

**CHESTERFIELD COUNTY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

July 10, 2019 9:00 A.M.

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

OTHERS PRESENT: Tim Eubanks – Administrator/Public Works Director, Betty M. Boswell – Clerk to Council/Administration Office Manager, Michelle Stanley – Finance Director, C. Heath Ruffner – County Attorney/Assistant Administrator, Sheriff James Dixon, Derrick Outen – Building Codes Director, A.D. Jordan – Senator Tim Scott’s Office, Phillip Gaillard – Congressman Tom Rice’s Office, Mike Smith – Administrator, Town of Cheraw, Ruthie Tarlton – Mother’s Board, Sandra Combs-Toney – Mother’s Board, Randall Smith, Kevin Thurman – Voter Registration and Elections, Chief Deputy Chris Page – Sheriff’s Department, Wesley Bivens – Assessor’s Office, Susie Jordan – Assessor, Stony Rushing – Take Aim Shooting Range, Genna Rivers 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). In addition it was made available to the newspapers and concerned citizens (*upon request*). Members of the press present: Robert Monnie – The Link.

CALL TO ORDER AND PRAYER

Chairman Johnson welcomed everyone and Council Member Bruce E. Rivers opened the meeting with prayer.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Council Member Butler made a motion to adopt the July 10, 2019 meeting agenda. Council Member Miller seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

SPECIAL RECOGNITION

a. Genna Rivers – 2019 SCAC Board of Directors Scholarship

Council Member Rivers: Introduced his granddaughter, Genna Catherine Rivers and advised that Genna is the recipient of the 2019 SCAC Board of Directors Scholarship.

Council Member Anderson: Gave Council a brief background on the SCAC Board of Directors Scholarship. She also gave Council a brief summary of Genna’s accomplishments. On

behalf of the Board of Directors for the Association of Counties, Council Member Anderson presented Miss Gena Rivers with a plaque.

b. Employee Length-of-Service Recognition

Staff has implemented a Service Recognition that is designed to honor the County's Employees. The program will recognize years of service beginning at five years and following in five year increments. The following employees were recognized and presented with their Certificates:

<u>Employee</u>	<u>Department</u>	<u>Number of Years</u>
Wesley Bivens	Assessor	5 Years
Roy Brown	Public Works	5 Years
Weldon Gainey	Sheriff	5 Years
Marc Weiss	Sheriff	5 Years
Jasa Hodge	Telecommunicator	5 Years

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a. June 5, 2019 – Regular Meeting

Council Member Butler made a motion to approve the June 5, 2019 Regular Meeting Minutes. Council Member Miller seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

APPOINTMENTS

a. Stony Rushing, Take Aim Shooting Range

Appeared before Council and gave Council a brief summary of the history and background of his shooting range, Take Aim Shooting Range. He also gave Council a brief summary of and timetable of events which have occurred involving Take Aim Shooting Range and Ms. Ginger Givens.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

a. 2019 Tax Anticipation (TAN) Ordinance – Public Hearing

Vice-Chair Curtis made a motion to open the Public Hearing. Council Member Burns 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.

Vice-Chair Curtis made a motion to close the public hearing. Council Member Burns seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

b. Bailey Bill Ordinance – Public Hearing

Council Member Butler made a motion to open the Public Hearing. Council Member Anderson 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.

ORDINANCE READINGS AND RESOLUTIONS

a. 2019 Tax Anticipation (TAN) Ordinance – 3rd Reading

Vice-Chair Curtis made a motion to pass 3rd Reading. Council Member Watson seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

b. Bailey Bill Ordinance – 3rd Reading

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

c. Project Wilma SSRC Ordinance – 2nd Reading

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

d. Master MCP Ordinance Amendment (Project Wilma) – 2nd Reading

Council Member Anderson made a motion to pass 2nd Reading. Council Member Butler seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

e. Project Centerfield FILOT Ordinance – 2nd Reading

Council Member Miller made a motion to pass 2nd Reading. Council Member Teal seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

f. Second Master MCP Ordinance Amendment (Project Centerfield) – 2nd Reading

Council Member Butler made a motion to pass 2nd Reading. Council Member Anderson seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

g. Workforce Innovation Opportunity Act – Resolution

Council Member Miller made a motion to adopt the Resolution. Council Member Rivers seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

a. CCEDB New Office – Chesterfield County Hospice Building - Building Committee – Committee Chair Rivers

Committee Chair Rivers advised Council that at the June 5, 2019 Building Committee, the Committee members did a walkthrough of the Hospice Building and discussed possible renovations to the building.

Committee Member Watson

Committee Member Watson briefed Council on the recommended renovations. Council was provided with a drawing of the proposed renovations prior to the Council meeting and Committee Member Watson asked that Council approve the proposed renovations.

Council Member Rivers made a motion to proceed with the plans that were presented to them. Council Member Watson seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

ITEMS SUBMITTED BY STAFF

a. 2019-2010 Accommodations Tax Grant Committee Recommendations – Stanley

Ms. Stanley advised that the Accommodations Tax Committee met on Tuesday, June 18, 2019 and reviewed the grants for the A Tax Funds. Council was presented with a list of the requests based upon the Committee’s review, and it was requested that Council approve the grant requests.

Council Member Rivers made a motion to approve the grant requests on the list provided to Council by the Accommodations Tax Committee. Council Member Watson seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

b. Detention Center Healthcare Services – Bid Award – Stanley

Ms. Stanley advised that staff issued an Invitation for Bids (IFB) for Healthcare Services for the Detention Center, and the following two bids were received:

- 1) Southern Health Partners - \$164,864
- 2) Hartsville Medical Enrichment Services – Option 1 - \$170,000
Option 2 - \$160,000
Option 3 - \$150,000

Ms. Stanley advised that it was the recommendation of staff that Council award the bid to Southern Health Partners in the amount of \$164,864, which is the lowest bid.

Council Member Butler made a motion to award the bid to Southern Health Partners in the amount of \$164,864. Council Member Miller seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT

Administrator Eubanks reminded Council of the Employee Luncheon.

COUNCIL MEMBERS’ COMMENTS

Council Member Anderson: Advised that Wes Harrell, American Medical Response (AMR) is leaving Chesterfield County now that the new ambulance service is up and running.

Vice-Chair Curtis: Reminded Kevin Thurman that the magistrates would be moving into the Multi-Purpose Room at the Courthouse and he should be thinking about moving that precinct out of the Multi-Purpose Room.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

a. Chairman Johnson advised that pursuant to S.C. Code § 30-4-70(a)(5), Council needed to enter into executive session for the discussion of matters relating to the proposed location, expansion, or the provision of services encouraging location or expansion of industries or other businesses in the area served by the county regarding the following:

- i. Project Centerfield
- ii. Project Wilma

b. Chairman Johnson advised that pursuant to S.C. Code § 30-4-70(a)(2), Council needed to enter into executive session for the discussion of negotiations incident to proposed contractual arrangements, 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, regarding the following:

- i. CSX Railroad and SCDOR
- ii. Memorandum of Agreement (Voting System Components)

Council Member Watson made a motion to enter into executive session. Council Member Teal seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

Vice-Chair Curtis made a motion to exist executive session. Council Member Burns seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

REGULAR SESSION

Chairman Johnson reported Council is back in regular session and that no action was taken and no motions were made in executive session other than to exit executive session.

C. Heath Ruffner, County Attorney: Advised that Agenda Item 19b.i. involved the case of CXS Transportation, Inc. versus the SC Department of Revenue. He advised this case was discussed in executive session and that the case involves an appeal of the tax assessment for the tax years 2014-2017 by CXS. He stated that he had been in contact with Haynsworth, Sinkler and Boyd with whom the County has a long standing relationship and that they have offered to file an intervention on the County's behalf actually make the county a party in the case, with the understanding they are not charging for any time in preparing that initial request and that they will confer with him if and when additional work is required and he will keep Council updated. He recommended that Council proceed with filing the motion to intervene and retaining Haynsworth, Sinkler and Boyd to do so.

Council Member Butler made a motion to proceed with filing the motion to intervene and to retain Haynsworth, Sinkler and Boyd to do so. Council Member Rivers seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

C. Heath Ruffner, County Attorney: Advised that Agenda Item 19.b.ii is the execution of a Memorandum of Agreement for new voting machines and that Memorandum of Agreement is between the State Election Commission, our local Board of Voter Registration and Elections, and the County. He stated that after some discussion with our Voter Registration and Elections Director, and researching the issue, it appears it is going to have a fiscal impact on the maintenance side of about \$5,000.00. Although we may not be happy with the way it was handled, I think it is probably advisable to go ahead and authorize the Administrator to execute that Memorandum of Agreement and move forward with the delivery of the machines the week of July 28.

Council Member Watson made a motion to authorize Administrator Eubanks to execute the Memorandum of Agreement to move forward with the delivery of the machines the week of July 28. Council Member Burns seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

ADJOURN

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

APPROVED:



Al Johnson, Chairman
Date: August 14, 2019

ATTEST:



Betty M. Boswell, Clerk to Council