

June 5, 2018

MINUTES OF A BUDGET WORK SESSION  
SALUDA COUNTY COUNCIL  
TUESDAY, JUNE 5, 2018 at 6:00 P.M.  
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 6:03 P.M.

Present were: Chm. Derrick W. Jones  
Coun. Jones P. Butler (left 7:05, prior to adjournment)  
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

B. INVOCATION

Chm. Jones 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 budget work session was given to the local news media and properly posted, to include the county website.

D. BUDGET WORK SESSION

**Council on Aging**

Ms. Tracey Bedenbaugh with Piedmont Council on Aging reviewed the services provided to the Senior Citizens and addressed the state and federal revenue funding sources. Ms. Bedenbaugh requested the \$6,500.00 appropriation from Saluda County for FY18-19 which was used towards the Meals on Wheels program. Ms. Bedenbaugh thanked Council for the grant match funds towards the purchase of a van for Saluda's Council on Aging.

Council and Ms. Bedenbaugh discussed budget cuts and Ms. Bedenbaugh said a cutback would hurt, but the agency would still provide service. Ms. Bedenbaugh informed Council that Saluda and Laurens counties were the only counties that provided allocations.

Consensus of Council to leave line item #67 at \$0. (In Favor: Chm. Jones, Coun. Daniel, Butler, Miller). (Opposed: Coun. Shealy).

**Building Codes**

Building Official, Gary Therrell reviewed permit and issuance fees from surrounding counties versus fees in Saluda County.

General consensus of Council for Building Codes to increase permit fees and to start charging issuance fees as recommended by Building Codes staff. Council staff to consult with the County Attorney if the Building Code ordinance would need amending to increase fees.

General consensus of Council for the Building Codes Official to have the notice published in the Sentinel concerning building codes.

**Public Buildings**

General consensus of Council to leave line item #10 at \$20,300.00 and not increase due to notification of increase for copy paper.

**Treasurer**

General consensus of Council to change the following budget line item to:

#15 \$424 (approved Mandatory Academy and DMV meetings; denied fall and spring SCATT Conferences)

**General**

1. General consensus of Council for an old reserve account for the Library from when the Library was funded through millage with a balance of \$26,689.13 (as of May 25, 2018) be transferred to the current Reserve/Library Expansion account and any monies after May 25, 2018 deposited to that millage account also be transferred to the Reserve/Library Expansion account.
2. General consensus of Council for an old reserve account for the Ambulance from when the Ambulance's appropriation was funded through millage with a balance of \$8,645.87 (as of May 25, 2018) be transferred to the current Ambulance Reserve account and any monies after May 25, 2018 deposited to that millage account also be transferred to the Ambulance Reserve account.
3. General consensus of Council for the following: When attending a meeting, training, or conference held in a specific hotel, county employees and officials may stay at the site of the event at the single-occupancy room rate or one-bedroom condo rate set for the event.

Upon request of the county employee or official, the County Director or his/her designee will make hotel reservations within one (1) business day of being notified. If the deadline date for making reservations at the special rate for the event expires in less than one business day, the county employee or official will be responsible for making


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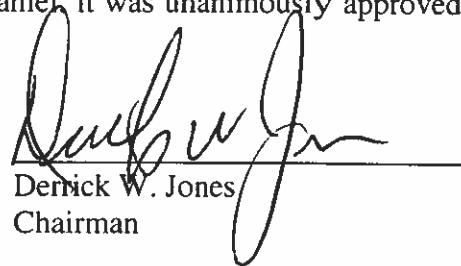
their own reservations. The request must include all reservation information and other pertinent data relating to the event.

After the special rate deadline date for reservations or the room block is full for the event, the county employee or official will be responsible for their own reservations and payment. Upon return from the event, the County will only reimburse the county employee or official for the special rate offered for lodging at the event and the county employee or official will be responsible for any extra expense due to failure to register by the date for reservations or until the room block is full or any other event which causes the price to be higher.

E. ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Coun. Miller, seconded by Coun. Daniel, it was unanimously approved to adjourn the budget work session at 7:06 P.M.

  
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Karen T. Whittle  
Clerk to Council

  
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Derrick W. Jones  
Chairman

June 25, 2018  
Date Approved