

MINUTES OF CALHOUN COUNTY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
February 9, 2026
5:30 P.M.

Calhoun County Council held its regular meeting on Monday, February 9, 2026.

The following were present:

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

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.

Approval of Agenda

Councilman Carson made the motion to approve the February 9, 2026 meeting agenda as presented. Vice-Chairman Thornton seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Public Comments None

Approval of Minutes

Minutes of the January 26, 2026 Regular Meeting were presented for approval. Motion was made by Councilwoman Bonnette and seconded by Councilman Carson to approve the minutes as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

Appointments

James Barefoot of Jumper Station Fire Department was appointed to the Calhoun County Fire Commission. Motion was made by Councilman Westbury, seconded by Councilwoman Bonnette and passed unanimously.

Resolutions

Resolution 1-2026 A RESOLUTION CONSENTING TO AN ASSIGNMENT OF INTERESTS UNDER AN INFRASTRUCTURE CREDIT AGREEMENT BETWEEN CALHOUN COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA AND WHLR-ST. MATTHEWS, LLC AS ASSIGNED TO ST. MATTHEWS VENTURES LLC was presented. Administrator Hall explained that a new company has purchased the entire shopping center on Harry C. Raysor Drive, which houses the Piggly Wiggly. Councilman Westbury made a motion to pass Resolution 1-2026 and was seconded by Vice-Chairman Thornton. The motion passed unanimously.

New Business

Budget Calendar approval – Council approved the 2026-2027 Fiscal Year Budget Calendar. Motion was made by Vice-Chairman Thornton, seconded by Councilman Westbury and passed unanimously.

Ordinances

Ordinance 2026-1 AN ORDINANCE FOR ADOPTION OF AMENDMENTS TO THE CALHOUN COUNTY ZONING ORDINANCE AND LAND USE REGULATIONS was presented for Second Reading. Motion to pass Second Reading of Ordinance 2026-1 was made by Councilwoman Bonnette, seconded by Councilman Carson and passed unanimously.

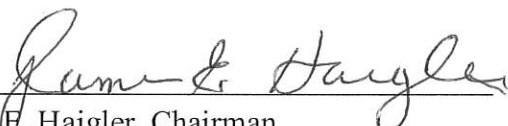
Administrator

Administrator Hall told of upcoming Purple Martin Festivities, including the golf tournament and Town’s gala.

Councilwoman Bonnette announced the Sandy Run Spring Fling on March 14, 2026 from 11:00am – 3:00pm.

Adjournment

Councilman Westbury made a motion to adjourn with second by Councilwoman Bonnette. The motion passed unanimously, and the meeting adjourned at 5:35 p.m.



James E. Haigler, Chairman



Shayla C. Jenkins, Clerk to Council