# CHESTERFIELD COUNTY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING COUNCIL CHAMBERS

# **CHESTERFIELD COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING**

November 4, 2020 ...... 9:00 A.M.

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

<u>OTHERS PRESENT</u>: Tim Eubanks – Administrator, Betty M. Boswell – Clerk to Council/Administration Office Manager, Michelle Stanley – Finance Director, James Dixon – Sheriff, C. Heath Ruffner – County Attorney/Assistant Administrator (via telephone), James Thompson, Jane Pigg – WCRE/The Link, Cherry McCoy – CCEDB, Joe Karian, Tax Manager – Aalberts US Holding Corporation, Don Worthington – Pageland Progressive Journal and Robert Monnie – The Link. There were others attending the meeting 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 Johnson welcomed everyone and Council Member Bruce E. Rivers opened the meeting with prayer.

### ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Council Member Miller made a motion to adopt the November 4, 2020 regular meeting agenda. Vice-Chair Curtis seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

# a. October 7, 2020 - Regular Meeting

Council Member Butler made a motion to approve the October 7, 2020 Regular Meeting Minutes. Council Member Burns seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

### **APPOINTMENTS**

# a. Jane Pigg, WCRE/The Link

Appeared before Council regarding the "Grab A Bag SC 2020 Campaign" which is a statewide litter pickup event.

Council Member Anderson made a motion to allow Ms. Pigg to proceed with the Grab A Bag SC 2020 Campaign. Council Member Butler seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

# b. James Thompson

Appeared before Council concerning the pending review of his property appraisal by the Assessor's Office.

# **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

# a. <u>Lease Agreement Ordinance (Former Economic Development Building) - Public</u> Hearing

Council Member Teal made a motion to open the Public Hearing. Council Member Rivers 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 Teal made a motion to close the Public Hearing. Council Member Rivers seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

# b. Lease-Purchase Ordinance (Motor Graders) - Public Hearing

Council Member Miller 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 Miller 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 AND RESOLUTIONS**

a. <u>Lease Agreement Ordinance (Former Economic Development Building) – 3<sup>rd</sup> Reading</u>
Vice-Chair Curtis made a motion to pass 3<sup>rd</sup> Reading. Council Member Burns seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

# b. <u>Lease-Purchase Ordinance (Motor Graders) - 3<sup>rd</sup> Reading</u>

Council Member Miller 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. \$4,700,000 GO Bond Refunding Ordinance - 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading

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

# d. Master MCP Ordinance Amendment - 1st Reading

Council Member Rivers made a motion to pass  $1^{st}$  Reading, *by title only*. Council Member Miller seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

# e. Project Press (Conbraco) - Resolution

Mr. Joe Karian, Tax Manager, Aalberts US Holding Corporation, briefed Council on this Economic Development expansion by Conbraco.

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

# f. Emergency Ordinance Requiring Face Coverings - Emergency

Sheriff James Dixon expressed his concerns regarding this Emergency Ordinance.

There was discussion regarding this Ordinance.

Vice-Chair Curtis made a motion to pass the Emergency Ordinance. Council Member Watson seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion were Council Members Curtis, Watson, Miller, Rivers, Burns and Teal. Voting in opposition of the motion were Council Members Butler and Anderson. Motion passed.

# **STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS**

# a. Ambulance Committee

# Air Medical Transport - Committee Chair Anderson

Advised that the Ambulance Service Committee met on October 14, 2020, regarding air medical transport services. She advised it is the Committee's recommendation to issue a Request for Proposal (RFP) for air medical transport services.

Council Member Anderson made a motion to allow staff to move forward with issuing a Request for Proposal (RFP) for air medical transport services. Council Member Butler seconded the motion. Motion passed.

### ITEMS SUBMITTED BY COUNCIL

# a. Animal Services (Veterinarian) - Vice-Chair Curtis

Advised that he and the Administrator had been negotiating with a veterinarian from Lancaster and hopefully would have a solid commitment from the veterinarian by the end of the week. This matter will come back before Council.

# **ITEMS SUBMITTED BY STAFF**

# a. Marefield Subdivision - Eubanks

Advised he had received information from Ms. Sandy Watford, Engineer, Pee Dee Regional Council of Government concerning the roadway located in Marefield Subdivision. There was discussion regarding this matter.

Council Member Butler made a motion that the County accept the roadway located in Marefield Subdivision into the County System. Council Member Miller seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

# b. Purchase of property from James Robert Hall (TMS#30-1) - Eubanks

Mr. Eubanks advised he had been in negotiations with Mr. James Robert Hall regarding a one-half (1/2) acre lot adjacent to the Belk Property Site, and Mr. Hall had agreed on a purchase price of \$31,000.00. The source of the funds for this purchase would come from the dedicated economic development fund.

Council Member Rivers made a motion to approve the purchase of the subject property as negotiated by the Administrator, and further authorize the Chairman and Clerk to Council to execute such documents as may be necessary to complete the transaction. Council Member Anderson seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

# **BOARD APPOINTMENTS**

# a. Board of Assessment Appeals - Chairman Johnson

Chairman Johnson advised he would like to appoint Mr. Doug Rorie to the Board of Assessment Appeals.

Council Member Teal made a motion to appoint Mr. Doug Rorie to the Board of Assessment Appeals. Council Member Burns seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

# ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Reminded Council of the November 18, 2020 special council meeting.

# **COUNCIL MEMBERS' COMMENTS**

Vice-Chair Curtis thanked Council Member Teal for his service and commitment to the county.

### **ADJOURN**

Council Member Butler made a motion to adjourn. Council Member Rivers 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