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# **JASPER COUNTY COUNCIL**



# VIRTUAL MEETING

Jasper County Clementa C. Pinckney Government Bldg 358 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue Ridgeland, SC 29936

> Tuesday, January 18, 2022 AGENDA 4:30 P.M.

# I. Call to Order by Chairperson

Clerk's Report of Compliance with the Freedom of Information Act.

\*\*In compliance with the Freedom of Information Act, notice of meetings and agendas were posted and furnished to all news media and persons requesting notification\*\*

- II. 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:
    - (1) Discussion of employment, appointment, compensation, promotion, demotion, discipline, or release of an employee, a student, or a person regulated by a public body or the appointment of a person to a public body -Premium Pay; Detention Center; Jasper County Aeronautics Commission
    - (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 a 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 Jet Strategic Partners LLC; Sgt. Jasper Park
    - (4) Discussion regarding the development of security personnel or devices: Security Measures
    - (5) 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 a public body Jasper Ocean Terminal (JOT); Projects Dolphin, Mandolin, Six Pack and Prospect Update

ANY EXECUTIVE SESSION MATTER ON WHICH DISCUSSION HAS NOT BEEN COMPLETED MAY HAVE DISCUSSION SUSPENDED FOR PURPOSES 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

# 6:00 P.M.

- III. Return to Open Session
- IV. Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation

- V. Invocation
- VI. Approval of Agenda
- VII. Approval of the Minutes of 12.06.2021:
- VIII. Presentation and Proclamations: None
- IX. Open Floor to the Public per Ordinance 08-17 any citizen of the County may sign to speak before the Council on matters pertaining to County Services and Operations. Presentations will be limited to three (3) minutes and total public input will be limited to 30 minutes.

\*Please submit <u>Public Comments</u> via email at <u>comments@jaspercountysc.gov</u> or via US Mail at Attention: Clerk to Council P.O. Box 1149 Ridgeland, SC 29936. If you would like to be contacted by phone during <u>Open Floor</u>, please email your name, address and phone number to the email address listed above.

## X. Resolutions:

A: Kimberly Burgess - Consideration of Resolution # R-2022-02 to amend Resolution to amend and supplement Resolution # 2021-20, as Amended on September 24, 2021, regarding the Implementation Of Premium Pay Funded by Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds

B: David Tedder - Resolution # R-2022-03 to declare certain property to be surplus and authorize its sale or disposition - Sheriff's Department used trailer/mobile office.

#### XI. Ordinances:

A: David Tedder - Consideration of a First reading of an Ordinance to Reapportion and Redistrict the Four (4) Election Districts for the election of Jasper County Council Members based upon the 2020 Decennial Census in order that the population of such Districts shall comply with the Voting Rights Act of 1965 and South Carolina Law.

## XII. New Business:

A: Kimberly Burgess - Container and Compactor Bid Presentation

B: Lyn Boyles - Request for additional appropriation for the Keep Jasper Beautiful Program

#### XIII. Old Business:

A: Chief Russell Wells - COVID update

- **XIV.** Council Members Comments
- XV. Administrator's Report

- XVI. Possible Return to Executive Session to Continue Discussion on Matters Regarding Agenda Item II.
- XVII. Adjourn

\*Council may act on any item appearing on the agenda including items discussed in executive session.

In accordance with South Carolina Code of Laws, 1976, Section 30-4-80(d), as amended, notification of the meeting was posted on the County Council Building at a publicly accessible place and on the county website at least 24 hours prior to the meeting. A copy of the agenda was given to the local news media and posted at the meeting location twenty-four hours prior to the meeting.

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# **AGENDA ITEM:**

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Resolution: Item A

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
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RESOLUTION NO.: R-2022-02
COUNTY OF JASPER
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RESOLUTION TO AMEND AND SUPPLEMENT RESOLUTION 2021-20, AS AMENDED ON SEPTEMBER 24, 2021, REGARDING THE IMPLEMETATION OF PREMIUM PAY FUNDED BY CORONAVIRUS STATE AND LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY FUNDS

WHEREAS, as expressed in Resolution 2021-20 adopted on September 7, 2021, and subsequently amended on September 24, 2021, Jasper County Council is appreciative to all Jasper County employees for the work they performed and their continued dedication to the citizens of Jasper County during the COVID-19 pandemic declared state of emergency; and,

WHEREAS, in that Resolution Jasper County Council expressed its appreciation to County employees by resolving to provide premium pay to all County employees from the funds provided to the County through the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds authorized under the federal America Rescue Plan Act of 2021 ("ARPA Funds"); and

WHEREAS, payment of those funds are to be made in accordance with rules and regulations promulgated by the U.S. Department of the Treasury; and

WHEREAS, THE Department of the Treasury has on January 6, 2022, issued its Final Rule regarding the use of the ARPA Funds, to be effective April 1, 2022, and it is the desire of Jasper County Council to confirm and ratify its beliefs and findings concerning the eligibility and authorization of payment of ARPA Funds in accordance with the Final Rule to County employees, to provide authorization of further payments to County employees who were not included in the initial Resolutions of September, 2021, and to provide a grant, as authorized under the Final Rule, to the Jasper County Legislative Delegation for

Premium Pay to be provided to Legislative Delegation employees from the ARPA Funds provided to the County; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED in Council duly assembled that the following findings and directives are adopted:

- 1. Jasper County finds the Final Rule provides ARPA Funds may be used "to respond to workers performing essential work during the COVID-19 public health emergency by providing premium pay to eligible workers of the . . . government that are performing such essential work, or by providing grants to eligible employers that have eligible workers who perform essential work," and such qualifying services were provided by its employees as listed in the Exhibits to the September 7, 2021 Resolution as supplemented and amended by the September 24<sup>th</sup> Resolution and this Resolution, during the period of emergency existing from March 16, 2020 through June 11, 2021 "Eligible Employees").
- Jasper County finds the Eligible Employees are workers included in the definitions of "eligible employee" as defined in the Final Rule.
- 3. These Jasper County workers, by virtue of their employment, had to take on additional burdens and make personal sacrifices as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic in order to perform essential work as defined by the Final Rule, involving either (i) regular, in-person interactions with the public, or coworkers of the individual that is performing the work or (ii) regular physical handling of items that were handled by, or are to be handled by the public, or coworkers of the individual that is performing the work.
- 4. Jasper County further finds that the amounts of premium pay to be paid to the Eligible Employees meets the requirements of the Final Rule with each eligible worker who receives premium pay falling into one of three categories: (1) the worker's pay is below the wage threshold by not increasing the employee's pay total pay above 150 percent of the state or county prevailing

average annual wage for all occupations, (2) the worker is not exempt from the FLSA overtime

provisions, or (3) the recipient has submitted a written justification to Treasury in the event if the

worker's pay (with or without the premium) exceeds the threshold, and the worker is exempt

from the FLSA overtime provisions.

5. Jasper County finds the amount of premium pay provided to Eligible Employees does not exceed

the per employee limitations as provided in the Final Rule.

6. The list of Eligible Employees as adopted on September 7, 2021, and amended on September 24,

2021, is further amended by adding to that Exhibit as a supplemental Exhibit those employees of

the County and those employees of eligible organizations providing essential services who were

not initially provided premium pay in September of 2021.

7. Eligibility as an Eligible Employee remains subject to all of the conditions of the Final Rule, and

State and local provisions regarding compensation. Nothing herein shall be construed as an

increase in the hourly rate or salary of any employee or official. Country Administration is

authorized to provide such information and disclosures regarding the provision of premium pay

as it may deem advisable.

Done this	th day of January, 2022.	
		Jasper County Council
Attest:		Barbara C. Clark, Chairperson
Wanda Simmo	ons, Clerk to Council	
Approved as to		
	David L. Tedder	Date

Jasper County Attorney

# Jasper County Premium Pay for Elected Officials March 20, 2020 - June 11, 2021

Name	Position	Hours	Premium Pay
Aiken, Willie	Coroner	912	\$ 1,824.00
Badgett, Catherine	Magistrate PT	1962	3,924.00
Bostick, Margaret	Clerk of Court	2616	5,232.00
Garvin, Verna	Treasurer	2616	5,232.00
Hipp, Donald	Sheriff	912	1,824.00
Johnson, Warren	Magistrate PT	1962	3,924.00
Kleckley, Albert	Probate Judge	2616	5,232.00
Lee, Jacqueline	Magistrate	2616	5,232.00
Wilson, Monica	Auditor	2616	5,232.00
			37,656.00
Leglislative Delegation Grant	Admin Assistants	2616	5,232.00
			\$ 42,888.00

# **AGENDA ITEM:**

# X

Resolution: Item B

# STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA JASPER COUNTY

# **RESOLUTION # R-2022-03**

# RESOLUTION OF JASPER COUNTY COUNCIL

To declare certain property to be surplus and authorize its sale or disposition – Sheriff's Department used trailer/mobile office

WHEREAS, the County Administrator, in consultation with the Jasper County Sheriff, has identified the property described as a 30 foot by 24 foot mobile office, located at the Sheriff's Department satellite Criminal Investigation Department's Office on Carter's Mill Road as no longer necessary or useful to the County for the accomplishment of its mission, and recommends that it be declared surplus and sold or otherwise disposed of; and

WHEREAS, it appears the mobile office was obtained in the late 1980's or early 1990's from the Jasper County School District, and no documents of title are available nor have serial numbers been discovered on the office that would allow a duplicate title to be issued; and

**WHEREAS**, the mobile office is in disrepair and not suitable for rehabilitation for used by the County;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the 30 foot by 24 foot mobile office, located at the Sheriff's Department satellite Criminal Investigation Department's Office on Carter's Mill Road (picture attached) is declared surplus pursuant to the Jasper County Purchasing and Procurement Ordinance, Ordinance #05-04 (as codified in Chapter 2, Article V of the Jasper County Code of Ordinances, Sections 2-401 et seq.), and the chief procurement officer of the County is authorized and directed to sell or otherwise dispose by quit-claim bill

of sale (without state title) of the property in accordance with that Ordi	nance
including accepting offers to remove in exchange for possession of the office	Э.
. This Resolution made this day of January, 2022.	
Barbara B. Clark, Chairperson	
ATTEST:	
Wanda Simmons, Clerk to Council	
Reviewed for form and draftsmanship by the Jasper County Attorney.	
David L. Tedder Date	

# AGENDA ITEM: XI-A

Ordinance item A

# STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA COUNTY OF JASPER

ORDINANCE NO. 0-2022 \_\_\_\_\_

AN ORDINANCE TO REAPPORTION AND REDISTRICT THE FOUR (4) ELECTION DISTRICTS FOR THE ELECTION OF JASPER COUNTY COUNCIL MEMBERS BASED UPON THE 2020 DECENNIAL CENSUS IN ORDER THAT THE POPULATION OF SUCH DISTRICTS SHALL COMPLY WITH THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT OF 1965 AND SOUTH CAROLINA LAW.

# **ARTICLE I**

# **FINDINGS OF FACT**

# Section 1.01. Recitals and Statement of Purpose.

Incident to the adoption of this Ordinance, the County Council of Jasper County, South Carolina (the "Council"), the governing body of Jasper County, South Carolina (the "County"), finds, as a fact, that each of the statements hereinafter set forth In Article I is in all respects True and correct.

- (a) The United States Department of Commerce has declared final the results of the federal decennial census of 2020 (the "2020 Census").
- (b) In compliance with the United States Constitution, the Constitution of the State of South Carolina, Title 4, Chapter 9 of the South Carolina Code of

Laws, 1976, as amended, and the United States Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended, the Council has determined to realign the electoral districts for the election of members of Council in accordance with 2020 census and is adopting this Ordinance for that purpose.

(c) In creating a reapportionment and redistricting plan, County Council first adopted Resolution 2021-\_\_\_\_ on December 6, 2021, setting forth the considerations to be utilized in creating new district boundaries, and County Council finds those considerations to have been fairly incorporated in the Plan as described below.

## **ARTICLE II**

# **ADOPTION OF PLAN**

## Section 2.01 New District Lines.

From and after the Effective Date of this Ordinance as defined in Article VI below, the County shall be divided into four (4) new districts (the "New Districts") for the purposes of electing members to the Council, and the previous District boundaries are repealed. Each New District shall be entitled to have one of its residents elected by at-large county-wide voting in accordance with the Jasper County Ordinance providing for the method of electing council members adopted on June 25, 1976 and pursuant to Section 4-9-90 and Section 4-9-10, South Carolina Code of Laws, 1976, as amended. The fifth member of council shall continue be elected at-large county wide without a

residency requirement. The New Districts are as defined and delineated on the on the map entitled "\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, based on the statistical data pertaining to such Districts as described contained in Exhibit A attached hereto. The New Districts contained in this ordinance, the statistical data pertaining to such districts, and the maps delineating these districts have been provided by the South Carolina Department of Revenue and Fiscal Affairs. These maps and statistical data are maintained in the Jasper County Clerk of Council Office. A copy of the map delineating the geographic boundaries of the County Council New Districts and the census information pertaining to such districts are incorporated by reference as if set forth verbatim herein. The statistical census data is attached to this ordinance.

## **ARTICLE III**

# **IMPLEMENTATION**

# Section 3.01 <u>2022 Elections.</u>

The Election Commission of the County is hereby directed, immediately upon the Effective Date hereof, to undertake, by and with the South Carolina Election Commission, all steps necessary for holding elections for members of the Council according to the regular schedule for the primary elections and the general election on November \_\_\_\_\_\_, 2022, in such of the New Districts as is required in accordance with Section 4-9-90, South Carolina Code of Laws, 1976, as amended.

#### **ARTICLE IV**

# REPEAL

# Section 4.01 <u>Repeal of Inconsistent Provisions.</u>

The existing ordinance previously adopted by the Council establishing the current districts and any other ordinances of the Council now in effect that are inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby repealed as of the Effective Date of this Ordinance.

### ARTICLE V

# **SEVERABILTY**

If any part of this Ordinance is held to be unconstitutional, illegal or invalid for any reason, it shall be construed to have been the legislative intent of the County Council of Jasper County, South Carolina, to pass this Ordinance without such unconstitutional provision, and the remainder of said Ordinance shall be deemed and held to be valid as if such portion had not been included. If this Ordinance, or any provision thereof, is held to be inapplicable to any person, group of persons, property, kind of property, circumstances or set of circumstances, such holding shall not affect the applicability thereof to any other persons, property or circumstances.

# **ARTICLE VI**

# **EFFECTIVE DATE**

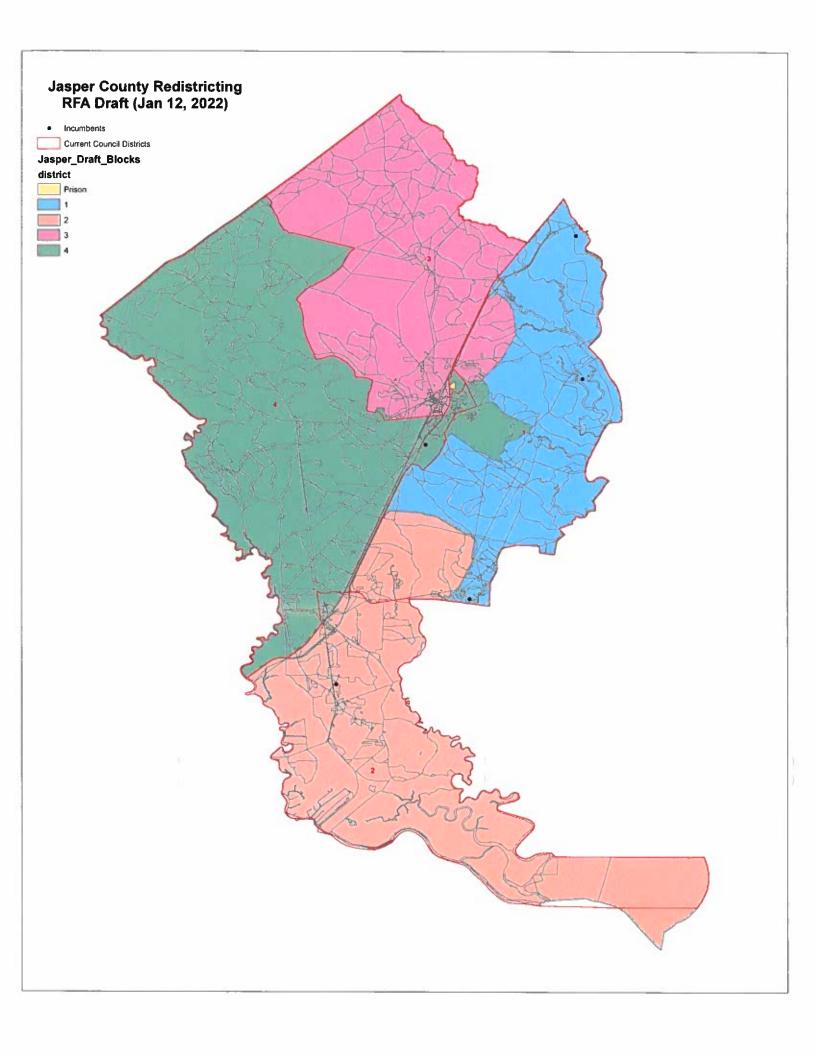
AND IT IS SO ORD	AINED AND ADOPTED this day of
, 2022, by	the Jasper County Council in meeting duly assembled,
effective immediately.	
	JASPER COUNTY COUNCIL
	By:
Attest:	Barbara B. Clark , Chairwoman
Wanda Simmons, Clerk	(SEAL) to Council
First Reading:	
Public Hearings:	
Adopted:	
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It is required that the following Exhibits be attached before the second reading:

- 1. Exhibit A Map
- 2. Exhibit B Statistical Data

Reviewed for form and draftsmanship by the Jasper County Attorney.

David L. Tedder	Date



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