

**MINUTES OF CALHOUN COUNTY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
September 9, 2019
5:30 P.M.**

Calhoun County Council held its regular meeting on Monday, September 9, 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
Administrator Ted Felder
Deputy Administrator/CFO Denise Christmas
Clerk to Council Vickie Stoudenmire

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 James Haigler.

Approval of Minutes

1. Minutes of the August 26, 2019 regular meeting were presented for approval. Motion was made by Councilman Haigler and seconded by Councilman Thornton to approve the minutes as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

Committee Reports

None

Appointments

None

Resolutions and Proclamations

None

Appearances

None

Old Business

1. Administrator Felder advised Council that there were several responses to the RFQ sent out for services for Planning and Zoning. The firm that scored highest was J.R. Wilburn and Associates. Councilman Westbury made a motion to authorize the Administrator to negotiate with J.R. Wilburn and Associates. Councilman Nelson seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

New Business

1. Deputy Administrator/CFO Denise Christmas reported that the County's telephone system equipment is quickly becoming obsolete and that she has had discussions with Windstream concerning new equipment. The new equipment will save the County an estimated \$3,521.00 per month. Councilman Westbury made a motion that the County amend its contract with Windstream as presented. Councilman Haigler seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Christmas also added that Windstream will not take the old equipment back, but will try to help the County sell it. Councilman Westbury made a motion that we sell the old Windstream equipment, with Councilman Nelson seconding. The motion passed unanimously.

2. Administrator Felder presented an amendment to the existing contract with SafeBuilt to allow other services which are needed in the Building and Planning Department (copy attached). Councilman Westbury made a motion to amend the Contract with SafeBuilt as presented. Councilman Thornton seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Ordinances

None

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Administrator

Administrator Felder gave a report on Hurricane Dorian which passed through on September 5. He advised that the Emergency Management and EMS staff were ready and prepared and, fortunately, there was no reported damage in the County. Also, an extra EMS unit was in service in Sandy Run to help with evacuation from the coast.

Councilman Nelson added that the lane reversal on I-26, which runs directly through his district, created some problems, and he hopes to have some communication with the Governor at a later time concerning this matter.

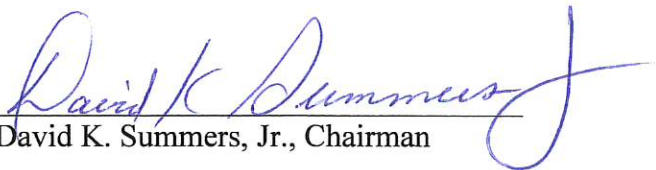
Executive Session

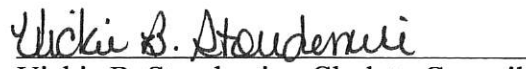
Councilman Westbury made a motion to enter into Executive Session to discuss a personnel matter in Administration, specifically the open Deputy Administrator position; and a personnel matter concerning the Sandy Run Magistrate's office. Councilman Haigler seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

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

Adjournment

Councilman Thornton made a motion to adjourn with Councilman Westbury seconding. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 6:15 p.m.


David K. Summers, Jr., Chairman


Vickie B. Stoudemire, Clerk to Council

