

MINUTES OF A CALLED MEETING
SALUDA COUNTY COUNCIL
MONDAY, JUNE 24, 2019 AT 6:00 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 Vice-Chairman J. Frank Daniel, Sr. at 6:01 P.M.

Present were: Vice-Chm. J. Frank Daniel, Sr.
Coun. Justin Anderson
Coun. Jones P. Butler
Coun. D. J. Miller

Also present were: County Director, Sandra G. Padget
Clerk to Council, Karen T. Whittle

Absent was: Chm. Derrick W. Jones

B. INVOCATION

Vice-Chm. Daniel delivered the invocation.

C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Vice-Chm. Daniel led the Pledge of Allegiance.

D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On motion of Coun. Butler, seconded by Coun. Miller, the minutes for June 10, 11, 17, and 21, 2019 were unanimously approved as submitted.

E. PUBLIC INFORMATION

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

F. PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. Vice-Chm. Daniel opened the Public Hearing on Ordinance No. 04-19, "AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE TRANSFER OF FUNDS FROM THE COUNTY RESERVED FUND BALANCE TO THE GENERAL OPERATING FUND FOR THE COUNTY OF SALUDA FOR FISCAL YEAR 2018-2019 TO BALANCE THE SALUDA COUNTY ANNUAL OPERATING BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2018-2019." Vice-Chm. Daniel stated the amount was not to exceed \$50,000.00 if required. Vice-Chm. Daniel said currently Council didn't think they would have to use any of the \$50,000.00, but it would be available to cover expenditures if something unforeseen occurred.

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2. Vice-Chm. Daniel opened the Public Hearing on Ordinance No. 03-19, "AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE TRANSFER OF FUNDS FROM THE COUNTY RESERVED FUND BALANCE TO THE GENERAL OPERATING FUND FOR THE COUNTY OF SALUDA FOR FISCAL YEAR 2019-2020 TO BALANCE THE SALUDA COUNTY ANNUAL OPERATING BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2019-2020." Vice-Chm. Daniel stated the amount needed from the county reserved fund balance to balance the fiscal year 2019-2020 county operating budget was \$746,173.00.

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3. Vice-Chm. Daniel opened the Public Hearing on Ordinance No. 02-19, "AN ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH OPERATING AND CAPITAL BUDGETS FOR THE OPERATION OF THE COUNTY GOVERNMENT OF SALUDA COUNTY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR COMMENCING JULY 1, 2019; TO PROVIDE FOR THE LEVY OF TAXES ON ALL TAXABLE PROPERTY IN SALUDA COUNTY FOR ALL COUNTY PURPOSES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR COMMENCING JULY 1, 2019; TO PROVIDE FOR THE EXPENDITURE OF TAX REVENUES AND OTHER COUNTY FUNDS; TO PROVIDE FOR OTHER COUNTY PURPOSES; TO PROVIDE APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR COMMENCING JULY 1, 2019; AND TO PROVIDE FOR CERTAIN FISCAL AND OTHER MATTERS RELATING TO COUNTY GOVERNMENT." Vice-Chm. Daniel stated the amount for Third Reading for the county operating budget was \$13,166,298.00 and debt service on bonds was \$126,250.50 for a total amount of \$13,292,548.50. Piedmont Technical College appropriations would be revenue collected from three mills.

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G. OLD BUSINESS

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H. NEW BUSINESS

1. On motion of Coun. Miller, seconded by Coun. Anderson, it was unanimously approved to not allow attendance to National conferences/meetings, to include national conferences held in South Carolina, or Out of State conferences/meetings with county funding or any other source of funding without approval from County Council.
2. On motion of Coun. Butler, seconded by Coun. Miller, it was unanimously approved to not allow attendance to Out of State training with county funding or any other source of funding without approval from Council.
3. On motion of Coun. Anderson, seconded by Coun. Miller, it was unanimously approved to implement a hiring freeze and all department heads, elected and appointed officials will

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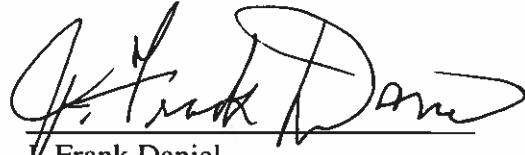
need to come before Council to request filling a vacant position. During discussion Vice-Chm. Daniel said Council recommended that department heads, elected and appointed officials come to Council as soon as they know the position is going to be vacant. Vice-Chm. Daniel said the vacant Public Building Superintendent position would be allowed due the public buildings department not having a department head and the funds for On-Call for the Coroner's office would be allowed.

I. ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Miller, seconded by Coun. Anderson, it was unanimously approved to adjourn the meeting at 6:16 P.M.



Karen T. Whittle
Clerk to Council



J. Frank Daniel
Vice-Chairman

July 8, 2019

Date Approved