

HAMPTON COUNTY COUNCIL VIRTUAL MEETING MINUTES

MONDAY; OCTOBER 5, 2020; 6:00 P. M.

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MEETING ID: 875 8398 4470

Hampton County Council held its regularly scheduled meeting virtually on Monday, October 5, 2020, 6:00 p. m., Zoom:

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MEETING ID: 875 8398 4470. Council Member(s) present: Clay Bishop, Chairman; Charles H. “Buddy” Phillips, Vice Chairman; Roy Hollingsworth, Ronald G. “Breeze” Winn, and Darin Williams. Council Member(s) absent: None. Staff present: Rose Dobson-Elliott, Administrator; Aline Newton, Clerk to Council and A. G. Solomons, Jr., County Attorney. Staff absent: None. Wilson Holland, Hampton County Information Technology Director and Kelvin Jones, Hampton County Detention Center Director was present. Media present: None. The meeting was advertised as prescribed by law.

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Bishop called the virtual meeting to order.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

INVOCATION:

Council Member Williams gave the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Council Member Winn.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

ADOPTION OF THE OCTOBER 5, 2020 HAMPTON COUNTY VIRTUAL MEETING AGENDA AND CONSENT AGENDA:

Chairman Bishop asked that Item 8.1 be struck from the agenda. **Moved** by Vice Chairman Phillips, seconded by Council Member Winn, to approve the October 5, 2020 Hampton County Council Meeting agenda and consent agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

Council Members’ votes:

Charles H. “Buddy” Phillips – Aye

Darin Williams – Aye

Roy Hollingsworth – Aye

Ronald Winn – Aye

Clay Bishop – Aye

PUBLIC HEARING(S)

There were no public hearing(s).

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PUBLIC COMMENTS

Due to the COVID-19 Threat, public comments will be accepted in writing via email to the Clerk to Council at anewton@hamptoncountysc.org (Please place in the subject line Public Comments 10/05/2020 or mail to the Hampton County Council's Office at 200 Jackson Ave., E., Hampton, SC 29924. All comments must be received by noon on Monday, October 5, 2020, and will be presented to Council at the meeting. Public comment guidelines will apply. Chairman Bishop commented that there were no public comments received.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

SEPTEMBER 21, 2020 HAMPTON COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES:

Chairman Bishop asked for a motion to approve the minutes. **Moved** by Council Member Winn, seconded by Council Member Hollingsworth, to approve the September 21, 2020 Hampton County Council Special Meeting Minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

Council Members' votes:

Charles H. "Buddy" Phillips – Aye

Darin Williams – Aye

Roy Hollingsworth – Aye

Ronald Winn – Aye

Clay Bishop – Aye

PRESENTATION(S)

There were no presentation(s).

APPOINTMENT(S)

HAMPTON COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION:

Hampton County Council voted by ballot to appoint Russ Bullard, Paul E. Hankey, Jr., Ronnie Stanley, Jacob E. "Jake" Sullivan and Ronald Wilcox to the Hampton County Economic Development Commission.

RESOLUTION(S)/PROCLAMATION(S)

HAMPTON COUNTY DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH 2020:

Chairman Bishop read the proclamation and asked for a motion. **Moved** by Vice Chairman Phillips, seconded by Council Member Winn, to adopt the Hampton County Domestic Violence Awareness Month 2020 Proclamation. Motion carried unanimously.

Council Members' votes:

Charles H. "Buddy" Phillips – Aye

Darin Williams – Aye

Roy Hollingsworth – Aye

Ronald Winn – Aye

Clay Bishop – Aye

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ORDINANCE(S)

There were no ordinance(s).

BID(S)

There were no bid(s).

COUNCIL BRIEFING(S)

CHAIRMAN'S UPDATE:

Chairman Bishop gave an update on projects in Hampton County, the Brunson Laundry Facility is going up, equipment is being moved out moved out to the Airport and SCIC Campus is going up in Yemassee. Chairman Bishop reported that he had the displeasure of addressing an issue of an issue of misinformation regarding the Breeze Report. He pointed out several points and followed up with information. At the end, Chairman Bishop censored Council Member Winn and stripped him of his council liaison appointments.

COUNTY ATTORNEY'S UPDATE:

The County Attorney reported that the only thing that he needed other than what will be in executive session is he had something for executive session and updated council regarding the CSX matter. He explained that there needed to be a response in the next 10 days to be in the 30 day window. Chairman Bishop asked Administrator Dobson Elliott to follow up with the County Attorney.

CLERK'S UPDATE:

The Clerk had no update.

REPORT(S) TO COUNCIL

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:

Administrator Dobson-Elliott reported that she did not have anything to add tonight.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

LEGAL MATTER WITH HAMPTON REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER:

Moved by Vice Chairman Phillips, seconded by Council Member Williams, to go into executive session. Council Member Hollingsworth recused himself, because he is a member of the Hampton Regional Medical Center Board. Motion carried.

Council Members' votes:

Charles H. "Buddy" Phillips – Aye

Darin Williams – Aye

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Roy Hollingsworth – Recused himself

Ronald Winn – Aye

Clay Bishop – Aye

REPORT OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION

LEGAL MATTER WITH HAMPTON REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER:

Moved by Vice Chairman Phillips, seconded by Council Member Williams, to come out of executive session. Motion carried. Chairman Bishop reported that

Charles H. “Buddy” Phillips – Aye

Darin Williams – Aye

Roy Hollingsworth – Recused himself

Ronald Winn – Aye

Clay Bishop – Aye

ADJOURNMENT

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

Council Members’ votes:

Charles H. “Buddy” Phillips – Aye

Darin Williams – Aye

Roy Hollingsworth – Aye

Ronald Winn – Aye

Clay Bishop – Aye