MINUTES OF CALHOUN COUNTY COUNCIL  
SPECIAL MEETING  
May 18, 2020  
2:00 P.M.

Calhoun County Council held a special meeting on Monday, May 18, 2020.

Present were:  Chairman David K. Summers, Jr., who presided  
Vice-Chairman James E. Haigler  
Councilman Cecil Thornton  
Councilman John Nelson  
Councilman Ken Westbury  
Administrator John McLaughlin  
Deputy Administrator/CFO Denise Christmas  
Deputy Administrator Lenessa Hawkins  
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.

Appointments

James Haigler made a motion to appoint Administrator John McLaughlin to the Lower Savannah Council of Governments Board of Directors to replace Ted Felder. Councilman Westbury seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

New Business

1. Administrator McLaughlin advised Council that Ross Oakley of Thomas & Hutton let him know that while working on the grading at the I-26 Industrial Park, saturated soil due to groundwater near the outfall pipe from Sirens Lane was discovered. The engineer’s suggestion for the best option to help minimize future issues is to place a 1-foot thick layer of large stone in this area and fill and compact in lifts to final grade. This will require approval of a change order of $28,800.00. Councilman Westbury made a motion to approve the change order as presented. Councilman Haigler seconded and the motion passed unanimously.
Administrator

1. Administrator McLauchlin reported to Council that in order to get credit from the State for Litter Control, there needs to be three county-wide litter pick up events per year. One was held on May 8. The next one is scheduled for Monday, June 15. He has been in touch with the Fire Departments and they would like to hold their own pick up event on Saturday, June 13.

2. Next, Deputy Administrator/CFO, Denise Christmas, asked for permission to apply for a SC Association of Counties COVID 19 Response Award for the Calhoun County Museum. Councilman Westbury made a motion to move forward with the application for the SC Association of Counties COVID 19 Response Award for the museum. Councilman Thornton seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

3. Administrator McLauchlin presented a proposed Re-opening Schedule to begin on May 26 (copy attached).

Executive Session

Councilman Haigler made a motion to enter into Executive Session to discuss Contract and Personnel Matters. Councilman Thornton seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Council returned to open session having taken no action in executive session.

Adjournment

Councilman Westbury made a motion to adjourn with Councilman Nelson seconding. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

David K. Summers, Jr., Chairman

Vickie B. Stoudemire, Clerk to Council