

**MINUTES
COLLETON COUNTY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2016
6:00 P.M.
COUNTY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, OLD JAIL BUILDING**

Colleton County Council met in Regular Session on Tuesday, December 6, 2016 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. Flowers, Phillip Taylor in attendance. Evon Robinson, absent

Others present included: Kevin Griffin, Ruth Mayer, Sean Thornton, Buddy Hill, Tom Whitacre, Eleanor Hodges, Isreal Hodges

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

Awards & Recognitions

None

Approval of Minutes

Regular Meeting November 1, 2016

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

The motion carried unanimously.

Appearances & Public Presentations

Sabrena Graham – Lowcountry Council of Government Update

Ms. Graham gave an overview of the LCOG services, how they work and how Colleton County has a good working relationship with them, which has provided additional insights.

Administrator's Briefing

Mr. Griffin said I wanted to follow up with what Ms. Graham was talking about. We've got two award letters since the last council meeting. The Gadsden Loop Project was awarded a \$483,000 grant (CDBG Grant) we had rather extensive discussion on that at our October meeting. Also Mayor Linder is very excited because the Smoaks Rural Infrastructure Project got funded for the Smoaks Water Project, so that project is now fully funded. We will start moving forward in January. We have our 1st Planning Meeting on Tuesday. Both of those projects Ms. Michelle Knight and Ms. Mullinax over there, these are project we put in the 1st time, didn't quite make it and they gave us

some good advice on how to change it and make it work a little better and we were able to get both of them funded.

The County Christmas Luncheon will be at Dogwood Hills December 14th between 11:00 and 2:00PM we hope you all can join us there.

We have a couple of items, one being the project that is now going into the Asten Building that needs some 2nd and 3rd readings trying to get some things done by the end of the year as well as project "C", so we will have a Special Meeting Friday, December 16th at 1:00PM on those. It should be a rather short meeting.

Mr. Whetsell asked Mr. Griffin if he could give them a little update on the Firing Range, the Wild Life. I know it has been going kinda slow.

Mr. Griffin said the last discussion we had the Federal Funds that are attached to that through the US Fish & Wildlife are already allotted for up until the 2018 Budget Year, so we will actually probably start working back on that again in the Spring and work on getting that grant in place after July 1st when those funds should become available. Maybe some more funds will come available. We still have it on the shelf and have a few ideas, that is a rather significant grant to come back around.

Public Hearing

Ordinance 15-O-05, Providing For Infrastructure Or Special Source Revenue Credits To Lowcountry Aviation Company, LLC; Authorizing An Infrastructure Credit Agreement Between Colleton County And Lowcountry Aviation Company, 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; And Other Matters Relating Thereto.

No comments were made.

Ordinance 16-O-05, Authorizing The Execution And Delivery Of A Fee Agreement By And Between Colleton County, South Carolina And JGBR Walterboro Corp. (Formerly Identified As Project Strickland) Providing For A Payment Of A Fee In Lieu Of Taxes And Other Matters Related Thereto.

No comments were made.

Ordinance 16-O-08, to Establish, Pursuant to Section 4-1-170 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina 1976, as Amended, a Multi-County Industrial/Business Park, in Conjunction with Charleston County, South Carolina; to Provide for a Written Agreement with Charleston County as to the Sharing of the Revenues and Expenses of the Park; to Provide for the Distribution of Revenues from the Park Among Taxing Entities Having Jurisdiction Over the Park; to Provide for a Fee in Lieu of Ad Valorem Taxation; and Other Matters Related Thereto.

No comments were made.

Ordinance 16-O-09, Granting Easement No. 895166 to South Carolina Electric and Gas Across a Portion of Property Owned by Colleton County Located on Ground Circle near Jonesville Avenue in 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.

No comments were made.

Ordinance 16-O-10, 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.

No comments were made.

Ordinance 16-O-11, To Provide for the Sale of Real Property Owned by Colleton County, South Carolina to Colleton Habitat for Humanity; and Other Matters Relating Thereto.

No comments were made.

Old Business

2nd Reading Ordinance 16-O-12, Authorizing The Acquisition Of Certain Property By Colleton County, South Carolina By Lease-Purchase Financing In The Amount Of Not Exceeding \$2,000,000; The Execution And Delivery Of Certain Instruments, Including A Lease-Purchase Agreement By Colleton County; And Other Matters Relating Thereto.

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

The motion carried unanimously.

2nd Reading Ordinance 16-O-13, To Authorize Colleton County to join with the City of Walterboro and The Walterboro-Colleton County Airport Commission to Convey by Quit Claim Deed unto Sealcraft Corporation, as the Grantee, all of its rights, titles and interests, including but not limited to any and all reversionary interest, in an to the 5.00 acre, more or less, tract of land, situate in Colleton County, South Carolina, and being located in the Industrial Area at 418 Wellston Circle, Walterboro, SC 29488, and being designated as Colleton County TMS No. 132-00-00-019, and now owned by Sealcraft Corporation.

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New Business

1st Reading Ordinance 16-O-14, Authorizing the County of Colleton to join with the Walterboro-Colleton County Airport Commission and the City of Walterboro in Approving a Commercial Ground Lease for Lowcountry Aviation Co., LLC (Project C)

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

The motion carried unanimously.

Resolution 16-R-89, To Approve the Victim Assistance Agreement between the Colleton County Sheriff's Office and the Town of Cottageville.

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

The motion carried unanimously.

Resolution 16-R-90, To Authorize Acceptance and Budgeting of Various Grants for FY 2016-2017.

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

The motion carried unanimously.

Resolution 16-R-91, To Award the Contract for the Construction of the Solid Waste Transfer Station.

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

The motion carried unanimously.

Resolution 16-R-92, To Enter Into an Agreement Between the State of South Carolina, Emergency Preparedness Division, and by and Among Each County and Municipality a Statewide Mutual Aid Agreement for Catastrophic Disaster Response and Recovery.

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

The motion carried unanimously.

Items for Information and Public Record

None

Public Comments

Lou Ann Adams, Chairman of the Board for Habitat for Humanity thanked Mr. Griffin and Council for approving the property for Habitat.

Council Time

Council members wished everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Executive Session

- a) Economic Development - Project Global
- b) Personnel - Human Resources

Mr. Murdaugh said all items were discussed in executive session

Mr. Murdaugh made a motion to re-direct \$360,253.43 to the Regular Wages line item 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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