

**HAMPTON COUNTY COUNCIL'S MEETING MINUTES  
MONDAY; JULY 16, 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, July 16, 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: None. 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 JUNE 18, 2018 HAMPTON COUNTY MEETING AGENDA AND CONSENT AGENDA:**

Chairman Hollingsworth asked that Items #6.1, 9.3, 10.1.1, 10.2.1 and 10.3.4 be removed. Moved by Vice Chairman Phillips, seconded by Council Member Smith, to approve the July 16, 2018 Consent Agenda and Agenda with recommended changes. Motion carried unanimously.

**PUBLIC HEARING(S)**

**REAL ESTATE PURCHASE CONTRACT FOR PROPERTY WITH IMPROVEMENTS  
LOACTED AT PARTRIDGE LAND, SC-25-579, VARNVILLE, HAMPTON COUNTY,  
SOUTH CAROLINA IDENTIFIED BY TMS# 120-10-05-015 BY AND BETWEEN  
HAMPTON COUNTY AND VARNVILLE INVESTMENTS, LLC, A TENNESSEE  
LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY:**

Chairman Hollingsworth opened the public hearing to receive public comments on the Real Estate Purchase Contract for Property with improvements located at Partridge Lane, SCS-25-579, Varnville, Hampton County, South Carolina. Identified by TMS# 20-10-05-015 by and between Hampton County and Varnville Investments, LLC, a Tennessee Limited Liability Company. Council Member Winn was concerned that space in the building has been earmarked without space being designated for the coroner. Chairman Hollingsworth closed the public hearing.

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**HAMPTON COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA AIRPORT PROTECTION DISTRICT  
ORDINANCE:**

Chairman Hollingsworth opened the public hearing to receive public comments regarding the Hampton County, South Carolina Airport Protection District Ordinance. Mr. Darrin Williams had concerns regarding trees on the side of the airport coming off strip coming off Hwy 63. Mr. Randy Crews, Hampton County Building Inspector stated that they have gotten permission from owner to remove pine trees. He also had concerns to light up the airport, because there is a lot of traffic coming in. Administrator Dobson-Elliott commented that after the trees are cut, then the lights and fencing. Chairman Hollingsworth closed the public hearing.

**JASPER OCEAN TERMINAL/PROPOSED MULTI-COUNTY INDUSTRIAL PARK  
ORDINANCE:**

Chairman Hollings opened the public hearing to receive public comments regarding the Jasper Ocean Terminal/Proposed Multi-County Industrial Park Ordinance. Mr. Brantley Strickland, Project Manager, SouthernCarolina Alliance, explained that seven counties were involved and gave details regarding Hampton County's role in this venture. There were no public comments. Chairman Hollingsworth closed the public hearing.

**USDA HAMPTON COUNTY APPLICATION FOR PURCHASE OF RUTH JONES  
DIALYSIS BUILDING:**

Chairman Hollingsworth opened the public hearing regarding USDA Hampton County Application for Purchase of Ruth Jones Dialysis Building. Administrator Dobson-Elliott explained that the application is for \$300,000 to purchase and make any renovations. Chairman Hollingsworth closed the public hearing.

**PUBLIC COMMENT(S)**

**MR. DARRELL RUSSELL:**

Mr. Russell came before council and wanted to know their opinions and validity of the majority of council.

**COUNCIL MEMBER WINN REGARDING TIN CAN ROAD:**

Council Member Winn came before council and commented that he was contacted about Tin Can Road. Council Member Winn reported on the condition of the road.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Council deferred approval of the minutes.

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**PRESENTATION(S)**

**MRS. ANNETTE TUTEN, CHAIRMAN, HAMPTON COUNTY ARTS COUNCIL  
REGARDING FRIENDS OF THE ARTS BYLAWS:**

Mrs. Annette Tuten, Chairman, Hampton County Arts Council, came before council to request the adoption of the Friends of the Arts Bylaws. Chairman Hollingsworth explained that council reviewed the bylaws presented but would like to see changes in certain items for clarification.

Council will submit changes for Mrs. Tuten to take back to the Hampton County Arts Council for review and approval.

**GULLAH/GEECHEE PROCLAMATION:**

Chairman Hollingsworth on behalf of Hampton County presented the Gullah/GeeChee Proclamation to Queen Quet. Queen Quet thanked everyone and invited the public to attend the activities and events for Gullah/GeeChee week. Council thanked Queen Quet.

**DR. VANESSA HARRIS, REGARDING BUSINESS, MAJOR CHANGE:**

Dr. Vanessa Harris, Regarding Business, Major Change, was not present. She sent notification.

**APPOINTMENT(S)**

**HAMPTON COUNTY PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY COMMISSION:**

Council voted by ballot to appoint Daniel Anderson III (Cummings, Early Branch and Yemassee Region) and Deitre Lawton (At-Large) to the Hampton County Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission.

**HAMPTON COUNTY LIBRARY BOARD:**

Council voted by ballot to appoint Annette Dimond to the Hampton County Library Board.

**RESOLUTION(S)/PROCLAMATION(S)**

**A RESOLUTION GRANTING AN EXTENSION OF THE INVESTMENT PERIOD FOR  
NUPI AMERICAS, INC. IN THAT FEE-IN-LIEU OF AD VALOREM TAXES  
AGREEMENT WITH HAMPTON COUNTY, DATED OCTOBER 21, 2015, PURSUANT  
TO SECTION 12-44-30(13), CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, AS  
AMENDED, AND OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO:**

**Moved** by Vice Chairman Phillips, seconded by Council Member Smith, to adopt a Resolution granting an extension of the investment period for NUPI Americas, Inc. In that Fee-in lieu of Ad Valorem Taxes Agreement with Hampton County, dated October 21, 2015, pursuant to section 12-44-30(13), Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, as amended, and other matters related thereto. Motion carried unanimously.

**INDUCEMENT RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR AN INCENTIVE AND INDUCEMENT  
AGREEMENT BETWEEN HAMPTON COUNTY AND PROJECT GODFATHER:**

**Moved** by Vice Chairman Phillips, seconded by Council Member Smith, Inducement Resolution

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providing for an incentive and Inducement Agreement between Hampton County and Project Godfather. Motion carried with Council Members Hollingsworth, Phillips and Smith voting in favor and Council Members Williams and Winn voting in opposition.

**ORDINANCE(S)**

**HAMPTON COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA AIRPORT PROTECTION DISTRICT**

**ORDIANCE:**

**Moved** by Council Member Williams, seconded by Council Member Smith, to give third reading to the Hampton County, South Carolina Airport Protection District Ordinance with including that county. Motion carried unanimously.

**JASPER OCEAN TERMINAL/PROPOSED MULTI-COUNTY INDUSTRIAL PARK**

**ORDINANCE:**

**Moved** by Council Member Vice Chairman Williams, seconded by Council Member Phillips, to give third reading to the Jasper Ocean Terminal/Proposed Multi-County Industrial Park Ordinance. Motion carried unanimously.

**FRIENDS OF THE ARTS BYLAWS:**

**Moved** by Council Member Smith, seconded by Vice Chairman Phillips to give first reading to the Friends of the Arts Bylaws with changes. **Moved** by Council Member Williams, seconded by Council Member Williams to amend the motion to have discussion with the Hampton County Arts Council regarding the Friends of the Arts Bylaws. Motion carried unanimously. Chairman Hollingsworth restated that motion with the amendment that to give first reading to the Friends of the Arts Bylaws with changes and for council to have discussion with the Hampton County Arts Council regarding the Friends of the Arts Bylaws. Motion carried unanimously.

**AN ORDINANCE ENLARGING THE BOUNDARIES OF THE QUAD-COUNTY  
INDUSTRIAL PARK I, PARK II, AND PARK III WITH BAMBERG COUNTY AND  
ALLENDALE COUNTY TO INCLUDE PROPERTY OWNED OR OPERATED BY NUPI  
AMERICAS, INC.; AND OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO:**

**Moved** by Vice Chair Phillips, seconded by Council Member Smith, to give first reading to an Ordinance Enlarging the Boundaries of the Quad-County Industrial Park I, Park II, and Park III with Bamberg County, Barnwell County and Allendale County to include property owned or operated by or to be owned or operated by NUPI Americas, Inc.; and other matters related thereto. Motion carried with Council Members Hollingsworth, Phillips, Smith and Williams voting in favor and Council Member Winn against.

**AIR METHODS LEASE:**

**Moved** by Vice Chairman Phillips and seconded by Council Member Smith, to give first reading by title only Air Methods Lease. Council Member Williams had discussion as to how the county can lease before the purchase. Also, wanted to make sure that the coroner is included. Administrator Dobson-Elliott commented that the lease only applies to Air Methods. Motion carried unanimously.

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**FIRST READING BY TITLE ONLY TO AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF AN INFRASTRUCTURE CREDIT AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN HAMPTON COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA AND PROJECT GODFATHER PROVIDING FOR A PAYMENT OF A SPECIAL SOURCE REVENUE CREDIT AND OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO:**

**Moved** Vice Chairman Phillips seconded by Council Member Smith, to give first reading by title only to an Ordinance authorizing the execution and delivery of an infrastructure credit agreement by and between Hampton County, South Carolina and Project Godfather providing for a payment of a special source revenue credit and other matters related thereto. Motion carried with Council Members Hollingsworth, Phillips voting in favor and Council Members Williams and Winn voting against.

**BID(S)**

There were no bid(s).

**COUNCIL'S BRIEFING(S)**

**COUNTY ATTORNEY'S UPDATE:**

There was no update.

**CLERK'S UPDATE:**

There was no update from the clerk.

**REPORT(S) TO COUNCIL**

**ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:**

**Randy Crews, Building Inspector, Hampton County, Regarding Planning Commission Having Forums Concerning Unified Land Development Ordinance**

Administrator Dobson Elliott asked Mr. Crews to give report. Mr. Crews came before council to propose that they do public hearings around the county regarding Land Use Ordinance. He explained he felt that if people were educated, they would understand the proposed changes. Mr. Clay Bishop, Chairman, Hampton County Planning Commission stood to inform council that the Planning Commission was unaware of the proposal that was presented. Administrator Dobson-Elliott and Mr. Crews explained that this was just a proposal. reported the positions and departments in which the county gained and lost employees. Chairman Hollingsworth thanked Mr. Crews for his presentation.

**Ms. Suzanne Peeples, Director, Emergency Management, Update on Pocotaligo Road**

Ms. Peeples came before council and gave an update on Pocotaligo Road. She explained that SCDDOT was performing field work. She explained that when they completed the field work they will issue their findings. She explained that she will keep council updated.

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**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**LEGAL MATTER REGARDING:**

**Moved** by Council Member Smith, seconded by Vice Chairman Phillips, to go into executive session to discuss legal matter(s) regarding personnel. Motion carried unanimously.

**REPORT OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**LEGAL MATTER REGARDING:**

**Moved** by Council Member Smith, seconded by Vice Chairman Phillips, to come out of executive session regarding a legal matter(s) regarding personnel. Motion carried unanimously. Chairman Hollingsworth reported that Council was updated regarding an accident involving a county vehicle.

**ADJOURNMENT**

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

**Minutes Respectfully Submitted By:**

Aline Newton, Clerk to Council

**Hampton County Council Members:**

Roy Hollingsworth, Chairman  
Charles H. Phillips, Vice Chairman  
Shedron D. Williams  
Isaac Smith  
Ronald G. Winn