MINUTES OF CALLED MEETING SALUDA COUNTY COUNCIL THURSDAY, JUNE 24, 2021 at 9:30 A.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 9:30 A.M.

Present were: Chairman Jerry Strawbridge

Vice-Chairman Anderson Councilman J. Frank Daniel, Sr. Councilman Jack Atkinson Councilman Carey Bedenbaugh

Also present were: County Director, Sandra G. Padget (Arrived 9:34)

Clerk to Council, Regina Turner

County Attorney, Jenny Bozeman (Arrived 9:34)

B. INVOCATION

Councilman Bedenbaugh 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. EXECUTIVE SESSION

On motion of Councilman Anderson, it was unanimously approved for Council to go into Executive Session pursuant to Section 30-4-70(a) (2) of the South Carolina Code of Laws 1976, as amended to discuss contracts and receive legal advice.

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

Chairman Strawbridge stated that there were three items to come out of executive session and the first is regarding the Library Building.

On motion of Councilman Bedenbaugh, seconded by Councilman Anderson it was unanimously agreed to allow the County Director to sign the contract for the purchase of the building which includes the changes recommended by the County Attorney.

On motion of Councilman Bedenbaugh, seconded by Councilman Daniel it was unanimously approved for the Chairman to sign the contract for the loan of the boat from Lexington County Sheriff's Department to the Saluda County Sheriff's Department.

On motion of Councilman Atkinson, seconded by Councilman Anderson it was unanimously agreed to submit a letter to USDA stating that we would not be able to continue with the lease after this years' lease is up and that Saluda County can not meet the requirements of USDA's request.

F. ADJOURNMENT

Date Approved

On motion of Councilman Anderson,	it was unanimously	approved to adjourn	the meeting at 10:13
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Regina H. Turner	Jerry Strawbridge
Clerk to Council	Chairman