MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING SALUDA COUNTY COUNCIL MONDAY, JULY 9, 2018 AT 6:00 P.M. COUNCIL CHAMBERS OF SALUDA COUNTY ADMINISTRATION

COUNCIL CHAMBERS OF SALUDA COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING 400 WEST HIGHLAND STREET, SALUDA, SOUTH CAROLINA 29138

A. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Derrick W. Jones called the regular meeting of Saluda County Council to order at 6:00 P.M.

Present were:

Chm. Derrick W. Jones

Coun. Jones P. Butler (entered 6:11)

Coun. J. Frank Daniel, Sr.

Coun. D. J. Miller

Coun. Gwendolyn C. Shealy

Also present were:

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

B. **INVOCATION**

Coun. Shealy delivered the invocation.

C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chm. Jones led the Pledge of Allegiance.

D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On motion of Coun. Shealy, seconded by Coun. Daniel, the minutes for June 25, 2018 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

There were no reports of County Officials.

G. PUBLIC HEARING

1. On motion of Coun. Shealy, seconded by Coun. Miller, it was unanimously approved to defer the Public Hearing on Ordinance No. 06-18, "AN ORDINANCE TO LEVY AND IMPOSE A ONE PERCENT SALES AND USE TAX, SUBJECT TO A REFERENDUM IN SALUDA COUNTY PURSUANT TO THE CAPITAL PROJECT SALES TAX ACT, SOUTH CAROLINA CODE ANNOTATED SECTION 4-10-300, ET SEQ.; TO DEFINE THE SPECIFIC PURPOSES AND DESIGNATE THE PROJECTS FOR WHICH THE PROCEEDS OF THE TAX MAY BE USED; TO PROVIDE THE MAXIMUM TIME FOR THE IMPOSITION AND COLLECTION OF THE TAX AND THE MAXIMUM AMOUNT OF NET PROCEEDS TO BE RAISED BY THE TAX; TO PROVIDE FOR A COUNTY-WIDE REFERENDUM AND TO PRESCRIBE THE CONTENTS OF THE BALLOT QUESTION IN THE REFERENDUM; TO PROVIDE CONDITIONS PRECEDENT TO THE IMPOSITION OF THE TAX AND CONDITIONS OR RESTRICTIONS ON THE USE OF THE TAX REVENUE; TO ESTABLISH THE PRIORITY IN WHICH THE NET PROCEEDS OF THE TAX ARE TO BE EXPENDED FOR THE PURPOSES AND PROJECTS STATED; TO PROVIDE FOR THE CONDUCT OF THE REFERENDUM BY THE SALUDA COUNTY VOTER REGISTRATION AND ELECTION COMMISSION: TO PROVIDE FOR THE PAYMENT OF THE TAX; TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS. IN ONE OR MORE SERIES, TAX-EXEMPT OR TAXABLE, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED THE AGGREGATE OF \$10,900,000; AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR TO PRESCRIBE THE FORM AND DETAILS OF THE BONDS: PROVIDING FOR THE PAYMENT OF THE BONDS AND PLEDGE OF REVENUES RELATED TO THE BONDS; PROVIDING OTHERWISE FOR THE DISPOSITION OF THE PROCEEDS OF THE BONDS; PROVIDING FOR BORROWING IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF THE BONDS; PROVIDING FOR THE DISPOSITION OF PROPERTY RELATED TO THE BONDS; AND OTHER RELATED MATTERS." During discussion Chm. Jones stated the reason for the deferment of the public hearing and third reading was due to Council working through some issues of the Capital Projects Sales Tax ordinance.

H. OLD BUSINESS

1. On motion of Coun. Daniel, seconded by Coun. Miller it was unanimously approved to defer Third Reading on Ordinance No. 06-18, "AN ORDINANCE TO LEVY AND IMPOSE A ONE PERCENT SALES AND USE TAX, SUBJECT TO A REFERENDUM IN SALUDA COUNTY PURSUANT TO THE CAPITAL PROJECT SALES TAX ACT, SOUTH CAROLINA CODE ANNOTATED SECTION 4-10-300, ET SEQ.; TO DEFINE THE SPECIFIC PURPOSES AND DESIGNATE THE PROJECTS FOR WHICH THE PROCEEDS OF THE TAX MAY BE USED; TO PROVIDE THE MAXIMUM TIME FOR THE IMPOSITION AND COLLECTION OF THE TAX AND THE MAXIMUM AMOUNT OF NET PROCEEDS TO BE RAISED BY THE TAX; TO PROVIDE FOR A COUNTY-WIDE REFERENDUM AND TO PRESCRIBE THE CONTENTS OF THE BALLOT QUESTION IN THE REFERENDUM; TO PROVIDE CONDITIONS PRECEDENT TO THE IMPOSITION OF THE TAX AND CONDITIONS OR

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2. Chm. Jones recognized Emergency Management Director Josh Morton to present consideration for the award of the Request for Proposal for security monitoring and maintenance.

Mr. Morton informed Council three proposals were received and evaluated on the County's security, fire, camera and access control systems monitoring and maintenance and the recommendation of the committee was to award the Request for Proposal to Adroit for a total equipment cost of \$62,375.00. Mr. Morton said Adroit's proposal included the replacement of four fire alarm systems that were either non-functional or not up to code, and would require the county to switch to a different access control system. Mr. Morton said Adroit's proposal did not include a 24/7 maintenance contract as the current system, but the opinion of the committee was the current 24/7 maintenance contract was not used enough to justify the cost. Mr. Morton was proposing maintenance on a pay per call basis.

Mr. Morton, Ms. Regina Turner and Council discussed the following, but not limited to: annual costs for software maintenance upgrades, inspections and security/fire monitoring; buying or leasing the equipment; number of years to lease; balances in the county building reserve accounts; monitoring by cellular phone versus analog phones which would allow for some phone lines to be terminated; and the savings in the yearly maintenance/monitoring between the two systems once the new system is paid for.

On motion of Coun. Shealy, seconded by Coun. Miller, it was unanimously approved to award the Request for Proposal for security monitoring and maintenance to Adroit at a cost of \$62,375.00 and to finance the equipment for three years.

3. Chm. Jones recognized Risk Manager Hardee Horne to address the repairs to the Sheriff's CID building.

Mr. Horne addressed recent risk management issues as results of the needed repairs and reviewed the repairs as provided in the agenda package for a total amount of \$5,889.74.

The list included all repairs needed to the building with the exception of the access control system which would be addressed after the new company (Adroit) came to assess the building.

On motion of Coun. Daniel, seconded by Coun. Butler, the repairs to the Sheriff's CID building as submitted in the agenda package in the amount of \$5,889.74 to be paid from the Public Buildings Repair account were unanimously approved.

I. NEW BUSINESS

- On motion of Coun. Shealy, seconded by Coun. Daniel, and unanimously approved, First Reading was given on Ordinance No. 07-18, "AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, SALUDA COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA, CHAPTER 6 BUILDING AND BUILDING REGULATIONS, BY ADDING SECTION 6-6 BUILDING PERMIT FEES."
- On motion of Coun. Miller, seconded by Coun. Shealy, and unanimously approved, First Reading was given on Ordinance No. 08-18, "AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, SALUDA COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA, CHAPTER 16 MANUFACTURED HOMES, SECTION 16-2, PERFORMANCE STANDARDS FOR MANUFACTURED HOMES, (c) (9) PERMIT FEES."
- 3. On motion of Coun. Shealy, seconded by Coun. Butler, it was unanimous to approve the proposal from T & T Complete Construction for the repair of the wall and fence at the American Legion Building in the amount of \$1,815.00 to be paid from the Public Buildings Repair account. During discussion Risk Manager Hardee Horne informed Council an insurance claim would be filed for the repair due to the damage resulting from a storm with heavy wind and rain. The County would receive a reimbursement for \$815.00, with the County's deductible being \$1,000.00.

J. <u>EXECUTIVE SESSION</u>

On motion of Coun. Daniel, seconded by Coun. Miller, 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 matters in the Public Buildings department, 2) the effective date for payroll of the Condrey Pay Plan, and to receive legal advice to return at the Call of the Chair.

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

Coming out of Executive Session, Chm. Jones explained the implementation of the Condrey Pay Plan would be effective for the first pay period that was paid in July of Fiscal Year 2018-2019.

K. ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Coun. Butler, seconded by Coun. Miller, it was unanimously approved to adjourn the meeting at 7:59 P.M.

Karen T. Whittle

Clerk to Council

Derrick W. Jones

Chairman