MINUTES OF CALLED MEETING SALUDA COUNTY COUNCIL TUESDAY, MAY 22, 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

The Called Meeting of Saluda County Council was called to order by Chairman Derrick W. Jones at 6:00 P.M.

Present were:

Chm. Derrick W. Jones Coun. Jones P. Butler 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

INVOCATION

Coun. Butler delivered the invocation.

B. PUBLIC INFORMATION

It is noted by the Clerk herein that in compliance with the Freedom of Information Act, notice of the called meeting and agenda were given to the local news media and properly posted, to include the county website.

C. OLD BUSINESS

1. Chm. Jones addressed reconsidering the painting of the main floor access areas and one stairwell of the Courthouse as discussed in the May 14th meeting due to the funding for this project would be funded from a reserve account for building repairs and would not affect the spending freeze on the FY17-18 budget.

On motion of Coun. Butler, seconded by Coun. Shealy, it was unanimously approved to paint the main floor public access areas and one stairwell of the courthouse in the amount of \$5,060.00 as quoted from T & T Complete Construction to be paid from the public building repair account. During discussion Chm. Jones said the Clerk of Court had agreed to add a chair rail in the common waiting area on the second floor adjacent to the courtroom, paint one stairwell and the upstairs of the Courthouse in the amount of \$3,795.00 to be paid from DSS court funds.

D. <u>NEW BUSINESS</u>

1. Chm. Jones recognized Emergency Management Director Josh Morton to present the consideration to replace the Radio Tower generator.

Mr. Morton informed Council a large portion of the County recently lost power and the radio tower generator did not come on. Mr. Morton said he was able to get a small portable generator connected and got the radio systems for law, fire and EMS temporarily operating. Mr. Morton addressed the generator had two blown fuses in the automatic transfer switch, but the service technician discovered the generator was not producing enough power to meet the needs of the county radio communications system. Mr. Morton said the 20kw generator was approximately 20 years old. Mr. Morton informed Council Power Systems Inc. (the County's current generator provider) had a refurbished 30kw propane gas generator, to include installation, for \$11,592.00 plus tax (a copy of the proposal was provided in Council's agenda package). The installation did not include the installation of a concrete pad for an additional \$500.00 by PSI or the pad could be installed by the County's building maintenance staff. Mr. Morton said \$6,000.00 could be paid from LEMPG funds for the purchase of the generator, leaving a balance of \$5,592.00 plus tax and the cost of the concrete pad

On motion of Coun. Shealy, seconded by Coun .Butler, it was unanimously approved to replace the radio tower generator with a reconditioned Kohler Power 30 KW LP gas generator and associated items and services as outlined in the scope of work dated May 1, 2018 from Power Systems, Inc. in the amount of \$11,592.00 plus tax, to include the concrete pad in the amount of \$500.00, with \$6,000.00 being funded from LEMPG funds and the balance of \$6,092.00 plus tax being funded from the Public Buildings Repair Reserve account. During discussion, maintenance records and testing of the current generator were discussed and the warranty of the refurbished generator was confirmed at 120 days sitting, not 120 days use.

E. EXECUTIVE SESSION

On motion of Coun. Butler, 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 personnel requests and matters for the Fiscal Year 2018-2019 budget and a contractual matter for the Fiscal Year 2018-2019 budget, to return at the Call of the Chair.

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

No action came out of Executive Session.

F. ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Coun. Butler, seconded by Coun. Miller, it was unanimously approved to adjourn the meeting at 8:51 P.M.

Karen T. Whittle Clerk to Council

Chairman

June 25, 2018 Date Approved