

**MINUTES
COLLETON COUNTY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY, MARCH 3, 2020
6:00 P.M.
COUNTY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, OLD JAIL BUILDING
109 BENSON STREET, WALTERBORO, SC**

Colleton County Council met in Regular Session on Tuesday, March 3, 2020 at 6:00 PM, at the County Council Chambers, Old Jail Building. Steven Murdaugh called the meeting to order with Council Members Gene Whetsell, Dr. Joseph Flowers, Phillip Taylor, Art Williams in attendance.

Others present included: Kevin Griffin, Ruth Mayer, Antoinette Kinsey, Laura Clark, Jeff Ament, Iris Hill, Jane Darby, Charles E. Bright, Jr., Vicki Brown, Johnny Bartley, Johnny Holmes, David Gar Linder

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

Approval of Minutes

Regular Meeting February 4, 2020

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

The motion carried unanimously.

Awards & Recognitions - None

Appearances & Public Presentations - None

Administrator's Briefing

Mr. Griffin- there are a couple of community events coming up. 1st is the SC Arts Commission awarded both jointly the City of Walterboro and Colleton County a grant for the 1st Annual Walterboro history arts and music affair which will be March 27th -29th. It is sponsored by the Colleton County Museum and the City of Walterboro Downtown Development Association throughout the week. There will be events at the Museum, at the Hampton Street Auditorium, and Amp Theater in the Discovery Center. Numerous events throughout the day both Saturday and Sunday evening. Would like to encourage everybody to come out. Please check the museum and City's Website because they are still adding events and getting it together. They will get a more formal agenda out here in about a week or so.

The 2nd thing is, we have Mr. Larry Lightsey here tonight. He is doing a fantastic job with our Census "We Count" Committees. He is ushering that for the county and on

Wednesday, April 1st they are having their Kick Off Event at the Colleton County Farmer's Market. They will have free food, music and information about the census. We greatly encourage the community to get involved in the census count committee as well as make sure they are counted. This means very valuable dollars to the community for every person counted. If you need any more information Larry is here tonight or you can contact him at his office.

Mr. Taylor - Did the Governor communicate with the county at all about the coronavirus?

Mr. Griffin – We have had a number of EPD as late as this afternoon updates that have down from the state and asked Mr. Barry McRoy if they had anything from the Governor.

Mr. McRoy – No they had not. They have sent out several bulletins which are printed with the governor's seal. We have a conference call Friday.

Public Hearing - None

Old Business

2nd Reading Ordinance 20-O-01, To Amend Chapter 13, Section 13.04.010 of the Colleton County Code of Laws to Provide for the Adoption of Certain Updated Codes as Mandated by State Law.

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

The motion carried unanimously.

New Business

1st Reading **by Title Only** Ordinance 20-O-02, Authorising The Execution And Delivery Of A Fee-In-Lieu Of Tax Agreement By And Among Colleton County And Project Capitol, Whereby Colleton County Will Enter Into A Fee-In-Lieu Of Taxes Arrangement With Project Capitol; Providing For Payment By Project Capitol Of Certain Fees In Lieu Of *Ad Valorem* Taxes; Providing For Certain Special Source Revenue Or Infrastructure Credits; To Further Amend The Multi-County Industrial/Business Park Agreement Between Colleton County, South Carolina And Charleston County, South Carolina, Providing For The Development Of A Jointly Owned And Operated Industrial/Business Park, So As To Include Additional Property In Colleton County As Part Of The Project Capitol, Under The Agreement For Establishment Of Multi-County Industrial/Business Park; And Other Matters Relating Thereto.

A motion to approve 1st Reading by Title Only was made by Dr. Flowers and seconded by Mr. Taylor.

The motion carried unanimously.

Resolution 20-R-13, To Appoint Members to the Colleton County Safety Committee.

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

The motion carried unanimously.

Resolution 20-R-14, To Award the Engineering Contract for Water and Wastewater Design at Colleton County Venture Park.

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

The motion carried unanimously.

Resolution 20-R-15, To Award the Contract in Accordance with Bid FM-52 for the Installation of a Sewer Pump Station and Force Main at the Colleton County Career Skills Center.

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

The motion carried unanimously.

Resolution 20-R-16, To Award the Contract for the Greenway Trail Project Phase 2B.

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

The motion carried unanimously.

Resolution 20-R-17, To Appoint Members to Board Vacancies.

A motion to approve the resolution by acclimation was made by Dr. Flowers and seconded by Mr. Whetsell.

The motion carried unanimously for the following:

Colleton County Board of Assessment Appeals: Calvin Bailey
Colleton County Recreation Commission: Gregory M. Kinsey, Mark Tomedolskey, Billy W. Chambers, Rodney Blaine Colson, Sr.
Edisto River Canoe & Kayak Trail Commission: Alta Mae Marvin
Colleton County Fire-Rescue Commission: S.G. (Scooter)Drew, Jr., Clyde Capers

Resolution 20-R-18, To Authorize Acceptance and Budgeting of Funds for a Grant for FY 2019-2020.

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

The motion carried unanimously.

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

No Comments were made

Council Time

Mr. Williams – I attended the NACo Conference. Some of the things they discussed we won't be able to implement anytime soon because we don't have the resources that it would take. I spoke with the administrator and we are going to talk a little later this week and I will share the information I received.

Mr. Griffin asked the chairman if they could add another item on Executive Session. Item "d" Economic Development Project EPS.

Mr. Taylor made a motion to amend the agenda to add Executive Session Item "d" Economic Development Project EPS and was seconded by Mr. Williams.

The motion carried unanimously.

Executive Session

- a) Discussion of proposed sale or purchase of property
- b) Discussion of security, personnel or devices
- c) Personnel - Fire Rescue
- d) "EPS" Economic Development**

Regular Session

Items were discussed.

No further actions were taken and the meeting was adjourned.

Date: _____

Steven D. Murdaugh, Chairman

ATTEST:

Ruth Mayer, Clerk to Council

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