

**MINUTES OF CALHOUN COUNTY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
March 25, 2024
5:30 P.M.**

Calhoun County Council held its regular meeting on Monday, March 25, 2024.

The following were present:

Chairman James E. Haigler, who presided
Vice-Chairman Ken Westbury
Councilwoman Rebecca Bonnette
Councilman Richard Carson
Councilman Cecil Thornton
Administrator John McLauchlin
Deputy Administrator Richard Hall
Clerk to Council Shayla Jenkins
Human Resources Director Brandy Roberson

The following press was notified of the meeting by mail, electronic mail, or by fax in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act: The Calhoun Times, The Times and Democrat, and Sandy Run News. An Agenda was also posted on Calhoun County's website calhouncounty.sc.gov.

Call to Order

Chairman Haigler called the meeting to order.

Invocation

Invocation was offered by Councilwoman Bonnette. Vice-Chairman Westbury also offered prayer for the Riley family.

Approval of Agenda

Councilwoman Bonnette made the motion to approve the March 25, 2024 meeting agenda as presented and was seconded by Councilman Carson. The motion passed unanimously.

Public Comments

None

Approval of Minutes

Minutes of the March 11, 2024 regular meeting were presented for approval. Motion was made by Councilman Carson and seconded by Councilman Thornton to approve the minutes as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

Appointments

Council approved the reappointment of Ray Melvin Keitt to the Calhoun County Planning Commission from District 5. The motion was made by Councilwoman Bonnette and seconded by Councilman Thornton, and passed unanimously.

Appearances

Tammi Green, Delinquent Tax Collector, appeared to give updates on the office, and began with duties. Taxes have been turned over to her office for the year, and on May 1st the delinquent cost of \$120 will be added on. She gave statistics from her start in the office since 2016 to current trends.

Resolutions

Resolution 7-2024 A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING APRIL AS FAIR HOUSING MONTH was presented. Councilman Carson made a motion to pass Resolution 7-2024 and was seconded by Vice-Chairman Westbury. The motion passed unanimously.

Administrator

Administrator McLauchlin highlighted the following dates:

- April 17, 2024 – Countywide Litter Pickup
- April 19-20, 2023 Purple Martin festivities
- April 24, 2024 – Red Rock Development - Sandy Run Community Litter Pickup

Executive Session

Council went into Executive Session to discuss a Contractual Matter – Thermo King Request of Property, with action following the session. Motion was made by Vice-Chairman Westbury, seconded by Councilwoman Bonnette and passed unanimously.

Vice-Chairman Westbury made a motion to come out of Executive Session, bringing the matter forward to open session. Second was made by Councilman Thornton and the motion passed unanimously.

Action from Executive Session

Thermo King has requested 1.86 acres from the county in order to construct a storm water basin. Thermo King is funding the project and the basin will be used by the county as well. Vice-Chairman Westbury made a motion to accept the request, with a second by Councilman Thornton. The motion passed unanimously.

Adjournment

Councilman Thornton made a motion to adjourn with second by Vice-Chairman Westbury. The motion passed unanimously, and the meeting adjourned at 5:50 p.m.


James E. Haigler, Chairman


Shayla C. Jenkins, Clerk to Council