

**HAMPTON COUNTY COUNCIL'S MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY; DECEMBER 5, 2016; 6:00 P. M.
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, HAMPTON COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE CENTER
200 JACKSON AVENUE, EAST, HAMPTON, SC**

Hampton County Council held its regular meeting on Monday, December 5, 2016, 6:00 p. m., Council Chambers, Hampton County Administrative Center, Hampton, South Carolina. Council Member(s) present: Roy Hollingsworth, Vice Chairman; Charles H. "Buddy" Phillips, Isaac Smith and Shedron D. Williams, Chairman. Council Member(s) absent: Christopher B. Haulsee. Staff present: Rose Dobson-Elliott, Administrator; Aline Newton, Clerk to Council and A.G. Solomons, Jr., County Attorney. Media present: Hampton County Guardian. The meeting was advertised as prescribed by law.

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Williams called the meeting to order.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

INVOCATION:

Council Member Smith gave the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Council.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

**ADOPTION OF THE OCTOBER 3, 2016 HAMPTON COUNTY AGENDA AND
CONSENT AGENDA:**

Moved by Council Member Phillips, seconded by Council Member Smith, to accept the Consent Agenda

3.1.1 October 3, 2016 Hampton County Council Meeting Minutes

~~3.1.2 October 17, 2016 Hampton County Council Meeting Minutes~~

3.1.3 November 7, 2016 Hampton County Council Meeting Minutes

3.1.4 November 21, 2016 Hampton County Council Meeting Minutes

and the December 5, 2016 Hampton County Council Meeting Agenda with the following revisions:

(1) Defer Items #3.1.2, 8.1, 9.2.,10.1.1,10.2.1 and 4.1. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARING(S)

There was no public hearing(s).

PUBLIC COMMENT(S)

No public comment(s).

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APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes were approved under the Consent Agenda.

PRESENTATION(S)

PRESENTATION OF PLAQUE TO OUTGOING COUNCIL MEMBER CHRISTOPHER HAULSEE.

Council Member Haulsee was not present. Council will present plaque at a later date.

APPOINTMENT(S)

HAMPTON COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS:

Council voted by secret ballot to appoint C. E. "Buddy" Bullard, Kevin Braddock and Russell Laffite to the Hampton County Economic Development Commission.

RESOLUTION(S)/PROCLAMATION(S)

ALLENDALE COUNTY – PROJECT THUNDERBOLT BIO-MASS – AMENDING MULTI PARK AGREEMENT:

Moved by Council Member Hollingsworth, seconded by Council Member Smith, to table the Thunderbolt BioMass - Amending Multi Park Agreement. Motion carried unanimously.

ORDINANCE(S)

Moved by Council Member Phillips, seconded by Council Member Smith to give first reading by title only to the following ordinances:

- First Reading By Title Only to An Ordinance Authorizing Pursuant to Title 12, Chapter 44 of The Code of Laws of South Carolina 1976, As Amended and Restated Fee-In-Lieu of Ad Valorem Taxes Agreement, By and Between Hampton County, South Carolina and Southern Current One, LLC, As Sponsor, And One or More Sponsor Affiliates to Provide for Incentive and Certain Special Source Revenue Credits; and Other Related Matters.
- First Reading By Title Only to An Ordinance Authorizing Pursuant to Title 12, Chapter 44 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina 1976, As Amended, the Execution and Delivery of an Amended and Restated Fee-In-Lieu of Ad Valorem Taxes Agreement, By and Between Hampton County, South Carolina and Hampton Solar II, LLC, As Sponsor, and One or More Sponsor Affiliates to Provide for An Amended and Restated Fee-In-Lieu of Ad Valorem Taxes Incentive and Certain Special Source Revenue Credits; and Other Related Matters.
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Motion carried unanimously.

BID(S)

There were no bid(s).

COUNCIL'S BRIEFING(S)

DISCUSSION POINTS (COUNCIL MEMBERS):

There were no council briefing(s).

SALARY AD HOC COMMITTEE:

Chairman Williams read the names of the newly appointed Salary Ad Hoc Committee. He stated that the Salary Ad Hoc Committee will be meeting on December 12, 2016.

COLLECTION OF DELINQUENT BUSINESS TAXES:

Administrator Dobson-Elliott stated that the collection of delinquent taxes was good. She will get a report from the Tax Collector and make a report.

RESPONSE TO COMPANY TWO:

Chairman Williams stated that the next item on the agenda was response to Company Two. Vice Chairman Hollingsworth read the letter from the Hampton County Airport Commission dated November 29, 2016 regarding Company Two's recommendation. **Moved** by Vice Chairman Hollingsworth, seconded by Council Member Smith, to accept the recommendation of the Hampton County Airport Commission and not allow Company Two to use the airport.

Mr. Quincy Jones stated that he did not agree with the recommendation. Council Member Phillips commented that the council had other entities to request to use the airport and turned them down. Motion carried unanimously.

HAMPTON COUNTY COUNCIL'S MEETING CALENDAR:

Moved by Vice Chairman Hollingsworth, seconded by Council Member Smith, to adopt Hampton County Council's 2017 Meeting Calendar. Motion carried unanimously.

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HAMPTON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT TWO RESPONSE REGARDING REQUEST TO RELEASE FINANCIAL ADVISOR:

Mrs. Jacqueline Hopkins, Chairman, Hampton County School District Two Chair, came before council to receive the response regarding the releasing of the Financial Advisor. Vice Chairman Hollingsworth stated that the contract stated that the Financial Advisor would be in place until the duration of the loan is paid. Mrs. Hopkins stated that the contract stated that modification could be made. By acclamation, Council denied the request of the Hampton County School District Two.

REPORT(S) TO COUNCIL

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:

Grant for Fire Trucks for the Towns of Furman and Yemassee

Administrator Dobson-Elliott stated that Hampton County was awarded the two fire trucks for Furman and Yemassee.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Moved by Council Member Phillips, seconded by Council Member Smith, to go into executive session to discuss personnel and legal matters. Motion carried unanimously.

REPORT OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION

Moved by Council Member Phillips, seconded by Council Member Smith, to come out of executive session regarding personnel and legal matters. Motion carried unanimously. Chairman Williams stated that instructions to continue research.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Council Member Phillips, seconded by Council Member Smith to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously. Chairman Williams adjourned the meeting.