

**HAMPTON COUNTY COUNCIL'S MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY; OCTOBER 15, 2018; 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 15, 2018, 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 and A. G. Solomons, Jr., County Attorney. Staff absent: None. Media present: Mr. Michael DeWitt, 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 OCTOBER 15, 2018 HAMPTON COUNTY MEETING AGENDA
AND CONSENT AGENDA:**

Moved by Vice Chairman Phillips, seconded by Council Member Smith, to approve the October 15, 2018 Consent Agenda and Agenda to include the changes. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARING(S)

There were no public hearing(s).

PUBLIC COMMENT(S)

**MR. ALBERT WIGGINS REGARDING INVITATION TO HAMPTON COUNTY
COUNCIL AND ADMINISTRATOR TO VIETNAM VETERANS COMEMORATION
AT THE HAMPTON COUNTY NATIONAL GUARD ARMORY ON OCTOBER 18, 2018:**
Mr. Wiggins came before council to invite Council and extend an invitation to the Hampton County Administration to the Vietnam Veterans Commemoration to be held at the Hampton County National Guard Armory on October 18, 2018.

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MR. ARTHUR RUTH REGARDING BROOKER DRIVE:

Mr. Williams came before council regarding the condition of the road, Brooker Drive. He explained that they have been trying to get the road paved for the last 25 years. He explained that the people who live on this road have nice homes and cars and the condition of the road is causing problems. Council asked Administrator Dobson-Elliott to check into the matter and report to council. Chairman Hollingsworth explained that council is not responsible for paving of roads; the Hampton County Legislative Delegation is responsible for appointing that board. **Moved** by Vice Chairman Phillips, seconded by Council Member Williams, to ask that the County Administrator write a letter to the Hampton County Transportation Committee on behalf of the residents of Brooker Drive to accompany their petition to the Hampton County Transportation Committee and that the Administrator Dobson-Elliott follow up on it. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

**HAMPTON COUNTY COUNCIL'S SEPTEMBER 4, 2018 MEETING MINUTES, AND
HAMPTON COUNTY COUNCIL'S OCTOBER 1, 2018 MEETING MINUTES:**

Moved by Vice Chairman Phillips, seconded by Council Member Williams, to approve the September 4, 2018 and the October 1, 2018 Hampton County Council meeting minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

PRESENTATION(S)

MRS. DAWN STUCKEY, CLEMSON EXTENSION, UPDATE:

Ms. Stuckey and Ms. Karissa Ulmer of Clemson extension came before council. Ms. Ulmer explained that she was there to give the presentation on behalf of Ms. Stuckey since she had laryngitis. Ms. Ulmer explained that Clemson received a grant from the CDC (Center for Disease Control), Grant with MUSC to partner with Clemson Extension regarding fresh fruits in schools, etc., recognized volunteers, A. G. Jarrell and parent volunteer, Ms. Rice and Kathryn Ryan.

MS. BETTY RUTH CREWS REGARDING OLD NATIONAL GUARD ARMORY:

Ms. Betty Ruth Crews came before council regarding clean up around Old National Guard Armory. She explained that she came before council on the February 5, 2018 – Save Armory, April 2, 2018 – Did not get to speak because council went into executive session and could not stay, May 31, 2018, Requested clean up because of Watermelon Festival – Old broken down truck still there. She explained that the rainy summer, weeds and trees and clean old Jail on 601. Ms. Crews commented that she would like to see the clean up around the Old National Guard Armory. Chairman Hollingsworth asked if she had gotten the committee together for the trying to renovate the armory. Ms. Crews explained that her doctor told her that she cannot take on any more projects. Council thanked Ms. Crews.

MS. LINDA HOLLIS OF INOVA PAD:

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Mr. Gregg Cook, Hampton County Rural Fire Chief, came before council to present Ms. Linda Hollis of Inova Pad. Ms. Hollis came before council to present the product to make help fire department recover their expenses; the company would take a percentage. Reporting would be by iPad voice to text, etc. Council thanked Ms. Hollis for her presentation.

MS. NANCY MORGAN, HELPING HANDS:

Ms. Nancy Morgan of Helping Hands came before council to thank them for the support and updated council on the projects completed in Hampton County. Chairman Hollingsworth thanked Ms. Morgan; he commented that he has heard so much good things about Helping Hands.

APPOINTMENT(S)

There were no appointment(s).

RESOLUTION(S)/PROCLAMATION(S)

**COUNCIL MEMBER WILLIAMS REQUESTED THAT RESOLUTIONS BE ADOPTED
TO NAME THE CLEMSON EXTENSION BUILDING IN HONOR OF
REPRESENTATIVE WILLIAM K. "BILL" BOWERS AND THE ESTTILL LIBRARY IN
HONOR OF THE LATE VIRGIN JOHNSON, SR. FOR HIS PUBLIC SERVICE AND
CONTRIBUTIONS TO EDUCATION:**

Council Member Williams asked that the resolutions be adopted to honor Representative Williams K. "Bill" Bowers and late Virgin Johnson, Sr. for his their public service and contributions to education and Hampton County. Chairman Hollingsworth explained that council needs to get a resolution that would set guidelines for naming buildings, etc. Council Member Williams explained that council has named other buildings. Council Member Williams explained that May 2, 2005 a building was named. Chairman Hollingsworth explained that there is no policy in place. A process can be adopted but Council can name these buildings. Council Member Williams explained that other buildings have been named, and there was no policy.

Moved by Council Member Williams, seconded by Council Member Winn, to adopt the resolution to name the Clemson Extension Building in honor of Representative William K. "Bill" Bowers and the Estill Library in honor of the Late Virgin Johnson, Sr. for his public service and contributions to education. Motion failed with Council Members Williams and Winn voting in favor and Council Members Hollingsworth, Phillips and Smith voting against. Vice Chairman Phillips explained that he was not voting against the people but policy.

ORDINANCE(S)

There were no ordinance(s).

BID(S)

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There were no bid(s).

COUNCIL'S BRIEFING(S)

COUNTY ATTORNEY'S UPDATE:

County Attorney Solomons reported:

- Lots of paperwork World Energy Got Packet – Estill (Old Ecogy) Contract
- Contract for the purchase of the Old Ruth Jones Dialysis Center (He sent council by e-mail)
- CSX Railroad by SCDOR tax calculations- This could affect Hampton County – Auditor sent the same letter. The matter is sitting at the District Court.
- NUPI Refinancing
- No developments in other litigations

CLERK'S UPDATE:

There was no update.

REPORT(S) TO COUNCIL

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:

Municipal Meeting

Administrator Dobson-Elliott announced that Hampton County will be hosting the Municipal meeting on October 22, 2018 at 6:00 p. m.

Personnel Update

Administrator Dobson-Elliott presented the personnel update.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT UPDATE BY MR. BRANTLEY STRICKLAND,
HAMPTON COUNTY PROJECT MANAGER, SOUTHERNCAROLINA ALLIANCE:**

Moved by Council Member Smith, seconded by Vice Chairman Phillips, to go into executive session to discuss an Economic Development Update by Mr. Brantley Strickland, Hampton County Project Manager, SouthernCarolina Alliance. Motion carried by Council Members Hollingsworth, Phillips and Smith voting in favor and Council Member Winn abstaining.

REPORT OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT UPDATE BY MR. BRANTLEY STRICKLAND,
HAMPTON COUNTY PROJECT MANAGER, SOUTHERNCAROLINA ALLIANCE:**

Moved by Vice Chairman Phillips, seconded by Council Member Smith, to come out of executive session concerning an Economic Development Update from Mr. Brantley Strickland, Hampton County Project Manager, SouthernCarolina Alliance. Motion carried by Council

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Members Hollingsworth, Phillips and Smith voting in favor and Council Member Winn abstaining.

ADJOURNMENT

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