



**CHESTERFIELD COUNTY COUNCIL
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
FEBRUARY 5, 2025**

PRESENT: Council Chair Mary Anderson; Vice-Chair Todd Smallwood; Council Members: Hattie Burns, Ethan Foard, Brandon Price, Bishop Johnnie McLendon, Eddie Kirkley and Douglas Curtis.

OTHERS PRESENT: Tim Eubanks – County Administrator, Betty M. Boswell – Clerk to Council, Michelle Stanley – Finance Director/Assistant Administrator, C. Heath Ruffner – County Attorney/Assistant Administrator, John Bittle – Mayor, Town of Chesterfield, Lauren Griggs – Duke Energy, Libby Lear – CCEDB, Lisa Gainey – CCEDB, Lindsey Privette – Pee Dee COG, Cambo Streater - Sheriff, Brad Turley, Robert Hancock – Chesterfield County Firefighters Association, Thomas Catoe, Bill Busse – HPFD, Tommy Catoe – Sandhill Fire Department, Brad Allen – CCSO, Sophia Turner – Pee Dee COG, Chad Watson and Jacqueline Hough – The Link. There were others 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 Office, 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*).

CALL TO ORDER

Council Chair Anderson welcomed everyone and Vice-Chair Smallwood opened the meeting with prayer and led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Council Member Curtis made a motion to adopt the February 5, 2025 meeting agenda. Vice-Chair Smallwood seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a. **January 8, 2025 – Regular Council Meeting**

Council Member McLendon made a motion to approve the January 8, 2025 Regular Meeting Minutes. Council Member Price seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

SIGNING OF BONDS, PAYROLL AND AUTHORIZATIONS

Bonds, payroll and authorizations were distributed to Council for approval by signatures.

APPOINTMENTS

a. Robert Hancock, Chesterfield County Fire Association

Mr. Hancock appeared before Council and advised that the Chesterfield County Firefighters Association has purchased a vehicle as a service and support apparatus and that this truck will be used to aid all of the Chesterfield County Fire Departments with fuel and relief supplies on incidents. Mr. Hancock requested that the County purchase a tag, insure the truck and service the truck.

Council Member Kirkley made a motion to accept the request of purchasing a tag, insuring the vehicle and servicing the truck. Council Member McLendon seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Brad Turley: Appeared before Council regarding some questions he has regarding the Comprehensive Plan and asked that someone from Council meet with him to answer his questions.

Tommy Catoe: Appeared before Council regarding a letter that was circulated throughout the Sandhill Fire Department fire district. Presented Council with a copy of a letter that was drafted by the Sandhill Fire Department in response to the letter that was circulated throughout the community. He asked that Council review the letter that was drafted.

Chad Watson: Appeared before Council regarding Teals Mill Fire Department fire dues.

ORDINANCE READINGS AND RESOLUTIONS

a. Comprehensive Plan Ordinance – 3rd Reading

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

b. Planning Commission Ordinance – 3rd Reading

Council Member Burns made a motion to pass 3rd Reading. Vice-Chair Smallwood seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

c. Duke Energy Progress, LLC FILOT Ordinance – 3rd Reading

Council Member Curtis made a motion to pass 3rd Reading. Council Member Burns seconded the motion. Council Member Kirkley recused and absented himself from the meeting, and did not vote on this matter. A copy of the Recusal Statement is attached. Voting in favor of the motion were Vice-Chair Smallwood, Council Members Price, McLendon, Burns and Curtis. Voting in opposition of the motion was Council Member Foard. Motion passed 5-1.

d. Second Master MCP Park Ordinance (Project Seaboard) – 3rd Reading

Council Member Burns made a motion to pass 3rd Reading. Vice-Chair Smallwood seconded the motion. Council Member Kirkley recused and absented himself from the meeting, and did not vote on this matter. A copy of the Recusal Statement is attached. Voting in favor of the motion were Vice-Chair Smallwood, Council Members Price, McLendon, Burns and Curtis. Voting in opposition of the motion was Council Member Foard. Motion passed 5-1.

ITEMS SUBMITTED BY STAFF

a. Surplus Property (Sheriff's Department) - Stanley

Ms. Stanley advised that Public Works has requested that Council declare the attached list of vehicles and equipment as surplus so that it may be removed from inventory.

Council Member Curtis made a motion to declare the requested vehicles and equipment as surplus. Council Member Burns seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

BOARD APPOINTMENTS

a. Zoning Board of Appeals – Council Member Kirkley

Council Member Kirkley advised that he would like to re-appoint Trey Starling to the Zoning Board of Appeals.

Council Member Kirkley made a motion to re-appoint Trey Starling to the Zoning Board of Appeals. Council Member Foard seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

b. Zoning Board of Appeals – Council Member Price

Council Member Price advised that he would like to appoint Travis Johnson to the Zoning Board of Appeals.

Council Member Price made a motion to appoint Travis Johnson to the Zoning Board of Appeals. Council Member Curtis seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

c. Zoning Board of Appeals – Council Member McLendon

Council Member McLendon advised that he would like to re-appoint Patrick Davis to the Zoning Board of Appeals.

Council Member McLendon made a motion to re-appoint Patrick Davis to the Zoning Board of Appeals. Council Member Price seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Nothing at this time.

COUNCIL MEMBERS' COMMENTS

Council Chair Anderson:

- SCAC Counties Connect will be held in February if any of the new Council Members would like to attend and take Institute of Government Courses.
- Sandblast Rally is coming up soon.
- SC 250 had an event in November and is working on the Commission.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

- a. Pursuant to S.C. Code § 30-4-70(a)(2), Council may 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: Fire Protection Services
- b. Pursuant to S.C. Code § 30-4-70(a)(5), Council may enter into executive session for the discussion of matters relating to the proposed location, expansion, or the provision of services encouraging location, expansion of industries or other businesses in the area served by the county regarding the following:
 - i. Lynches River Industrial Park – Potential sale of property
 - ii. Project Maple Leaf

Council may take action by voting upon the matter referenced in Agenda Item 18.b.i. after exiting executive session.

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

Council Member Curtis 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

Chair Anderson 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 Burns made a motion to adjourn. Vice-Chair Smallwood seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

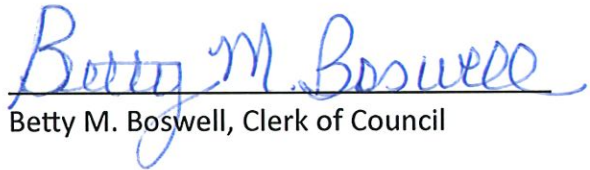
APPROVED:

ATTEST:



Mary Anderson, Council Chair

Date: March 5, 2025



Betty M. Boswell, Clerk of Council