

HAMPTON COUNTY COUNCIL'S SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

MONDAY; JUNE 28, 2010; 6:00 P. M.

COUNCIL CHAMBERS, B. T. DeLOACH BUILDING

201 JACKSON AVENUE, WEST, HAMPTON, SC

Hampton County Council held a special meeting on Monday, June 28, 2010, 6:00 p. m., Council Chambers, B. T. DeLoach Building, Hampton, South Carolina. Council Member(s) present: Hugh B. Gray, Chairman; Christopher B. Haulsee, Virgin Johnson, Sr., Chairman and Charles H. "Buddy" Phillips, 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 MEETING TO ORDER

CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Gray called the meeting to order.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

INVOCATION:

Chairman Gray gave the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chairman Gray.

Chairman Gray recognized General Leroy Pearson.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT MATTER:

Moved by Council Member Haulsee, seconded by Council Member Johnson, to go into executive session to discuss an economic development matter. Motion carried unanimously. **Moved** by Council Member Haulsee, seconded by Council Member Johnson, to come out of executive session. Motion carried unanimously. Chairman Gray state that council received information from Ms. Sandy Fowler, Economic Development Director, regarding the MEGA site.

PRESENTATION(S)

PRESENTATION REGARDING THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE GREATER YEMASSEE REGION (MR. NOEL THORN):

Mr. Thorn came before council and made a presentation regarding the development of a section

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of the Yemassee Region. He stated that the ACE Basin Task Force and SOLO Task force have been working together to develop this area. Mr. Thorn stated that the cooperation of all governments of the counties involved is needed to be successful. Mr. Thorn's request was to have an elected official to serve on the committee to discuss the development of this project.

Chairman Gray asked why an elected official was being asked to serve on the committee.

Mr. Thorn stated that they would be more apt to make decisions. Chairman Gray stated that if a council person served, they would still have to bring the issue back to council for action; a decision could not be made by that council representative. Also present was Mr. Wise Batten who disclosed that the Angel Tract in which he and John E. Parker are partners is part of this area to be developed. Mayor Goodwin and Members of the Yemassee Town Council were present. They requested more information regarding the presentation. Council also requested additional information regarding the presentation. Chairman Gray stated that council will take the presentation as information.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Council Member Johnson, seconded by Council Member Haulsee, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously. Chairman Gray adjourned the meeting at 7:35 p. m.