

**SPECIAL MEETING OF NEWBERRY CITY COUNCIL  
HELD IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL, NEWBERRY, SC  
December 14, 2015 – 5:30 P.M.**

Members Present: Mayor Foster Senn, Councilmember R. LeMont Glasgow, Councilmember Edwin E. Wicker, Councilmember Zebbie D. Goudelock, Councilmember Thomas Louis Boyd, Councilmember David E. DuBose, Councilman David T. Force.

Also Present: City Manager W. A. Harvey, Assistant City Manager Matt Dewitt, Utility Director Marc Regier Planning Others Present: Emily Senn and Jason Boice.

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Senn called the meeting to order and led in the Pledge of Allegiance. Councilmember Glasgow gave the invocation.

**DISCUSSION:**

**Laura Hudson with Retail Strategies**

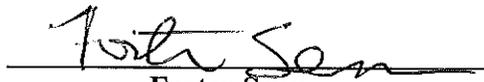
The Mayor introduced Laura Hudson from Retail Strategies who explained the services her firm could offer to the City of Newberry. The purpose of her visit was to provide business recruitment services to interest commercial firms to locate in Newberry.

The contract amount for Retail Strategies services was \$71,000 over a three year period. Year one would be \$35,000; year two and three would be \$18,000 each. Mayor Senn explained that Santee Cooper had agreed to provide a one- time grant of \$10,000 to offset the cost. The City would be responsible for \$61,000.

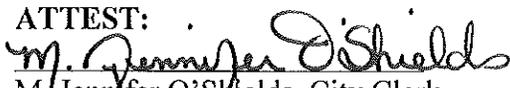
Following a discussion about the contract, Mayor Senn made a motion, seconded by Councilman Boyd to approve the proposed contract with Retail Strategies effective immediately. Mayor Senn declared the motion carried by a unanimous vote of City Councilmembers present and voting.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business before City Council, Councilman Boyd made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:17 P.M. Councilman Goudelock seconded the motion which was carried by a unanimous vote of City Council.

  
Foster Senn  
MAYOR

ATTEST:

  
M. Jennifer O'Shields, City Clerk  
Newberry, South Carolina

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