

**HAMPTON COUNTY COUNCIL'S SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY; SEPTEMBER 8, 2009; 5:00 P. M.
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, B. T. DeLOACH BUILDING
201 JACKSON AVENUE, WEST, HAMPTON, SC**

Hampton County Council held a special meeting on Tuesday, September 8, 2009, 5:00 p. m., Council Chambers, B. T. DeLoach Building, Hampton, South Carolina. Council Member(s) present: Hugh B. Gray, Chairman; Virgin Johnson, Sr.; Margaret S. "Peggy" Parker, Vice Chairman; Charles H. "Buddy" Phillips and Willard E. Wilson. Staff present: Sabrena Posey Graham, Administrator; Aline Newton, Clerk to Council and A. G. Solomons, Jr., County Attorney. Media present: None. The meeting was advertised as prescribed by law.

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Gray called the meeting to order.

DISCUSSION OF GRANT WRITER FOR MUNICIPALITIES (STIMULUS) WITH THE HAMPTON COUNTY LEGISLATIVE DELEGATION (SENATOR JOHN W. MATTHEWS, JR., (REPRESENTATIVE WILLIAM K. "BILL" BOWERS, REPRESENTATIVE CURTIS BRANTLEY - SENATOR CLEMENTA C. PINCKNEY WAS NOT PRESENT):

Council met with the Hampton County Legislative Delegation Members to discuss a proposal from the Delegation to hire a Grants Writer to write grants for the municipalities. The Delegation would pay the salary of the Grants Writer with the understanding that the salary paid is from the Legislative Delegation account would be reimbursed from the administrative fee of the grants received. The proposal is that the grants writer would be hired by the County Administrator and answer to the county. The Towns would schedule the work. Senator Matthews stated that this has been implemented in two other counties represented by him. He stated The Legislative Delegation would only provide the salary with the understanding that the salary is reimbursed through the administrative fees from the grants received. **Moved** by Council Member Parker, seconded by Council Member Johnson, to endorse the concept of the Stimulus Grant Writer and accept the generous offer of the Legislative Delegation and hire a Grant Writer through the Legislative Delegation. Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Council Member Phillips, seconded by Council Member Johnson, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously. Chairman Gray adjourned the meeting at 5:45 p. m.