

JASPER COUNTY COUNCIL IN PERSON

SPECIAL CALLED MEETING

Jasper County Clementa C. Pinckney Government Bldg 358 3rd Avenue Ridgeland, SC 29936 Monday, July 22, 2024 Minutes

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

Staff Present: County Administrator Andrew Fulghum, Clerk to Council Wanda Giles, County Attorney David Tedder, Chief Russell Wells, Kimberly Burgess, Nicole Holt, Arthur Benjamin and Videographer Jonathan Dunham.

Call to Order:

Chairman Sauls called the meeting to order. The Report of Compliance with the Freedom of Information Act was read for the records as follows: 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.

Pledge to the Flag and Invocation: The Pledge to the Flag was given and the Invocation was given by Councilman Rowell.

Approval of Agenda:

Motion to approve: Vice Chairwoman Clark

Second: Councilman Kemp

Vote: Unanimous The motion passed.

1. Kimberly Burgess - CONSIDERATION OF PUBLIC HEARING AND RESOLUTION #R-2024-20 OF JASPER COUNTY COUNCIL DETERMINING EMERGENT NEEDS AT THE JASPER COUNTY DETENTION CENTER JUSTIFY THE PROCUREMENT OF VENDOR SERVICES TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL PERSONNEL THROUGH USE OF CODE SECTION 2-412, SECTION 2-415, AND/OR SECTION 2-445.

Ms. Burgess explained the request for this resolution. She discussed the daily operations of the Detention Center and the need for additional personnel. She noted that they had been searching for applicants through various sources, however they are very short staffed at the Detention Center. She said that due to the loss of personnel and no applicants applying, they had been in touch with Allied Universal Security Services. She noted that they have a procurement process with the State of South Carolina. She noted that Director Benjamin and staff recommended this option to provide additional staffing at the Detention Center. She said that this contract could be canceled with 30 days' notice. She noted that the Resolution was asking for \$1,365,000.00 for a one-year contract. Ms. Holt was present

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and discussed the employee situation regarding this item. Chairman Sauls opened the public hearing and asked for comments.

Motion to approve: Vice Chairwoman Clark

Second: Councilman Kemp

Vote: Unanimous The motion passed.

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Adjournment:

Motion to adjourn: Vice Chairwoman Clark

Second: Councilman Rowell

Vote: Unanimous

The motion passed and the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted:

Wanda H. Giles Clerk to Council L. Martin Sauls IV

Chairman