

**CHESTERFIELD COUNTY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
CHESTERFIELD COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING
OCTOBER 6, 2021 9:00 A.M.**

PRESENT: Chairman Al Johnson, Council Members: Hattie Burns, Ralph E. Watson, Gerald L. Miller, William R. Butler, Mary Anderson, and Ben Conklin.

ABSENT: Vice-Chair Douglas Curtis and Council Member Bruce E. Rivers.

OTHERS PRESENT: Tim Eubanks – Administrator, Betty M. Boswell – Clerk to Council/Administration Office Manager, C. Heath Ruffner – County Attorney/Assistant Administrator, Tim Griffin – Pageland Chamber, Don Strickland – PDRTA, Janet Toler – Pee Dee Coalition, Stacey Short – Pee Dee Coalition, Kim Burch – Economic Development, Sheriff James Dixon, Chief Deputy Chris Page, Andy Ingram – NETC, Betty Barrett – Pee Dee Coalition, Delphnia Rollins – NAACP, Kevin Thurman – Voter Registration and Elections, Ruthie Tarlton Mother’s Board, Will Johnson, Attorney – Haynsworth Sinkler Boyd, Tommy Sellers – CCEDB, Don Worthington – Pageland Progressive Journal and Robert Monnie – The Link. 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). In addition it was made available to the newspapers and concerned citizens (*upon request*). Members of the press present: Don Worthington – The Pageland Progressive Journal and Robert Monnie – The Link.

CALL TO ORDER AND PRAYER

Chairman Johnson welcomed everyone and Council Member Ralph Watson opened the meeting with prayer.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Council Member Butler made a motion to adopt the October 6, 2021 regular meeting agenda. Council Member Anderson seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a. September 1, 2021 – Regular Meeting

Council Member Burns made a motion to approve the September 1, 2021 Regular Meeting Minutes. Council Member Conklin seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

APPOINTMENTS

a. Don Strickland, Director, PDRTA – PDRTA Chesterfield County Transportation Update

Mr. Strickland appeared before Council to update them on transportation and to recognize Council Member Gerald L. Miller by presenting him with a plaque for his years of service on the PDRTA Board.

b. Jane Toler and Stacey Short, Pee Dee Coalition against Domestic & Sexual Assault – Proclamation Declaring October as Domestic Violence Awareness Month.

Ms. Toler and Ms. Short appeared before Council to brief Council and present them with some statistics regarding domestic violence in Chesterfield County.

Council Member Watson made a motion to proclaim October 2021 as Domestic Violence Awareness month. Council Member Miller seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

c. Andy Ingram, NETC – Letter of Support

Mr. Ingram appeared before Council requesting a letter in support related to NETC’s efforts to establish a satellite campus in Chesterfield and one in McBee.

Council Member Butler made a motion to approve a letter of support in support of satellite campuses in Chesterfield and McBee. Council Member Anderson seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

d. Kevin Thurman – Redistricting

Mr. Thurman appeared before Council to provide an update on the redistricting process.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Tim Griffin, Pageland Chamber

Appeared before Council to give an update on events happening in Pageland.

ORDINANCE READINGS AND RESOLUTIONS

a. Emergency Ordinance – Tiny Homes

Council Member Conklin made a motion to adopt said Ordinance. Council Member Burns seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

b. Tiny Homes and Tiny Home Developments Ordinance – 1st Reading, *by title only*

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

c. Emergency Ordinance – Mobile Home Parks

Council Member Conklin made a motion to adopt said Ordinance. Council Member Watson seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

d. Mobile Home Parks Ordinance – 1st Reading, by title only

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

e. Community Development Program Community Enrichment Grant – Resolution

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

ITEMS SUBMITTED BY STAFF

a. Tower Inspection Bid Award - Stanley

Ms. Stanley advised Invitation for Bids (IFB) were issued for Tower Inspections. Staff received one bid from Pittsburg Tank & Tower Group and that it is the recommendation of staff that the bid be awarded to Pittsburg Tank & Tower Group.

Council Member Conklin made a motion to award the Tower Inspections bid to Pittsburg Tank & Tower Group. Council Member Watson seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

b. Inmate Telephone Services Bid Award - Stanley

Ms. Stanley advised Invitation for Bids (IFB) were issued for Inmate Telephone Services. Staff received seven bids, a copy of which is attached. Ms. Stanley advised that it is the recommendation of Sheriff James Dixon that the bid be awarded to Combined Public Comm.

Council Member Miller made a motion to award the Inmate Telephone Services bid to Combined Public Comm. Council Member Butler seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Reminded Council of the Special Council meeting scheduled for Thursday, October 14, 2021 at 9:00 a.m.

COUNCIL MEMBERS' COMMENTS

Council Member Watson

Stated that Council and everyone needs to make sure that citizens understand what the Transportation Referendum is, and what it could do for the county.

Council Member Anderson

Agreed with Council Member Watson and stated that we have got to be a voice for it.

Council Member Butler

Stated that the Transportation Referendum is extremely vital for Chesterfield County.

Council Member Burns

Stated it's not an increase, just moving it from school district to county.

Chairman Johnson

Advised that he would like for the Finance Committee to start meeting to discuss the American Rescue Plan funds.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

a. Chairman Johnson advised that pursuant to S.C. Code § 30-4-70(a)(5) Council had a need 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:

- i. Project Ogburn
- ii. Electric Cooperatives – Fee In Lieu of Tax Agreements

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

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

ADJOURN

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

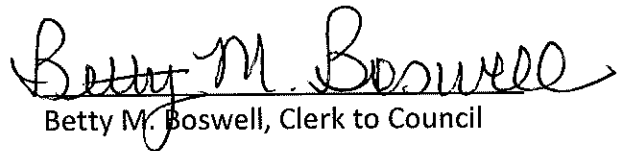
APPROVED:



Al Johnson, Chairman

Date: November 3, 2021

ATTEST:


Betty M. Boswell, Clerk to Council