

**HAMPTON COUNTY COUNCIL VIRTUAL MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY; AUGUST 17, 2020; 6:00 P. M.
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, HAMPTON COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE CENTER
200 JACKSON AVENUE, EAST, HAMPTON, SC**

Hampton County Council held its regularly scheduled meeting virtually on Monday, August 17, 2020, 6:00 p. m., Council Chambers, Hampton County Administrative Center, Hampton, South Carolina. Council Member(s) present: Clay Bishop, Chairman; Charles H. "Buddy" Phillips, Vice Chairman; Roy Hollingsworth, Ronald G. "Breeze" Winn, and Darin Williams. Council Member(s) absent: None. Staff present: Rose Dobson-Elliott, Administrator and Aline Newton, Clerk to Council and A. G. Solomons, Jr., County Attorney. Staff absent: None. Wilson Holland, Hampton County Information Technology Director and Brantley Strickland, Hampton County Project Manager, were present. Media present: None. The meeting was advertised as prescribed by law.

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Bishop called the virtual meeting to order.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

INVOCATION:

Council Member Winn gave the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Council Member Hollingsworth.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

**ADOPTION OF THE AUGUST 17, 2020 HAMPTON COUNTY VIRTUAL MEETING
AGENDA AND CONSENT AGENDA:**

Chairman Bishop asked that Item 8.1 be struck from the agenda. He informed council that Darryl Russell called him and asked that it be removed from the agenda. **Moved** by Vice Chairman Phillips, seconded by Council Member Hollingsworth, to approve the August 17, 2020 Hampton County Council Meeting agenda and consent agenda as stated. Motion carried unanimously.

Council Members' votes:

Roy Hollingsworth – Aye
Charles H. "Buddy" Phillips – Yes
Darin Williams – Yes
Ronald Winn – Yes
Clay Bishop – Aye

PUBLIC HEARING(S)

There were no public hearing(s).

PUBLIC COMMENTS

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Due to the COVID-19 Threat, public comments will be accepted in writing via email to the Clerk to Council at anewton@hamptoncountysc.org (Please place in the subject line Public Comments 08/17/2020 or mail to the Hampton County Council's Office at 200 Jackson Ave., E., Hampton, SC 29924. All comments must be received by noon on Monday, August 17, 2020, and will be presented to Council at the meeting. Public comment guidelines will apply. Chairman Bishop commented that there were no public comments received.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

AUGUST 3, 2020 HAMPTON COUNTY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES:

Chairman Bishop asked for a motion to approve the minutes. **Moved** by Council Member Williams, seconded by Vice Chairman Phillips, to approve the August 3, 2020 Hampton County Council Special Meeting Minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

Council Members' votes:

Roy Hollingsworth – Yes
Charles H. “Buddy” Phillips – Yes
Darin Williams – Yes
Ronald Winn – Yes
Clay Bishop – Yes

PRESENTATION(S)

MR. MICHAEL BUTLER, WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR, LOWCOUNTRY COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS (LCOG) REGARDING THE LOWCOUNTRY WORKFORCE AREA – SOUTH CAROLINA WORKFORCE INNOVATION AND OPPORTUNITY ACT (WIOA) LOCAL WORKFORCE PLAN (JULY 1, 2020-JUNE 30, 2024) AND THE WORKFORCE INNOVATION AND OPPORTUNITY ACT REGIONAL PLAN (JULY 1, 2020 – JUNE 30, 2023):

Mr. Michael Butler, Workforce Development Director, Lowcountry Council of Governments (LCOG), came before council to present the Lowcountry Workforce Area – South Carolina Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) Local Workforce Plan (July 1, 2020 – June 30, 2024) and Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act Regional Plan (July 1, 2020 – June 30, 2023). Mr. Butler informed council if they had any questions or comments regarding the plan that they can email or call him.

APPOINTMENT(S)

There were no appointment(s).

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RESOLUTION(S)/PROCLAMATION(S)

INDUCEMENT RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR A SPECIAL SOURCE REVENUE CREDIT BETWEEN HAMPTON COUNTY AND PROJECT CLEAN:

Moved by Council Member Williams, seconded by Council Member Hollingsworth, to approve the Inducement Resolution Providing for a Special Source Revenue Credit Between Hampton County and Project Clean. Motion carried unanimously.

Council Members' votes:

Roy Hollingsworth – Yes
Charles H. “Buddy” Phillips – Yes
Darin Williams – Yes
Ronald Winn – Yes
Clay Bishop – Yes

ORDINANCE(S)

ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF AN INFRASTRUCTURE CREDIT AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN HAMPTON COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA AND PROJECT CLEAN PROVIDING FOR A PAYMENT OF A SPECIAL SOURCE REVENUE CREDIT AND OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO. (PROJECT CLEAN):

Mr. Brantley Strickland, Senior Project Manager, SouthernCarolina Alliance, came before council and stated that this ordinance is basically the tax abatement portion. It is for five years and all the numbers were agreed upon by both sides. **Moved** by Vice Chairman Phillips, seconded by Council Member Hollingsworth, to give first reading to the Ordinance Authorizing the Execution and Delivery of an Infrastructure Credit Agreement By and Between Hampton County, South Carolina and Project Clean Providing for a Payment of a Special Source Revenue Credit and Other Matters Related Thereto. (Project Clean). Council Member Winn wanted to know with the shortening of the years will the payment be spread out over five years. Mr. Strickland affirmed that they would. Motion carried unanimously.

Council Members' votes:

Roy Hollingsworth – Yes
Charles H. “Buddy” Phillips – Yes
Darin Williams – Yes
Ronald Winn – Yes
Clay Bishop – Yes

AMENDMENT TO AMENDED AND RESTATED MASTER AGREEMENT FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE QUAD-COUNTY INDUSTRIAL PARK I, PARK II AND PARK III (PROJECT CLEAN):

Moved by Council Member Hollingsworth, seconded by Vice Chairman Phillips, to give first reading to the Amendment to Amended and Restated Master Agreement for the Establishment of the Quad-County Industrial Park I, Park II, and Park III (Project Clean). Motion carried.

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Roy Hollingsworth – Yes
Charles H. “Buddy” Phillips – Yes
Darin Williams – (Could not hear response)
Ronald Winn – Yes
Clay Bishop – Yes

BID(S)

There were no bid(s).

COUNCIL BRIEFING(S)

CHAIRMAN’S UPDATE:

Chairman Bishop had nothing to report.

COUNTY ATTORNEY’S UPDATE:

The County Attorney had no update.

CLERK’S UPDATE:

The Clerk had no update.

REPORT(S) TO COUNCIL

ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT:

Administrator Dobson-Elliott had nothing to report.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

DISCUSSION OF HAMPTON COUNTY GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE’S DECISION:

Moved by Vice Chairman Phillips, seconded by Council Member Hollingsworth, to go into executive session regarding discussion of the Hampton County Grievance Committee’s decision. Motion carried unanimously.

Council Members’ votes:

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REPORT OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION

DISCUSSION OF HAMPTON COUNTY GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE'S DECISION:

Moved by Council Member Williams, seconded by Vice Chairman Phillips, to come out of executive session regarding the discussion of the Hampton County Grievance Committee's decision. Motion carried unanimously.

Council Members' votes:

Roy Hollingsworth – Yes
Charles H. “Buddy” Phillips – Yes
Darin Williams – Yes
Ronald Winn – Yes
Clay Bishop – Yes

Chairman Bishop reported that the discussion of the Hampton County Grievance Committee's Decision was discussed. No action was taken.

ACTION REGARDING HAMPTON COUNTY GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE'S DECISION:

Moved by Council Member Hollingsworth, seconded by Vice Chairman Phillips, to accept the recommendation from the Hampton County Grievance Committee. Council Member Winn wanted to know why the employee was not present to give his side. Chairman Bishop commented that all council members received all findings. Motion carried.

Council Members' votes:

Roy Hollingsworth – Yes
Charles H. “Buddy” Phillips – Yes
Darin Williams – No
Ronald Winn – No
Clay Bishop – Yes

ADJOURNMENT

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

Council Members' votes:

Roy Hollingsworth - Yes
Charles H. “Buddy” Phillips - Yes
Darin Williams – Yes
Ronald Winn – Yes
Clay Bishop – Yes