

**HAMPTON COUNTY COUNCIL'S SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY; JULY 11, 2011; 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, July 11, 2011, 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. and Charles H. "Buddy" Phillips, Vice Chairman and Shedron Williams. Staff present: Michael Meyer, Finance and Human Resource Director, Acting 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 Council Member Williams.

RESOLUTION(S)

RESOLUTION AGREEING TO THE RESPONSIBILITIES AND REQUIREMENTS OF THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE (USDA) RURAL BUSINESS ENTERPRISE GRANT (RBEG) IN THE AMOUNT OF \$75,000:

Mr. Mike Meyer, Finance Director, came before council to present an opportunity for council to establish a revolving loan fund to assist in rural business enterprise. Mr. Furman, Representative, USDA was present. **Moved** by Council Member Haulsee, seconded by Council Member Williams, to adopt the Resolution Agreeing to the responsibilities and requirements of the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Rural Business Enterprise Grant (RBEG) in the Amount of \$75,000 (Seventy-five thousand dollars). Motion carried unanimously.

ORDINANCE(S)

FIRST READING BY TITLE ONLY TO ORDINANCE #2011-013, ACCEPTANCE OF THE GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS IN THE FORM OF A PROMISSORY NOTE FOR \$500,000 FROM THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE (USDA):

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Moved by Council Member Phillips, seconded by Council Member Haulsee, to give first reading by Title Only to Ordinance #2011-013, Acceptance of the General Obligation Bonds in the Form of a Promissory Note for \$500,000 (Five hundred thousand dollars) from the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA). Motion carried unanimously. The loan is interest free and is to be paid back in ten years.

APPOINTMENT(S)

APPOINTMENT TO THE LOWCOUNTRY COMMUNITY ACTION AGENCY BOARD:
Council voted by secret ballot to appoint Marcella Brown and Lawrence Shaw to the Lowcountry Community Action Agency Board.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Council Member Haulsee, seconded by Council Member Williams, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously. Chairman Gray adjourned the meeting at 8:50 a. m.

Minutes Respectfully Submitted By:

Aline Newton, Clerk to Council

Hampton County Council Members:

Hugh B. Gray, Chairman

Charles H. Phillips, Vice Chairman

Christopher B. Haulsee

Virginia Johnson, Sr.

Shedron Williams