PUBLIC HEARINGS:

a) An ordinance (05-7) to amend the FY 04-05 budget for Abbeville County by incorporating unexpected revenues and the expenditure thereof for the purchase of two new trucks for the Building Department. There were no comments, so Chairman Gunnells closed the public hearing.

b) An ordinance (05-8) to invoke the provisions of section 12-217(B) of the South Carolina Code of Laws, 1976, as amended to provide that reassessment of all property in Abbeville County, South Carolina subject to an ad valorem property tax be postponed for one property tax year. There were no comments, so Chairman Gunnells closed the public hearing.

c) An ordinance (05-10) to amend the FY 04-05 budget for Abbeville County by incorporating unexpected revenues and the expenditure thereof. There were no comments, so Chairman Gunnells closed the public hearing.

ABBEVILLE COUNTY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
MARCH 28, 2005
MINUTES

PRESENT: Chairman Gunnells, Vice-Chairman Forrester, Councilman Davis, Councilman Thomas, Councilman Calhoun and Councilman Norris.

ABSENT: Councilman Simpson

CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Gunnells called the meeting to order at 7:34 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

The audience led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

INVOCATION:

Councilman Norris gave the invocation.

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT:

Chairman Gunnells stated for the record that both the Press and Banner and the Index Journal were notified of the meeting and that the meeting agenda was posted on County Buildings as required by the Freedom of Information Act.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Councilman Norris made a motion to approve the minutes of the March 14, 2005 county council meeting. Councilman Calhoun seconded the motion. The motion carried 6-0-0.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

PRESENTATIONS: None

OLD BUSINESS:

a) Third reading of an ordinance (05-7) to amend the budget. Councilman Davis made a motion to approve third reading. Councilman Norris seconded the motion. The motion carried 6-0-0.

b) Third reading of an ordinance (05-8) to invoke the provisions of section 12-217(B) of the South Carolina Code of Laws, 1976, as amended to provide that reassessment of all property in Abbeville County, South Carolina subject to an ad valorem property tax be postponed for one (1) property tax year. Vice Chairman Forrester made a motion to approve second reading. Councilman Calhoun seconded the motion. The motion carried 6-0-0.

c) Second reading of an ordinance (05-10) to amend the FY 04-05 budget for Abbeville County by incorporating unexpected revenues and the expenditure thereof. Councilman Norris made a motion to approve second reading. Councilman Davis seconded the motion. The motion carried 6-0-0.

NEW BUSINESS:

a) First reading of an ordinance (05-11) to amend section 6.003; paragraph C of the code of ordinances of Abbeville County concerning the adoption of ordinances and resolutions. Councilman Thomas made a motion to approve first reading. Councilman Norris seconded the motion. The motion carried 6-0-0.

b) A resolution (19-05) adopting the National Incident Management System (NIMS). Councilman Norris made a motion to approve this resolution. Councilman Calhoun seconded the motion. The motion carried 6-0-0.

c) A resolution (20-05) authorizing the County Director to enter into a contract with Billy Landford Well Drilling of Saluda, South Carolina, in the amount of $6,003.00 for the Calhoun Falls Convenience Center water well system. Councilman Thomas made a motion to approve this resolution. Councilman Calhoun seconded the motion. The motion carried 6-0-0.

d) A resolution (21-05) authorizing the County Director to enter into a contractual relationship with Cook Fence Company of Greenwood, South Carolina, in the amount of $7,873.00 for the chain link fence at the Calhoun Falls Convenience Center. Councilman Thomas made a motion to approve this resolution. Councilman Davis seconded the motion. The motion carried 6-0-0.

e) A resolution (22-05) honoring Bobby Waters for a life time of dedication and achievement in the Calhoun Falls community of Abbeville County. Councilman Norris made a motion to approve this resolution. Vice Chairman Forrester seconded the motion. The motion carried 6-0-0.

f) Chairman Gunnells presented Councilman Thomas with a plaque thanking him for his service as Chairman of Abbeville County Council from 2004 to 2005.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

County Director Burns gave no report. Councilmen asked about the following:

1. Security at council meetings and courthouse.
2. Delinquent tax computer.
3. No handwritten reports.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

a) Finance Committee—Ray Gunnells, Claude Thomas and Billy Norris. No report was given.

b) Personnel and Administration—Mike Davis, Jeff Simpson and Claude Thomas. No report was given.

c) Public Works—Jeff Simpson, Billy Norris and David Forrester. No report was given.

d) Intergovernmental Relations—Billy Norris, Mike Davis and John Calhoun. Councilman Norris nominated Mr. Allan Price of District 5 to the Zoning Board of Appeals. The motion carried 6-0-0 needing no second when committee nomination. Councilman Norris also nominated

Mr. John Parkman for reappointment to the Planning Commission. The motion carried 6-0-0 needing no second when committee nomination.

e) Planning and Industrial Development—Claude Thomas, Ray Gunnells and John Calhoun. No report was given. Councilman Thomas stated there would be a second public hearing for Secession Waterline Extension on April 7th at Long Cane Church.

f) Education, Recreation, Health and Welfare—John Calhoun, Jeff Simpson and David Forrester. No report was given.

g) Public Safety—David Forrester, John Calhoun and Billy Norris. No report was given.

A motion was made by Councilman Norris to go into Executive Session to discuss Personnel, Contractual or legal matters. Councilman Davis seconded the motion. The motion carried 6-0-0.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Chairman Gunnells reconvened the meeting following executive session and announced that no action was needed following executive session.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further items of discussion Councilman Norris made a motion to Adjourn. Councilman Calhoun seconded the motion. The motion carried 6-0-0.

The meeting adjourned at 8:22 pm.

Done this 11th day of April, 2005

Abbeville County Council

By: _____
Ray Gunnells, Chairman

ATTEST:

By: _____
Lynn Sopolosky, Clerk to Council