

**HAMPTON COUNTY COUNCIL'S MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY; JANUARY 17, 2017; 6:00 P. M.
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, HAMPTON COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE CENTER
200 JACKSON AVENUE, EAST, HAMPTON, SC**

Hampton County Council held its regular meeting on Tuesday, January 17, 2017, 6:00 p. m., Council Chambers, Hampton County Administrative Center, Hampton, South Carolina. Council Member(s) present: Roy Hollingsworth, Chairman; Charles H. "Buddy" Phillips, Vice Chairman; Isaac Smith; Shedron D. Williams and Ronald G. "Breeze" Winn. Council Member(s) absent: None. Staff present: Rose Dobson-Elliott, Administrator; Aline Newton, Clerk to Council; 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 Hollingsworth 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 JANUARY 17, 2017 HAMPTON COUNTY AGENDA AND
CONSENT AGENDA:**

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

6.1.1 November 7, 2016 Hampton County Council Meeting Minutes

6.1.4 December 5, 2016 Hampton County Council Meeting Minutes

and the November 21, 2016 Hampton County Council Meeting Agenda with the following revisions: (1) Defer Items #3.1.1 – 3.1.3, 8.1, 9.1 and 10.2.1. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARING(S)

There was no public hearing(s).

PUBLIC COMMENT(S)

Mr. Ronald "Breeze" Winn

Mr. Winn came before council and wanted to know if the school millage was a part of the tax notice. Administrator Dobson-Elliott explained that it was a part of the notice; the county collects the tax for the school.

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APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes were approved under the Consent Agenda.

PRESENTATION(S)

MR. SCOTT ALLEN, FINANCIAL CONSULTANT FOR HAMPTON SCHOOL DISTRICT 2 (HD2), REGARDING HD2 FINANCIAL UPDATE:

Mr. Scott Allen, Financial Consultant for Hampton School District 2 (HD2), Regarding HD2 Financial Update.

MS. CARNES, TECHNICAL COLLEGE OF THE LOWCOUNTRY, REGARDING TUITION FREE PROGRAM:

Ms. Carnes, Technical College of the Lowcountry, came before council and gave presentation regarding the Tuition Free Program.

APPOINTMENT(S)

There were no appointment(s).

RESOLUTION(S)/PROCLAMATION(S)

There were no resolution(s)/proclamation(s).

ORDINANCE(S)

There were no ordinance(s).

BID(S)

There were no bid(s).

COUNCIL'S BRIEFING(S)

DISCUSSION POINTS (COUNCIL MEMBERS):

Chairman Williams

Chairman Williams informed council that he and the Clerk attended the Transportation Summit in Columbia, South Carolina. He also stated that he took tour regarding at the Savannah River Site.

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AD HOC COMMITTEE REGARDING SALARY STUDY FOR ALL EMPLOYEES:
Chairman Williams presented names for Ad Hoc Committee. (See attachment)

COLLECTION OF DELINQUENT BUSINESS TAXES:
Chairman Williams stated that he would like an update regarding the collection of delinquent business taxes.

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.

Company Two's Request to Use the Airport Runway to Test Equipment

Mr. Quincy Jones of Company Two made a request to use the county's airport runway to test equipment. He made a presentation to council as to why he needed the runway for testing. Council received the presentation as information. Mr. Jones informed that council that without the ability to test his trucks, he cannot grow his business or may have to make other decisions.

Mr. Jones also explained that he had spoken to the airport commission, and they have been giving him different reasons for not allowing usage. Mr. Jones asked that council get back to him within the next thirty days or the next meeting.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Moved by Council Member Phillips, seconded by Council Member Smith, to go into executive session to discuss personnel 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 matters. Motion carried unanimously. Chairman Williams reported that council discussed the matter but no action was taken.

ADJOURNMENT

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