

**HAMPTON COUNTY COUNCIL'S MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY; APRIL 16, 2012; 6:00 P. M.
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, HAMPTON COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING
200 JACKSON AVENUE, EAST, HAMPTON, SC**

Hampton County Council held its regular meeting on Monday, April 16, 2012, 6:00 p. m., Council Chambers, Hampton County Administration Building, Hampton, South Carolina. Council Member(s) present: Hugh B. Gray, Chairman; Christopher B. Haulsee, Virgin Johnson, Sr., Charles H. "Buddy" Phillips, Vice Chairman and Shedron Williams. Staff present: Sabrena P. Graham, Administrator; Aline Newton, Clerk to Council and A. G. Solomons, Jr., County Attorney. Media present: Michael DeWitt, The Hampton County Guardian. The meeting was advertised as prescribed by law.

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Gray called the meeting to order.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

INVOCATION:

Pastor Byrd gave the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Council Member Williams.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Moved by Council Member Haulsee, seconded by Council Member Williams, to approve the Consent Agenda:

- 3.1.1 April 2, 2012 County Council Meeting Minutes
- 3.1.2 April 9, 2012 County Council's Special Meeting Minutes
- 3.1.3 Litter Report
- 3.1.4 Resolution Recognizing Ms. Paula Flowers as Hampton County's Economic Development Ambassador of the Year

and the April 16, 2012 County Council Meeting Agenda with the following revision, Delete Item #14.1, Executive Session, Legal Matter. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARING(S)

There were no public hearing(s).

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PUBLIC COMMENT(S)

PASTOR BYRD, CHAPLAIN, HAMPTON COUNTY, EXTENDING APPRECIATION FOR APPROVING THE CHAPLAIN PUBLIC SERVICE TRAINING:

Pastor Kevin Byrd, Chaplain, Hampton County, came before council to thank them for having the insight to support and send him to receive Public Service Chaplaincy training. He stated that another county was aware of his training and contacted him to counsel during the time of loss for one of their employees.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes were approved under the Consent Agenda.

PRESENTATION(S)

MRS. LAYLONIA BESSINGER, REPUBLICAN CANDIDATE FOR SENATE, DISTRICT 45, INTRODUCTION:

Mrs. Laylonia Bessinger, Republican Candidate for the South Carolina Senate, District 45, came to introduce herself and give some of the reasons why she planned to run, etc.

APPOINTMENT(S) TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

There were no appointment(s).

RESOLUTION(S)

Council adopted the Resolution Recognizing Ms. Paula Flowers as Hampton County's Economic Development Ambassador of the Year under the Consent Agenda.

ORDINANCE(S)

SECOND READING TO THE 2012-2013 FISCAL YEAR BUDGET:

Moved by Council Member Phillips, seconded by Council Member Johnson, to give second reading to Ordinance #2012-004, 2012-2013 Fiscal Year Budget. Motion carried unanimously.

BID(S)

There were no bid(s).

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COUNCIL'S BRIEFING(S)

CHAIRMAN'S UPDATE (CHAIRMAN GRAY):

Chairman Gray gave his update. (See Attachment #1)

COUNCIL'S DISCUSSION POINT(S):

Council Member Phillips

Council Member Phillips wanted to know if council really needed to have the budget workshop scheduled for April 24, 2012. Administrator Graham stated that she had no other information to present. **Moved** by Council Member Phillips to cancel the budget workshop scheduled for April 24, 2012. There was no second. Chairman Gray stated that the motion died for the lack of a second.

UPDATE FROM THE CAPITAL PROJECTS SALES TAX PROCESS COMMITTEE:

Council Member Haulsee updated council regarding the Capital Projects Sales Tax Commission. He stated that the CPST Commission will meet this Wednesday. He stated that he felt that the commission will prioritize the list and present at the meeting and will probably be ready for presentation to council after this meeting.

REPORTS TO COUNCIL

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:

Introduction New Department Heads, Greg Cook, County Fire Chief and Tammy Washington, Director, Council on Aging

Administrator Graham introduced Mr. Greg Cook, County Fire Chief and Mrs. Tammy Washington, Director, Council on Aging, the Council and the public.

B. T. DeLoach Building Construction Project – Change Order

Moved by Council Member Haulsee, seconded by Council Member Johnson, to approve the B. T. DeLoach Building Construction Project Change Order as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Purchase of Equipment for Fire Department to meet ISO Audit Requirements

Moved by Council Member Phillips, seconded by Council Member Haulsee, to approve no more than \$60,000 (Sixty thousand dollars) which is in the current year's budget to purchase Fire Department Equipment to meet ISP audit requirements. Motion carried unanimously.

Conveyance of Real Estate to Hampton County from the Town of Estill, Estill Lions Club and the Peeples Family

Moved by Council Member Williams, seconded by Council Member Haulsee, to accept the conveyance of real estate to Hampton County from the Town of Estill, Estill Lions Club and the Peeples Family for the Estill Library expansion. Motion carried unanimously.

Agreement with Community Animal Shelter of Hampton County

Moved by Council Member Williams, seconded by Council Member Haulsee, to approve the agreement with the Community Animal Shelter of Hampton County (CASH). Administrator Graham explained that the only difference from the other agreement is that this one has an automatic renewal. Motion carried unanimously.

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Request from Sheriff Regarding Acceptance of Donated Mobile Units from the Beaufort Air Station for Location in Hampton County to Set Up for Office Space Units

Moved by Council Member Williams, seconded by Council Member Johnson, to approve the request from Sheriff Smalls regarding the acceptance of donated mobile units from the Beaufort Air Station for location on Hampton County property to set up for office space for the sheriff's department. Motion carried unanimously.

Cancellation of Budget Workshop Scheduled for April 24, 2012

Council Member Haulsee stated that if the motion is made to cancel the budget workshop, he would be willing to second it. **Moved** by Council Member Phillips, seconded by Council Member Haulsee, to cancel the budget workshop scheduled for April 24, 2012. Motion carried unanimously.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

There legal matter was deleted.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Council Member Haulsee, seconded by Council Member Johnson, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously. Chairman Gray adjourned the meeting at 6:59 p. m.