CHESTERFIELD COUNTY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING COUNCIL CHAMBERS

SEPTEMBER 1, 20219:00 A.M.

<u>PRESENT:</u> Chairman Al Johnson, Vice-Chair Douglas Curtis, Council Members: Rhett Butler, Mary Anderson, Bruce E. Rivers, Gerald L. Miller, Ralph Watson, Hattie Burns and Ben Conklin.

<u>OTHERS PRESENT</u>: 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, Sheriff James Dixon, Chief Deputy Chris Page, Loni Holm, Ken Riley and Don Worthington The Pageland Progressive Journal. There were others who did not sign the sign-in-sheet.

<u>PRESS</u>: 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 (<u>www.chesterfieldcountysc.com</u>). In addition it was made available to the newspapers and concerned citizens (*upon request*). Members of the press present: Robert Monnie – The Link and Don Worthington – Pageland Progressive Journal.

CALL TO ORDER AND PRAYER

Chairman Al Johnson welcomed everyone and Council Member Wm. Rhett Butler opened the meeting with prayer.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Council Member Anderson made a motion to adopt the September 1, 2021 meeting agenda. Council Member Butler seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a. August 11, 2021 Regular Meeting

Council Member Burns made a motion to adopt the August 11, 2021 Regular Meeting Minutes. Council Member Conklin seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

SIGNING OF BONDS, PAYROLL, AND AUTHORIZATIONS

None

APPOINTMENTS

a. Kevin Thurman - Redistricting

Did not attend due to sickness.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Loni Holm – Appeared before Council regarding redistricting.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

None

ORDINANCE READINGS AND RESOLUTIONS

None

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

a. Finance Committee - Committee Chair Butler

Advised that the Finance Committee met on August 25, 2021 to discuss a request from the Sheriff's Department regarding a radio system. Committee Chair Butler updated Council on the issuance of a Request for Proposals (RFP).

ITEMS SUBMITTED BY COUNCIL

None

ITEMS SUBMITTED BY STAFF

None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

None

BOARD APPOINTMENTS

a. Pee Dee Regional Transit Authority (PDRTA) - Eubanks

Administrator Eubanks advised that staff had received an email requesting that Council Member Gerald Miller be reappointed to the Pee Dee Regional Transit Authority Board for an additional three year term.

Council Member Miller advised he would like for someone else to have the opportunity to serve on the Pee Dee Regional Transit Authority (PDRTA) Board.

Council Member Miller made a motion to appoint Council Member Hattie Burns to the Pee Dee Regional Transit Authority Board. Vice-Chair Curtis seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Advised the number of COVID cases were still going up and that staff would be putting something on the website encouraging citizens to use the drive-thru and do business online when possible.

COUNCIL MEMBERS' COMMENTS

Encouraged Council to read the 2021 Acts That Affect Counties published by South Carolina Association of Counties.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

a. 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: Bid for Federal Disaster Assistance Program Services.

Vice-Chair Curtis made a motion to enter into executive session. Council Member Watson seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

Council Member Conklin made a motion to exit executive session. Council Member Burns 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.

Administrator Eubanks advised that staff sent out Request for Proposals (RFP) for a consultant for Federal Disaster Assistance Program Services and received one bid from Goodwyn Mills Cawood. It is the recommendation of staff that Council award the bid to Goodwyn Mills Cawood.

Council Member Anderson made a motion to award the bid for Federal Disaster Assistance Program Services to Goodwyn Mills Cawood. Council Member Butler seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

ADJOURN

Council Member Burns made a motion to adjourn. Council Member Conklin seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous.

APPROVED:

Al Johnson, Chairman Date: October 6, 2021 ATTEST:

Betty M. Boswell, Clerk to Counci