

**MINUTES
COLLETON COUNTY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2018
6:00 P.M.
COUNTY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, OLD JAIL BUILDING**

Colleton County Council met in Regular Session on Tuesday, September 11, 2018 at 6:00 PM, at the County Council Chambers, Old Jail Building. Dr. Flowers called the meeting to order with Council Members Steven Murdaugh, Gene Whetsell, Evon Robinson (Late), Phillip Taylor in attendance.

Others present included: Kevin Griffin, Sean Thornton, Ruth Mayer, David Gar Linder, Roy Williams, Kimberly Mullinax, J. Mullinax, Rhonda Davis

Mr. Taylor gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Minutes

Regular Meeting August 14, 2018

A motion to approve the minutes was made by Mr. Taylor and seconded by Mr. Murdaugh.

The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Murdaugh said he would like to move to amend the agenda to add Resolution 18-R-63. It is a resolution to order a curfew for the Colleton County Unincorporated Portion of Edisto Island.

Mr. Taylor seconded the motion.

Dr. Flowers said that is an emergency type thing and appropriate to amend the agenda at this time.

Mr. Murdaugh said for the record that would be Item 10 (j) Under New Business.

The motion carried unanimously.

Awards and Recognitions

None

Appearances & Public Presentations

Center for Heirs Property Preservation – April Richardson – Overview of Programs

Ms. Richardson was unable to attend do to inclement weather (Hurricane Florence)

Administrator's Briefing

Mr. Griffin said the County remains at OPCOM 1 primarily because Edisto is still under evacuation order. Things were looking pretty promising this morning but the models that came in at 2:00PM and 5:00PM this afternoon have the storm shifting significantly southward from the original track. Actually coming is somewhere between Georgetown and Myrtle Beach and then shifting down the coast line before it actually comes inland. After speaking with State EMD and our local officials and all of our state government offices, we have about 33 people in the shelter right now. School District's offices will be closed the rest of the week. With all the resources we need for emergency management and other things that we need to be available tomorrow to stay on top of this, we are recommending that we continue to be closed tomorrow and then we will make another decision on that after our 9:00AM meeting and the additional information we get from the state EMD at that point.

Dr. Flowers said do we need to any action on this.

Mr. Griffin said no we don't need to take any action on that at this time, we need to get the word out as soon as this is over for Court Administration and a couple of other items to make sure that they know they will not be activated tomorrow and we have gone ahead activated and spoken with our Assessor and assessment team as well to start getting them moved and those resources as well.

Mr. Murdaugh said I know the Governor has removed us from the evacuation list, us and Jasper, but there have been changes in the model.

Mr. Griffin said we all got alerts this afternoon that we needed to evacuate, so they are in a little bit of a state of flux right now. They depend on four models. Two of the four models show it impacting, the European model shows it coming in basically between Edisto and Beaufort. The FBW model I believe shows it just above Edisto coming in and the other two are somewhere between Georgetown and Myrtle Beach. All of them show in coming in and stalling out over the whole state, so we will see some significant rainfall. Possible flooding and we know that the Edisto River is always an issue when we get that type of rainfall. They are talking anywhere from 8-15" possibly. We know what the impacts are because we have dealt with them before. Beaufort County is closed, government offices everything is closed there. Everything in Dorchester County is closed, Jasper right now is operating delay in the morning, last time I spoke with Adm. Fulghum, but they had not made a final decision. They were like us waiting on this call today.

Public Hearing

Ordinance 18-O-10, To Amend Title 2 – Administration and Personnel and Title 3 – Revenue and Finance of the Colleton County Code of Ordinances.

No comments were made.

Ordinance 18-O-11, To Provide for the Issuance and Sale of Not Exceeding \$6,000,000 Fire Protection Service General Obligation Bonds Of Colleton County, South Carolina; To Prescribe The Purposes For Which The Proceeds Shall Be Expended; To Provide For The Payment Thereof; And Other Matters Relating Thereto

No comments were made.

Ordinance 18-O-12, Authorizing the Acquisition of Certain Property by Colleton County, South Carolina by Lease-Purchase Financing in the Amount Of Not Exceeding \$2,500,000; the Execution and Delivery of Certain Instruments, Including a Lease-Purchase Agreement by Colleton County; and Other Matters Relating Thereto

No comments were made.

Ordinance 18-O-13, To Provide for the Transfer of Real Property Owned by Colleton County, South Carolina, Identified by T.M.S. No. 097-00-00-050, to CCEDC One, Inc. (a Colleton County Economic Development Corporation) Related to Project EPS; and Other Matters Relating Thereto

No comments were made.

Resolution 18-R-57, To endorse the 2018 Community Development Block Grant, Community Enrichment Application for the Colleton County – Old High School Football Stadium Demolition Project and Funds for Local Match

Kim Mullinax explained what the project was about.

No comments were made.

Old Business

2nd Reading Ordinance 18-O-15, Granting Easement No. 897128 to South Carolina Electric and Gas Across a Portion of Property Owned by Colleton County Located along Robertson Boulevard and Aviation Way in or near the City of Walterboro, County Colleton, SC; Such Easement is to be Used for the Installation, Operation and Maintenance of Electrical and Gas Facilities within Colleton County, SC; to Authorize Execution and Recording of the Easement Documents; and Other Matters Related Thereto

A motion to approve 2nd reading was made by Mr. Murdaugh and seconded by Mr. Whetsell.

The motion carried unanimously.

2nd Reading Ordinance 18-O-16, To Relinquish Any Right of First Refusal and other Restrictive Covenants of Colleton County to the Property Located at 360 Anderson Road, TMS #132-00-00-247

A motion to approve 2nd reading was made by Mr. Taylor and seconded by Mr. Whetsell.

The motion carried unanimously.

3rd Reading Ordinance 18-O-10, To Amend Title 2- Administration and Personnel of the Colleton County Code of Ordinances

A motion to approve 3rd reading was made by Mr. Whetsell and seconded by Mr. Murdaugh.

The motion carried unanimously.

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The motion carried unanimously.

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A motion to approve 3rd reading was made by Mr. Whetsell and seconded by Mr. Taylor.

The motion carried unanimously.

New Business

1st Reading Ordinance 18-O-17, BY TITLE ONLY To Ratify FY18 Grant And Budget Resolutions And Related Appropriations For All Funds; To Ratify Transfer And Other Resolutions Previously Authorized By Council; And Other Matters Related Thereto

A motion to approve 1st reading by title only as made by Mr. Taylor and seconded by Mr. Murdaugh.

The motion carried unanimously.

Resolution 18-R-55, To Authorize Acceptance and Budgeting of Funds for Various Grants Received for FY 2018-2019

A motion to approve the resolution was made by Mr. Whetsell and seconded by Mr. Taylor.

The motion carried unanimously.

Resolution 18-R-56, To Authorize the Acceptance of a Grant from the South Carolina Department of Social Services for the Child and Adult Care Food Program Grant for 2019

A motion to approve the resolution was made by Mr. Whetsell and seconded by Mr. Murdaugh.

The motion carried unanimously.

Resolution 18-R-57, To Endorse the 2018 Community Development Block Grant, Community Enrichment Application for the Colleton County – Old High School Football Stadium Demolition Project and Funds for Local Match

A motion to approve the resolution was made by Mr. Whetsell and seconded by Mr. Robinson.

The motion carried unanimously.

Resolution 18-R-58, To Award the Contract for Emergency Debris Removal and Disposal Services

A motion to approve the resolution was made by Mr. Whetsell and seconded by Mr. Murdaugh.

The motion carried unanimously.

Resolution 18-R-59, To Award the Contract for Debris Monitoring and Recovery Services

A motion to approve the resolution was made by Mr. Whetsell and seconded by Mr. Murdaugh.

The motion carried unanimously.

Resolution 18-R-60, To Authorize the Council Clerk to Advertise for Board Vacancies

A motion to approve the resolution was made by Mr. Taylor and seconded by Mr. Whetsell.

The motion carried unanimously.

Resolution 18-R-61, To Authorize the Purchase of Seventeen Lifepak 15 Cardiac Monitors/Defibrillators from Physio Control; to Authorize the Surplus of Sixteen Lifepak 12 Cardiac Monitors/Defibrillators

A motion to approve the resolution was made by Mr. Whetsell and seconded by Mr. Taylor.

The motion carried unanimously.

Resolution 18-R-62, To Authorize the Purchase of Various Equipment for Colleton County Fire-Rescue as Provided by the 2018 Fire Bond

A motion to approve the resolution was made by Mr. Whetsell and seconded by Mr. Murdaugh.

The motion carried unanimously.

Resolution 18-R-63, to Order a Curfew for the Colleton County Unincorporated Portion of Edisto Island

A motion to approve the resolution was made by Mr. Whetsell and seconded by Mr. Taylor.

The motion carried unanimously.

Items for Information and Public Record

None

Public Comments (3 minutes per person/max time 20 min.)

None

Council Time

Mr. Murdaugh said with all of the storm stuff our staff takes a lot of time in the emergency personnel, sheriff's office and all those folks, when you see those folks give the a pat on the back because they definitely have a lot of stress on them. They want to be with their families and they are out there taking care of ours. I just want to say how much we appreciate what they do.

The other council members echoed Mr. Murdaugh's remarks.

Executive Session

- a) Contractual – Solid Waste

Regular Session

Dr. Flowers said the item was discussed in executive session.

No further actions were taken.

The meeting was adjourned.

Date: _____

Joseph F. Flowers, Chairman

ATTEST:

Ruth Mayer, Clerk to Council

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