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JASPER COUNTY COUNCIL COUNCIL MEETING

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

Monday, July 20, 2026

AGENDA

5:00 PM: Workshop

Nicole Holt - Update on New Employee Handbook Review and Implementation

➤ *Please silence your phones during the Meeting.*

At the end of the Workshop, we will go directly into the Executive Session.

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 12.03.2025 (4:30pm); 12.12.2025 and 12.15.2025

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) Sheriff Malphrus update on Detention Center legal matters

(2) Eric Larson - Potential Purchase of Properties.

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

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. PROCLAMATIONS and PRESENTATIONS:

A: **Chairman Rowell** – Proclamation for the 2026 Gullah/Geechee Nation Appreciation Week from Friday, July 25th until Sunday, August 2nd to Queen Quet. This year, they are celebrating under the slogan of the Gullah/Geechee Sea Island Coalition, the oldest organization in world history with the words “Gullah/Geechee” in its name. To that end, the theme for this year is: “Hunnuh mus tek cyare de root fa heal de tree.”

B: **Chairman Rowell** – Proclamation of Recognition to the Hardeeville High School Soccer Team for winning the State Championship in May 2026.

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) **Eric Larson** – Consideration of Resolution **#R-2026-48** a Resolution to Authorize the Acceptance of a Certain Right-Of-Way at New River Boat Landing adjacent to SC Highway 46 from The South Carolina Department of Transportation; and Other Matters Related Thereto.

B) **Eric Larson** - Consideration of Resolution **#R-2026-49** a Resolution consenting to a partial assignment of interests under a fee in lieu of ad valorem taxes agreement among Jasper County, South Carolina, Freedom Industrial Partners LLC and Freedom Industrial Partners 2 LLC; and other matters related thereto. (*Freedom Industrial FILOT*)

C) **Eric Larson** - Consideration of Resolution **#R-2026-50** a Resolution of Jasper County, South Carolina, approving a county match for the Cypress Ridge Business and Industrial Park Palmetto Sites Recertification through the Southern Carolina Regional Development Alliance and through the South Carolina Department of Commerce. (*Cypress Ridge Palmetto Sites*)

9. PUBLIC HEARINGS, ORDINANCES AND ACTION ITEMS

A) **Hunter Smiley** – **Public Hearing** and Consideration of **2nd Reading** of Ordinance **#O-2026-21** of Jasper County Council to Amend the Official Zoning Map of Jasper County by Rezoning that Certain Parcel of Real Property Located Along Levy Road, Bearing Jasper County Tax Map Number 038-00-06-208 Consisting of 0.47 Acres from the Residential District (R) to the Community Commercial (CC). (*1st Reading 07.06.2026*)

B) **Hunter Smiley** – **Public Hearing** and Consideration of **2nd Reading** of Ordinance **#O-2026-22** of Jasper County Council to Amend the Official Zoning Map of Jasper County by Rezoning That Certain Parcel of Real Property Located Along Patriot Pointe, Bearing Jasper County Tax Map Number 024-00-05-021, Consisting of 6.8 ACRES from the Residential District (R) to the Rural Preservation District (RP). (*1st Reading 07.06.2026*)

C) **Lisa Wagner** – Consideration of **1st Reading** of an Ordinance Authorizing the Grant of a Variable Width Drainage Easement Across Property Owned by Jasper County, South Carolina and Located in Cypress Ridge Industrial Park.

D) **Lisa Wagner** – Consideration of **1st Reading** of an Ordinance to Amend the Frampton Tract Development Agreement to Provide a Third Five-Year Renewal.

E) **Jim Iwanicki** – Consideration of approval of M.B. Kahn work authorization change order for upfit of 112 Weathersbee Street not to exceed \$98,000 for additional electrical work, mold removal and abatement and to authorize the County Administrator or his designee to execute all necessary documents related to the project.

F) **Kimberly Burgess** – Consideration of **2nd Reading** of Ordinance **#O-2026-23** of Jasper County Council Authorizing Adoption of the General Records Retention Schedule for County Records and to Adopt Amendments to Section 2-6 of the Jasper County Code of Ordinances. (*1st Reading 07.06.2026*)

G) **Coroner Jeremiah Vaigneur** – Consideration and approval of a full-time Deputy Coroner for the Coroner's Office.

H) **Kimberly Burgess** – Consideration of a **1st Reading** of an ordinance an Ordinance 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 \$_____ to a Grand Total Of \$_____, With Revenue And Other Financing Sources Amended to Show An Increase Of \$_____ to a Grand Total of \$_____, Appropriating the Various Amounts Thereof, and Repealing All Ordinances Or Parts Of Ordinances In Conflict Therewith, and Providing An Effective Date.

I) **Kimberly Burgess** – Consideration of a **1st Reading** of an Ordinance Authorizing Amendment to the Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Budget to Impose New Fees and Other Matters Related Thereto.

J) **Eric Larson** - Consideration of **2nd Reading** of Ordinance **#O-2026-15** authorizing the execution and delivery of a Special Source Revenue Credit Agreement by and between Jasper County, South Carolina and Daly Organics LLC, a company also known as Project Heat, with respect to certain economic development property in the County, whereby such property will receive Special Source Revenue Credits; and other matters related thereto. *(1st Reading 03.16.2026, Public Hearing 6/15/26. The 2nd reading of this item was tabled on 6/15/26)*

10. Administrator's Report:

11. Councilmember Comments and Discussion

12. Adjournment:

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