



JASPER COUNTY COUNCIL  
**SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING**  
**And Workshop**

Jasper County Clementa C. Pinckney Government Bldg.  
358 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue, Ridgeland, SC 29936  
Monday, November 18, 2024

**Minutes**

**Officials Present:** Chairman L. Martin Sauls IV, Vice Chairwoman Barbara B. Clark, Councilman John Kemp, Councilman Joey Rowell and Councilman Chris VanGeison

**Staff Present:** County Administrator Andrew Fulghum, Clerk to Council Wanda Giles, County Attorney David Tedder, Kimberly Burgess, Lisa Wagner, Chief Russell Wells, and Videographer Jonathan Dunham.

**Others Present:** Joseph Arzillo, Mr. Woods and Grant McClure

**1. Call to Order of Council Meeting by Chairman Sauls**

Chairman Sauls called the meeting to order as soon as the Workshop was over. The Report of Compliance with the Freedom of Information Act was read for the records as follows: *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. 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 – **Elected Officials Salaries****

**Motion to go into Executive Session:** Councilman Kemp

**Second:** Councilman Rowell

**Vote:** Unanimous

The motion passed.

**PLEASE BE ADVISED THERE MAY BE VOTES BASED ON ITEMS FROM THE EXECUTIVE SESSION.**

**3: Return to Open Session**

**Motion to return to regular session:** Vice Chairwoman Clark

**Second:** Councilman Kemp

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**Vote:** Unanimous  
The motion passed.

- **3.1 Action coming out of Executive Session - None**

#### **4. Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation:**

The Pledge to the Flag was given and the Invocation was given by Vice Chairwoman Clark

#### **5. Approval of the Agenda:**

**Motion to approve:** Vice Chairwoman Clark  
**Second:** Councilman Kemp  
**Vote:** Unanimous  
The motion passed.

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## **RESOLUTIONS**

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#### **6. David Tedder – Consideration of Resolution #R-2024-41 of the Jasper County Council Declaring Results of the Referendum on Transportation Sales and Use Tax.**

Mr. Tedder was present to review and address the request for consideration of Resolution #R-2024-41 of the Jasper County Council Declaring Results of the Referendum on Transportation Sales and Use Tax. He noted that one of the duties under the state is to have the County Council declare the results of the referendum.

**Motion to approve:** Vice Chairwoman Clark  
**Second:** Councilman Kemp  
**Vote:** Unanimous  
The motion passed.

Chairman Sauls apologized for the delay and welcomed Councilman VanGeison to the Jasper County Council and to his first County Council Meeting.

#### **7. Kimberly Burgess – Consideration of Resolution #R-2024-42 to Approve Special Services Contract with HDL Companies for Business License Collection Services.**

Ms. Burgess was present to review and address the request for the consideration of Resolution #R-2024-42 to Approve Special Services Contract with HDL Companies for Business License Collection Services. She discussed the terms of the contract and noted this was a one-year contract with automatic renewal.

**Motion to approve:** Vice Chairwoman Clark  
**Second:** Councilman Rowell  
**Vote:** Unanimous  
The motion passed.

Chairman Sauls noted that they were adjourning the meeting and moving into a workshop. The meeting was adjourned.

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## **Workshop:**

- **Euhaw Broad River Planning Area**

The Council discussed and reviewed the Euhaw Broad River Planning Area. Ms. Wagner turned it over to Denise Grabowski to discuss the changes made since the last time this information was presented. There were several articles for amendment and map changes that were presented to the Council and discussed.

- **Jasper Telfair Planned Development District and Development Agreement**

The Council also discussed and reviewed the Jasper Telfair Planned Development District and the Development Agreement. Mr. Fulghum noted that the applicant was present on this item. He mentioned that at the last meeting the Council wanted to have a workshop before the two ordinances, and that at the 11.04.2024 meeting there was a public hearing only held on this item. The access points to this site were discussed, and Phase I and Phase II were also discussed. The Development Agreement was also discussed and Mr. Tedder noted that in other agreements a Traffic Study had been requested, which he noted could also be done if the Council wished to do so. He also noted that a 2<sup>nd</sup> public hearing had also been scheduled for the Development Agreement.

For this workshop, staff provided a link to the Jasper Telfair Planned Development District and Development Agreement and explained on the agenda how to get to the full page address that can be typed in for the PDD document to be reviewed or downloaded: <https://acrobat.adobe.com/id/urn:aaid:sc:VA6C2:e19e928d-ec64-466f-b609-c7c64547e908>. Staff also provided the option on the agenda, to view the County Zoning Ordinance separately by going to the Jasper County Planning and Zoning Page of our website at [www.jaspercountysc.gov](http://www.jaspercountysc.gov) and to the Planning and Building and then to Ordinances and Regulations for that ordinance in full detail. Instructions were also provided on the agenda to type this in to get to that page for a direct link for that page: <https://www.jaspercountysc.gov/planning-building/zoning-ordinance-land-development-regulations-and-stormwater-management>. For more information on these two items please go to our YouTube Channel for the video go to [https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCBmloqX05cKAsHm\\_ggXCJIA](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCBmloqX05cKAsHm_ggXCJIA) or review the agenda-epacket for this meeting on the County Council page.

- **Financial Accounting – Treasurer’s Office and Finance Department**

The Treasurer’s Office and Finance Department were discussed. Mr. Fulghum noted that this was noted that Ms. Burgess had circulated the MOA to Treasurer Skinner. Treasurer Skinner stated that he had submitted to them a revised document, but did not receive anything back until October 30th. He explained his position to the Council as the County banker. He noted that he was not looking to run anyone’s accounts; but that they needed a single line-item person on those accounts for accountability, ease of transfer and to have everyone on the same page. He said that that was what he was asking for and that he had his edits there today. Mr. Fulghum noted that Council had the edits. Mr. Fulghum said that they are satisfied with the accounts that they

control, and they have given the Treasurer viewing access as was requested. Ms. Burgess stated that in the MOA (Resolution #R-2024-26) some of the changes the Treasurer gave to them had been incorporated. She noted that they needed to meet a deadline, and she had thought they would meet again, but did not so they went ahead and sent what they had over to him. She also noted that on Item #2 of the resolution it noted that no additional signature access authority was conferred to the Treasurer by the granting of viewing access.

Ms. Vanessa Wright was there to discuss the Register of Deeds Escrow account and their other main account and how that process works for payment to the South Carolina Department of Revenue. She also noted that the county taxes and recording fees are paid back to the County each month and are given to the Treasurer.

Ms. Burgess noted that the Delegation Account and how its operational setup worked. She noted that their checking account was maintained in the Finance Office. She explained that procedure and discussed how it worked with the writing of the checks, what type of checks were written and that she gives them an accounting of everything. She also mentioned that Finance works on their budget every year. She noted that the Delegation asks that County Finance continue to maintain that account for them. It was suggested and discussed by Councilman Rowell and agreed to by Councilman VanGeison about getting all the players, with their accounts in the same room to set the Treasurer and Finance up for success. Ms. Burgess agreed, and Treasurer Skinner also agreed. Vice Chairwoman Clark asked Treasurer Skinner about Federal Funds and how they are handled. Mr. Fulghum noted that a workshop for all involved would be helpful, including the Constitutional Officers.

For more information on any of these items on this meeting or workshop, please see the agenda e-packet (which can be located on the County Council website page) or you can go to our YouTube Channel for the video go to [https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCBmloqX05cKAsHm\\_ggXCJIA](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCBmloqX05cKAsHm_ggXCJIA) .

**Adjournment of Workshop:** The workshop adjourned.

**Motion to adjourn:** Vice Chairwoman Clark

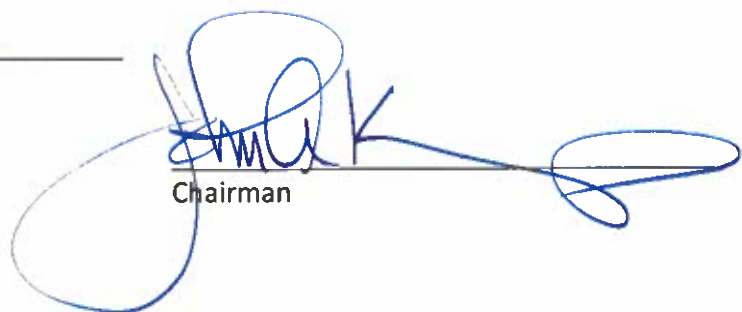
**Second:** Councilman Kemp

**Vote:** Unanimous

The motion passed and the meeting adjourned.

**Respectfully submitted:**

  
Wanda H. Giles, Clerk to Council

  
Chairman