



JASPER COUNTY COUNCIL
SPECIAL MEETING
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
MAY 13, 2019
MINUTES

Call to Order – Chairman Johnson called the meeting to order at approximately 6:04 P.M. in order to conduct the Public Hearing concerning the Application with the United States Department of Agriculture Rural Development, followed the Community Facility Grant Resolution, followed by a scheduled Executive Session.

Officials Present: Chairman D. Thomas Johnson, Vice Chairman Henry Etheridge, Councilwoman Barbara B. Clark, Councilman Dr. Curtis Brantley. Councilman Sauls was absent.

Staff Present: Administrator Andrew Fulghum; Attorney David Tedder; Director of Administrative Services Kimberly Burgess; Director of Emergency Medical Services, Frank Edwards. Also present was Jessica Dailey of the Lowcountry Council of Governments.

Pledge of Allegiance in unison led by Councilman Brantley

Invocation given by Councilwoman Clark

Approval of Agenda

Vice Chairman Etheridge moved, and Councilwoman Clark seconds the Motion to approve the Agenda as posted and presented. The Motion passes with all Councilmembers present voting.

Public Hearing Concerning Application with United States Department of Agriculture Rural Development for loans to fund two projects. The First loan would fund a portion of the construction of the Marsh Cove Fire Substation to be located at 4820 Lowcountry Drive Ridgeland. The second would fund repair/rehabilitation work on the Jasper County Emergency Services Building at 1509 Grays Highway Ridgeland.

Chairman Johnson opens the floor to the Public.

No Public Comment was offered.

Chairman Johnson closes the Public Hearing.

Frank Edwards - Community Facility Grant Resolution to accept funding of the purchase of a fire truck, Jasper County has made application to USDA, Rural Development for a Community Facility Grant in the amount of \$49,500.00 to assist in the need for essential community facilities in rural areas of South Carolina.

Vice Chairman Etheridge moved and Councilman Brantley seconds the Motion to accept the funding of a fire truck and approve the Resolution as presented. The Motion passes with all Councilmembers present voting in favor.

Executive Session

Upon Motion duly made by Vice Chairman Etheridge moved and seconded by Councilman Brantley to enter into Council Executive Session in order to discuss matters as listed on the posted Agenda, the Motion passes with all Councilmembers present voting in favor.

Discussion of negotiations incident to proposed contractual arrangements and proposed sale or purchase of property, the receipt of legal advice where the legal advice relates to a pending, threatened, or potential claim or other matters covered by the attorney-client privilege, settlement of legal claims, or the position of the public agency in other adversary situations involving the assertion against the agency of a claim – Section 30-4-70(a)(2) - Toomerville Transfer Station

Return to Open Session

Vice Chairman Etheridge moved and Councilman Brantley seconds the Motion to return to Open Session. The Motion passes with all Councilmembers present voting.

Action on Items discussed in Executive Session

Vice Chairman Etheridge moved and Councilman Brantley seconds the motion to authorize the Purchase of the 1.58 acre site containing the Toomerville Waste Station from Sherwood Plantation, Inc. at a price of \$39,500.00, with closing to be preferably on or after July 1, 2019; and authorize the County Administrator and County Attorney to prepare and execute such documents as necessary to accomplish the purchase. The Motion passes with all Councilmembers present voting in favor.

Adjourn:

Vice Chairman Etheridge moved and Councilwoman Clark seconds the Motion to adjourn. The Motion passes with all Councilmembers present voting.

Meeting adjourned at 7:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted:



Bonnie Lawson
Acting Clerk to Council

Approved:


D. Thomas Johnson, Jr.
Chairman