CITIZEN'S HEARING – 5:30 P.M.
Mrs. Randi Pennell, 3012 Hitching Post Lane, addressed the Council regarding a sewer back-up claim filed with Risk Management.
Rev. Charles Foss, 676 Bancroft Drive, addressed Council regarding safety issues at the White Street crossing to Episcopal Church of Our Savior.
Ashley Lesslie, Director of Episcopal Day School, addressed Council regarding safety issues at the White Street crossing to Episcopal Church of Our Savior.
Ann Walton Townsend, Episcopal Day School Board Member, addressed Council regarding safety issues at the White Street crossing to Episcopal Church of Our Savior.
Gardy Wilson, 2046 Hayes Drive, addressed the Council in support of changes to the minimum standards regarding aircraft maintenance at the airport.
Ralph Griggs, 550 Sugar Tree Drive, addressed the Council in support of changes to the minimum standards regarding aircraft maintenance at the airport.
Frank Walker, 1485 Greenmoor Road, addressed the Council in support of changes to the minimum standards regarding aircraft maintenance at the airport.
William Grannis, 692 Goldflower Drive, addressed the Council in support of changes to the minimum standards regarding aircraft maintenance at the airport.
David Vipperman, 1217 Sawgrass, addressed the Council in support of changes to the minimum standards regarding aircraft maintenance at the airport.

REGULAR SESSION - 6:00 P.M.
Council met in regular session with Mayor Echols, Mayor Pro Tem Hinton, and Councilmembers Black, Pender, Reno, Roddey, and Sutton. Also present were City Manager David Vehaun, Assistant City Manager Gerald E. Schapiro, Assistant City Manager Jimmy Bagley, Municipal Clerk Anne H. Poag, and City Attorney Paul Dillingham. Herald reporter Nicole Smith was also in attendance.
Mayor Echols called the meeting into session and the entire assembly recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

RECOGNIZED THE PURCHASING AND GRANTS DIVISIONS FOR RECEIVING THE 2010 PALMETTO STATE’S GREENEST FLEET AWARD
Mayor Echols recognized the Purchasing and Grant’s Divisions for receiving the 2010 Palmetto State’s Greenest Fleet Award.

As fuel prices continue to climb, many municipalities are finding it harder to provide basic services to citizens and are looking to alternative fuels to save
on operating costs. Balancing poor air quality concerns adds to the frustration for many of South Carolina’s cities. However, the City of Rock Hill has been diligent in reducing its dependence on foreign oil as well as saving tax payer money on expensive gas and diesel. For commitment to improving air quality, reducing dependence on foreign oil and saving tax payer dollars by utilizing a wide array of different alternative fuels and technologies, the City of Rock Hill was awarded the 2010 Palmetto State Greenest Fleet award by the Palmetto State Clean Fuels Coalition. In 2010, the City offset 122,103 gallons of gasoline equivalents and 1,158.4 tons of greenhouse gas emissions by using ethanol in 109 of its vehicles, biodiesel in 87 of its light and heavy duty vehicles, compressed natural gas in 2 light duty vehicles, 6 low speed electric vehicles and auxiliary power battery units in 24 police cruisers.

Marty Burr, Performance Manager, and Rebecca Walters, Grants Administrator, were present to receive the award.

**RECOGNIZED THE UTILITIES DEPARTMENT FOR RECEIVING THE FRAN MORRIS CIVIC AWARD**

Mayor Echols recognized the Utilities Department for receiving the Fran Morris Civic Award.

On April 19th, the Children’s Attention Home held their annual Volunteer Appreciation Dinner honoring and thanking their supporters. One of the founders of the Home, Fran Morris, presented the “Fran Morris Civic Award” to Rock Hill Utilities for their ongoing support of the Children’s Attention Home. In support of the #1 Question - Is It Good For The Children, the Utilities Department formed a committee in January 2010 with a goal to support area children’s shelters. Since then, they have put on various activities such as lunches, bake sales, and a basketball tournament, to raise money. To give everyone a sense of ownership in their efforts, employees take turns delivering monthly donations of money, food, clothing, toys and supplies including school supplies. This award recognizes the heart of giving and service our Utilities employees have and are able to share through the #1 Question initiative.

Marcia Miktuk, Utilities Key Accounts Manager, was present to receive the award. Bryant Ward from the Children's Attention Home was also present.

**APPROVED MINUTES OF SPECIAL SESSION OF APRIL 26, 2011**

Upon a motion by Councilmember Hinton which was duly seconded and unanimously approved, the City Council approved the minutes of the Special Session of April 26, 2011.

**ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ROCK HILL CODE BY MAKING CERTAIN CHANGES IN THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP AFFECTING APPROXIMATELY 2.74 ACRES LOCATED AT 1401 & 1409 ALBRIGHT RD. FROM INDUSTRY GENERAL (IG) TO LIMITED COMMERCIAL (LC) - Adopted**

An ordinance entitled AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ROCK HILL CODE BY MAKING CERTAIN
CHANGES IN THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP AFFECTING APPROXIMATELY 2.74 ACRES LOCATED AT 1401 & 1409 ALBRIGHT RD. FROM INDUSTRY GENERAL (IG) TO LIMITED COMMERCIAL (LC) was given second reading and adopted upon a motion by Councilmember Hinton which was duly seconded and unanimously approved.

There have been no changes to the ordinance since first reading.

**ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ROCK HILL CODE BY MAKING CERTAIN CHANGES IN THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP AFFECTING APPROXIMATELY 2.14 ACRES LOCATED AT 2360 CELANESE RD. FROM NEIGHBORHOOD COMMERCIAL (NC) TO LIMITED COMMERCIAL (LC).** - Adopted

An ordinance entitled AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ROCK HILL CODE BY MAKING CERTAIN CHANGES IN THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP AFFECTING APPROXIMATELY 2.14 ACRES LOCATED AT 2360 CELANESE RD. FROM NEIGHBORHOOD COMMERCIAL (NC) TO LIMITED COMMERCIAL (LC) was given second reading and adopted upon a motion by Councilmember Pender which was duly seconded and unanimously approved.

There have been no changes to the ordinance since first reading.

**ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 7, ANNEXATIONS, OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF ROCK HILL, SO AS TO PROVIDE FOR THE ANNEXATION, ZONING AND WARD DESIGNATION OF RED RIVER ROAD AREA III LYING ADJACENT TO THE CITY LIMITS OF THE CITY OF ROCK HILL, S.C.** - Deferred

An ordinance entitled AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 7, ANNEXATIONS, OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF ROCK HILL, SO AS TO PROVIDE FOR THE ANNEXATION, ZONING AND WARD DESIGNATION OF RED RIVER ROAD AREA III LYING ADJACENT TO THE CITY LIMITS OF THE CITY OF ROCK HILL, S.C. was deferred without objection.

Due to contractual issues unrelated to the City’s process, the applicant requested deferral of second reading of the annexation and rezoning until the May 23, Council meeting.

**ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ROCK HILL CODE BY MAKING CERTAIN CHANGES IN THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP AFFECTING APPROXIMATELY 18.99 ACRES LOCATED AT 1045, 1075, & 1083 RED RIVER RD. FROM INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT (ID) IN YORK COUNTY TO COMMUNITY COMMERCIAL (CC).** - Deferred

An ordinance entitled AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ROCK HILL CODE BY MAKING CERTAIN CHANGES IN THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP AFFECTING APPROXIMATELY 18.99 ACRES LOCATED AT 1045, 1075, & 1083 RED RIVER RD. FROM INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT (ID) IN YORK COUNTY TO COMMUNITY COMMERCIAL (CC) was deferred without objection.
Due to contractual issues unrelated to the City’s process, the applicant has requested deferral of second reading of the annexation and rezoning until the May 23, Council meeting.

**ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE FOR THE DISPOSITION BY SALE OF PROPERTY LOCATED AT 501 SOUTH WILSON STREET, ROCK HILL, SOUTH CAROLINA BY THE CITY OF ROCK HILL TO THE HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF ROCK HILL – First Reading**

An ordinance entitled AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE FOR THE DISPOSITION BY SALE OF PROPERTY LOCATED AT 501 SOUTH WILSON STREET, ROCK HILL, SOUTH CAROLINA BY THE CITY OF ROCK HILL TO THE HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF ROCK HILL was given first reading on a motion by Councilmember Sutton which was duly seconded and unanimously approved.

The city owned property is located at 501 South Wilson Street, Tax ID # 5981902001. This is a very small parcel, about 0.11 acres. It was a former electrical substation that powered the downtown area before the electrical service was upgraded. The Rock Hill Housing Authority is the surrounding property owner and would like to utilize and maintain this space. Typically, City owned property is sold at market value; however, in this case the sales price is nominal due to the public purpose of providing land for Housing Authority use. Staff does not foresee any use for this parcel and recommends transfer of ownership to the Rock Hill Housing Authority.

Marty Burr, Performance Manager, presented the item to the City Council.

**RECEIVED A REPORT FROM THE HIVE**

Council received a progress report on successes from the inaugural semester of The Hive.

Greg Rutherford, President of York Technical College and Jason Broadwater, presented the item to the City Council.

Teresa Parks, York Technical College student, spoke of her experience with the Hive project.

Brenda Pineiro-Rodriguez, York Technical College student, spoke of her experience with the Hive project.

**APPROVED OF THE CITY’S 2011-2012 CDBG ANNUAL ACTION PLAN**

Upon a motion by Councilmember Sutton which was duly seconded and unanimously approved, the City Council approved The City’s 2011-2012 CDBG Annual Action Plan.

We have entered into our 2011-2012 Community Development Block Grant Funding Cycle. The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development is estimating our allocation to be $434,702 which is less than our original estimation of $463,338. The revised allocation is Section 108 loan repayment $118,000, Brownsfield loan repayment $69,036, SPARKS program $13,000, CDBG program administration $9,000, First Time Homebuyers program $10,000,
Owner Occupied Rehabilitation program $118,991, and the South Central Infrastructure Improvements $34,675. We were required to cut $28,636 from the budget; the recommendation is to cut $10,000 from the Commercial Facade Program, $10,000 from the Residential Facade Program, and $8,636 from the Public Works Project. If projects are funded at the recommended amounts, the budget will be balanced. U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development regulations require a 30-day public comment period and a public meeting was held on April 21. No comments have been received to date.

Tracy Smith, Grants Administrator, presented the item to the City Council.

**APPROVED SPONSORSHIP FOR SOFTBALL FIELD #1 AT CHERRY PARK**

Upon a motion by Councilmember Reno which was duly seconded and unanimously approved, the City Council approved a sponsorship for softball field #1 at Cherry Park.

Hampton Inn of Rock Hill requested a sponsorship for one of the softball fields located at Cherry Park. The proposed name to be displayed is "Hampton Inn of Rock Hill." The length of the sponsorship is three years. The sponsorship agreement adheres to the sponsorship policy adopted by City Council on May 18, 2004.

Mark Sexton, Tourism Division Supervisor, presented the item to the City Council.

**APPROVED CRITERIA FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF A REDISTRICTING PLAN**

Upon a motion by Councilmember Hinton, which was duly seconded and unanimously approved, approved criteria for the development of a redistricting plan.

This is a request for Council to consider approving the criteria outlined below for the City’s redistricting plan recommended by Mr. Bobby Bowers, Director, Office of Research and Statistics for the SC Budget and Control Board. (1) Adhere to the court ordered constitutional requirement of one person, one vote. (2) Adherence to the 1965 Voting Rights Act as amended and by controlling court decisions. (3) Ensure that parts of the districts are contiguous. (4) Respect Communities of Interest. (5) Attempt to maintain constituent consistency. (6) Avoid splitting voting precincts. (7) Solicit public input.

Steven Gibson, Administrative Services Director, presented the item to the City Council.

**ANNOUNCED SMARTSWITCH WINNER**

This month’s SmartSwitch winner, chosen at random by computer, is Laurie Foster. This customer will receive a $100 credit on their next utility bill.

**CITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS**

There were no City Council committee reports.
MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS
There was no miscellaneous business.

EXECUTIVE SESSION
Upon a motion by Councilmember Hinton which was duly seconded and unanimously approved, the City Council moved into Executive Session for the purpose discussing possible contractual arrangements for the extension of City services and other economic development contracts for sites under consideration by the City in the downtown area and receive attorney client privileged legal advice related thereto, to discuss potential contracts involving the Parks, Recreation and Tourism Department for Cherry Park, Riverwalk and the downtown area and also receive attorney client privileged legal advice related to these items, to consider Council appointments to City boards and commissions, and consider a potential litigation matter and receive attorney client privileged legal advice related thereto.

RETURNED TO REGULAR SESSION
The City Council returned to Regular Session and the Mayor reported that no action was taken during Executive Session.

APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS
Upon a motion by Councilmember Sutton which was duly seconded and unanimously approved the City Council made the following appointments to City Boards and Commissions:

Construction Board of Adjustments and Appeals
Mr. Roland Harper, 715 Dave Lyle Blvd., for a term to expire on July 14, 2014.

Rock Hill Board of Historic Review
Ms. Jana Woods, 110 Reid Drive, for a term to expire on July 1, 2014.
Mr. Joe M. Marrett, 1839-C Ebenezer Rd., for a term to expire on July 1, 2014.
Ms. Cassandra Atcherson, 1055 Eagle Drive, for a term to expire on July 1, 2014.

Zoning Board of Appeals
Mr. Robert Justin Smith, 445 Tysons Forest Dr., for a term to expire on May 1, 2014.

There being no other further business the meeting was adjourned.

Minutes approved and adopted this _____ day of __________ 2011.

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Anne H. Poag, Municipal Clerk