process: (Approve Funding Level at \$80,000.) – Ms. Hutchinson moved, seconded by Ms. Dickerson, to approve \$80,000 for this item. The vote in favor was unanimous.

Solicitor Drug Court: (Approve Funding Level at \$57,000.) – Ms. Hutchinson moved, seconded by Ms. Dickerson, to approve \$57,000 for this item. The vote in favor was unanimous.

Title IV-Clerk of Court: (Create new fund and approve funding level in the amount of \$) – Ms. Hutchinson moved, seconded by Ms. Dickerson, to approve this item.

The vote in favor was unanimous.

Public Defender: (Create new fund and approve funding level in the amount of \$1,317,650) – Ms. Hutchinson moved, seconded by Ms. Dickerson, to approve \$1,317,650 for this item. The vote in favor was unanimous.

General Fund: All: (Move to cover the 2.8% increase in 2012 budget with Fund Balance of General Fund instead of tax increase) – Mr. Pearce moved, seconded by Ms. Hutchinson, to withdraw this item. The vote in favor was unanimous.

General Fund: Multiple: (Eliminate the \$1 million amount that was “equitably distributed” to elected officials) – Mr. Jeter moved, seconded by Ms. Dickerson, to withdraw this item.

Mr. Malinowski made a substitute motion to eliminate the \$1 million amount that was “equitably distributed” to elected officials. The motion died for lack of a second.

Nondepartmental: (Increase funding by \$13,500 for the BRAC contract with the Columbia Chamber of Commerce) – Mr. Manning moved, seconded by Ms. Dickerson, to approve Items #66-76.

Mr. Malinowski made a substitute motion, seconded by Mr. Pearce, to divide the question and vote on the items individually.

<u>For</u>	<u>Against</u>	<u>Not Present</u>
Pearce	Jackson	Jeter
Malinowski	Dickerson	Kennedy
Hutchinson	Manning	Washington
Livingston	Rose	

The substitute motion failed.

<u>For</u>	<u>Against</u>	<u>Not Present</u>
Jackson	Pearce	Jeter
Dickerson	Malinowski	Kennedy
Manning	Hutchinson	
Rose	Livingston	
	Washington	

The original motion failed.

Ms. Hutchinson moved, seconded by Mr. Manning, to approve \$13,500 for this item. The vote in favor was unanimous.

All Departments: (Internal Audits: Efficiency study) – This item was approved unanimously.

Outside Agencies: (Appropriate funding in the amount of \$80,000 for the Auntie Karen Foundation) – Mr. Jackson moved, seconded by Mr. Washington, to approve \$80,000 for this item.

Ms. Dickerson made a substitute motion, seconded by Ms. Hutchinson, to deny this item.

<u>For</u>	<u>Against</u>	<u>Not Present</u>
Pearce	Jackson	Jeter
Malinowski	Manning	Kennedy
Hutchinson	Washington	
Livingston		
Dickerson		
Rose		

The vote was in favor of the substitute motion.

Outside Agencies: (Appropriate funding in the amount of \$15,000 for the Youth Voices of Lower Richland) – Mr. Washington moved, seconded by Mr. Jackson, to identify a funding source for this item. The motion failed.

Outside Agencies: (Approve participation in the “Good to Great” initiative) – Mr. Manning moved, seconded by Ms. Dickerson, to approve this item.

<u>For</u>	<u>Against</u>	<u>Not Present</u>
Livingston	Pearce	Jeter
Dickerson	Malinowski	Kennedy
Manning	Jackson	
Washington	Hutchinson	
	Rose	

The motion failed.

Outside Agencies: (Appropriate funding in the amount of \$100,000 for Transitions—Midlands Housing Alliance, Inc.) – Mr. Pearce moved, seconded by Ms. Dickerson, to approve \$100,000 from the Neighborhood Redevelopment fund for this item.

Mr. Washington moved, seconded by Ms. Hutchinson, to approve \$100,000 and an additional \$100,000 contingent upon the participation of the City of Columbia and Lexington County. A discussion took place.

The vote in favor was unanimous.

Outside Agencies: (Appropriate funding in the amount of \$60,000 for Epworth Children’s Home) – Mr. Washington moved, seconded by Mr. Rose, to approve \$60,000 for this item. A discussion took place.

Mr. Rose moved, seconded by Mr. Washington, to amend the original motion to approve \$45,000 for this item.

Ms. Dickerson made a substitute motion, seconded by Mr. Manning, to amend the original motion to approve \$50,000 from the Neighborhood Redevelopment fund for this item.

Mr. Livingston made a second substitute motion, seconded by Mr. Malinowski, to approve \$1.00 for this item. The vote in favor was unanimous.

Outside Agencies: (Appropriate \$13,000 for Midlands Education and Business Alliance)

– Mr. Washington moved, seconded by Mr. Livingston, to approve \$13,000 for this item. The vote was in favor.

Discretionary Grant: (Approve funding distribution in the amount of \$149,996) – Ms.

Hutchinson moved to approve this item as amended. The vote in favor was unanimous.

Outside Agencies: (Approve funding distribution in the amount of \$1,649,156) – Ms.

Hutchinson moved, seconded by Mr. Pearce to approve \$1,649,156 for this item. The vote in favor was unanimous.

Public Information Office: (Motion to appropriate \$61,000 for the purchase of equipment [including new audio] to broadcast and video stream County Council meetings) – Mr.

Jackson moved, seconded by Ms. Hutchinson, to approve \$61,000 for this item. The vote was in favor.

Detention Center: (Increase Detention Center starting salary from \$25,745 to \$33,264 [Lexington County]) – Mr. Washington moved, seconded by Mr. Jackson, to approve this item. A discussion took place.

Ms. Dickerson moved, seconded by Mr. Malinowski, to call for the question. The vote was in favor.

Magistrates: (Transfer position from Waverly Magistrate to Administrative Magistrate.

No effect on GF) – Ms. Hutchinson moved, seconded by Mr. Malinowski, to approve this item. The vote in favor was unanimous.

Board of Elections & Voter Registration: (Motion that Richland County approve that the annual budget for the newly created Board of Elections and Voter Registration of Richland County may be less than the average of the two annual budgets for Charleston County and Greenville County Boards of Election and Voter Registration for the prior fiscal year. Signed by the Governor of South Carolina May 9, 2011) – Mr. Jackson moved

to approve \$1.5 million for this item. A discussion took place.

Mr. Washington made a substitute motion, seconded by Mr. Jackson, to direct the Administrator and Mr. Jackson to meet and bring back an agreed upon amount at Third Reading.

Ms. Hutchinson made a second substitute motion, seconded by Mr. Pearce, to reserve at least \$339,466 in the fund balance for this item. A discussion took place.

The vote was in favor of the second substitute motion.

Total Budget: (Approve Funding Level at \$138,632,336. Includes going to millage cap. Uses \$4,058,101 of GF Fund Balance, \$362,500 as a transfer from Conservation Commission, \$362,500 as a transfer from Neighborhood Redevelopment and \$1,906,760 of cost allocation) – Mr. Pearce moved, seconded by Ms. Dickerson, to approve \$149,995 for this item. The vote in favor was unanimous.

General Fund: (County-wide Insurance—This ordinance shall establish a separate internal service fund for County-wide Insurance. This shall include Self Insurance, Worker's Compensation, Other Post-Employment Benefits [OPEB] and Health Insurance. The County will be self-funded against tort claim liability and shall no longer carry an excess liability insurance policy. Funding shall be established through the annual automatic re-budgeting of these County funded accounts. The amount to be carried forward shall not exceed the unspent portion of the current year appropriation and shall be used only for the original intended purpose as identified in the year of appropriation. This shall increase the original appropriated budget and shall not require a separate budget amendment) – Mr. Manning moved, seconded by Ms. Dickerson, to approve Items #80-84, as amended. The vote was in favor.

Sheriff-Continuation of Administrative Fee: (Richland County hereby enacts the implementation of an Administrative Service Fee of up to \$15 per hour, to be collected by the Sheriff from parties who request special duty services, and which are authorized by the Sheriff for the duration of fiscal year 2011-2012 only. Funds collected by the Sheriff that are derived from the up to \$15 per hour administrative fee for special duty services shall be deposited as follows: \$5 into the General Fund to cover administrative costs of operating the plan; \$5 into the General Fund to cover the rank structure increases for the Sheriff's Office [this will be incorporated as a bonus payment and not add to the base salary of the employee]; \$5 deposited into the Victim's Assistance program to cover additional program costs. This revenue will be to offset the cost of the additional use of petrol oil and lubricants, and for the cost of administrative management of special duty assignments. The Sheriff and the Finance Director will assess the status of fees collected through the Special Duty Program prior to the end of fiscal year 2012. All excess funds collected over cost shall reflect as a designation of fund balance shall be brought forward in the following fiscal year as budgeted fund balance. This automatic re-budgeting shall not require a supplemental budget ordinance. Continuation of the Special Duty Program and associated fees shall be evaluated each year during the budget process.) – Mr. Manning moved, seconded Ms. Dickerson, to approve this item. The vote was in favor.

Budget Ordinance: (Approve Budget Ordinance) – Ms. Manning moved, seconded by Ms. Dickerson, to approve this item as amended. The vote was in favor.

Millage Ordinance: (Approve Millage Ordinance) – Mr. Manning moved, seconded by Ms. Dickerson, to approve this item as amended. The vote was in favor.

Bond Ordinance: (Approve Bond Ordinance.) – Mr. Manning moved, seconded by Ms. Dickerson, to approve this item. The vote was in favor.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at approximately 10:44 p.m.

Paul Livingston, Chair

Damon Jeter, Vice-Chair

Joyce Dickerson

Valerie Hutchinson

Norman Jackson

Gwendolyn Davis Kennedy

Bill Malinowski

Jim Manning

L. Gregory Pearce, Jr.

Seth Rose

Kelvin E. Washington, Sr.

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