

**HAMPTON COUNTY COUNCIL'S MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY; NOVEMBER 7, 2016; 6:00 P. M.
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, HAMPTON COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE CENTER
200 JACKSON AVENUE, EAST, HAMPTON, SC**

Hampton County Council held its regular meeting on Monday, November 7, 2016, 6:00 p. m., Council Chambers, Hampton County Administrative Center, Hampton, South Carolina. Council Member(s) present: Christopher B. Haulsee, Roy Hollingsworth, Vice Chairman; Charles H. "Buddy" Phillips, and Shedron D. Williams, Chairman. Council Member(s) absent: Isaac Smith. Staff present: Rose Dobson-Elliott, Administrator, Aline Newton, Clerk to Council and A. G. Solomons, Jr., County Attorney. Media present: Hampton County Guardian. The meeting was advertised as prescribed by law.

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Williams called the meeting to order.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

INVOCATION:

Vice Chairman Hollingsworth gave the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Council.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

ADOPTION OF THE OCTOBER 3, 2016 HAMPTON COUNTY AGENDA AND CONSENT AGENDA:

Moved by Council Member Haulsee, seconded by Council Member Smith, to accept the Consent Agenda

3.1.1 September 19, 2016 Hampton County Council Meeting Minutes

3.1.2 ~~October 3, 2016 Hampton County Council Meeting Minutes~~

3.1.3 ~~October 17, 2016 Hampton County Council Meeting Minutes~~

and the November 7, 2016 Hampton County Council Meeting Agenda with the following revisions:

(1) Add Item #7.1, Presentation by Ms. Mary Kay Maxwell, SouthernCarolina Alliance, (2) Delete Item # 10.2.1, Second Reading to Project Rhodes, (3) Defer Items 3.1.2 and 3.1.3. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARING(S)

THIRD READING TO ORDINANCE 2016-003, AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THAT CERTAIN AGREEMENT FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF A JOINT COUNTY INDUSTRIAL PARK BETWEEN COLLETON COUNTY AND HAMPTON COUNTY TO ADD J&L WIRE, CLOTH, LLC TRACT:

Chairman Williams opened the public hearing to receive public comments regarding third reading to Ordinance 2016-003, An Ordinance to Amend that Certain Agreement for the Development of a Joint County Industrial Park Between Colleton County and Hampton County to Add J&L Wire, Cloth, LLC Tract. There were no public comments. Chairman Williams closed the public hearing.

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PUBLIC COMMENT(S)

Ms. Shirley DeLoach Regarding Taxes and Reassessment

Ms. DeLoach came before council regarding the taxes. She informed Council that Clemson had nothing to do with the reassessment. She explained that the Soil and Water Conservation District was the agency that analyzed the soil. She also wanted to know if any progress was made on delinquent business accounts. Council informed Ms. DeLoach that since the last meeting, council had collected around \$50,000 in delinquent business taxes. Ms. DeLoach also clarified that it was not the Auditor who is an elected official that assesses the property. It is the Tax Assessor for the assessment and the Delinquent Tax Collector for delinquent taxes who are hired under the County Administrator.

Ms. Tawana Fryar

No comment at this time.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes were approved under the Consent Agenda.

PRESENTATION(S)

**RECOGNITION OF OUTGOING MEMBERS OF THE HAMPTON COUNTY
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION:**

Mr. Bill Hager, Chair, Hampton County Economic Development Commission, along with Chairman Williams, Hampton County Council, on behalf of council presented to Dr. Lamar Priester, Mr. Gregg Brunson and Ms. Donna Gohagen certificates of appreciation for their dedicated service to the Hampton County Economic Development Commission. Mr. Hager explained that some of the members timed out not being able to serve a term without a break in service and other moved from the county but had a business in the county.

SOUTHERNCAROLINA ALLIANCE:

Ms. Kay Maxwell, SouthernCarolina Alliance came before council and gave an update.

APPOINTMENT(S)

There were no appointment(s).

RESOLUTION(S)/PROCLAMATION(S)

There were no resolution(s)/proclamation(s).

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ORDINANCE(S)

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Moved by Council Member Haulsee, seconded by Vice Chairman Hollingsworth, to give third reading to Ordinance 2016-003, An Ordinance to Amend that Certain Agreement for the Development of a Joint County Industrial Park Between Colleton County and Hampton County to Add J&L Wire, Cloth, LLC Tract. Motion carried unanimously.

SECOND READING TO PROJECT CARRY:

Moved by Council Member Haulsee, seconded by Council Member Phillips, to give second reading to Project Carry. Motion carried unanimously.

BID(S)

There were no bid(s).

COUNCIL'S BRIEFING(S)

DISCUSSION POINTS (COUNCIL MEMBERS):

Chairman Williams

Chairman Williams will be at a conference and will not be able to attend the Fall Festival Parade. Vice Chairman Hollingsworth stated that he will be attending the Fall Festival Parade.

Vice Chairman Hollingsworth

Vice Chairman Hollingsworth stated that he was providing minutes from the Lowcountry Regional Water System (LRWS) meeting that was held on September 27, 2016. Also he presented and asked council to review the ordinance for establishing a Recreation Commission for Hampton County. Vice Chairman Hollingsworth stated that he had some time so he developed this ordinance and if any particulars please let him know.

Council Member Haulsee

Council Member Haulsee wanted to thank all the law enforcement and emergency personnel that worked during the time of Hurricane Matthew. He stated that did a wonderful job and stated that it is amazing how people can come together and make things come together.

AD HOC COMMITTEE REGARDING SALARY STUDY FOR ALL EMPLOYEES:

Chairman Williams stated that he would like an Ad Hoc Committee Regarding Salary Study for All Employees to be appointed to study employee salaries. He presented the makeup of the committee to council. Council had no objection.

REPORT(S) TO COUNCIL

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:

Ms. Suzanne Peeples, Director, Emergency Services

Ms. Peeples came before council and updated them on Hurricane Matthews and the FEMA.

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EXECUTIVE SESSION

Moved by Council Member Phillips, seconded by Vice Chairman Hollingsworth, to go into executive session to discuss personnel matters. Motion carried unanimously.

REPORT OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION

Moved by Council Member Phillips, seconded by Vice Chairman Hollingsworth, to come out of executive session regarding personnel matters. Motion carried unanimously. Chairman Williams reported there was a possible solution and the administrator's evaluation.

MAGISTRATE'S MILEAGE:

Moved by Vice Chairman Hollingsworth to pay Magistrate mileage for additional trips. Motion died for a second.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Vice Chairman Hollingsworth, seconded by Council Member Phillips, to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously. Chairman Williams adjourned the meeting.