

MINUTES OF A BUDGET WORK SESSION
SALUDA COUNTY COUNCIL
MONDAY, JUNE 17, 2019
IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE CALLED MEETING
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 Budget Work Session to order at 7:55 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

B. PUBLIC INFORMATION

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

C. BUDGET WORK SESSION

EMS

EMS Director Jacob Starnes was present and informed Council he had requested On Point to consider purchasing furniture (couch and recliners) for EMS headquarters. On Point responded they could research and apply for grants that included furniture, but currently funds were not available to assist with purchasing furniture.

\$2,500 for furniture was in line item #83 and general consensus of Council was to leave the requested \$2,500.

Fire Board

Quotes were received for preventive maintenance and pump testing on all county fire apparatuses. M & M Fire Apparatus submitted the lowest quote and they were the current vendor for services.

General consensus of Council was to continue with M & M Fire Apparatus to perform preventive maintenance and pump testing and funds were already allocated in line item #27.

Detention Center

General consensus of Council for the Detention Center to renew a three year agreement up to \$2,500 with Moseley Architects to assist in updating their policy manual and inmate guide. The agreement locked the hourly rate for three years and the Detention Center would only be charged for the amount of time worked to provide services.

General consensus of Council to add \$1,000 to line item #26 for Moseley Architects and if they exceeded \$1,000, they could come before Council to request additional funding.

Recreation

General consensus of Council agreed to fund up to \$450 for lodging and mileage for the Recreation Director to attend the All Star state championship games in Florence beginning July 5th pending the win of the Saluda team on the evening of June 18th. General consensus of Council was to fund this amount out of the FY2018-2019 Recreation budget by purchase order.

Salary and Personnel Requests

Election/Voter Registration & Tax Assessor Offices

General consensus of Council for the two Real Estate Clerks in the Tax Assessor's office to be trained to work in the Election/Voter Registration office to assist during elections and at other times as needed by the Election/Voter Registration Director in an effort to have the Election/Voter Registration office open during the operating hours of the Courthouse.

Coroner

General consensus of Council agreed for an additional \$2,500 for the Chief Deputy Coroner and \$3,000 allocated for On-Call.

Library State-Aid

General consensus of Council agreed for the Library Director's salary to be increased by 6 steps, with the difference in the step increases being funded with Library State-Aid funds.

Council Office

General consensus of Council to close the RD Specialist position.

Public Buildings Maintenance

General consensus of Council, with the hiring freeze in effect, hiring a Public Building Superintendent would be granted due to the department not having a department head.

Balancing of the County Operating Budget

General consensus of Council to use \$281,649.00 from FY2018-2019 roll monies towards balancing the FY2019-2020 county operating budget.

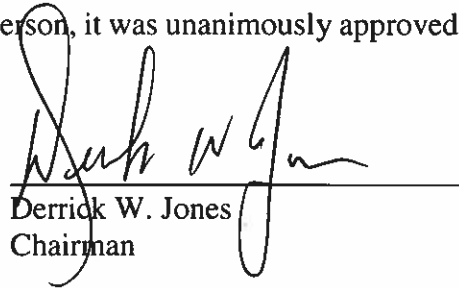
Consensus of Council to balance the remainder needed to balance the FY2019-2020 county operating budget from the county fund balance account. (Agreed: Chm. Jones, Coun. Anderson, Butler, Daniel). (Did not agree: Coun. Miller).

D. ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Coun. Miller, seconded by Coun. Anderson, it was unanimously approved to adjourn the budget work session at 8:26 P.M.



Karen T. Whittle
Clerk to Council



Derrick W. Jones
Chairman

June 24, 2019
Date Approved