

COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL AS A WHOLE REPORT

Council Members:

Chris Bowers, Chairman
Roy Costner, Vice Chairman
C. Claiborne Linvill
Chris Lollis
Alex Saitta
Henry Wilson

Staff in Attendance:

Ken Roper, County Administrator
Meagan Nations, Clerk to Council
Les Hendricks, Attorney

The Committee of the Whole met in the Main Conference Room, at the Pickens County Administration Facility, on Monday, June 17, 2024. Councilman Chris Lollis led the Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance.

WELCOME AND CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Chris Bowers called the Committee of the Whole meeting to order.

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Pickens County Airport Hangers & Tax Rate on Aircraft – Log No. 236

Carlos Salinas, Airport Director, briefed Council on the Airport Operations. He presented a presentation that included:

- Pickens County Airport Updates in general
- Pickens County Airport Hangar Policy
- Pickens County Airport future plans for Hangars
- Tax Rate Information

❖ **No Action Taken by the Committee.**

FY24-25 Budget Work Session – Log No. 233

a) Discussion on Library Board Budget

A few members of the Library Board were present to present their updated Budget to Council. The Library Board and Council had detailed discussion on the Library Budget.

- Councilman Chris Lollis made a motion to take the Library off millage and put them back in the general budget. The motion was seconded by Councilman Alex Saitta. Discussion included:
 - Library savings and revenue/expenses
 - Library Staff vacancies
- After much more discussion, the motion failed (2-4), with Chairman Chris Bowers, Vice Chairman Roy Costner, Councilman Henry Wilson and Councilwoman Claiborne Linvill opposed.

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- Councilman Henry Wilson made a motion to fund the Library with the same budget amount as last year's budget, plus 3% and with the compensation study raises. Motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Chris Bowers. Discussion included:
 - Discussion on 3% total increase in Library Budget, not including State Aid that the Library will also be receiving
- The motion carried (4-2), with Councilman Alex Saitta and Councilman Chris Lollis opposed.

b) Consideration of a Resolution of Intent to Participate in the South Carolina Counties Property and Liability Trust

- Mr. Roper briefed Council on this Resolution regarding the South Carolina Association of Counties offering Property and Liability Trust to Counties and will be more tuned on what we need as a County.
- Councilman Chris Lollis made a motion to approve this Resolution. Motion was seconded by Chairman Chris Bowers and carried unanimously (6-0).

c) Consideration of a Resolution of Intent to Participate in the South Carolina Counties Workers Compensation Risk Financing and Risk Sharing Trust

- Mr. Roper briefed Council on this Resolution regarding the South Carolina Association of Counties offering Workers Compensation Risk Financing and Risk Sharing Trust.
- Councilman Chris Lollis made a motion to approve this Resolution. Motion was seconded by Chairman Chris Bowers and carried unanimously (6-0).

ADJOURN:

Hearing no further Committee business, Chairman Chris Bowers called for a motion to adjourn. The motion was made by Councilman Henry Wilson, seconded by Councilwoman Claiborne Linvill, and carried unanimously (6-0). The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.