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JASPER COUNTY COUNCIL COUNCIL MEETING

Jasper County Clementa C. Pinckney Government Building
Third Ave, Ridgeland, SC 29936

Monday, August 17, 2026

AGENDA

4:00 PM:

➤ 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 Minutes 01.20.2026, 01.26.2026, 02.02.2026, 02.05.2026, 02.09.2026, 02.17.2026

B) **Lisa Wagner** – Consideration of the **3rd Reading** of Ordinance **#O-2026-24** authorizing the grant of a Variable Width Drainage Easement across property owned by Jasper County, South Carolina and located in Cypress Ridge Industrial Park. (*1st Reading 07.20.2026; Public Hearing and 2nd Reading 08.03.2026*)

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) Eric Larson - Potential Purchase of Properties.

(2) Eric Larson - Potential Sale of Properties.

(3) Eric Larson - Briefing on Pending Litigation associated with the Jasper County Ridgeland - Claude Dean Airport

(4) County Agency Legal Representation

(5) Treasurer Litigation

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. PRESENTATION:

Mayor Harry Williams – SoLoCo Presentation for a Pilot Project for Daycares.

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-2026-51**, a Resolution to appoint the law firm of Smith Robinson Holler DuBose and Morgan, LLC and specifically H. Thomas Morgan Jr. to act as the Jasper County Business License Appeal Hearing Officer pursuant to the County's duly enacted ordinances as well as other matters as requested.

B) **Kimberly Burgess** - Consideration of Resolution **#R-2026-52**, a Resolution approving employment positions and pay grade within Jasper County approved in the Fiscal Year 2027 budget.

C) **Eric Larson** - Consideration of Resolution **#R-2026-53**, a Resolution to approve a Professional Services Agreement with Wyche, P.A. to provide Greenbelt Program Manager services for the Jasper County Greenbelt Program and authorize the County Administrator to execute the agreement and related documents and other matters related thereto.

D) **Kimberly Burgess** - Consideration of Resolution **#R-2026-54**, a Resolution of Jasper County Council to Ratify and Approve Special Services Master Service Agreement with UHY Advisors Mid-Atlantic, Inc., a Licensed CPA Firm, that offers Audit and Other Attest Services to Public, Private and Governmental Organizations, to Provide Compilation Services for the Preparation of the Jasper County Annual Comprehensive Financial Report, and Matters Related Thereto.

E) **Jim Iwanicki** – Consideration of Resolution **#R-2026-55**, a Resolution Authorizing the Establishment of an Ad Hoc Committee to Evaluate Joint Animal Services Operations Between Beaufort County and Jasper County.

F) **Jim Iwanicki** – Consideration of Resolution **#R-2026-56**, a Resolution Authorizing the County Administrator to enter into an Agreement for Legal Services to Review and Amend Chapter 3 of the Jasper County Code of Ordinances, and any Additional Chapters that may need to be Amended to Reflect Animal Control Changes.

9. PUBLIC HEARINGS, ORDINANCES AND ACTION ITEMS

A) **Hunter Smiley** - **Public Hearing** and Consideration of the **2nd Reading** of Ordinance **#O-2026-26** to amend Article 9.6 Accessory Structures of the Jasper County Zoning Ordinance to increase the amount of Dwelling Units allowed for real property over One Hundred (100) Acres that is protected under Conservation Easement. *(1st Reading 08.03.2026)*

B) **Hunter Smiley** – **Public Hearing** and Consideration of the **2nd Reading** of Ordinance **#O-2026-27** authorizing amendment to the Official Zoning Map of Jasper County by rezoning that certain parcel of real property located along Mendez Farm Road, bearing Jasper County Tax Map Number 040-00-02-106 and containing 1.0 Acre, from Rural Preservation District to Residential District. *(1st Reading 08.03.2026)*

C) **Hunter Smiley** - **Public Hearing** and Consideration of the **2nd Reading** of Ordinance **#O-2026-28** authorizing amendment to the Official Zoning Map of Jasper County by rezoning that certain parcel of real property located along South Okatie Highway, bearing Jasper County Tax Map Number 039-00-08-190 and containing 37.8 Acres from Rural Preservation District to Resource Conservation District. *(1st Reading 08.03.2026)*

D) **Eric Larson** - **Public Hearing** and Consideration of **2nd Reading** of an Ordinance **#O-2026-29** authorizing Jasper County to enter into a purchase and sale agreement with Boundless Enterprises, LLC for the purchase of improved real property with an address of 21563 Whyte Hardee Boulevard, Hardeeville, South Carolina, (TMS 029-38-03-002) and to approve the purchase of such property for use as a county office building and other matters related thereto. *(1st reading 08.03.2026)*

E) **Kimberly Burgess** – Consideration of the **2nd Reading of Ordinance #O-2026-30** amending the Fiscal Year 2025 – 2026 Jasper County Budget originally adopted June 30, 2025, by Ordinance No. O-2025-14 in accordance with the Local Government Code of the State of South Carolina and the Ordinances and Rules of the County of Jasper, South Carolina; Where the Total Amount Appropriated is Increased By \$321,090 to a Grand Total of \$67,576,330, With Revenue and Other Financing Sources Amended to Show an Increase of \$321,090 to a Grand Total of \$67,576,330, Appropriating the Various Amounts Thereof, and Repealing all Ordinances or parts of Ordinances in conflict therewith, and providing an Effective Date. *(This item was tabled at the 07.20.2026 meeting).*

10. Administrator's Report:

11. Councilmember Comments and Discussion

12. Adjournment:

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