

**CHESTERFIELD COUNTY COUNCIL  
SPECIAL MEETING  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
CHESTERFIELD COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING  
November 18, 2020 ..... 9:00 A.M.**

**PRESENT:** Chairman Al Johnson, Vice-Chair Douglas Curtis and Council Members: Rhett Butler, Mary Anderson, Gerald Miller, Ralph Watson and Bruce E. Rivers.

**ABSENT:** Council Members Hattie Burns and Ben Teal.

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Tim Eubanks – Administrator, Betty M. Boswell – Clerk to Council/Administration Office Manager, Michelle Stanley – Finance Director, C. Heath Ruffner – County Attorney/Assistant Administrator, Robert Monnie – The Link, Kevin Thurman – Voter Registration and Elections Director, Ben Zeigler – Haynsworth Sinkler Boyd, P.A., Susan McDonald – Haynsworth Sinkler Boyd, P.A. and Council Member Elect Ben Conklin. 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](http://www.chesterfieldcountysc.com)). In addition it was made available to the newspapers and concerned citizens (*upon request*).

**CALL TO ORDER AND PRAYER**

Chairman Johnson welcomed everyone and Council Member Gerald Miller opened the meeting with prayer.

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

Vice-Chair Curtis made a motion to adopt the November 18, 2020 special meeting agenda. Council Member Miller seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

**APPOINTMENTS**

**a. Kevin Thurman**

Appeared before Council and gave an update regarding the recent election. There was discussion of Council authorizing the retaining of the employee that was previously approved through the end of December.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS**

**a. Installment Purchase Revenue Bond Refunding 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 Butler made a motion to close the public hearing. Council Member Anderson seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

**ORDINANCE READINGS & RESOLUTIONS**

**a. Resolution Approving Appointment of Directors to Public Facilities Corporation – Resolution**

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

**b. Installment Purchase Revenue Bond Refunding Ordinance – 3rd Reading**

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

**c. Master MCP Ordinance Amendment (Belk Property Site) – 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading**

Council Member Watson made a motion to pass 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading. Council Member Rivers seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

**d. Ordinance Authorizing Purchase of Property from James Robert Hall (TMS#30-1) – 1<sup>st</sup> Reading, by title only**

Council Member Anderson made a motion to pass 1<sup>st</sup> Reading, *by title only*. Council Member Rivers seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

**ITEMS SUBMITTED BY STAFF**

**a. Bid Award – Lease Purchase Agreement (Motor Graders) – Stanley**

Ms. Stanley advised that Request for Proposals (RFP's) was issued to over ten local and regional banks and responses were due back on November 10, 2020. Staff received the following three proposals: First Citizens Bank & Trust Company with an interest rate of 1.27%, BB&T with an interest rate of 1.67% and First Bank with an interest rate of 2.20%. Ms. Stanley advised that upon advice from our bond attorney, staff recommends that the proposal from First Citizens Bank & Trust Company, which is the lowest bid, be accepted.

Council Member Miller made a motion to accept the bid from First Citizens Bank & Trust Company with an interest rate of 1.27%. Council Member Watson seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

**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: Project Model

b. Chairman Johnson advised that pursuant to S.C. Code § 30-4-70(a)(1), Council needed to enter into executive session for the discussion employment, appointment, compensation, promotion, demotion, discipline, or release of employees.

c. 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: Animal Services (Veterinarian)

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

Council Member Butler made a motion to exit executive session. Council Member Rivers 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.


Council Member Miller made a motion to allocate \$90,000 from the Economic Development fund to purchase property from Lynches River Electric Cooperative, Inc. for Project Model with the understanding that \$90,000 will be reimbursed from Lynches River Electric Cooperative's RDA funds for improvements to the Belk Property Site. Council Member Butler seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

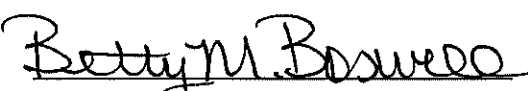
**ADJOURN**

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

**APPROVED:**

**ATTEST:**

  
Al Johnson, Chairman  
Dated: December 2, 2020

  
Betty M. Boswell, Clerk to Council