

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

Colleton County Council met in Regular Session on Tuesday, March 6, 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, Phillip Taylor in attendance.

Others present included: Kevin Griffin, Sean Thornton, Ruth Mayer, Sue Keith, Nate Bristow, Eleanor Hodges, Isreal Hodges, Louise Slater, Alroy Headden, David Linder, Roy Williams

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

Awards and Recognitions

None

Approval of Minutes

Regular Meeting February 6, 2018

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

The motion carried unanimously.

Appearances & Public Presentations

None

Administrator's Briefing

Mr. Griffin said I wanted to remind the council, we have a special meeting at 1:00PM, Wednesday, March 14th and that is regarding four USDA Grants that we are applying for. Two in regards to the Law Enforcement Center and two in regards to the Hampton Street Auditorium Project. It will be a very brief meeting. We just need to do a Public Hearing and then vote to approve the application to send it on up to USDA.

Mr. Steve Dykes wanted me to send his regards to council. Steve is the Economic Development Director over in Charleston County and he said he apologizes for the number of resolutions that they have had to send over with our Multicounty Agreement, but I told Steve as long as they keep adding projects we will be glad to put them on the agenda for him.

Public Hearing

None

Old Business

2nd Reading Ordinance 18-O-01, To Authorize the Rezoning of a 0.5 Acre Parcel on Sniders Highway, Identified as T.M.S. No. 157-00-00-045, from Rural Development-1 (RD-1) to Community Commercial (CC)

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

The motion carried unanimously.

New Business

1st Reading Ordinance 18-O-02, To Amend Title 14-Land Management, Section 14.08-3.020(A)(7) – Accessory Structures and Uses, of the Colleton County Code of Ordinances to Address Commercial Accessory Structures and Selected Residential Uses.

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

The motion carried unanimously.

Resolution 18-R-10, To Approve Amendment Of The Agreement For Development Of A Joint County Industrial Park, By And Between Charleston County, South Carolina And Colleton County, South Carolina, Providing For The Development Of A Jointly Owned And Operated Industrial/Business Park, So As To Include Additional Property In Charleston County As Part Of The Joint County Industrial Park

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

The motion carried unanimously.

Resolution 18-R-11, To Approve Amendment Of The Agreement For The Establishment Of A Multi-County Industrial/Business Park For Properties Located In A Redevelopment Project Area, By And Between Charleston County, South Carolina And Colleton County, South Carolina, Providing For The Development Of A Multi-County Industrial/Business Park, So As To Include Additional Property In Charleston County As Part Of The Multi-County Industrial/Business Park

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

The motion carried unanimously.

Resolution 18-R-12, To Establish Priorities for the 2018 Annual CDBG County Needs Assessment

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

The motion carried unanimously.

Resolution 18-R-13, To Approve the Victim Assistance Agreement between the Colleton County Sheriff's Office and the Town of Edisto Beach

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

The motion carried unanimously.

Resolution 18-R-14, To Authorize the Renewal of the Commercial Lease Agreement between Colleton County and South Carolina Department of Corrections Young Offender Parole & Reentry Services for Office Space in the Bernard Warshaw Complex

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

The motion carried unanimously.

Resolution 18-R-15, To Authorize the Submittal of a Grant Application to the South Carolina Department of Parks, Recreation and Tourism for the Recreational Trails Program Grant

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

The motion carried unanimously.

Resolution 18-R-16, To Provide For The Issuance And Sale Of A Not To Exceed \$1,000,000 General Obligation Bond Of Colleton County, South Carolina; To Provide For The Sale And Terms Thereof In Regards To The Agreement With Palmetto Railways Regarding The H&B Railroad; And Other Matters Thereto

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

The motion carried unanimously.

Resolution 18-R-17, To Appoint Members to Board Vacancies

A motion to approve the resolution by acclimation was made by Mr. Murdaugh and seconded by Mr. Robinson for the following:

Colleton County Memorial Library Board of Trustees: Olivia Padgett
Lowcountry Regional Transportation Authority (Breeze): Chris Bickley

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. Taylor said I know we did the authorization for the Youth Offender Entry Program. Ms. Slater is here and didn't know if she wanted to give us any updates of what's going on with the project.

Ms. Slater said right now I appreciate you letting the Department of Correction use your building out there. We have now been out there six years and since that time the ...inaudible... rate for a youth offender has dropped significantly in this county as well as the other counties. Again, I would like to thank you for the use of your building.

Mr. Whetsell said during this week I met with Ms. Graham from LCOG in reference to maybe doing something with the Community Center up in Springtown and there is some money in that area we will be talking to the Administrator about that in the near future.

Mr. Robinson said Mr. Administrator the project that was going on, on Lemack Street, I think we pursued also some help from LCOG and I understand that they had reneged on those requests based on the Neyles Community not having the numbers, population for the Grant. Are you familiar with that?

Mr. Griffin said the Lemacks Street project?

Mr. Robinson said the Neyles project, so you are familiar with that project?

Mr. Griffin said yes sir, very familiar with that project.

Mr. Robinson said do we have any other resources or recourse we can take?

Mr. Griffin said we are actually going to re-apply. They told us what the issues were last time and we've got an idea to re-work that, but that grant funding cycle for those projects is in August. They only do public infrastructure in the Spring which is water, sewer and roads.

Mr. Robinson said I am going back to the Lemacks Street project, the infrastructure and stuff they have put in. Is that completed now?

Mr. Griffin said that is a City project. We assisted the City. We sponsored the application because you only have a number of application spots you get for CDBG and they were full, so we sponsored their application for them.

Mr. Robinson said Councilman Whetsell and Councilman Flowers and myself don't like for Colleton County to be left out of anything.

Mr. Taylor said I thought I saw Mr. Phillip Slaytor here, he must have left, but for the next three weeks he is going to be stationed at Saints Center Ministries in Walterboro helping people fill out the applications for the funds that came through the revitalization project along Gadsden Loop so there are resources available for people. Those people or persons living from Robertson Blvd. at that corner of Robertson and Hampton going back up to Rivers and around to Gadsden Loop and all the way back around Purifoy Road coming back up to Hampton, those people that live in that little sandwiched area have an opportunity to apply. They have certain stipulations and they will be there to help people fill those applications out. So there are things that they will need

Mr. Griffin interrupted said they have all been notified individually as well.

Mr. Taylor said some notices went out by mail, some people have been knocking on doors, but people need to know he will be there from 4:00 – 6:00 for the next three Wednesdays including tomorrow.

Executive Session

- a) Economic Development
 - 1) Project Global
 - 2) Project "C"
 - 3) Project Concrete
- b) Legal- Opioid Litigation
- c) Recreation - Contractual

Regular Session

Dr. Flowers said the items were 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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