

**MINUTES
COLLETON COUNTY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2019
6:00 P.M.
COUNTY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, OLD JAIL BUILDING**

Colleton County Council met in Regular Session on Tuesday, October 1, 2019 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, Art Williams, Phillip Taylor in attendance.

Others present included: Kevin Griffin, Sean Thornton, Ruth Mayer, Sue Keith, Eleanor Hodges, Isreal Hodges, Tracy Johnston, Kathie Smith, Ladson Fishburne, Jeff Ament, Charles Panis, Tom Whitacre, Anderson Grant, Rick Hawkins, Laura Clark, Johnny Barkley, Roy Williams, Karen Hinen

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

Approval of Minutes

Regular Meeting September 10, 2019

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

The motion carried unanimously.

Awards and Recognitions - None

Appearances & Public Presentations

Keep Colleton Beautiful – Ladson Fishburne

Mr. Fishburne gave an overview of how Keep Colleton Beautiful has been getting better organized and moving forward with applying for grants, getting more participation, planning events, and educating the public on how important keeping the county clean helps in getting new industries in Colleton County.

Administrator's Briefing

Mr. Griffin said we were notified today that the president has approved FEMA's public assistance grants back to the state of South Carolina and Colleton County for both category "a" and "b". This is important because this is the 75% debris removal. FEMA will pay up to 75% and the state is now talking about how to handle the other 25%.

On the stadium demo project, it got approved by Commerce for the environmental testing, which is now moving forward. It will probably take another 30-45 days to get that

completed and at that point the bids will go out and be noticed for 30days before the actual demolition itself, which is probably going to put us in a 1st quarter next year, January/February window for that work to get started.

We have item “b” on the agenda tonight under new business regarding an ordinance to grant access easement to the City of Walterboro for a well adjacent to their elevated storage tank, which is between Mable T. Willis Complex and Station 1 over on Mable T. Willis Blvd. As they were moving through this last development of hotels out on the interstate there was some water pressure issues and some other things going on out there now and they got some grant rural development grant money to put a well in there to help increase pressure so that should move that along. Any time we do any interest in property that council grants we have to do an ordinance for that so it will take three readings.

Public Hearing

Ordinance 19-O-04, Providing For Infrastructure Or Special Source Revenue Credits To Colonial Precast Concrete Of Carolina, LLC; Authorizing An Infrastructure Credit Agreement Between Colleton County And Colonial Precast Concrete Of Carolina, LLC; Providing For The Allocation Of Fees-In-Lieu Of Taxes Payable Under The Agreement For Development For A Joint County Industrial Park With Hampton County; Authorizing The Execution And Delivery Of A Fee-In-Lieu Of Tax Agreement By And Between Colleton County And Colonial Precast Concrete Of Carolina, LLC; To Further Amend The Multi-County Industrial/Business Park Agreement Between Colleton County And Hampton County Providing For A Joint County Industrial Park, So As To Include Additional Property In Colleton County As Part Of The Park; And Other Matters Relating Thereto.

No comments were made.

Old Business

3rd Reading Ordinance 19-O-04, Providing For Infrastructure Or Special Source Revenue Credits To Colonial Precast Concrete Of Carolina, LLC; Authorizing An Infrastructure Credit Agreement Between Colleton County And Colonial Precast Concrete Of Carolina, LLC; Providing For The Allocation Of Fees-In-Lieu Of Taxes Payable Under The Agreement For Development For A Joint County Industrial Park With Hampton County; Authorizing The Execution And Delivery Of A Fee-In-Lieu Of Tax Agreement By And Between Colleton County And Colonial Precast Concrete Of Carolina, LLC; To Further Amend The Multi-County Industrial/Business Park Agreement Between Colleton County And Hampton County Providing For A Joint County Industrial Park, So As To Include Additional Property In Colleton County As Part Of The Park; And Other Matters Relating Thereto.

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

The motion carried unanimously.

New Business

1st Reading Ordinance 19-O-06, To Ratify FY19 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 was made by Mr. Taylor and seconded by Mr. Whetsell.

The motion carried unanimously.

1st Reading by **Title Only**, Ordinance 19-O-07, Granting an Access Easement to the City of Walterboro Across a Portion of Property Owned by Colleton County Located at 113 Mable T. Willis Boulevard (TMS No. 178-00-00-205.000) within the City of Walterboro, SC; Such Easement is to be Used for the City of Walterboro for the Placement of a Well adjacent to its Elevated Water Tank; to Authorize Execution and Recording of the Easement Documents; and Other Matters Related Thereto.

A motion to approve 1st reading was made by Mr. Taylor and seconded by Mr. Whetsell.

The motion carried unanimously.

Resolution 19-R-61, Creation of the 2020 Colleton County Complete Count Committee.

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

The motion carried unanimously.

Resolution 19-R-62, To Authorize Acceptance and Budgeting of a Grant for FY 2019-2020.

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

The motion carried unanimously.

Resolution 19-R-63, To Approve the County's Sponsoring and Providing the Local Match for a PARD Grant for Recreation Improvements throughout the County, as well as the Approval of a Joint Use Agreement between Colleton County and the Neyles Community Center Related to said Grant.

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

The motion carried unanimously.

Resolution 19-R-64, To Approve the Use of the Old Bulldog Stadium by WHS Alumni for an Event Prior to its Demolition.

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

The motion carried unanimously.

Resolution 19-R-65, To Authorize the Council Clerk to Advertise for Board Vacancy.

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

The motion carried unanimously.

Items for Information and Public Record

None

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

None

Council Time

None

Executive Session

- a. Legal – Vehicle Accident Review Board
- b. Contractual – Colleton Center
- c. Personnel- Sheriff’s Office SRO Grant

Regular session

Dr. Flowers said the items were discussed in executive session.

Mr. Taylor made a motion to approve Resolution 19-R-55, To Amend the Colleton County Safety Policy and was seconded by Mr. Murdaugh.

The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Taylor made a motion that the County assume Operations of the Colleton Civic Center and receive all current funds retained by the Colleton Civic Center Board for its operations and was seconded by Mr. Whetsell.

The motion carried unanimously.

No further actions were taken.

The meeting was adjourned.

Date: _____

Joseph F. Flowers, Chairman

ATTEST:

Ruth Mayer, Clerk to Council

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