# MINUTES COLLETON COUNTY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING BROADCAST VIRTUALLY TUESDAY, JUNE 1, 2021 6:00 P.M. COUNTY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, OLD JAIL BUILDING

Colleton County Council met on Tuesday, June 1, 2021 at 6:00 PM. Steven Murdaugh called the meeting to order with Council Members Dr. Joseph Flowers, Art Williams, Gene Whetsell, Phillip Taylor in attendance

Others included: Kevin Griffin, Ruth Mayer, Sean Thornton, Jon Carpenter, Meagan Utsey, Barry McRoy

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

## **Approval of Minutes**

Regular Meeting May 4, 2021

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

The motion carried unanimously.

# Awards & Recognitions

SC Counties Workers' Compensation Trust Award for Colleton County

Mr. Murdaugh read the Award/Proclamation aloud.

Dr. Flowers made a motion to approve and was seconded by Mr. Williams.

The motion carried unanimously.

SC Emergency Management Association Agency of the Year

Mr. Murdaugh read the Award/Proclamation aloud.

Dr. Flowers made a motion to approve and was seconded by Mr. Taylor.

The motion carried unanimously.

#### Administrator's Briefing

Mr. Griffin – Wanted to inform you that Ms. Sue Keith has returned as the Legislative Delegation secretary. Senator Margie Bright-Matthews office contacted us this afternoon, so she will be back from what I understand here in the next ten (10) days.

Also one other item I am going to up-date on some sidewalks. Hwy. 64 past H&D, that project is coming to a close. They are still waiting on the FHWA money to be transferred, which I am told is going to happen this week to finish up Gadsden Loop. The next on the list, looks like it will be Hwy. 303 that one is sponsored, not sponsored yet, but the CTC Commission has committed to fund the match on that one. The other one we talked about is from Hampton Street & on Robertson Blvd. towards the Dollar General or Family Dollar. That one will have to be sponsored by the City cause that's all in the City Limits. I talked to administration over at the City and they were good with that. That will be the next one on the list.

# **Public Hearing**

Ordinance 21-O-05, To Provide for the Levy of Taxes in Colleton County, South Carolina, for the Fiscal Year July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022 to Provide for All Other Appropriations Thereof; and to Provide for Other Matters Related Thereto.

No comments were made.

Ordinance 21-O-06, To Provide for the Sale of Real Property Owned by Colleton County, South Carolina to Mr. Clyde Creel for the property identified by TMS 065-00-0-084.000 on Rehoboth Road; and Other Matters Relating Thereto.

No comments were made.

#### Old Business

3<sup>rd</sup> Reading Ordinance 21-O-05, To Provide for the Levy of Taxes in Colleton County, South Carolina, for the Fiscal Year July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022 to Provide for All Other Appropriations Thereof; and to Provide for Other Matters Related Thereto.

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

The motion carried unanimously.

3<sup>rd</sup> Reading Ordinance 21-O-06, To Provide for the Sale of Real Property Owned by Colleton County, South Carolina to Mr. Clyde Creel for the property identified by TMS 065-00-0-084.000 on Rehoboth Road; and Other Matters Relating Thereto.

A motion to approve 3<sup>rd</sup> reading was made by Dr. Flowers and seconded by Mr. Williams.

The motion carried unanimously.

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading Ordinance 21-O-07, 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading Ordinance 21-O-07, Granting an Easement to Weyerhaeuser Company on a Portion of Real Property Owned by Colleton County, South Carolina identified by TMS 120-00-00-135.000 and located at 3142 Pierce Road, in Cottageville, Colleton County, SC; Such Easement is to be Used for Access to Property

Owned by Weyerhaeuser Company; to Authorize Execution and Recording of the Easement Documents; and Other Matters Related Thereto.

A motion to approve 2<sup>nd</sup> reading was made by Mr. Taylor and seconded by Mr. Williams.

The motion carried unanimously.

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading Ordinance 21-O-08, Granting an Easement to Palmetto Rural Telephone Cooperative on a Portion of Property Owned by Colleton County Located along at 801 N. Lemacks Street in the City of Walterboro, County Colleton, SC, and Identified by TMS No. 163-08-00-027.000; Such Easement is to be Used for the Installation, Operation and Maintenance of a Fiber Distribution Hub within Colleton County, SC; to Authorize Execution and Recording of the Easement Documents; and Other Matters Related Thereto.

A motion to approve 2<sup>nd</sup> reading was made by Dr. Flowers and seconded by Mr. Taylor.

The motion carried unanimously.

#### **New Business**

1st Reading Ordinance 21-O-09, **By Title Only** Authorizing the Acquisition of Certain Heavy Equipment and Vehicles by Colleton County, South Carolina by Lease-Purchase Financing in the Amount Of Not Exceeding \$5,500,000; the Execution and Delivery of Certain Instruments, Including a Lease-Purchase Agreement by Colleton County; and Other Matters Relating Thereto.

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

The motion carried unanimously.

Resolution 21-R-25, To Reschedule the July County Council Meeting and Cancel the August County Council Meeting.

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

The motion carries unanimously.

Resolution 21-R-26, To Designate Innotex Turnout Gear as the Sole Source for the County's Firefighting Gear and to Authorize the Fire-Rescue Commission to Purchase from the Manufacturer's Designated Distributor for a Period Not to Exceed Five (5) Years.

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

The motion carried unanimously.

Resolution 21-R-27, To Authorize a Five-Year Sole Source Purchase Arrangement between Colleton County Fire-Rescue and Holmatro Rescue Tools in Order to Maintain Equipment Standardization.

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

The motion carried unanimously.

Resolution 21-R-28, To Accept the Grant for the Colleton County Summer Feeding Program for 2021.

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

The motion carried unanimously.

Resolution 21-R-29, To Declare Surplus Various Vehicles and Equipment and to Authorize Their Sale in Accordance with County Policy.

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

The motion carried unanimously.

Resolution21-R-30, To Appoint Members to Board Vacancies and to Authorize the Council Clerk to Advertise Board Vacancies.

A motion to approve the resolution was made by Dr. Flowers and seconded by Mr. Williams to appoint the following: The Edisto River Canoe & Kayak Committee: Ian Dillinger and The Colleton Recreation Commission: Clarence Wiggins.

The motion carried unanimously.

### **Council Time**

Dr. Flowers said he wanted to thank all of our employees with the Worker's Compensation and also the Emergency Management Association awards. That is a great thing for this county and it's a lot of hard work.

Mr. Murdaugh said it is a little unusual we celebrate Memorial Day and the Rice Festival the same week, but hopefully everyone will go out and enjoy the Rice Festival this weekend.

No further actions were taken and the meeting was adjourned.

Date: September 16,2021

Steven D. Murdaugh, Chairman

ATTEST:

Kaela Brinson, Clerk to Council

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