# **JASPER COUNTY COUNCIL**



# **COUNCIL MEETING**

Jasper County Clementa C. Pinckney Government Bldg. 358 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue, Ridgeland, SC 29936 Monday, October 7, 2024 Minutes

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

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

### 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 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.

### 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:
  - (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 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 USCB MCIP; MOU between Jasper County and the 14th Circuit Solicitor; Map # 087-00-05-008 & 087-00-05-009
  - (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 Prospect Update; Project Mr. C; Project Veggie/S & P Produce Inc.

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

Motion to go into Executive Session: Councilman Kemp

Second: Vice Chairwoman Clark

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**Vote:** Unanimous The motion passed.

Motion to return to regular session: Vice Chairwoman Clark

Second: Councilman Rowell

**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 Chairman Sauls.

### 5. Approval of the Consent Agenda Items:

Approval of Consent Agenda passes all Consent Agenda Items. Consent Agenda Items are not considered separately unless any Councilmember so requests. In the event of such a request the item is placed at the end of the Public Hearings, Ordinances and Action Items.

Councilman Kemp noted that he would like to remove items 19, 20, 21, and 22 from the Consent Agenda and make them Item numbers 16A, 16B, 16C and 16D on the regular agenda.

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda with changes: Councilman Kemp

Second: Councilman Rowell

**Vote:** Unanimous The motion passed.

### 6. Approval of the Regular Agenda:

Motion to approve the agenda with changes on the additions from the Consent Agenda, add item # 7A and the removal of Item # 8 and amend Item # 13 to be a public hearing only: Councilman Rowell

Second: Councilman Kemp

**Vote:** Unanimous The motion passed.

# **PRESENTATIONS**

7. Chief Russell Wells – Review of Hurricane Helene and Update on Coosawhatchie, Tillman, and Tarboro Fire Station Projects.

Chief Russell Wells was present to review and discuss the aftermath of Hurricane Helene and Update on Coosawhatchie, Tillman, and Tarboro Fire Station Projects.

7A: David Tedder - Resolution / Proclamation State of Emergency for Hurricane Milton.

Mr. Tedder reviewed and presented this information to the Council.

Motion to approve: Councilman Kemp

Second: Councilman Rowell

**Vote:** Unanimous The motion passed.

# PROCLAMATION None RESOLUTIONS

- 8. David Tedder- Consideration of Resolution #R-2024-29 to authorize the Jasper County Administrator to execute a Memorandum of Understanding with the 14<sup>th</sup> Circuit Solicitor regarding the Implementation of a Three-Tier System for Managing the Criminal Docket in Jasper County in furtherance of the South Carolina Supreme Court Case Management Order of May 24, 2023, and matters related thereto.

  This item was removed from the agenda.
- 9. David Tedder Consideration of Resolution <u>#R-2024-31</u> Committing to Negotiate a FEE-IN-LIEU of *AD VALOREM* Taxes Agreement Between Jasper County and Project Veggie; Identifying the Project; and Other Matters Related Thereto.

Mr. Tedder was present to review and address the request for the consideration of Resolution #R-2024-31 committing to negotiate a FEE-IN-LIEU of *AD VALOREM* Taxes Agreement between Jasper County and Project Veggie; and identifying the Project.

Motion to approve: Councilman Kemp

Second: Vice Chairwoman Clark

**Vote:** Unanimous The motion passed.

10. Kimberly Burgess – Consideration of Resolution #R-2024-30 the liquidation of three (3) surplus retired Response Vehicles.

Ms. Burgess was present to review and address the request for the consideration of Resolution #R-2024-30 the liquidation of three (3) surplus retired Response Vehicles.

Motion to approve with the amendment to include a donation to a government entity: Councilman Rowell

Second: Vice Chairwoman Clark

**Vote:** Unanimous The motion passed.

### **PUBLIC HEARINGS, ORDINANCES AND ACTION ITEMS**

11. Andrew Fulghum - Public Hearing Only Pursuant to S.C. Code Section 4-37-30 (A)(2) Relating to the Referendum to be held at the General Election on November 5, 2024 on the Question of the Imposition of a Sales and Use Tax to fund certain Transportation needs of Jasper County, South Carolina.

This item was for a Public Hearing only pursuant to S.C. Code Section 4-37-30 (A)(2) relating to the referendum to be held at the General Election on November 5, 2024, on the Question of the Imposition of a Sales and Use Tax to fund certain Transportation needs of Jasper County, South Carolina.

The public hearing on this item was opened but there were no comments, so the public hearing was closed.

12. Kimberly Burgess – Public Hearing and consideration of the 3rd reading of Ordinance #O-2024-22 to Amend Jasper County Ordinance O-2023-09, The Fiscal Year 2024 Jasper County Budget, To Provide For Amendments To The Budget And To Carryover Approved Lapsing Funds To Fiscal Year 2025; To Amend Jasper County Ordinance O-2024-13, The Fiscal Year 2025 Jasper County Budget, To Provide For Amendments To The Budget Resulting From The Carryover Of Approved Lapsing Funds From Fiscal Year 2024; To Amend Certain Revenue Items; To Incorporate The Reclassification Of Certain Line Items, To Amend For Fiscal Year 2025 Expenditures, The Inclusion Of Additional Appropriations, And Matters Related Thereto (1st reading 09.03.2024)

Ms. Burgess was present to review and address the request for the consideration of the 3<sup>rd</sup> reading of Ordinance #O-2024-22 to Amend Jasper County Ordinance O-2023-09, The Fiscal Year 2024 Jasper County Budget, To Provide For Amendments To The Budget And To Carryover Approved Lapsing Funds To Fiscal Year 2025; To Amend Jasper County Ordinance O-2024-13, The Fiscal Year 2025 Jasper County Budget, To Provide For Amendments To The Budget Resulting From The Carryover Of Approved Lapsing Funds From Fiscal Year 2024; To Amend Certain Revenue Items; To Incorporate The Reclassification Of Certain Line Items, To Amend For Fiscal Year 2025 Expenditures, The Inclusion Of Additional Appropriations.

The public hearing on this item was opened but there were no comments, so the public hearing was closed.

Motion to approve: Councilman Kemp

Second: Councilman Rowell

**Vote:** Unanimous The motion passed.

13. Andrew Fulghum – Public Hearing and 2<sup>nd</sup> reading of Ordinance #0-2024-23 Authorizing the sale to S & P Produce, Inc., of a 10 Acre Parcel, more or less, Being Subdivided out of the Original 40.00 Acre Parcel Identified as Parcel B-1A as shown on a Plat Recorded at Plat Book 23 at Page 345, with such new 10.00 Acre Parcel Being Shown on an Individual Plat and Being a Portion of

Tax Parcel 048-00-01-005, and to Authorize the Jasper County Administrator to Execute Such Contracts, Amendments, Deeds and Other Documents as may be Necessary and Appropriate to Effect the Sale to S&P Produce, Inc., or its Assigns, and matters related thereto. (Project Veggie) (1st reading 09.16.2024)

This item was changed on the agenda to be for a public hearing only.

The public hearing on this item was opened but there were no comments, so the public hearing was closed.

14. David Tedder - Consideration of a 1<sup>st</sup> reading of an MCIP and FILOT Agreement with S & P Produce, Inc.

Mr. Tedder was present to review and address the request for the 1<sup>st</sup> reading of an MCIP and FILOT Agreement with S & P Produce, Inc.

Motion to approve: Vice Chairwoman Clark

Second: Councilman Rowell

**Vote:** Unanimous The motion passed.

15. Lisa Wagner - Consideration of 1<sup>st</sup> Reading of an Ordinance to amend the Official Zoning Map of Jasper County so as to transfer three (3) parcels located at 1607, 1613, and 1619 Deerfield Road, bearing Jasper County Tax Map Numbers 029-00-02-100, 029-00-02-099, and 029-00-02-095 from the Rural Preservation Zone to the Residential Zone on the Official Zoning Map of Jasper County.

Ms. Wagner was present to review and address the request for the consideration of the 1<sup>st</sup> Reading of an Ordinance to amend the Official Zoning Map of Jasper County so as to transfer three (3) parcels located at 1607, 1613, and 1619 Deerfield Road, bearing Jasper County Tax Map Numbers 029-00-02-100, 029-00-02-099, and 029-00-02-095 from the Rural Preservation Zone to the Residential Zone on the Official Zoning Map of Jasper County.

Motion to approve: Councilman Rowell

Second: Councilman Kemp

**Vote:** Unanimous The motion passed.

16. Kimberly Burgess – Consideration of Approval and Acceptance of the McMillian, Pazdan and Smith Contract for the Architectural Design of the Coosawhatchie Fire Station.

Ms. Burgess was present to review and address the request for consideration of the approval and acceptance of the McMillian, Pazdan and Smith Contract for the Architectural Design of the Coosawhatchie Fire Station.

Motion to approve: Vice Chairwoman Clark

Second: Councilman Rowell

**Vote:** Unanimous The motion passed.

16A. Kimberly Burgess - Approval and Acceptance of the Proposal from Ceres Environmental for Disaster Debris Management and Recovery Services.

Ms. Burgess was present to review and address the request for consideration of the approval and acceptance of the Proposal from Ceres Environmental for Disaster Debris Management and Recovery Services. Chief Wells provided a rundown on this item for Council and explained as to what it would entail.

Motion to approve: Councilman Kemp

Second: Councilman Rowell

**Vote:** Unanimous The motion passed.

16B. Kimberly Burgess - Approval and Acceptance of the Proposal from Tetra Tech for Disaster Debris Monitoring and Recovery Services.

Ms. Burgess was present to review and address the request for consideration of the approval and acceptance of the Proposal from Tetra Tech for Disaster Debris Monitoring and Recovery Services.

Motion to approve: Vice Chairwoman Clark

Second: Councilman Rowell

**Vote:** Unanimous The motion passed.

16C. Kimberly Burgess - Approval and Acceptance of the Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP) Proposals / Contracts from MB Kahn Construction for Pratt Memorial Library and Temporary Library Upfit.

Ms. Burgess was present to review and address the request for consideration of the approval and acceptance of the Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP) Proposals / Contracts from MB Kahn Construction for Pratt Memorial Library and Temporary Library Upfit.

Motion to approve: Vice Chairwoman Clark

Second: Councilman Rowell

**Vote:** Unanimous The motion passed.

16D. Andrew Fulghum – Approval of Renewal of Annual Contract with Envisio for Plans, Analytics and Public Dashboard Software.

Motion to approve: Vice Chairwoman Clark

Second: Councilman Rowell

**Vote:** Unanimous The motion passed.

### CITIZEN COMMENTS

17. Open Floor to the Public per Ordinance 08-17 Any citizen of the County may sign to speak in person at the Council Meeting (before the Council Meeting's 6:30PM start time on the Sign-In Sheet on the Podium), to address Council on matters pertaining to County Services and Operations. Presentations will be limited to three (3) minutes per person and total public input will be limited to 30 minutes.

Julie Mikols, Chair of the Library Board of Trustees thanked Council on behalf of the Library Board.

**18. Administrator's Report:** Mr. Fulghum reviewed the information from his report. There were no Action Items requiring a vote from the Council in the Administrator's Report

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

- 19. Kimberly Burgess Approval and Acceptance of the Proposal from Ceres Environmental for Disaster Debris Management and Recovery Services. *Moved to item # 16A on the agenda*.
- 20. Kimberly Burgess Approval and Acceptance of the Proposal from Tetra Tech for Disaster Debris Monitoring and Recovery Services. *Moved to item # 16B on the agenda.*
- 21. Kimberly Burgess Approval and Acceptance of the Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP) Proposals / Contracts from MB Kahn Construction for Pratt Memorial Library and Temporary Library Upfit. *Moved to item # 16C on the agenda*.
- 22. Andrew Fulghum Approval of Renewal of Annual Contract with Envisio for Plans, Analytics and Public Dashboard Software. *Moved to item # 16C on the agenda*.
- 23. Chief Russell Wells Approval and Acceptance of the Medical Control Physician Contract Renewal.
- 24. Approval of the Minutes 06/14/2024; 06/17/2024; 06/24/2024; 06/28/2024 and 07/02/2024

### **END OF CONSENT AGENDA**

- **25. Council Members Comments:** Councilmember Comments were given but there were no comments that required action
- 26. Possible Return to Executive Session to Continue Discussion on Matters Regarding Agenda Item II. For more information on this meeting please go to our YouTube Channel for the video go to https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCBmloqX05cKAsHm ggXCJIA.
- 27. Adjournment

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