

**MINUTES OF CALHOUN COUNTY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
February 25, 2019
5:30 P.M.**

Calhoun County Council held its regular meeting on Monday, February 25, 2019 in the Council Chambers of the Courthouse Annex.

Present were: Chairman David K. Summers, Jr. who presided
Vice-Chairman James E. Haigler
Councilman Cecil Thornton
Councilman John Nelson
Councilman Ken Westbury
Acting Administrator Ted Felder
Deputy Administrator/CFO Denise Christmas
Clerk to Council Vickie Stoudemire

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, and The Times and Democrat. An Agenda was also posted on Calhoun County's website www.calhouncounty.sc.gov.

Call to Order

Chairman Summers called the meeting to order.

Invocation

Invocation was offered by Councilman John Nelson.

Approval of Minutes

1. Minutes of the January 28, 2019 regular meeting and the February 13, 2019 Work Session were presented for approval. Motion was made by Councilman Haigler and seconded by Councilman Westbury to approve the minutes as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

Committee Reports

None

Appointments

None

Resolutions and Proclamations

None

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Appearances

1. Lori Salley of CC McGregor presented the 2017-2018 Fiscal Year Audit report. She stated that the audit was a “clean opinion”, which is the best that can be received. She reported that the County is in a very healthy financial position.

Councilman Nelson asked Ms. Salley if the funding account for the Calhoun Hills Golf Facility was being handled correctly. Ms. Salley reported that the golf facility account was being handled exactly as it should be.

2. Deputy Administrator/CFO Denise Christmas reported that she has consulted with Lawrence Flynn, the attorney who helped the County get the Penny Sales Tax Referendum on the November, 2018 ballot, concerning financial advisory services for the administration of the tax. Mr. Flynn recommended Stephens Inc. Stephens Inc. submitted a proposal at a cost of \$17,500.00. Councilman Westbury made a motion to accept the Stephens Inc. proposal as presented. Councilman Haigler seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Old Business

1. Acting Administrator, Ted Felder, asked for approval to enter into a contract with Barwick Plumbing to install the pressure relief valves in Sandy Run, as discussed in the previous Council meeting, at a cost of \$30,600.00. Councilman Nelson made a motion to approve the Contract with Barwick Plumbing. Councilman Westbury seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

New Business

1. Acting Administrator Felder presented an update to the Facility User Agreement Contract for recreational facilities in the County (copy attached). Councilman Westbury made a motion to update the Facility User Agreement Contract as presented, with Councilman Nelson seconding. The motion passed unanimously.

2. Next, Acting Administrator Felder asked for approval to sign and submit a right-of-way conveyance letter to Calhoun Land Investors, LLC, for the spine road located in the Sandy Run Industrial Park (Eastman Site). Councilman Thornton made a motion to approve the letter, with Councilman Haigler seconding. The motion passed unanimously.

3. Councilman Westbury made a motion to approve a letter from attorney Charles Whetstone, concerning the Opioid Litigation suit, of which Calhoun County is a party. Councilman Haigler seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

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4. Acting Administrator asked for approval to have Tom Jordan of Davis & Floyd Engineers begin working on a topographical map of the County landfill. Councilman Westbury made a motion to approve the same, with Councilman Nelson seconding. The motion passed unanimously.

Ordinances

1. **Ordinance 2018-27** AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE 2016-11, THE ZONING ORDINANCE, TO ESTABLISH USE RESTRICTIONS IN RUD ZONED AREA is on hold.

Administrator

1. Acting Administrator Felder gave reports on the following (copies attached):
 - a. Animal Control
 - b. EMD Activity
 - c. Building and Grounds
 - d. Building and Planning

Mr. Felder also added that Council had earlier requested that a salary study be done. He stated that the proposed contract from Management Advisory Group International had come in on Friday afternoon. The cost will be \$13,500.00. Councilman Haigler made a motion to go forward with the contract as stated, with Councilman Westbury seconding. The motion passed unanimously.

Councilman Haigler advised that he would like to discuss, at a Recreation Committee meeting, user fees at the golf course. Councilman Westbury agreed and a meeting will be set up.

Executive Session

Councilman Westbury made a motion to enter into Executive Session to discuss Economic Development matters for Project K; personnel matters in Administration and the Magistrate offices; a legal matter regarding Animal Control; and a contract matter for Project Healthy. Councilman Nelson seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Council returned to open session having taken no action.

Adjournment

Councilman Haigler made a motion to adjourn with Councilman Thornton seconding. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

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Vickie B. Stoudemire
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