

**HAMPTON COUNTY COUNCIL'S MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY; OCTOBER 19, 2015; 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, October 19, 2015, 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 and 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 AUGUST 21, 2015 HAMPTON COUNTY AGENDA:

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

- 3.1.1 ~~June 1, 2015 Hampton County Council Meeting Minutes – (Deferred)~~
- 3.1.2 September 28, 2015 Hampton County Council Special Meeting Minutes
- 3.1.3 October 5, 2015 Hampton County Council Member Minutes

and the October 19, 2015 Hampton County Council Meeting Agenda with the following revisions, (1) Defer Item #9.2, Resolution Regarding the Council on Aging 5310 Grant and Item #12.3, Clerk's Report. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARING(S)

POSSIBLE THIRD READING TO AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF ONE OR MORE INCENTIVE AGREEMENTS BY AND AMONG HAMPTON COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA AND A COMPANY KNOWN TO THE COUNTY AS PROJECT VITTORIO, AS SPONSOR, AND ONE OR MORE EXISTING OR TO-BE-FORMED OR ACQUIRED SUBSIDIARIES, OR AFFILIATED, OR RELATED ENTITIES; TO PROVIDE FOR THE INCLUSION OF THE PROJECT IN THE MULTI-COUNTY BUSINESS OR INDUSTRIAL PARK; TO PROVIDE FOR SPECIAL REVENUE SOURCE CREDITS; AUTHORIZING THE TRANSFER OF COUNTY OWNED REAL PROPERTY TO THE COMPANY AND THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF A REAL ESTATE TRANSFER AGREEMENT RELATING

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THERE TO WITH RESPECT TO THE PROJECT; AND OTHER RELATED MATTERS:

Chairman Williams opened the public hearing to receive public comments regarding the possible third reading to an Ordinance Authorizing the Execution and Delivery of One or More Incentive Agreements By and Among Hampton County, South Carolina and a Company Known to the County as Project Vittorio, as Sponsor, and One or More Existing or To-Be-Formed or Acquired Subsidiaries, or Affiliated, or Related Entities; To Provide for the Inclusion of the Project in the Multi-County Business or Industrial Park; To Provide for Special Revenue Source Credits; Authorizing the Transfer of County Owned Real Property to the Company and the Execution and Delivery of a Real Estate Transfer Agreement Relating Thereto With Respect to the Project; and Other Related Matters. Administrator Dobson-Elliott stated that Ms. Dublin could comment on the project. Ms. Dublin, Attorney, stated that she did not prepare anything on Vittorio. She stated that the project continues to be on track. She commented that the fill in of the millage rate, Park number and Name of Company would require council's approval. Chairman Williams asked about the to-be-formed or acquired subsidiaries or affiliated or related entities. Ms. Dublin stated that anything that in regards to to-be-formed or acquired subsidiaries or affiliated or related entities, everything would have to come before council for approval. There were no public comments. Chairman Williams closed the public hearing.

POSSIBLE THIRD READING TO AN ORDINANCE REGARDING PROJECT BEACON:

Chairman Williams opened the public hearing to receive public comments regarding the possible third reading to An Ordinance Regarding Project Beacon. Ms. Dublin and Mr. Moses, Attorneys, updated council regarding Project Beacon. Mr. Paul Fleury stated that construction will begin in about four to six months. Council Member Smith wanted to know if it was environmentally safe for Hampton County being that the county has a lot of hunting, etc. It was stated that it would cover less than 10%. They will do Phase I – emissions are less. Chairman Williams inquired in regards to concerns of health issues for the citizens, etc. It was stated by the representatives of the company that there are no health issues that are related to glare, etc. Chairman Williams closed the public hearing.

PUBLIC COMMENT(S)

MR. RONALD "BREEZE" WINN REGARDING

Mr. Winn came before council to discuss two issues. He stated that at first he knew little about the set up and communication of the Council on Aging. He stated that he checked his voice mail and phone and there was no communication to him in regards to meeting notification. Council stated that they will check into the matter. Mr. Winn stated that some of his priorities are road repairs, fresh vegetables for the seniors, public libraries and more transparency. Council stated that the Administrator and Clerk will research the matter. Administrator Dobson-Elliott stated that she will check with Ms. Washington, Director, Council on Aging, regarding the matter.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes approved under the Consent Agenda.

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PRESENTATION(S)

**MR. SCOTT ALLEN, HAMPTON SCHOOL DISTRICT 2 FINANCIAL CONSULTANT,
REGARDING THE FINANCIAL UPDATE ON HAMPTON SCHOOL DISTRICT 2:**

Mr. Scott Allan, Hampton School District 2 Financial Consultant, was not present. Mrs. Dobson-Elliott stated that she had not heard from him, but he usually reports at the second meeting of the month.

**MR. GREGG BRUNSON, CONSTRUCTION MANAGER AT RISK, BRUNSON
CONSTRUCTION AND MR. JAY WHITE, LILLIO ARCHITECTS REGARDING AN
UPDATE ON THE LIBRARY AND HEALTH DEPARTMENT PROJECTS:**

Mr. Gregg Brunson, Construction Manager at Risk, Brunson Construction, came before Council to give an update regarding the library. He reported that the earth work is done and hope to have the slab poured. He stated that everything seems to be going well and on track. Everything seems to be going smoothly. He provided council with a schedule. Mr. Jay White, Lillio Architects, reported they will go out and review to make sure that work matches what they drew. If there are any issues, they will notify County. He stated that they will be doing the same thing for the Health Department project. He stated that the draft has to be approved by the Department of Commerce. He stated that they will continue to monitor. Vice Chairman Hollingsworth wanted to know if the generator was in the plans for the health department. Mr. White stated that the connections were in place for a trailer connected generator. Council thanked Mr. Brunson and Mr. White for their reports.

APPOINTMENT(S)

There were no appointment(s).

RESOLUTION(S)/PROCLAMATIONS

**RESOLUTION REGARDING AN AMENDMENT TO THE JASPER COUNTY
MULTI-COUNTY PARK AGREEMENT WITH PROJECT HANDLER:**

Moved by Council Member Phillips, seconded by Council Member Smith, to adopt the Resolution Regarding Amendment to the Jasper County Multi-County Park Agreement with Project Handler. Motion carried unanimously.

ORDINANCE(S)

**THIRD READING TO ORDINANCE 2015-006, ORDINANCE TO TRANSFER
PROPERTY AND INFRASTRUCTURE IN THE LOWCOUNTRY REGIONAL
INDUSTRIAL PARK (LRIP) TO THE LOWCOUNTRY REGIONAL WATER SYSTEM
(LRWS):**

Chairman Williams asked Mr. Solomons, County Attorney, to explain the matter. Mr. Solomons stated that there were questions regarding the newly passed statue. He reported that rather than causing any doubt; the council will be reaffirming action taken by council at a previous meeting. **Moved** by Council Member Phillips, seconded by Vice Chairman Hollingsworth, to give third reading to Ordinance 2015-006, Ordinance to Transfer Property and Infrastructure in the Lowcountry Regional Industrial Park (LRIP) to the Lowcountry Regional Water System (LRWS).

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Motion carried.

BID(S)

There were no bid(s).

**COUNCIL'S BRIEFING(S)
DISCUSSION POINTS (COUNCIL MEMBERS):**

Chairman Williams

Chairman Williams stated that he will be attending the South Carolina Association of Counties County Council Coalition Fall meeting this week.

Council Member Smith

Council Member Smith reported that he is still working with Ms. Suzanne Peeples, Emergency Preparedness Director, and Administrator Dobson-Elliott regarding reviewing policies and procedures. He stated that he will also be attending the South Carolina Association of Counties County Council Coalition Fall meeting.

**REPORT(S) TO COUNCIL
ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:**

Municipal Meeting Reminder

Administrator Dobson-Elliott reminded council that the Hampton County Municipal Association Meeting is scheduled for October 26, 2015 at 6:00 p. m. and will be held at the Brunson Fire Station.

Courthouse Barriers

Administrator Dobson-Elliott stated the barriers are here. Will have to pour the concrete. This should be taken care of by the end of the week.

Appreciation to Suzanne Peeples, Emergency Preparedness Director

Administrator Dobson-Elliott thanked Ms. Peeples for her assistance at the Emergency Operations Center in Colleton County and for putting together the Open House and Dedication for the Miley Fire Station. Also for the coordination of the feeding for Mr. "Blue" Boltens funeral. She stated that they fed over 300.

Vice Chairman Hollingsworth stated that he wanted to thank Ms. Peeples for the training for disasters. He stated that it was very helpful. Chairman Williams thanked Ms. Peeples also.

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EXECUTIVE SESSION

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND PERSONNEL MATTERS:

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

REPORT OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND PERSONNEL MATTERS:

Moved by Council Member Phillips, seconded by Council Member Smith, to come out of executive session regarding economic development and personnel matters. Motion carried unanimously. Chairman Williams stated that council discussed several items regarding economic development and personnel.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Council Member Phillips, seconded by Vice Chairman Hollingsworth, to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously. Chairman Williams adjourned the meeting at 7:35 p. m.