



Minutes
Sumter County Council
Regular Meeting

Tuesday, October 12, 2021 -- Held at 6:00 p.m.
Sumter County Administration Building
Third Floor, County Council Chambers
13 E. Canal Street, Sumter, SC

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COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: James T. McCain, Jr., Chairman; James Byrd, Jr., Vice Chairman; Artie Baker, Eugene R. Baten, Charles T. Edens, Vivian Fleming McGhaney, and Carlton B. Washington.

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT: None

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT: Gary Mixon, Mary W. Blanding, Lorraine Dennis, Helen Roodman, Johnathan Bryan, Joe Perry, Valerie Brunson, Kathy Ward, Major Stewart, Lt. Hawkins, and two Sheriff Deputies.

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC PRESENT: Approximately 32 members of the public attended the meeting.

MEDIA PRESENT: The Item Newspaper, Shelby Goulding.

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Or Vice Chairman Of Sumter County Council.

Chairman James T. McCain Called the meeting to order.

INVOCATION: Council Member, Staff Member, Or Local Citizen.

Councilman Vivian Fleming McGhaney gave the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Led By Veteran, Robert L. Baker, Jr., Council District #5 - U.S. Army Veteran Robert L. Baker, Jr. is a lifelong resident of Sumter County. After his military service, he dedicated his life to law enforcement and became a Sumter County Sheriff's Deputy. He retired as Captain after 29 years of service. Mr. Baker has been the Sumter County Coroner since 2017. He is also a member of the American Legion Post 15. He is married to Terry Baker and they have 2 children and 6 grandchildren. He currently lives in County Council District 5. Thank you for your Service!



APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Regular Meeting Tuesday, October 12, 2021
Chairman McCain asked the Clerk to Council if there were any additions or deletions to the agenda. Mrs. Blanding, stated that there were no changes. Therefore, the Chairman called for a motion on approving the agenda.

ACTION: MOTION was made by Councilman Baten, seconded by Councilman Edens, and unanimously carried by Council to grant approval of the agenda as presented.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Regular Meeting Tuesday, September 28, 2021, and Special Meeting of County Council, September 28, 2021.

Chairman McCain called for a motion concerning action on the minutes for Council’s regular meeting of September 28, 2021, and Council’s special meeting of September 28, 2021.

ACTION: MOTION was made by Councilman McGhaney, seconded by Councilman Baker, and unanimously carried by Council to grant approval of the regular meeting minutes and the special meeting minutes of September 28, 2021, as presented.

LAND USE MATTERS AND REZONING REQUESTS:

Planned Development/Rezoning Requests:

NOTE:

RZ = Rezoning Of Property As Applicable In Sumter County Zoning and Development Standards.

AC = Agricultural Conservation As Applicable In Sumter County Zoning and Development Standards.

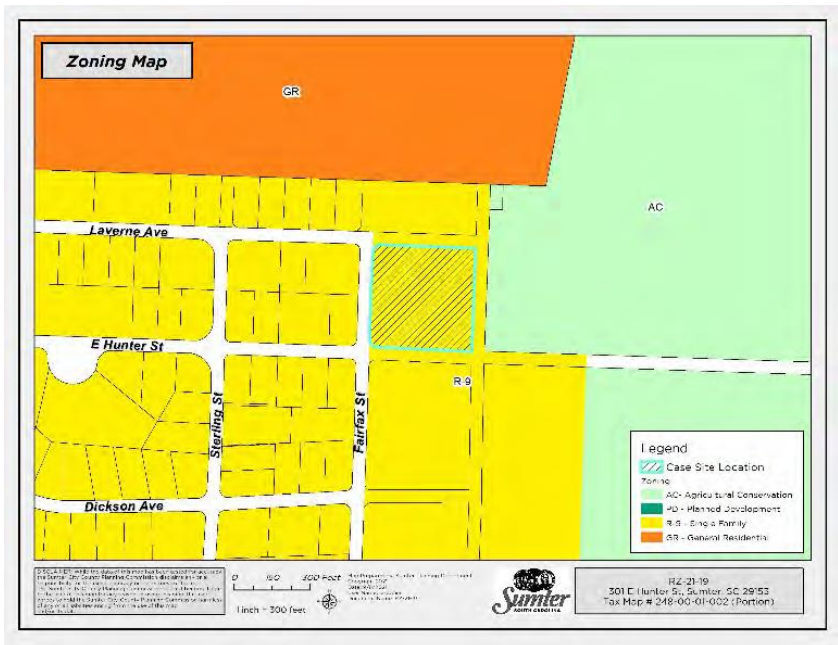
NC = Neighborhood Commercial As Applicable In Sumter County Zoning and Development Standards.

LI-W = Light Industrial-Warehouse As Applicable in Sumter County Zoning and Development Standards.

- RZ-21-19 -- 301 E. Hunter St. (County) -- Second Reading/Public Hearing – A request to rezone +/- 3.76-acre tract from Residential-9 (R-9) to Agricultural Conservation (AC). The property is located at 301 E. Hunter St. and is represented as a portion of Tax Map # 248-00-01-002 (Part). (Prior To Action On Second Reading, Council Will Hold A Public Hearing On This Rezoning Request.)**

Mrs. Helen Roodman, the Planning Director, stated that the property owner and Mr. William Hayes, the applicant for this property and the representative for the property owner, were present on behalf of this rezoning request. Ms. Roodman stated that on the Zoning Map, the streets in a square are Laverne Avenue, E. Hunter Street and Fairfax Street. She mentioned that E. Hunter Street and Laverne Streets are paper streets and have not been developed.

The property owner hopes to allow for a single mobile home to be placed at 301 E. Hunter Street for one of his children. The property is currently undeveloped, and the property is zoned R-9. The property was platted in the 1970’s and 1980’s. The Hunter Street property and a portion of other property in this area lacks sewer infrastructure which is required for R-9 construction.



The Planning Director stated that when the Planning staff looks at rezoning requests, they review the Comprehensive Land Use Plan. She stated that normally in the Suburban Development, it does not support down-zoning property, from R-9 to Agricultural Conservation (AC). Water and sewer services are expected in the R-9 Zoning; therefore, the absence of sewer services makes the R-9 Zoning

impracticable. It was also said by Mrs. Roodman that manufactured housing is permitted in AC Zoning. Also, she stated that because the existing development pattern and zoning in the vicinity of the property indicates that there was a plan to extend the Lafayette Heights single-family residential subdivision on the subject parcel and the parcels adjacent to it. However, the subdivision was never extended east of Fairfax St. Additionally, there is no sewer service in the area to support R-9 zoning densities and the primary soil classification of the property (Lynchburg Soil) does not accommodate on-site septic systems well. Given these considerations, a rezoning of the property to Agricultural Conservation (AC), which has a one-acre minimum lot size requirement, is appropriate in this location.

After Mrs. Roodman's comments, the Chairman convened a public hearing on this proposed rezoning request. He asked if anyone wished to speak in favor of or opposition to this proposed rezoning request. Councilman Edens asked about the size of the lots in the area; Mrs. Roodman stated that the lot sizes are almost an acre, but not quite.

The following persons spoke during public comments.

- Mr. Mike Lynn spoke during this matter; he stated that he has lived on Laverne Street for nearly 42 years which is very near the property in question. Mr. Lynn said his property has been zoned R-9 for the entire 42-years' timeframe, to his knowledge. Mr. Lynn said their home was built with the R-9 zoning classification; and he asked, why does it need to be changed now? Mr. Lynn further stated that he does not understand why the property will be rezoned to allow a trailer house in this community. The property in the area never had City Water; everyone out in the area wants septic tanks and well water. He asked Council to deny the request and not change the zoning in this area.

Chairman McCain asked for clarification on what would be rezoning in the area. Mrs. Roodman stated that the squared area of property, which is currently wooded, from E. Hunter, Fairfax, and Laverne Streets would be rezoned to AC and nothing else.

- William Hayes spoke in support of this rezoning request. He stated that he and others are trying to give a young man a start in life to allow him to place a mobile home on the property. Mr. Hayes also stated that there are other mobile homes that already exist in this community area. It was also stated by Mr. Hayes that they are not trying to do anything to degrade property value; they want to improve the area.

After all comments, the Chairman closed the public hearing and Council took action on second reading.

ACTION: MOTION was made by Vice Chairman Byrd, seconded by Councilman Baker, and unanimously carried by Council to grant approval of the rezoning request as presented.

2. **OA-21-05 -- Drinking Places and Special Events Facilities (County) – Second Reading/Public Hearing – 21-963 -- (Ordinance A Request To Amend Article 3, Section 3.F.3, 3.G.2, 3.G.4, 3.H.2, 3.H.4, 3.I.2, 3.I.3, 3.I.4, 3.J.2, 3.J.3, 3.J.4, 3.K.3, 3.K.4, 3.M.3, 3.M.4, 3.N.3, & 3.N.4; Article 3, Exhibit 5; Article 5, Section 5.B.1; Article 5, Section 5.B.2; Article 5, Section 5.B.3; Article 8, Exhibit 23, And Article 10, Section 10.B.1 To Establish Clear Definitions For Drinking Place Uses, Bottle Club Uses, Night Clubs Uses, And Special Event Facility Uses, Establishing That Bottle Club Uses And Night Clubs Uses Require The Same Approval Process As Drinking Place Uses In Applicable Zoning Districts, Establishing That Special Event Facility Uses Require Conditional Use Approval In Applicable Zoning Districts, Establishing Use Specific**

Conditional Use Criteria For Special Event Facility Uses, Establishing Minimum Off-Street Parking Requirement For Special Event Facility Uses, And To Correct Other Minor Zoning Ordinance Text Inconsistencies. (Prior To Action On Second Reading, Council Will Hold A Public Hearing On This Ordinance Amendment.)

Mrs. Roodman stated that this proposed Ordinance Amendment is in relation to Drinking Places and Special Event Places within the County. If approved, this ordinance amendment will amend multiple sections of the Zoning and Development Standards Ordinance to provide definitions and specific requirements for Special Event Places, Drinking Places, Bottle Clubs, and Night Clubs.

She further stated that the background to this proposed ordinance is due to trends and factors that the Planning staff has seen. She added that in particular there has been a frequent increase to establish Special Events facilities throughout the community. With a lack of clarity in the existing ordinance text of what constitutes a Special Events facility, we have seen people coming into the office for a license for a Special Events facility. However, what they really want is to run BYOB's, which is a Bottle Club. Also, it was noticed by the staff that:

- The increasing frequency of requests to establish special event facility uses throughout Sumter County.
- The lack of clarity in the current text of the Ordinance on what defines a special event facility uses.
- The increasing frequency of establishments licensed as Special Events facilities that are for all intents and purposes operating as drinking place establishments, with the only exception being that no alcohol sales for on-premises consumption are provided at the facility. In lieu of alcohol sales for on-premises consumption, bring-your-own-beverage (BYOB) is permitted.

Mrs. Roodman also stated that staff has determined that special event facility uses fall under SIC Code 7299, Miscellaneous Personal Services, as this is the same SIC Code that includes banquet halls and wedding venues. However, a specific definition and additional requirements are needed to address a recent negative trend concerning facility operators using Special Events facility designations to operate establishments that offer BYOB alcohol consumption and on-site entertainment in lieu of establishing legal Drinking Places.

Additionally, the Planning Director mentioned that Drinking Places masquerading as Special Events facilities have the same land use impacts as a drinking place use would. However, since alcohol sales for on-premises consumption are not provided, the owners and operators of these uses are not subject to the SC Department of Revenue licensing process. Further, the SIC Code classification for Special Events facilities allows for a less stringent zoning approval process that does not involve a public hearing in front of the Sumter City-County Board of Zoning Appeals.

Mrs. Roodman said that properly classifying facilities operating as Drinking Places and Night Clubs, but describing themselves as special event facilities, is further complicated by the SIC Manual definition which states that Drinking Places, Night Clubs, etc. derive a primary portion of their revenue from alcohol sales. To fully address this matter, definitions for special event facility uses, drinking place uses, Night Clubs uses, and bottle club uses are needed to provide clarity from a zoning administration standpoint.

The proposed definitions were provided to Council and staff as shown below, along with the proposed Ordinance text changes, clarify that facilities essentially operating as Drinking Places or Night Clubs via BYOB on-premises alcohol consumption require special exception approval by the Sumter City-County Board of Zoning Appeals. This will treat those uses in the same manner as a properly licensed drinking place use providing alcohol sales for on-premises consumption.

Drinking Place: A commercial establishment whose primary activity is the sale or provision of alcoholic beverages to be consumed on the premises. Such establishments are properly licensed by the South Carolina Department of Revenue–Alcohol Beverage Licensing Commission. Drinking Places include, but are not limited to, establishments referred to as bars, beer gardens, beer parlors, taverns, cabarets, cocktail lounges, saloons, tap rooms, and wine bars. Cigar Bars and Hookah Lounges with any on-premises consumption alcohol sales are included in this definition. Eating places, with on-premises consumption alcohol sales and where the primary activity is the sale of food, are not included within this definition.

Bottle Club: Any establishment engaged in the business of catering to patrons who bring to the establishment an alcoholic beverage to be consumed on the premises. Such establishments do not sell or provide alcoholic beverages on the premises and/or are not properly licensed by the South Carolina Department of Revenue–Alcohol Beverage Licensing Commission for on-premises consumption alcoholic beverage sales. Such establishments can be private or open to the public, and often provide entry via cover charge and provide on-premises entertainment. Cigar Bars and Hookah Lounges with any on-premises consumption of alcoholic beverages by patrons who bring such beverages to the premises are included within this definition.

Night Clubs: An establishment operating as a place of entertainment, characterized by either of the following as a primary activity: (1) live, recorded, or televised entertainment, including but not limited to performance by musicians, disc jockey’s, comedians, or other entertainers; (2) dancing; where this primary activity is coupled with on-premise sale and consumption of alcoholic beverages via proper licensing by the South Carolina Department of Revenue–Alcohol Beverage Licensing Commission for on-premise consumption or by patrons who bring to the establishment an alcoholic beverage to be consumed on the premises is a common characteristic of a Night Clubs. Such establishments are private or open to the public. Often, such establishments require payment of entry cover charges or other entry considerations such as dues, membership fees, etc. Such establishments may also be referred to as discotheques, dancehalls, etc.

Special Event Facility/Venue: A commercial facility rented to individuals, groups, or organizations, and used to host gatherings such as, but not limited to, weddings, receptions, meetings, galas, networking events, and conferences. Events facilities cater to a significant diversity of individuals, groups, and organizations on a contractual basis, with such individuals, groups, and organizations holding unique events on an irregular basis only. Such individuals, groups, and organizations contracting to rent the facility may provide alcoholic beverages for guests in accordance with applicable state law. This definition does not include Bottle Clubs, Night Clubs, or Drinking Places.

Lastly, Mrs. Roodman stated that the proposed amendment also separates typical Special Event facility uses that provide space for such events as weddings, receptions, birthday parties, conferences, family reunions, etc. from the larger grouping of SIC Code 729 uses. With this separation, staff finds that special event facility uses are not appropriate in the Professional Office (PO) and Neighborhood Commercial (NC) zoning districts unlike the broader range of uses under SIC Code 729 that are currently permitted and are appropriate in these districts. This finding is based on the potential for Special Event facilities to have greater land use impacts to adjacent property, including noise, traffic, loitering, etc. Thus, appropriate clarifications are made in the proposed amendment referencing that Special Event facilities are not permitted in these districts. It is also being proposed that Special Event facilities require conditional use approval, with specific conditional review criteria, in any zoning district where they can locate. Finally, minimum off-street parking requirements for Special Event facilities are included as a part of the proposed amendment.

The Planning staff and Planning Commission recommend approval of the ordinance amendment as presented by Mrs. Roodman.

After her comments, the Chairman asked Council members if they had any questions. Councilman McGhaney asked if there would be any concerns for existing Special Event's Places. Mrs. Roodman stated that as long as the existing Special Event's place is handling their business as a Special Event's place, there would be no changes. However, if the company begins to ask for events that are veering away from the intent of the business, then there would be a need to go through a conditional review of the Special Event.

Councilman Edens asked for clarification, asking if Special Events facilities will not be able to charge individually. Mrs. Roodman said that it is not spelled out in the ordinance because sometimes a Special Events facility may have tickets that have been sold individually. She also said that the events that sell tickets for a gala, it is usually a gala that happens only once a year.

Then Chairman McCain convened a public hearing, he stated that if anyone wished to speak in favor of or opposition to the proposed ordinance to please address all comments through the Chairman. The following persons spoke during public hearing:

1. Major Randy Stewart, Sheriff's Office, spoke to Council on behalf of Sumter County Sheriff Anthony Dennis. Major Stewart stated that small business, economic development growth, and entertainment venues are vital to this community's growth, and the Sheriff's Office fully understands that commitment. The Sheriff's Office continues to support the proposed amendments as cited by Mrs. Roodman on behalf of the Planning Commission and staff. It is important that this Ordinance Amendment be approved for the simple fact of the issues law enforcement may face when someone does not qualify for an Alcohol Drinking License (ADL), then would use the generic definition of a Special Events license, then try to get around doing the right thing then when they are actually operating as a de facto Night Clubs, in lieu of, when they did not otherwise qualified for an ADL. The Sheriff's Office position has not changed.

After all comments, Chairman McCain closed the public hearing and Council took action no second reading.

ACTION: MOTION was made by Councilman Edens, seconded by Councilman Baker, and unanimously carried by Council to grant second reading approval of the proposed ordinance amendment as presented.

OTHER PUBLIC HEARINGS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

(1) **R-21-10 – A Resolution Authorizing The County Administrator To Begin Work On The 2023 Capital Projects Sales Tax Referendum.**

The County Administrator, Mr. Gary Mixon, introduced this proposed resolution. Mr. Mixon stated that this resolution will be used as official notification that Sumter County plans to begin work on the 2023 Capital Projects Sales Tax Referendum process. He further stated that this process will take approximately eight to nine months, beginning at the end of this month or the beginning of next month and end sometime in May or June of 2022. This is the public announcement of what the County plans to do.

- A Penny Commission will be appointed sometime after the first of the year to review a number of projects that have been submitted.
- Once a complete list of the proposed projects are submitted, sometime in May or June, members of County Council will vote to approve or reject the projects, as a whole, through an ordinance for the projects to be placed on a referendum.
- If approved, the ordinance is approved, then the projects will be placed on the referendum for the November 2022 election.

After all comments, the Chairman called for a motion on the approval of this resolution as presented.

ACTION: MOTION was made by Councilman Baker, seconded by Councilman Baten, and unanimously carried by Council to approve the resolution as presented.

***WHEREAS**, The South Carolina General Assembly has enacted the Capital Project Sales Tax Act, S.C. Code Ann. Section 4-10-300 et seq. (the Act), pursuant to which Sumter County Council, the governing body of Sumter County, South Carolina, may impose a One Percent Sales and Use Tax by ordinance, subject to a referendum, within the county area for a specific purpose or purposes and for a limited time; and*

***WHEREAS**, S.C. Code Ann. Section 4-10-340(C)(2) of the Act, authorizes county voters to reimpose a Sales and Use Tax for additional projects; and*

***WHEREAS**, Sumter County is currently imposing and collecting a One Percent Sales and Use Tax as authorized by the Act pursuant to a favorable referendum held in Sumter County on November 4, 2014, such current tax being set to terminate on April 30, 2023; and*

WHEREAS, Sumter County, upon the approval of County voters, may reimpose a Capital Project Sales and Use Tax to fund new capital projects.

BE IT RESOLVED THEREFORE, that Sumter County Council finds the following:

- 1. The time has arrived to begin the survey of communities, stakeholders, and interested parties for proposed projects to be considered by a Commission to be appointed by a subsequent Resolution in accordance with SC Code Section 4-10-320 (2021).*
- 2. The Sumter County Administrator is directed to proceed to make contact with community leaders, stakeholders, and interested parties to seek ideas for proposed projects and to ascertain the costs of such proposed projects so that those projects and the associated costs may be considered by the Commission to be appointed by the subsequent Resolution.*

(2) County Council To Take Action On The Sumter County 2022 Employees Holiday Calendar.

The Clerk to Council presented the 2022 Employee Calendar on behalf of the Administrator. She stated that this calendar is a duplicate of the dates for the 2021 calendar holidays for the employees. Vice Chairman Byrd questioned the date for New Years, and the Clerk stated that she would follow up on that portion of the proposed calendar. After all comments, the Chairman called for a motion on the 2022 Employees Holiday Calendar.

Friday, December 31	New Year's Day
Monday, January 17	Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
Monday, February 21	President's Day
Friday, April 15	Good Friday
Monday, May 30	Memorial Day
Monday, July 4	Independence Day
Monday, September 5	Labor Day
Friday, November 11	Veteran's Day
Thursday & Friday, November 24 & 25	Thanksgiving
Friday & Monday, December 23 & 26	Christmas
Varied	Employee Birthday

ACTION: MOTION was made by Councilman Baker, seconded by Councilman Baten, and unanimously carried by Council to approve the Employees Holiday Calendar with one change.

(3) County Council To Take Action On Its Annual 2022 Meeting Calendar.

The Clerk to Council also presented this proposed meeting calendar for Sumter County Council’s meeting dates. She stated that the dates coincide with Council’s standard meeting dates of the second and fourth Tuesday of each month except for December. After review of the calendar, Council took action on adopting the calendar as the official meeting dates for Sumter County Council during calendar year 2022.

Month Of Meeting	First Meeting Dates	Second Meeting Dates
January	11	25
February	8	22
March	8	22
April	12	26
May	10	24
June	14	28
July	12	26
August	9	23
September	13	27
October	11	25
November	8	22
December	13	None

After all comments, Chairman McCain called for a motion on approving the calendar.

ACTION: MOTION was made by Councilman Baker, seconded by Councilman Edens, and unanimously carried by Council to approve the 2022 Meeting Calendar for Sumter County Council as presented.

(4) It May Be Necessary To Hold An Executive Session To Discuss An Employment Matter, An Economic Development Matter, A Legal Briefing, Or Other Matters Pertaining To An Executive Session, And Take Appropriate Actions Thereafter If Required.

No executive session was held.

OLD BUSINESS:

(1) Ordinance #21-964 - Second Reading -- An Ordinance Authorizing The Development Of A Jointly Owned And Operated Industrial/Business Park In Conjunction With Kershaw County, Such Industrial/Business Park To Be Geographically Located In Kershaw County And Established Pursuant To Sec. 4-1-170 Of The Code Of Laws Of South Carolina, 1976, As Amended; To Provide For A Written Agreement With Kershaw County To Provide For The Expenses Of The Park, The Percentage Of Revenue

Application, And The Distribution Of Fees In Lieu Of Ad Valorem Taxation; And Other Matters Related Thereto. (Public Hearing Will Be Held At Third Reading On October 26, 2021.)

The County Attorney, Johnathan Bryan, stated that this ordinance is before Council to consider approval a new business to operate in the industrial/business park in Kershaw County. The industrial/business park agreement is attached to the ordinance. After Mr. Bryan's presentation, the Chairman called for a motion on second reading.

ACTION: MOTION was made by Vice Chairman Byrd, seconded by Councilman Edens, and unanimously carried by Council to grant second reading approval as presented.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

(1) Report From Council Members On Other Meetings, Trainings, And/Or Conferences.

After the County Administrator gave his report, Councilman Baten asked to be heard concerning the COVID-19 report which was presented by the Clerk. Councilman Baten stated that there are deaths every day from COVID-19. He also stated that Sumter County's numbers for people that are unvaccinated is still high. Also, Councilman Baten said that 95% of those that are in the hospital with COVID-19 and are on ventilators are people that have not taken the vaccine. This is a good indicator that these people are spreading the virus throughout the County; also, the County does not have a mask mandate which would probably help reduce the number of people in the hospital. Councilman Baker stated that he is encouraging people to please wear your mask and to take the vaccine. The COVID-19 report shows that 38 veterans have died from this virus. The Councilman said he just wants to encourage people to take the vaccination and do not listen to the misinformation. He also said the vaccination will help people to save their spouses, save their children, and said themselves. Lastly he restated that it is important to wear a mask. He asked people to please take care of themselves and he said may God be with them.

MONTHLY REPORTS

- 1) Cece Winan's Concert
- 2) BOA - Zoning Board Of Appeal
- 3) 2021 Octoberfest
- 4) Sheriff's Office Newsletter
- 5) Clean-Up Days In Sumter
- 6) 2022 Chamber Retreat
- 7) Public Works Department Monthly Report
- 8) Sheriff's Office Monthly Report

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

The County Administrator informed Council that the Purchasing Department provided him with a Request For Qualifications (RFQ) concerning the proposed ARPA Home Improvement grants and work. Mr. Mixon stated that after review of the document, by himself and other staff members, it is hoped that the grant RFQ will be publicized by the week of October 17, 2021. The RFQ will have a deadline date to return to the County on the 15th day after it is publicized. It could be that the County will use one, two, or more agencies; as long

as they are qualified. Decisions will be determined who will be allowed to do the work for the ARPA Mobile Home Improvement Project. This project is for repairs to older mobile homes that over 20 years old.

PUBLIC COMMENT -- Citizens Desiring To Speak Are Limited To No More Than Three (3) Minutes; Comments Are To Be Made Through The Chairman Of Sumter County Council.

The following people spoke during public comment.

- Frank Kelly stated that he spoke to Council members a month ago. He also thanked Council for beginning work on the roads in the area. Mr. Kelly stated his concern about the trees and limbs in the driveway, roads, etc. He asked Council members and others to help. Mr. Kelly said that there are many elderly people in the area and they are all taxpayers. Something needs to be done with the roads and the maintenance of the trees and bushes in the roadways.
- Dr. Brenda Williams stated that she and her husband, Dr. Joseph Williams are doctors in the Sumter Community and they are owners of the Family Unit, Inc. which is a 501c3 non-profit business. She thanked Council for what they are doing to help those that are in need in this community for their homes. Dr. Williams also stated that she believes that a community is judged by how they treat those that are in need. Dr. Williams asked the County to provide one-tenth of the \$10,000,000.
- Mamie Smith stated that her concern is about the bus route not being on her road any longer. Ms. Smith said that she has lived in this community for over 30 years and the bus would also pick up her kids and now her grandchildren. After contacting the bus route people, she was told that one of the property owners does not want the business to turn around on his property. Ms. Smith stated that she has enough property for the buses to turn around on her property, but as of today, no one has answered her concerns and the buses did not come to pick-up her grandchildren. Ms. Smith also thanked Dr. Williams for her work for those that are in need.

ADJOURNMENT

After all business of Sumter County Council and comments, motion was made by Vice Chairman Byrd, seconded by Councilman Baker, and unanimously carried by Council to adjourn the meeting at 6:58 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

James T. McCain, Jr.
 Chairman or Vice Chairman
 Sumter County Council

Mary W. Blanding
 Clerk to County Council
 Sumter County Council

Approved: _____

I certify that public and media notification of the above-mentioned meeting was given prior thereto as follows required by Freedom of Information:

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Public Notified: Yes

Manner Notified: Agendas posted on Television first floor of the Administration Building.

Date Posted: Thursday, October 7, 2021.

Media Notified: Yes

Manner Notified: Agenda Information is listed on Sumter County's Home Page, and E-mailed to The Item, The Chamber, WIS-TV, WBTW, and Time Warner Cable.

Date Notified: Thursday, October 7, 2021.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary W. Blanding

Clerk to County Council
Sumter County Council