

February 10, 2020

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
SALUDA COUNTY COUNCIL
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2020 AT 6:00 P.M.
COUNCIL CHAMBERS OF SALUDA COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING
400 WEST HIGHLAND STREET, SALUDA, SOUTH CAROLINA 29138

A. CALL TO ORDER

Vice-Chairman J. Frank Daniel, Sr. called the regular meeting of Saluda County Council to order at 6:00 P.M.

Present were: Vice-Chm. J. Frank Daniel, Sr.
Coun. Justin Anderson
Coun. Wayne Grice

Also present were: County Director, Sandra G. Padget
Clerk to Council, Karen T. Whittle
County Attorney, Christian G. Spradley

Absent was: Coun. Jones P. Butler

B. INVOCATION

Vice-Chm. Daniel delivered the invocation.

C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Vice-Chm. Daniel led the Pledge of Allegiance.

D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On motion of Coun. Anderson, seconded by Coun. Grice, the minutes for January 13, 16, and 22, 2020 were unanimously approved as submitted.

E. PUBLIC INFORMATION

It is noted by the Clerk herein that in compliance with the Freedom of Information Act, notice of meeting and agenda were given to the local news media and properly posted, to include the county website.

F. REPORTS OF COUNTY OFFICIALS

1. On motion of Coun. Anderson, seconded by Coun. Grice, the resolution for D. Bruce Horne recognizing him for his retirement with Saluda County was unanimously approved. Vice-Chm. Daniel read and presented the resolution commending and recognizing Mr. Horne

for his many years of service to Saluda County and its citizens. (A copy of the resolution is attached hereto).

G. PUBLIC PRESENTATION

1. Vice-Chm. Daniel recognized Ms. Nancy McCorkle for a presentation to make Saluda County a Second Amendment Sanctuary.

Ms. McCorkle informed Council the second amendment sanctuary county movement was moving from state to state and the group was approaching South Carolina counties to support the movement with several counties already approving support.

Ms. McCorkle gave a presentation on the second amendment and gave examples of gun laws being passed by other states. Ms. McCorkle said the intent and purpose of the second amendment sanctuary resolution were for county governments and local law enforcements to not abide by and enforce laws which would infringe upon citizens' rights. Ms. McCorkle urged County Council to make Saluda County a 2A Sanctuary.

Council received the presentation as information.

H. OLD BUSINESS

1. On motion of Coun. Anderson, seconded by Coun. Grice, it was unanimously approved to ratify the resolution for Ms. Margaret Davis recognizing her for her retirement with Saluda County. Vice-Chm. Daniel stated Ms. Davis retired after over 25 years and commended her for her service to Saluda County and its citizens. (A copy of the resolution is attached hereto.)
2. On motion of Coun. Anderson, seconded by Coun. Grice, and unanimously approved, Second Reading was given on Ordinance No. 01-20, "AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 2-151(a) OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, SALUDA COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA, TO AMEND THE NUMBER OF YEAR TERMS OF THE SALUDA COUNTY AIRPORT COMMISSION." During discussion, Vice-Chm. Daniel stated the change in membership terms were from three years to five years served by an airport commissioner.

I. NEW BUSINESS

1. Vice-Chm. Daniel recognized Emergency Management Director, Josh Morton to present the request for Ordinance No. 02-20, "AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 2-263 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, SALUDA COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA, AMENDING THE MEETING REQUIREMENTS FOR THE SALUDA COUNTY FIRE BOARD."

Mr. Morton informed Council the fire board was comprised of seven members from the seven county fire departments with meetings being held monthly according to the current ordinance. Mr. Morton stated at times throughout the year monthly meetings were needed, but other times they were not. Mr. Morton said the fire board was requesting that the language in the ordinance be changed from meeting monthly to regularly, giving them the ability to set their meetings as needed.

On motion of Coun. Anderson, seconded by Coun. Grice, and unanimously approved, First Reading was given on Ordinance No. 02-20, "AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 2-263 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, SALUDA COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA, AMENDING THE MEETING REQUIREMENTS FOR THE SALUDA COUNTY FIRE BOARD."

2. Vice-Chm. Daniel recognized Captain Lorine Kelly for consideration of options from DataWorks Plus to upgrade the LiveScan System software and hardware at the Detention Center.

Ms. Kelly informed Council the DataWorks LiveScan System at the Detention Center, a computerized fingerprint system that immediately sent scanned fingerprints to SLED, was no longer being supported by Microsoft as of January 14, 2020. Ms. Kelly said the livescan system needed to be upgraded from Windows 7 to Windows 10 along with the livescan hardware for a total amount of \$19,435.00. Ms. Kelly said other hardware associated with the livescan system would reach end-of-life on June 20, 2021 and the proposal for that upgrade was \$17,515.00, which could be replaced now or at a later time, but if later, the hardware would not be covered under the maintenance contract. Ms. Kelly said the amount to perform both upgrades was \$36,950.00.

Vice-Chm. Daniel also recognized IT Director, Mitchell Kneece. Mr. Kneece informed Council Windows 7 was a security issue for all networks and reiterated the replacement time frame of both upgrades as addressed by Ms. Kelly. Mr. Kneece also stated these upgrades were for an entire system that included several hardware devices, not just a computer, and his suggestion was to perform the upgrades as addressed in both proposals at the same time.

On motion of Coun. Grice, seconded by Coun. Anderson, proposal reference number 20-0129-06 and proposal reference number 20-0130-07 upgrading existing LiveScan system for windows upgrade and to replace hardware and software for a total amount of \$36,950.00 to be funded from Contingency was unanimously approved. During discussion Council, Ms. Kelly, and Mr. Kneece discussed livescan was a critical system used daily at the Detention Center and if only the first proposal was performed, the hardware would not be covered under a maintenance contract in the event something happened to the hardware.

3. Vice-Chm. Daniel recognized Emergency Management Director, Josh Morton for consideration to publish a request for quote on generator maintenance services.

Mr. Morton requested Council's consideration to publish a request for quote for preventive maintenance service on all county generators. Mr. Morton informed Council the maintenance contract on generators was renewed for one year last year with the current company.

On motion of Coun. Anderson, seconded by Coun. Grice, it was unanimously approved to allow staff to publish a request for quote on generator maintenance services. During discussion Council and Mr. Morton discussed there were six generators and the current contract provided preventive maintenance twice a year and weekly monitoring.

4. Vice-Chm. Daniel recognized Emergency Management Director, Josh Morton for his request to attend the IAEM-USA Region 4 Conference.

Mr. Morton requested Council's consideration for him to attend the IAEM-USA Region 4 Conference in April at no cost to the County. Mr. Morton said he came before Council due to a vote during budget for any attendance to out of state or national conferences would need to be approved by Council.

On motion of Coun. Anderson, seconded by Coun. Grice, it was unanimously approved to allow the Emergency Management Director to attend IAEM-USA Region 4 Conference in Huntsville, Alabama funded through LEMPG funding. During discussion Council and Mr. Morton discussed the conference would be held April 26th through April 29th, and would be funded from the local emergency management performance grant. Mr. Morton stated he was the IAEM-USA President-Elect for the past two years, which he received approval from Council at the time prior to committing to the position.

J. EXECUTIVE SESSION

On motion of Coun. Grice, seconded by Coun. Anderson, it was unanimously approved for Council to go into Executive Session pursuant to Section 30-4-70(a) (1) and (2) of the South Carolina Code of Laws 1976, as amended to discuss: 1) personnel in the Clerk of Court's Office; 2) personnel in the Roads and Bridges Department; 3) receive legal advice on a petition to close a county road; and 4) receive legal advice on the agreement for Ward Park to return at the Call of the Vice-Chair.

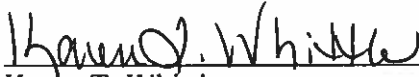
Council returned into open session at the Call of the Vice-Chair.

K. PUBLIC ACTION

1. On motion of Coun. Anderson, seconded by Coun. Grice, it was unanimously approved to direct the County Attorney to draft an agreement with the Town of Ward for the Town of Ward to take over the responsibility of Ward Park and any PARD responsibility associated with the Park. During discussion Vice-Chm. Daniel said the Town of Ward had decided to take over the responsibility of their own park.

L. ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Coun. Anderson, seconded by Coun. Grice, it was unanimously approved to adjourn the meeting at 7:33 P.M.



Karen T. Whittle
Clerk to Council



J. Frank Daniel, Sr.
Vice-Chairman

March 9, 2020
Date Approved