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This meeting will be held at the **Jasper County Council Chambers**, which is located at 358 Third Street, Ridgeland, SC. 29936

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JASPER COUNTY COUNCIL COUNCIL MEETING

Jasper County Clementa C. Pinckney Government Building
358 Third Ave., Ridgeland, SC. 29936
Monday, April 6, 2026

AGENDA

4:00 PM: Budget Workshop

Jeanine Bostick – Elections and Voter Registration
Sheriff Chris Malphrus – Sheriff's Office, Detention Center, SRO Department,
and Animal Shelter

5:00 PM: Council Executive Session

➤ *Please silence your phones during the Meeting.*

1. Call the Council Meeting to Order by Chairman Rowell

Clerk's Report of Compliance with the Freedom of Information Act: In accordance with South Carolina Code of Laws, 1976, Section 30-4-80(d), as amended, notification of the meeting and the meeting agenda were posted at least 24 hours prior to the meeting on the County Council Building at a publicly accessible place, on the county website, and a copy of the agenda was provided to the local news media and all person's or organizations requesting notification.

2. Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation:

3. Approval of the Agenda:

4. Approval of the Consent Agenda:

Approval of the Consent Agenda passes all Consent Agenda Items. Consent Agenda Items are not considered separately unless a Councilmember requests it. In the event of such a request, the item is placed at the end of the Public Hearings, Ordinances, and Action Items.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:

A) Approval of the Amended Minutes of 10.06.2026 and Minutes 10.20.2026

B) **Eric Larson** - Consideration of the **3rd Reading** of Ordinance **#O-2026-14** to authorize Jasper County to convey, through a donation, real estate owned by Jasper County located at **2547 Argent Blvd., Hardeeville to Beaufort Jasper Housing Trust, Inc.**

(1st Reading 02.02.2026; Public Hearing and 2nd Reading 03.16.2026)

C) **Eric Larson** – Consideration of the **3rd Reading** of Ordinance **#O-2026-13** establishing the Jasper County **Greenbelt Program** as mandated in the **2024 Referendum on Transportation Sales and Use Tax within Jasper County**. (1st reading Feb. 17, 2026; Public Hearing and 2nd Reading 03.16.2026)

This is the end of the Consent Agenda Items.

5. Executive Session SECTION 30-4-70.

(a) A public body may hold a meeting closed to the public for one or more of the following reasons:

(2) Discussion of negotiations incident to proposed contract arrangements and proposed purchase or sale of property, the receipt of legal advice, where the legal advice related to 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 –

(1) **Ridgeland Claude-Dean Airport**

(2) **Litigation Update**

(3) **Shared Services Agreements**

(3) Discussion regarding the development of security personnel or devices.

(1) **Security Update by the Sheriff**

Any Executive Session Matter on Which Discussion Has Not Been Completed May Have Discussion Suspended for the Purpose of Beginning the Open Session at Its Scheduled Time, And Council May Return to Executive Session Discussion After the Conclusion of The Open Session Agenda Items.

Note: Please Be Advised, There May Be Votes Based on Items from the Executive Session.

6:00 PM: Regular Session

- Come out of Executive Session:
- Return to Open Session:
 - 5.1. Council Action to be taken on items as discussed in Executive Session

Note: Council may act on any item appearing on the agenda, including items discussed in executive session.

6. PRESENTATIONS:

A) **Kim Statler, Executive Director of Polaris Tech Charter School and Dr. Karen Wicks, CEO of Royal Live Oaks Academy** – Presentation on behalf of Royal Live Oaks Charter School and Polaris Tech Charter School to discuss the roles of Charter Schools within Jasper County and potential avenues for support.

7. CITIZEN COMMENTS:

Open Floor to the Public per Ordinance Number #08-17. Any citizen of the County may sign to speak in person at the Council Meeting (before the Council Meeting's 6:00 PM start time on the Sign-In Sheet on the Podium), to address the Council on matters pertaining to County Services and Operations. Presentations will be limited to three (3) minutes per person, and total public input will be limited to 30 MINUTES.

8. RESOLUTIONS

- A) **Kimberly Burgess** - Consideration of Resolution [#R-2026-14](#), a Resolution of Jasper County, South Carolina County Council Resolution approving the State Accommodations Tax Advisory Committee Members
- B) **Eric Larson** – Consideration of Resolution [#R-2026-18](#), a Resolution of Jasper County, South Carolina Proclaiming the month of April 2026 as Fair Housing Month.
- C) **Kimberly Burgess** - Consideration of Resolution [#R-2026-19](#), a Resolution Authorizing the Jasper County Council to Adopt an Assessment and Appeals Policy for the Administration of the County's Business License Program; And Other Matters Relating Thereto.
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9. PUBLIC HEARINGS, ORDINANCES, AND ACTION ITEMS

- A) **Eric Larson** – Consideration of the **1st Reading** of an Ordinance establishing the Lease Agreement with the Jasper County Chamber of Commerce and the Jasper County Historical Society for the use of the Perry House, located at 403 Russell Street in Ridgeland. *(1st Reading of this item was tabled at the 03.16.2026 Meeting)*
- B) **Eric Larson** – Consideration of the **1st Reading** of an Ordinance establishing the Property Management Agreement with the Jasper County Chamber of Commerce to Manage the Jasper County Farmer's Market located at 9935 Jacob Smart Boulevard, Highway 17 South, in the City of Ridgeland. *(1st Reading of this item was tabled at the 03.16.2026 Meeting)*
- C) **Eric Larson** - Consideration of the **1st Reading** an Ordinance of Jasper County Council to Authorize a Settlement Agreement with Jasper County Radio Control Chapter No. 5096 of the Academy of Model Aeronautics, Inc.
- D) **Jim Iwanicki** – Consideration of approval of professional services contract associated with RFQ #2025 -14 for 2025 CTC Paving and 2025/2026 Parking Lot Repair with J Bragg Consulting, Inc for actual cost not to exceed \$100,000.
- E) **Kim Burgess and Jim Iwanicki**– Presentation, Consideration and Approval of RFP #2026-11 Design Build Services for Various Boat Landing Improvements.
- F) **Kim Burgess and Jim Iwanicki and Kim Burgess** – Presentation, Consideration and Approval of IVTB #2026-5 rebid – SJP Walkway, Pavilion, Gazebo Refurb.
- G) **Jim Iwanicki** - Architectural Professional Services Change Order for the Coosawhatchie Fire Station

H) **Jim Iwanicki** - 112 Weathersbee Building Renovation Upfit for Assessors Office and Authorization to Engage MBKahn to Prepare a Guaranteed Maximum Price Proposal for the Upfit.

I) **Chief Russell Wells** – Consideration of the **1st Reading** of an Ordinance Amending Chapter 9 of the Code of Ordinances of Jasper County Regarding Fire Protection Districts to Create the Jasper County Rural Fire Protection District; Eliminating all Existing Fire Protection Districts; Authorizing the Novation of all Outstanding Bonds and Other Debt Obligations to the New District; Requesting and Accepting Dedication of County-Funded Fire Capital Equipment and Facilities; Authorizing a Fire Service Contract Between the New District and The City Of Hardeeville; Authorizing the Lease of Certain County Real Property; Authorizing the Conveyance of Certain Personal Property; and Other Matters Relating Thereto.

10. Councilmember Comments and Discussion

11. Adjournment:

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