

**CHESTERFIELD COUNTY COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
DECEMBER 2, 2020 ..... 9:00 A.M.**

**PRESENT:** Chairman Al Johnson, Vice-Chair Douglas Curtis, Council Members: Hattie Burns, Bruce E. Rivers, Gerald L. Miller, Ralph E. Watson, William R. Butler, Ben Teal and Mary D. Anderson.

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Tim Eubanks – Administrator, Betty M. Boswell – Clerk to Council/Administration Office Manager, Michelle Stanley – Finance Director, C. Heath Ruffner – County Attorney/Assistant Administrator, Stephanie Atkinson Coln, CPA – McAbee, Schwartz, Halliday & Company, Robert Wolfe – Town of Cheraw, Kim Burch – CCEDB, The Honorable Penry Gustafson – Senator, District 27, Don Worthington – Pageland Progressive Journal and Robert Monnie – The Link. There were others attending the meeting who did not sign the sign-in-sheet.

**PRESS:** Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, notice of the meeting, date, time, place of meeting and agenda were posted on the bulletin board at the County Administrative Offices, 178 Mill Street, Chesterfield, SC, and the County Website ([www.chesterfieldcountysc.com](http://www.chesterfieldcountysc.com)). In addition it was made available to the newspapers and concerned citizens (*upon request*). Members of the press present: Robert Monnie – The Link and Don Worthington, The Pageland Progressive Journal.

**CALL TO ORDER AND PRAYER**

Chairman Johnson welcomed everyone and Council Member Butler opened the meeting with prayer.

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

Council Member Watson made a motion to adopt the December 2, 2020 meeting agenda. Council Member Burns seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

**SPECIAL RECOGNITION:**

Council recognized Wanda C. Miles, Clerk of Court, and Benjamin K. Teal, Council Member, District 5, by presenting them with a plaque, for their years of service to the County.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**a. November 4, 2020 – Regular Meeting**

Council Member Butler made a motion to approve the November 4, 2020 Regular Meeting Minutes. Council Member Anderson seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

**b. November 18, 2020 – Regular Meeting**

Council Member Miller made a motion to approve the November 18, 2020 Special Meeting Minutes. Council Member Anderson seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

**APPOINTMENTS**

**a. Honorable Penry Gustafson, Senator, District 27 – Oath of Office and Remarks**

Chairman Johnson administered the Oath of Office for Senator Gustafson. Senator Gustafson introduced herself and provided an overview of her vision for the upcoming legislative session and discussed how she looks forward to working with Chesterfield County.

**b. Stephanie Atkinson Coln, CPA – McAbee, Schwartz, Halliday & Company – Audit Report**

Ms. Stephanie Atkinson Coln presented Council with the Chesterfield County Independent audit of fiscal year 2019-2020. Chesterfield County has once again received a clean audit and, for the first time in many years, did not have to issue a tax anticipation note (TAN).

**PUBLIC HEARINGS**

**a. \$4,700,000 GO Bond Refunding Ordinance – Public Hearing**

Council Member Anderson made a motion to open the Public Hearing. Council Member Butler seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

There were no oral comments from the public made nor were any written comments received.

Council Member Anderson made a motion to close the public hearing. Council Member Butler seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

**b. Master MCP Ordinance Amendment (Belk Property Site) – Public Hearing**

Council Member Miller made a motion to open the Public Hearing. Council Member Rivers seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

There were no oral comments from the public made nor were any written comments received.

Council Member Miller made a motion to close the public hearing. Council Member Rivers seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

**ORDINANCE READINGS AND RESOLUTIONS**

**a. \$4,700,000 – 3<sup>rd</sup> Reading**

Council Member Anderson made a motion to pass 3<sup>rd</sup> Reading. Council Member Butler seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

**b. Master MCP Ordinance Amendment (Belk Property Site) – 3<sup>rd</sup> Reading**

Council Member Miller made a motion to pass 3<sup>rd</sup> Reading. Council Member Rivers seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

**c. Ordinance Authorizing Purchase of Property from Robert Hall (TMS#30-1) – 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading**

Council Member Rivers made a motion to pass 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading. Council Member Miller seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

**d. MCP Ordinance Amendment (Lancaster County) – Resolution**

Council Member Watson made a motion to adopt the Resolution. Vice-Chair Curtis seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

**ITEMS SUBMITTED BY STAFF**

**a. Setting Meeting Dates/Time – Eubanks**

The following dates and times were set for the 2021 regular Council Meetings: January 6, February 3, March 3, April 7, May 5, June 2, July 7, August 11, September 1, October 6, November 3, and December 1. All meetings will begin at 9:00 a.m.

Council Member Burns made a motion to approve the above 2021 regular Council Meeting dates and times. Council Member Teal seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous.

**b. Setting the 2021 Holiday Schedule – Eubanks**

The following holidays were set for 2020: January 1, January 18, February 15, April 2, May 31, July 5, September 6, November 11, November 24, 25 & 26, December 24, 27, & 28 and December 31.

Council Member Burns made a motion to approve the above 2021 Holiday Schedule. Council Member Watson seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

**BOARD APPOINTMENTS**

**a. Board of Assessment Appeals – Vice-Chair Curtis**

Vice-Chair Curtis made a motion to appoint John Douglas to the Board of Assessment Appeals as his representative for Council District 4. Council Member Burns seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

**b. Economic Development Board – Council Member Anderson**

Council Member Anderson made a motion to appoint Robert Wolfe to the Economic Development Board as her representative for Council District 8. Council Member Butler seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

**c. Employee Grievance Committee**

Council Member Watson made a motion to re-appoint Robert Gordon to the Employee Grievance Committee. Vice-Chair Curtis seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

Council Member Anderson made a motion to re-appoint Michelle Stanley to the Employee Grievance Committee. Council Member Butler seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

Council Member Butler made a motion to re-appoint Andy Smith to the Employee Grievance Committee. Council Member Anderson seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

**ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT**

Advised he spoke with Sammy Copeland regarding the Highway #9 Paving Project and how the meetings had to be cancelled due to COVID and that he would like to get started on this project again.

**Sammy Copeland:** Advised Council he felt it was time to start working on the Highway #9 Paving Project again and he would like to set up a meeting in the near future.

**COUNCIL MEMBERS' COMMENTS**

**Council Member Anderson:** Advised she and Council Member Burns would be participating in a virtual Legislative Conference tomorrow at 11:00 a.m.

**Council Member Rivers:** Advised that Tucker Lumber Company celebrated their 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary and he would like to adopt a Resolution recognizing Tucker Lumber Company for their 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

Council Member Rivers made a motion to adopt a Resolution recognizing Tucker Lumber Company for their 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. Council Member Miller seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

**Council Member Teal:** Advised that Cheraw and McBee FFA had poinsettias and wreaths for sale.

Council Member Butler: Advised that he felt Kappie Griggs had been a real asset to our County. He also advised that Joe Bradham passed away last week.


**Chairman Johnson:** Advised that he was referring the retention of the Voter Registration employee to the Finance Committee. He wished everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

**Council Member Anderson:** Inquired as to the RFP's for the Medical Air Transport Services. Ms. Stanley advised they were due back on December 18.

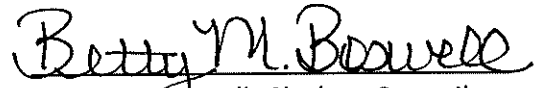
**ADJOURN**

Council Member Teal made a motion to adjourn. Council Member Rivers seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

**APPROVED:**

  
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Al Johnson, Chairman  
Date: January 6, 2021

**ATTEST:**

  
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Betty M. Boswell, Clerk to Council