

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
SALUDA COUNTY COUNCIL
MONDAY, JUNE 10, 2019 AT 6:00 P.M.
COUNCIL CHAMBERS OF SALUDA COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING
400 WEST HIGHLAND STREET, SALUDA, SOUTH CAROLINA 29138

A. CALL TO ORDER

Chm. 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. Justin Anderson
Coun. Jones P. Butler
Coun. J. Frank Daniel, Sr.
Coun. D. J. Miller

Also present were:

County Director, Sandra G. Padget
Clerk to Council, Karen T. Whittle
Attorney, Brian Leetter

B. INVOCATION

Coun. Anderson delivered the invocation.

C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chm. Jones led the Pledge of Allegiance.

D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On motion of Coun. Butler, seconded by Coun. Daniel, the minutes for April 30, May 2, 9, 13, 14, and 21, 2019 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. Chm. Jones announced and invited everyone to the ceremony naming the bridge at Big Man's in memory of Corporal Dale Hallman on June 22, 2019 at 10:00 A.M.

G. OLD BUSINESS

1. On motion of Coun. Butler, seconded by Coun. Anderson, and unanimously approved, Third Reading was given on Ordinance No. 01-19, "AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2019, FOR EDUCATIONAL AND SCHOOL PURPOSES IN SCHOOL DISTRICT ONE OF SALUDA COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA: TO PROVIDE FOR LEVY OF TAXES AND THE TAXABLE PROPERTY IN SCHOOL DISTRICT ONE: TO PROVIDE FOR THE EXPENDITURE OF SAID TAXES AND OTHER REVENUES COMING INTO THE SCHOOL DISTRICT DURING THE FISCAL YEAR: TO ESTABLISH A RESERVE ACCOUNT AND PROVIDE THAT ALL FUNDS IN EXCESS OF THE COUNTY APPROPRIATION WILL BE PAID INTO THE RESERVE ACCOUNT." During discussion Chm. Jones stated Saluda County Council shall determine and establish a tax of sufficient millage to support \$7,551,956.00 minus revenues and credits reflected on the tax receipt from Fee-in-Lieu, Property Tax Relief, Homestead Exemption, Tier 3 Property Tax Relief, Merchant Inventory, Manufacturer's Depreciation and Motor Carrier, for a net amount of \$4,867,802.00 from Ad Valorem Taxes, as county funding for the appropriations and levies made herein, and shall advise the Auditor who shall fix said millage as advised by the Council.
2. On motion of Coun. Anderson, seconded by Coun. Daniel, and unanimously approved, Second Reading was given on Ordinance No. 03-19, "AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE TRANSFER OF FUNDS FROM THE COUNTY RESERVED FUND BALANCE TO THE GENERAL OPERATING FUND FOR THE COUNTY OF SALUDA FOR FISCAL YEAR 2019-2020 TO BALANCE THE SALUDA COUNTY ANNUAL OPERATING BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2019-2020." Chm. Jones stated the current amount was \$1,105,022.00.
3. On motion of Coun. Butler, seconded by Coun. Anderson, and approved, Second Reading was given on Ordinance No. 04-19, "AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE TRANSFER OF FUNDS FROM THE COUNTY RESERVED FUND BALANCE TO THE GENERAL OPERATING FUND FOR THE COUNTY OF SALUDA FOR FISCAL YEAR 2018-2019 TO BALANCE THE SALUDA COUNTY ANNUAL OPERATING BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2018-2019." Chm. Jones stated the current amount was not to exceed \$200,000.00. (Voting in Favor: Chm. Jones, Coun. Anderson, Butler, Daniel). (Opposed: Coun. Miller).

H. NEW BUSINESS

1. Chm. Jones recognized Mr. Hugh Gray for the request for construction of an annex to the building used by Westview Behavioral Health Services.

Mr. Gray, the Executive Director of Westview Behavioral Health Services, informed Council state funds were available for new programs to be offered by Westview as well as funds for infrastructure. Mr. Gray said the current county facility that Westview has been allowed to use would not accommodate needed space for the additional programs and

Westview would like authorization from County Council to construct an annex to the current building to accommodate the new programs. Mr. Gray said there would be no cost to Saluda County for the construction of the annex.

On motion of Coun. Daniel, seconded by Coun. Butler, it was unanimously approved for Westview Behavioral Health Services to move forward with planning for construction of an annex to be located behind the current building located at 204 Ramage Street. During discussion Mr. Gray informed Council improvements would be made to the current facility to include re-siding the building to match the annex and some drainage repairs. Chm. Jones reiterated this would be an upgrade to a current county building at no cost to the county.

2. On motion of Coun. Miller, seconded by Coun. Butler, Council appointed Angela S. Saxon as the Saluda County Delinquent Tax Collector effective July 1, 2019. During discussion Chm. Jones stated Ms. Saxon had been employed as the temporary full-time Delinquent Tax Collector Clerk for training and the clerk position would not be funded in fiscal year 2019-2020, therefore the position would be closed effective July 1, 2019. (Coun. Anderson recused himself from voting).

3. Fire Board Appointments

a. On motion of Coun. Butler, seconded by Coun. Miller, it was unanimously approved to appoint Tanner Quattlebaum as the Saluda Fire Department's representative to the Saluda County Fire Board with his first term expiring June 30, 2023 and Zachary Riley as their alternate.

b. On motion of Coun. Daniel, seconded by Coun. Miller, it was unanimously approved to appoint Brian Derrick as the Ridge Spring Fire Department's representative to the Saluda County Fire Board with his second term expiring June 30, 2023 and Russell Derrick as their alternate.

I. EXECUTIVE SESSION

On motion of Coun. Anderson, 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 in Vehicle Maintenance; 2) a contractual matter with Moseley Architects; 3) a contractual matter with Safe Built; 4) a contractual matter for the Saluda County Airport Lease; to receive legal advice, and to return at the Call of the Chair.

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

J. PUBLIC ACTION

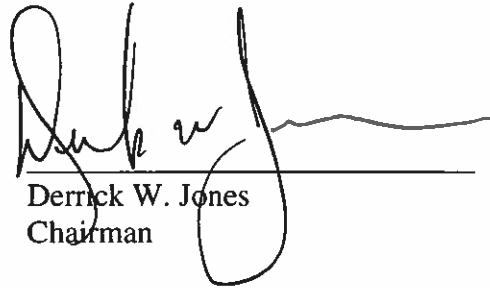
1. On motion of Coun. Butler, seconded by Coun. Daniel, it was unanimously approved to enter into the agreement with Moseley Architects of South Carolina dated May 10, 2019.
2. On motion of Coun. Butler, seconded by Coun. Daniel, Council approved amendment two of the professional services agreement between Saluda County and SAFEbuilt Carolinas, LLC effective July 1, 2019. (Voting in Favor: Chm. Jones, Coun. Butler, Daniel). (Opposed: Coun. Anderson, Miller).

K. ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Chm. Jones, seconded by Coun. Anderson, Council approved to adjourn the meeting at 7:38 P.M. (Voting in Favor: Coun. Anderson, Butler, Daniel, Miller). (Opposed: Chm. Jones).



Karen T. Whittle
Clerk to Council



Derrick W. Jones
Chairman

June 24, 2019
Date Approved