

**HAMPTON COUNTY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY; JUNE 29, 2021; 5:35 P. M.
HAMPTON COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE CENTER
200 JACKSON AVENUE, EAST, HAMPTON, SOUTH CAROLINA**

Hampton County Council held a special meeting on Monday, June 29, 2021, 5:35 p. m. Council Member(s) present: Charles H. “Buddy” Phillips, Chairman; Darin Williams, Vice Chairman; Roy Hollingsworth; Clay Bishop and Noah O. Alexander. Council Member(s) absent: None. Staff present: Rose Dobson-Elliott, Administrator, Aline Newton, Clerk to Council. County Attorney. Staff absent: A. G. Solomons, Jr. Wilson Holland, Hampton County IT was present. The meeting was advertised as prescribed by law.

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Phillips called the meeting to order.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

INVOCATION:

Vice Chairman Williams gave the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Council Member Alexander.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

ADOPTION OF THE JUNE 29, 2021 HAMPTON COUNTY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA:

Chairman Phillips asked for action on June 29, 2021 agenda. **Moved** by Council Member Bishop, seconded by Council Member Hollingsworth, to approve the June 29, 2021 Special Meeting agenda with the following amendments: add Item #7, Executive Session and Item #7.1, Legal Matter Regarding the Town of Yemassee - 911 Dispatch; add Item #8, Report Out of Executive Session and 8.1. Legal Matter Regarding the Town of Yemassee - 911 Dispatch and Item #9, Adjournment. Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION(S)

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING (1) THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF A FEE IN LIEU OF TAX AND INCENTIVE AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN HAMPTON COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA (THE “COUNTY”) AND A COMPANY KNOWN TO THE COUNTY AS PROJECT LITE, ACTING FOR ITSELF, ONE OR MORE AFFILIATES, AND/OR OTHER PROJECT SPONSORS (COLLECTIVELY, THE “COMPANY”), PURSUANT TO WHICH THE COUNTY SHALL COVENANT TO ACCEPT CERTAIN NEGOTIATED FEES IN LIEU OF AD VALOREM TAXES WITH RESPECT TO THE ESTABLISHMENT AND/OR EXPANSION OF CERTAIN FACILITIES IN THE COUNTY (THE “PROJECT”); AND (2) OTHER

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MATTERS RELATING THERETO:

Moved by Council Member Bishop, seconded by Council Member Hollingsworth, to approve Resolution 5.1, A Resolution Authorizing (1) The Execution and Delivery of a Fee In Lieu of Tax and Incentive Agreement By and Between Hampton County, South Carolina (The "County") and a Company Known to the County as Project Lite, Acting for Itself, One or More Affiliates, and/or Other Project Sponsors (Collectively, The "Company"), Pursuant to Which the County Shall Covenant to Accept Certain Negotiated Fees In Lieu of Ad Valorem Taxes with Respect to the Establishment and/or Expansion of Certain Facilities in the County (The "Project"); and (2) Other Matters Relating Thereto.

ORDINANCE(S)

AMENDMENT TO THE SECOND READING OF THE HAMPTON COUNTY FISCAL YEAR BUDGET ORDINANCE TO REVISE SECTION :5 "THERE IS HEREBY LEVIED A TAX OF ___ MILS FOR THE SCHOOL DISTRICT." TO "THERE IS HEREBY LEVIED A TAX OF 288.1 MILS FOR THE SCHOOL DISTRICT.":

Moved by Council Member Bishop, seconded by Vice Chairman Williams, to approve 5.1, Amendment to the Second Reading of the Hampton County Fiscal Year Budget Ordinance (An Ordinance to Make Appropriations for Ordinary County Purposes for Hampton County for the Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 2021 and Ending June 30, 2022; To Provide for the Expenditures Thereof; and to Provide for the Revenues for the Payment Thereof) to revise Section: 5 "There is hereby levied a tax of ___ mils for the School District." to " There is hereby levied a tax of 288.1 mils for the School District." Motion carried with Council Member Alexander not voting.

FIRST READING BY TITLE ONLY TO AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING (1) THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF A FEE IN LIEU OF TAX AND INCENTIVE AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN HAMPTON COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA (THE "COUNTY"), AND A COMPANY KNOWN TO THE COUNTY AS PROJECT LITE, ACTING FOR ITSELF, ONE OR MORE AFFILIATES, AND/OR OTHER PROJECT SPONSORS (COLLECTIVELY, THE "COMPANY"), PURSUANT TO WHICH THE COUNTY SHALL COVENANT TO ACCEPT CERTAIN NEGOTIATED FEES IN LIEU OF AD VALOREM TAXES WITH RESPECT TO THE ESTABLISHMENT AND/OR EXPANSION OF CERTAIN FACILITIES IN THE COUNTY (THE "PROJECT"); AND (2) OTHER MATTERS RELATING THERETO:

Moved by Council Member Bishop, seconded by Vice Chairman Williams, to give first reading by title only to an Ordinance Authorizing (1) The Execution and Delivery of a Fee In Lieu of Tax and Incentive Agreement By and Between Hampton County, South Carolina (The "County"), and A Company Known to the County as Project Lite, Acting for Itself, One or More Affiliates, and/or Other Project Sponsors (Collectively, The Company"), Pursuant to Which the County Shall Covenant to Accept Certain Negotiated Fees in Lieu of Ad Valorem Taxes with Respect to the Establishment and/or Expansion of Certain Facilities in the County (The "Project"); and (2) Other Matters Relating Thereto. Motion carried

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unanimously.

SECOND READING TO ORDINANCE AUTHORISING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF A FEE-IN-LIEU OF TAX AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN HAMPTON COUNTY AND CANFOR, LLC, WHEREBY HAMPTON COUNTY WILL ENTER INTO A FEE-IN-LIEU OF TAXES ARRANGEMENT WITH CANFOR, LLC; PROVIDING FOR PAYMENT BY CANFOR, LLC OF CERTAIN FEES IN LIEU OF AD VALOREM TAXES; PROVIDING FOR CERTAIN SPECIAL SOURCE REVENUE OR INFRASTRUCTURE CREDITS; PROVIDING FOR THE ALLOCATION OF FEE-IN-LIEU OF TAXES PAID BY CANFOR, LLC, UNDER THE MASTER AGREEMENT FOR ESTABLISHMENT OF THE QUAD COUNTY INDUSTRIAL PARK I, PARK II, AND PARK III; AND OTHER MATTERS RELATING THERETO.

Moved by Council Member Bishop, seconded by Council Member Hollingsworth, to give second reading to an Ordinance Authorising the Execution and Delivery of a Fee-In-Lieu of Tax Agreement By and Between Hampton County and Canfor, LLC, Whereby Hampton County will Enter Into a Fee-In-Lieu of Taxes Arrangement with Canfor, LLC; Providing for Payment by Canfor, LLC of Certain Fees in Lieu of Ad Valorem Taxes; Providing for Certain Special Source Revenue or Infrastructure Credits; Providing for the Allocation of Fee-In-Lieu of Taxes Paid by Canfor, LLC, Under the Master Agreement for Establishment of the Quad County Industrial Park I, Park II, and Park III; and Other Matters Relating Thereto. Motion carried unanimously.

PRESENTATION

PRESENTATION TO THE HONORABLE TERESA HILL WILLIAMS, RETIRING HAMPTON COUNTY AUDITOR:

Chairman Phillips along with council members made presentations to the Honorable Teresa Hill Williams recognizing her dedicated service to Hampton County.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

LEGAL MATTER REGARDING THE TOWN OF YEMASSEE - 911 DISPATCH:

Moved by Council Member Bishop, seconded by Vice Chairman Williams, to go into executive session to discuss a legal matter regarding the Town of Yemassee – 911 Dispatch. Motion carried unanimously.

REPORT OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION

LEGAL MATTER REGARDING THE TOWN OF YEMASSEE - 911 DISPATCH:

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Moved by Council Member Bishop, seconded by Council Member Alexander, to come out of

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executive session concerning a legal matter regarding the Town of Yemassee – 911 Dispatch. Motion carried unanimously. Chairman Phillips reported that council discussed a legal matter regarding the Town of Yemassee – 911 Dispatch, and no action was taken.

ADJOURNMENT

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