

MINUTES OF CALLED MEETING
SALUDA COUNTY COUNCIL
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2019 at 9:00 A.M.
COUNCIL CHAMBERS OF SALUDA COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING
400 WEST HIGHLAND STREET, SALUDA, SOUTH CAROLINA 29138

A. CALL TO ORDER

The Called Meeting of Saluda County Council was called to order by Vice-Chairman J. Frank Daniel, Sr. at 9:02 A.M.

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

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

B. INVOCATION

Vice-Chm. Daniel delivered the invocation.

C. PUBLIC INFORMATION

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

D. NEW BUSINESS

1. Coun. Butler made the motion to close the non-emergent county offices Friday, December 6th at 1:00 P.M. for employees to attend the Saluda and Ridge Spring Football Championship Playoff games at Benedict College in Columbia beginning at 5:00 p.m. Coun. Grice seconded the motion. The motion unanimously failed.

2. Vice-Chm. Daniel recognized EMS Director, Jacob Starnes for the vacancy in EMS.

Mr. Starnes requested to fill a vacant EMT position in EMS with funds that were included in the FY2019-2020 EMS budget.

On motion of Coun. Butler, seconded by Coun. Anderson, it was unanimously approved to fill one vacant EMT position in the EMS department. During discussion Vice-Chm. Daniel stated the funds were allocated in the FY2019-2020 budget.

3. Vice-Chm. Daniel recognized EMS Director, Jacob Starnes for consideration to cancel the First Priority agreement on the new Demers ambulance.

Mr. Starnes said based off of legal advice during executive session in the November 20, 2019 called meeting, the recommendation was to cancel the First Priority/Demers agreement signed on July 24, 2019 for purchase of the new ambulance that was approved in the July 8, 2019 regular Council meeting.

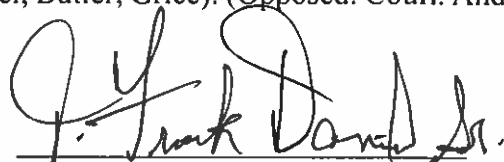
On motion of Coun. Anderson, seconded by Coun. Butler, it was unanimously approved to cancel the First Priority Agreement signed July 24, 2019 on the new Demers ambulance that was approved to be purchased in the July 8, 2019 regular council meeting, and if there are any associated cancellation fees charged, the fees will be paid from the EMS budget.

E. ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Coun. Butler, seconded by Coun. Grice, it was approved to adjourn the meeting at 9:07 A.M. (Voting in Favor: Vice-Chm. Daniel, Butler, Grice). (Opposed: Coun. Anderson).



Karen T. Whittle
Clerk to Council



J. Frank Daniel, Sr.
Vice-Chairman

January 13, 2020
Date Approved