

**HAMPTON COUNTY COUNCIL'S MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY; AUGUST 17, 2009; 6:00 P. M.
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, B. T. DeLOACH BUILDING
201 JACKSON AVENUE, WEST, HAMPTON, SC**

Hampton County Council held its regularly scheduled meeting on Monday, August 17, 2009, 6:00 p. m., Council Chambers, B. T. DeLoach Building, Hampton, South Carolina. Council Member(s) present: Hugh B. Gray, Chairman; Virgin Johnson, Sr.; Margaret S. "Peggy" Parker, Vice Chairman; Charles H. "Buddy" Phillips and Willard E. Wilson. Staff present: Sabrena Posey Graham, Administrator; Aline Newton, Clerk to Council and A. G. Solomons, Jr., County Attorney. Media present: Michael DeWitt, The Hampton County Guardian and Shellie Murdaugh, LowcountryUs.Net. The meeting was advertised as prescribed by law.

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Gray called the meeting to order.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

INVOCATION:

Council Member Johnson gave the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Council Member Wilson.

PUBLIC HEARING(S)

Chairman Gray opened the public hearing to receive comments on Ordinance #2009-006, an Ordinance authorizing the issuance and sale of a general obligation bond anticipation note, Series 2009, or such other appropriate series designation, of Hampton County, South Carolina (Hampton County Fire Protection District), in the principal amount of not to exceed \$1,850,000; fixing the form and details of the note; authorizing the County Administrator to prescribe certain details relating to the note; providing for the payment of the note and the disposition of the proceeds thereof, and other matters relating thereto. There were no public comments. Chairman Gray closed the public hearing.

PUBLIC COMMENT(S)

**MS. SANDY FOWLER, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR, INTRODUCED
MR. NORM BRADY, WESTVACO:**

Mr. Brady introduced himself and stated that he was glad to be here and hoped to bring industry to Hampton County.

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CONSENT AGENDA

- 5.1 Resolution for Quad-County Master Park Agreement Amendment -
- 5.2 Proclamation – 2010 Census Partner
- 5.3 Ordinance #2009-010, First Reading to ordinance to adopt the 2009 Comprehensive Plan
- ~~5.4 Ordinance #2009-011, Amendment to the Unified Land Development Ordinance~~
- 5.5 Ordinance #2009-012, Amendment to Ordinance #2009-005 and the Multi-County Industrial Park Agreement with Jasper County
- 5.6 Ordinance #2009-013, Proposed Amendment to Zoning Map

Moved by Council Member Parker, seconded by Council Member Wilson, to approve the Consent Agenda with the exception of Item #5.4, Ordinance #2009-011, Amendment to the Unified Land Development Ordinance. Motion carried unanimously.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

ADOPTION OF THE AUGUST 3, 2009 COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA:

Chairman Gray asked if there were any changes to the agenda. **Moved** by Council Member Phillips, seconded by Council Member Johnson, to adopt the agenda with the following revision(s): (1) Delete Item #11.2.1, Ordinance #2009-009 – Schedule, (2) Add Item #15.1.2, Economic Development Information, (3) Add Item #15.1.3, Personnel Matter. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

JULY 20, 2009 AND AUGUST 3, 2009 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES:

Chairman Gray stated that he reviewed the minutes. He asked for a motion to adopt. **Moved** by Council Member Phillips, seconded by Council Member Johnson, to approve the July 20, 2009 and the August 3, 2009 regular meeting minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

PRESENTATIONS

PRESENTATION OF CERTIFICATES TO APPOINTEES:

Chairman Gray presented Certificates of Appointments to Carole Anne Freeman and Dewise Richards.

APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

NEW LIFE CENTER BOARD:

Council accepted the resignation of Nancy Drawdy from the New Life Center Board and by secret ballot appointed Durena Marcum to the New Life Center Board.

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RESOLUTION(S)

Resolution adopted under Consent Agenda.

ORDINANCE(S)

THIRD READING TO ORDINANCE #2009-006, AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF A GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND ANTICIPATION NOTE, SERIES 2009, OR SUCH OTHER APPROPRIATE SERIES DESIGNATION, OF HAMPTON COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA (HAMPTON COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT), IN THE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF NOT TO EXCEED \$1,850,000, FIXING THE FORM AND DETAILS OF THE NOTE, AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR TO PRESCRIBE CERTAIL DETAILS RELATING TO THE NOTE, PROVIDING FOR THE PAYMENT OF THE NOTE AND THE DISPOSITION OF THE PROCEEDS THEREOF, AND OTHER MATTERS RELATING THERETO:

Moved by Council Member Phillips, seconded by Council Member Johnson, to give third reading to Ordinance #2009-006, An Ordinance authorizing the issuance and sale of a general obligation bond anticipation note, Series 2009, or such other appropriate series designation, of Hampton County, South Carolina (Hampton County Fire Protection District), in the principal amount of not to exceed \$1,850,000; fixing the form and details of the note; authorizing the County Administrator to prescribe certain details relating to the note; providing for the payment of the note and the disposition of the proceeds thereof, and other matters relating thereto. Motion carried unanimously.

FIRST READING TO ORDINANCE #2009-011, AMENDMENT TO THE UNIFIED LAND DEVELOPMENT ORDINANCE:

Mr. Crews, Building Inspector, came before council to explain the amendment to the Unified Land Development Ordinance. He stated that it was a recommendation of the Planning Commission to clean up and add verbiage to the Authority and Enactment Page referencing the right time and current titles of the State Code. **Moved** by Council Member Phillips, seconded by Council Member Wilson, to give first reading to .Ordinance #2009-011, Amendment to the Unified Land Development Ordinance. Motion carried with Council Member Johnson voting against.

BID(S)

There were no bid(s).

COUNCIL'S BRIEFING(S)

CHAIRMAN'S UPDATE (CHAIRMAN GRAY):
Chairman Gray gave his update. (See Attachment #4)

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COUNCIL'S DISCUSSION POINT(S):

There were no discussion point(s).

REPORTS TO COUNCIL

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:

Litter Report for July 2009

Administrator Graham presented the Litter Report as information. (See Attachment #2)

Fiscal Year 2008/2009 Budget Transfer Request

Moved by Council Member Phillips, seconded by Council Member Johnson, to approve the budget transfers as requested by Finance Director, Mike Mayer. Motion carried unanimously. (See Attachment #3)

Fourth Quarter 2008/2009 Financial Report

Mike Meyer, Finance Director, gave the Fourth Quarter 2008/2009 Financial Report. He stated that the numbers were unaudited, but the county's expenses appear to exceed budget by 1%. Council stated that this was good news compared to the economic climate. Council thanked Mr. Meyer for his report. (See Attachment #4)

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Moved by Council Member Johnson, seconded by Council Member Wilson, to go in to executive session to discuss a personnel matter and a legal matter. Motion carried. **Moved** by Council Member Phillips, seconded by Council Member Johnson, to come out of executive session. Motion carried unanimously. After coming out of executive session, Chairman Gray stated that council discussed the following:

- (1) Legal Matter(s) - An update was given on a legal matter regarding the courthouse expenses.
- (2) Economic Development Matter – An update was given by the Economic Development Director, Sandy Fowler.
- (3) Personnel Matter – Council Member Willard Wilson announced his retirement. His retirement will be effective August 21, 2009.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Council Member Johnson, seconded by Council Member Wilson, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously. Chairman Gray adjourned the meeting at 7:25 p. m.