

**MINUTES OF CALHOUN COUNTY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
October 25, 2021
5:30 P.M.**

Calhoun County Council held its regular meeting, on Monday, October 25, 2021. The meeting was live-streamed on the County's Facebook page.

The following were present:

Vice-Chairman James E. Haigler, who presided
Councilman John Nelson
Councilman Ken Westbury
Councilman Cecil Thornton
Administrator John McLaughlin
Clerk to Council Vickie Stoudemire

Absent: Chairman David K. Summers, Jr.

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

Vice-Chairman Haigler called the meeting to order.

Invocation

Invocation was offered by Councilman John Nelson.

Approval of Minutes

1. Minutes of the October 11, 2021 regular meeting were presented for approval. Motion was made by Councilman Westbury and seconded by Councilman Nelson to approve the minutes as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

Committee Reports

Councilman Westbury advised that the Recreation Committee had a brief meeting to discuss matters he brought up at the last Council meeting on October 11, but he had nothing to report.

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Appointments

Councilman Westbury made a motion to appoint Caroline Sandlin to the Calhoun County Rural Fire Commission from the Fort Motte Station to replace Ashton Elmore, who resigned. Councilman Thornton seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

There were no other appointments; however, Administrator McLauchlin advised Council that Dawn Robinson has resigned her appointment to the RMC Board and will need to be replaced as soon as possible.

Proclamations

None

Appearances

None

Resolutions

1. An amended **Resolution 19-2021** SETTING THE MILLAGE AND LOCAL OPTION SALES TAX CREDIT FACTOR FOR 2021-2022 was presented for passage. Administrator McLauchlin advised that the only change to the Resolution that was passed on September 27 and amended on October 10 was a correction to a clerical error on the Local Option Sales Tax Credit Factor. Councilman Nelson made a motion to pass and amend Resolution 19-2021. Councilman Westbury seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

2. **Resolution 21-2021** AMENDING AN AGREEMENT RELATING TO THE JOINT COUNTY INDUSTRIAL AND BUSINESS PARK OF LEXINGTON AND CALHOUN COUNTIES SO AS TO ENLARGE THE PARK (LONESTAR SOLAR) was presented. Councilman Westbury made a motion to pass Resolution 21-2021 as presented. Councilman Nelson seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

3. **Resolution 22-2021** AUTHORIZING (1) THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF A FEE IN LIEU OF TAX AND INCENTIVE AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN CALHOUN COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA (THE "COUNTY") AND TRI-COUNTY ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, NC., ACTING FOR ITSELF, ONE OR MORE AFFILIATES AND/OR OTHER PROJECT SPONSOR (COLLECTIVELY, THE "COMPANY"), PURSUANT TO WHICH THE COUNTY SHALL COVENANT TO ACCEPT CERTAIN NEGOTIATED FEES IN LIEU OF AD VALOREM TAXES WITH RESPECT TO THE ESTABLISHMENT AND/OR EXPANSION OF CERTAIN FACILITIES IN THE COUNTY (THE "PROJECT"); AND (2) OTHER MATTERS RELATING THERETO was presented.

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Councilman Thornton made a motion to pass Resolution 22-2021 as presented. Councilman Westbury seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Old Business

None

New Business

None

Ordinances

1. **Ordinance 2021-21** AUTHORIZING (1) THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF A FEE IN LIEU OF TAX AND INCENTIVE AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN CALHOUN COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA (THE "COUNTY") AND TRI-COUNTY ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, NC., ACTING FOR ITSELF, ONE OR MORE AFFILIATES AND/OR OTHER PROJECT SPONSOR (COLLECTIVELY, THE "COMPANY"), PURSUANT TO WHICH THE COUNTY SHALL COVENANT TO ACCEPT CERTAIN NEGOTIATED FEES IN LIEU OF AD VALOREM TAXES WITH RESPECT TO THE ESTABLISHMENT AND/OR EXPANSION OF CERTAIN FACILITIES IN THE COUNTY (THE "PROJECT"); AND (2) OTHER MATTERS RELATING THERETO was presented for **First Reading by Title Only**. Councilman Thornton made a motion to pass First Reading By Title Only of Ordinance 2021-21. Councilman Westbury seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Administrator

Administrator McLaughlin introduced new Deputy Administrator, Richard Hall. Mr. McLaughlin also reported that 163 bags of litter, weighing 4,100 pounds, were picked up during the Countywide Litter clean up on October 15.

Executive Session

There were no items for Executive Session.

Adjournment

Councilman Westbury made a motion to adjourn with Councilman Nelson seconding. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 5:37 p.m.

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James E. Haigler
James E. Haigler, Vice- Chairman

Vickie B. Stoudemire
Vickie B. Stoudemire, Clerk to Council

