

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
SALUDA COUNTY COUNCIL
MONDAY, JULY 13, 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. Jones P. Butler
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. Justin Anderson

B. INVOCATION

Coun. Butler delivered the invocation.

C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Vice-Chm. Daniel led the Pledge of Allegiance.

D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On motion of Coun. Grice, seconded by Coun. Butler, the minutes for June 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.

Due to COVID-19, the following notice was placed at the beginning of the agenda:

Please note the council meetings are open to the public, but seating will be limited for social distancing in response to COVID-19. You may also access the live stream of the meeting by going to the county's website at www.saludacounty.sc.gov, click

on the you tube box in the top right hand corner and click on the July 13, 2020 video.

F. REPORTS OF COUNTY OFFICIALS

1. Coun. Grice and Vice-Chm. Daniel encouraged everyone to take proper precautions and to be mindful of others due to the seriousness of COVID-19 in the county, state, and country.
2. Vice-Chm. Daniel informed the public due to the increase in the number of COVID-19 cases in Saluda County, effective Wednesday, July 15th, the county offices would be closed to the public. Members of the public would need to make an appointment to visit County offices.
3. Vice-Chm. Daniel also reminded everyone to complete their Census 2020.

G. NEW BUSINESS

1. On motion of Coun. Grice, seconded by Coun. Butler, the School Resource Officer agreement between the County of Saluda and Saluda School District One was unanimously approved, and retroactive to July 1, 2020.
2. Vice-Chm. Daniel stated in the agenda package was a request to fill the Building Maintenance Worker position due to the upcoming retirement of the current maintenance worker.

On motion of Coun. Butler, seconded by Coun. Grice, it was unanimously approved to fill the vacant Building Maintenance Worker position according to County policy to be effective August 31, 2020.

3. On motion of Coun. Grice, seconded by Coun. Butler, it was unanimously approved to reappoint Tony Lake as the Hollywood Fire Department's representative to the Saluda County Fire Board with his second term expiring June 30, 2024.
4. On motion of Coun. Butler, seconded by Coun. Grice, it was unanimously approved to reappoint Brent Addy as the Mayson Fire Department's representative to the Saluda County Fire Board with his second term expiring June 30, 2024.
5. On motion of Coun. Butler, seconded by Coun. Grice, it was unanimously approved to appoint Jack B. Nichols of 441 Kempson Bridge Road, Saluda to the Saluda County Airport Commission with his first term expiring July 14, 2025.

H. EXECUTIVE SESSION

On motion of Coun. Grice, seconded by Coun. Butler, it was unanimously approved for Council to go into Executive Session pursuant to Section 30-4-70(a)(1)(2) and (5) of the South Carolina Code of Laws 1976, as amended to discuss: a personnel matter in the Roads and Bridges Department; a contractual matter on the site enhancement project at the Saluda County Commerce Park-West; and economic development matters for projects Beulah Solar LLC and Catalina Solar LLC, to return at the Call of the Vice-Chair.

Council returned into Open Session at the Call of the Vice-Chair.

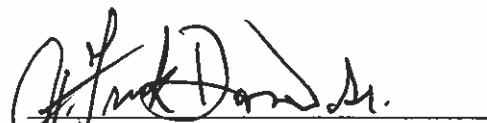
I. PUBLIC ACTION

1. On motion of Coun. Butler, seconded by Coun. Grice, it was unanimously approved to extend the investment period by five (5) years for projects Beulah Solar LLC and Catalina Solar LLC.
2. On motion of Coun. Grice, seconded by Coun. Butler, it was unanimously approved to fund approximately \$28,000.00 from the Economic Development millage account to extend the waterline to the Saluda County Commerce Park-West.
3. On motion of Coun. Butler, seconded by Coun. Grice, it was unanimously approved to have a called meeting July 24, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. for an interview for the Roads and Bridges Superintendent position.

J. ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Coun. Grice, seconded by Coun. Butler, it was unanimously approved to adjourn the meeting at 7:17 P.M.


Karen T. Whittle
Clerk to Council


J. Frank Daniel, Sr.
Vice-Chairman

August 10, 2020
Date Approved