MINUTES OF CALLED MEETING SALUDA COUNTY COUNCIL TUESDAY, MAY 4, 2021 at 1:30 P.M. COUNCIL CHAMBERS OF SALUDA COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING 400 WEST HIGHLAND STREET, SALUDA, SOUTH CAROLINA 29138

A. CALL TO ORDER

The Called Meeting of Saluda County Council was called to order by Chairman Jerry Strawbridge at 1:30 P.M.

Present were:	Chairman Jerry Strawbridge Vice-Chairman Justin Anderson
	Councilman J. Frank Daniel, Sr. Councilman Jack Atkinson Councilman Carey Bedenbaugh
Also present were:	County Director, Sandra G. Padget Clerk to Council, Regina Turner

B. INVOCATION

Councilman Daniel delivered the invocation.

C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairman Strawbridge led the Pledge of Allegiance.

D. PUBLIC INFORMATION

It is noted by the Clerk herein that in compliance with the Freedom of Information Act, notice of the called meeting and agenda were given to the local news media and properly posted, to include the county website.

Due to COVID-19, the following notice was placed at the beginning of the agenda:

Please note the council meetings are currently open to the public, but seating will be limited for social distancing in response to COVID-19. Access to the live video is available when the meeting begins by going to the County's Facebook page (Saluda County, SC Government).

E. <u>NEW BUSINESS</u>

1. On motion of Councilman Anderson, seconded by Councilman Atkinson it was unanimously approved to implement a 3% Cost of Living Adjustment for all employees to include elected and appointed.

- 2. On motion of Councilman Atkinson, seconded by Councilman Daniel it was unanimously approved to increase to 25 hours per week for the part-time clerk in the Election Office.
- 3. On motion of Councilman Anderson, seconded by Councilman Daniel it was unanimously approved to increase the Appraiser IV position to grade 16 according to the Condrey study.
- 4. On motion of Councilman Bedenbaugh, seconded by Councilman Anderson it was unanimously approved to accept the job description of Covid Enforcement officer at the Courthouse as presented by the Sheriff's Department.
- 5. On motion of Councilman Anderson, seconded by Councilman Bedenbaugh it was unanimously approved to place the order for the four Sheriff's vehicles included in the Enterprise Program. Hardee Horne, Fleet Manager and Sheriff Price were recognized to speak on the order process and the details of the vehicles to be ordered.

F. EXECUTIVE SESSION

On motion of Councilman Bedenbaugh it was unanimously approved for Council to go into Executive Session pursuant to Section 30-4-70(a) (1) of the South Carolina Code of Laws 1976, as amended to discuss personnel, personnel pay changes and /or restructuring for the Fiscal Year 2021–2022 budget.

On motion of Councilman Danial, it was unanimously approved to come out of Executive Session.

G. ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Councilman Anderson, it was unanimously approved to adjourn the meeting at 2:34 P.M.

Regina H. Turner Clerk to Council Jerry Strawbridge Chairman

Date Approved