

**HAMPTON COUNTY COUNCIL'S MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY: OCTOBER 18, 2010; 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, October 18, 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., and Charles H. "Buddy" Phillips, Vice Chairman. Council Member(s) absent: Virgin Johnson, Sr. 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. 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 Council Member Phillips.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA:

Moved by Council Member Haulsee, seconded by Council Member Phillips, to adopt the Consent Agenda:

- 3.1.1 October 4, 2010 County Council's Meeting Minutes
- 3.1.2 Litter Report

and the Agenda with the following revision(s): (1) Add Item #11.5, Bid for Architectural Services, (2) Add Item #13.1.8, Stone Engraving Services Donated for Adding Names to the All Wars Memorial Monument. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARING(S)

There were no public hearing(s).

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PUBLIC COMMENT(S)

CITIZENS REGARDING WATER CIRCLE ROAD PAVING:

Mrs. Wendy Buchanan, Spokesperson for the Citizens from Water Circle Road and Mr. Henry Brunson, Spokesperson, The Pond Association (Water Circle Road), came before council to ask for their assistance in getting their road paved and also assistance in solving the drainage problem. Council stated that the Hampton County Transportation Committee which is appointed by the Legislative Delegation is the group that needs to be contacted regarding getting a road paved. After a short discussion, Ms. Buchanan asked Council what the next steps were to get their road paved and assistance with the drainage problem that also exit on the road. They stated that they have contacted the Transportation Committee, etc. and was told that the county is responsible for the road. Council explained that the Transportation Committee is responsible for paving roads. Council agreed to write a letter in support of the request of the citizens of Water Circle Road to Legislative Delegation.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes were approved under the Consent Agenda.

PRESENTATION(S)

There were no presentation(s).

APPOINTMENT(S) TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

There were no appointment(s).

RESOLUTION(S)

LOWCOUNTRY REGIONAL MITIGATION PLAN:

Moved by Council Member Phillips, seconded by Council Member Haulsee, to adopt the resolution regarding the Lowcountry Regional Mitigation Plan. Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION FOR FUNDING THE MATCH MONEY TO OBTAIN FUNDS FROM THE CONTINGENCY FUND FOR THE PURCHASE OF VEHICLES FOR THE 2010-2011 YEAR FOR THE COUNCIL ON AGING:

Moved by Council Member Phillips, seconded by Council Member Haulsee, to adopt the resolution for funding the match money to obtain funds from the Contingency Fund for the purchase of vehicles for the 2010-2011 Year for Council on Aging. Motion carried unanimously.

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ORDINANCE(S)

ORDINANCE #2010-018, AMENDMENT TO THE 2010-2011 FIRE DISTRICT BUDGET:
Moved by Council Member Phillips, seconded by Council Member Haulsee, to give first reading to Ordinance #2010-018, Amendment to the 2010-2011 Fire District Budget. Motion carried unanimously.

ORDINANCE #2010-019, FIRST READING BY TITLE ONLY TO AMEND ORDINANCE #2010-007, AGREEMENT FOR HOUSING MUNICIPAL PRISONERS:

Moved by Council Member Haulsee, seconded by Council Member Phillips, to give first reading to Ordinance #2010-019, First Reading by Title Only to Amend Ordinance #2010-007, Agreement for Housing Municipal Prisoners. Motion carried unanimously.

ORDINANCE #2010-020, FIRST READING BY TITLE ONLY TO CREATE THE HAMPTON COUNTY TOURISM AND MARKETING ADVISORY BOARD:

Moved by Council Member Haulsee, seconded by Council Member Phillips, to give first reading by title only to Ordinance #2010-020, Creation of the Hampton County Tourism and Marketing Advisory Board. Motion carried unanimously.

BID(S)

BID FOR 30 (THIRTY) YARD CONTAINERS:

Moved by Council Member Phillips, seconded by Council Member Haulsee, to award the bid for the 30 Yard Containers to Bakers Waste Equipment in the amount of \$109,260 (one hundred nine thousand, two hundred sixty dollars). Motion carried unanimously. (See Attachment #1)

BID FOR CONTAINER HANDLING TRUCK AND HOOK LIFT SYSTEM:

Moved by Council Member Phillips, seconded by Council Member Haulsee, to award the bid for the Container Handling Truck and Hook Lift System to Bunch Truck Equipment for \$141,500 (one hundred forty-one thousand, five hundred dollars). Motion carried unanimously. (See Attachment #2)

AWARDING OF BID FOR LEASE PURCHASE FINANCING OF CAPITAL EQUIPMENT:

Mr. Mike Meyer, Finance Director, came before council to present the Lease Purchase Agreement. Mr. Meyer stated that there would be a three (3) year Lease Purchase used to purchase the capital equipment which includes: two ambulances, fifteen waste containers and one truck. He stated that at the end of the lease, the county would own the equipment for one dollar (\$1). He stated that the Lease Purchase is not to exceed \$435,330 (four hundred thirty-five thousand, three hundred thirty dollars). Mr. Meyer stated that the low bidder was TD Equipment Finance at a rate of 1.97 percent. Chairman Gray asked where the company was based. Mr. Meyer stated that it was based in Toronto Dominion in Canada, but they just acquired Carolina First on Hilton Head Island. He stated that they had a triple A rating with Moody's and the bond counselor gave a good recommendation. **Moved** by Council Member Haulsee, seconded by Council Member Phillips, to award the bid for financing the capital equipment to TD Equipment Finance at a rate of 1.97 percent

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with the purchase not to exceed \$435,330 (four hundred thirty-five thousand, three hundred thirty dollars) and to adopt the resolution for the three year lease-purchase financing to the lowest qualified bidder, TD Equipment Finance. Motion carried unanimously. (See Attachment #3)

BID FOR 2011 AMBULANCES:

Moved by Council Member Haulsee, seconded by Council Member Phillips, to award the bid for two 2011 ambulances to Custom Trucks and Body Works, Inc., lowest qualified bidder, for \$213,730 (two hundred thirteen thousand, seven hundred thirty dollars). Motion carried unanimously. (See Attachment #4)

**BID FOR ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES FOR THE B. T. DeLOACH BUILDING
RENOVATION PROJECT:**

Moved by Council Member Phillips, seconded by Council Member Haulsee, to authorize the staff to negotiate an acceptable contract for architectural services for the B. T. DeLoach Building Renovation Project. Motion carried unanimously. (See Attachment #5)

COUNCIL'S BRIEFING(S)

CHAIRMAN'S UPDATE (CHAIRMAN GRAY):

Chairman Gray gave his update. (See Attachment #2)

COUNCIL'S DISCUSSION POINT(S):

There were no discussion point(s).

CODIFICATION UPDATE:

The Clerk to Council gave an update regarding the codification project. The next report is due in January.

REPORTS TO COUNCIL

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:

Southern Carolina Commerce Park Property for Speculative Building (Ms. Sandy Fowler, Executive Director, Economic Development Commission)

Moved by Council Member Phillips, seconded by Council Member Haulsee, to adopt the resolution and enter into an agreement for the purchase of 13.961 acres of land in the Southern Carolina Commerce Park. Motion carried unanimously. (See Attachment #6)

Old Armory Building (Former Public Works Building)

Mr. Blake Hodge, Public Works Director, made a presentation to council regarding the condition of the building located behind the armory. Council referred the matter to the Buildings and Grounds Committee.

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Road Closure (Part of Lee Avenue) for Library Parking

Mr. Blake Hodge presented to council an alternative to closing part of Lee Avenue for Library Parking. Council asked staff to Proceed with the original request. (See Attachment #7)

Introduction of the New Detention Center Administrator, Mr. Kelvin Jones

Administrator Graham introduced Mr. Kelvin Jones, Detention Center Administrator to Council. Mr. Jones told council a little about himself and his journey to the position of Detention Center Director.

Savings Report

Administrator Graham reported a savings at the jail with renegotiated contracts, etc.

2010-2011 Financial Quarterly Report

Mr. Meyer, Finance Director, gave the 2010-2011 Financial Quarterly Report. (See Attachment #8)

Stone Engraving Services Donated for Adding Names to the All Wars Memorial Monument

Mr. Steve Rushing will donate his skills for stone engraving to add names to the All Wars Memorial. Council accepted Mr. Mason's donation. **Moved** by Council Member Haulsee, seconded by Council Member Phillips, to accept the service as donated by Mr. Rushing to the All Wars Memorial Advisory Committee. Motion carried unanimously.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

LEGAL MATTER(S):

Moved by Council Member Haulsee, seconded by Council Member Phillips, to go into executive session to discuss legal matters. Motion carried unanimously. **Moved** by Council Member Haulsee, seconded by Council Member Phillips, to come out of executive session. Motion carried unanimously. Chairman Gray reported that the Mr. Solomons, County Attorney, updated council on three legal matters in which the county was involved.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Council Member Phillips, seconded by Council Member Haulsee, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously. Chairman Gray adjourned the meeting at 8:03 p. m.