

**HAMPTON COUNTY COUNCIL'S SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY; DECEMBER 7, 2009; 5:00 P. M.
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, B. T. DeLOACH BUILDING
201 JACKSON AVENUE, WEST, HAMPTON, SC**

Hampton County Council held a special meeting on Monday, December 7, 2009, 5:00 p. m., Council Chambers, B. T. DeLoach Building, Hampton, South Carolina. Council Member(s) present: Hugh B. Gray, Chairman; Virgin Johnson, Sr. and Charles H. "Buddy" Phillips. Council Member(s) absent: Margaret S. "Peggy" Parker, Vice Chairman. 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 TO ORDER:

Chairman Gray called the meeting to order.

INVOCATION:

Council Member Johnson gave the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Council Member Parker.

MEGA PARK RAILROAD CROSSING APPLICATION:

Mrs. Sandy Fowler, Hampton County Executive Director along with representatives from B. P. Barber, came before council to discuss a new railroad crossing entrance for MEAD Westvaco located in the MEGA Park. Mrs. Fowler stated that they have contracted with B. P. Barber to prepare and submit the application. Hampton County is asked to be the applicant to help expedite the process. **Moved** by Council Member Parker, seconded by Council Member Phillips, to be the applicant for the railroad crossing and to deal with CSX regarding the process. Motion carried unanimously.

FIRST READING TO MEGA PARK AGREEMENT:

Administrator Graham stated that since the development agreement dealt with a contract, it needed to be discussed in executive session. **Moved** by Council Member Phillips, seconded by Council Member Johnson, to go into executive session to discuss the MEGA Park Agreement. Motion carried unanimously. By general consensus, council convened into open session.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Council Member Johnson, seconded by Council Member Phillips, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously. Chairman Gray adjourned the meeting at 6:00 p. m.