

January 24, 2019

MINUTES OF CALLED MEETING
SALUDA COUNTY COUNCIL
THURSDAY, JANUARY 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 Chairman Derrick W. Jones at 6:00 P.M.

Present were:

Chm. Derrick W. Jones
Coun. Justin Anderson
Coun. Jones P. Butler
Coun. J. Frank Daniel, Sr.
Coun. D. J. Miller

Also present were:

County Director, Sandra G. Padgett
Clerk to Council, Karen T. Whittle
County Attorney, Christian G. Spradley

B. INVOCATION

Coun. Anderson delivered the invocation.

C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chm. Jones 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.

E. OLD BUSINESS

1. Chm. Jones recognized Asst. Emergency Management Director, Jill Warren to present consideration of funds for the Blue Cross Blue Shield Foundation grant for EMS.

Ms. Warren informed Council that Saluda County EMS had been awarded the Blue Cross Blue Shield Foundation grant for five Lucas automated chest compression devices, but the grant award was based on a quote dated August of 2018 in the amount of \$53,705.30. Ms. Warren said Blue Cross Blue Shield required an updated quote in order to process the check for the grant award. Ms. Warren said the updated quote received was \$56,840.55. Ms.

Warren requested Council to consider funding the difference of \$3,135.55, otherwise the number of devices requested may have to be reduced to four.

On motion of Coun. Butler, seconded by Coun. Daniel, it was unanimously approved to fund \$3,135.55 from contingency towards the purchase of five automated chest compression devices with the remaining balance of \$53,705.30 being funded from the Blue Cross/Blue Shield Foundation grant awarded to EMS.

F. EXECUTIVE SESSION

On motion of Coun. Anderson, seconded by Coun. Miller, it was unanimously approved for Council to go into Executive Session pursuant to Section 30-4-70(a)(1) and (2) of the South Carolina Code of Laws 1976, as amended to discuss: 1) a personnel/contractual matter in the Public Buildings Maintenance department; 2) a personnel matter in the Delinquent Tax Collector department; 3) a contractual matter with SAFEbuilt; to receive legal advice, and to return at the Call of the Chair.

Council returned into open session at the Call of the Chair.

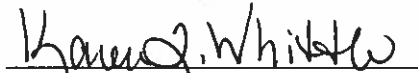
G. PUBLIC ACTION

1. On motion of Coun. Miller, seconded by Coun. Daniel, it was unanimously approved to enter into a contract with Briten Janitorial for a contract employee to perform custodial duties, pending review of the contract by the County Attorney, to be funded from the building maintenance account.
2. On motion of Coun. Anderson, seconded by Coun. Miller, it was unanimously approved to create a temporary full-time Delinquent Tax Collector Clerk position in the Delinquent Tax Collector's department, pay grade 10, to adopt the job description, to advertise according to county policy and to be funded from Contingency. During discussion Chm. Jones stated the intent was for the clerk to transfer to the position of Delinquent Tax Collector July 1, 2019 and that the clerk position would not be funded in the fiscal year 2019-2020 budget.
3. On motion of Coun. Daniel, seconded by Coun. Miller, it was unanimously approved to extend the contract with SAFEbuilt until March 31, 2019 to include the Permit Tech position.

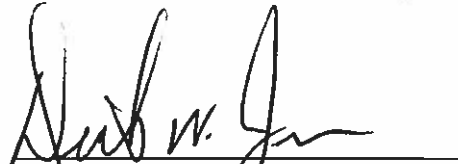
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H. ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Chm. Jones, seconded by Coun. Anderson, it was unanimously approved to adjourn the meeting at 7:17 P.M.



Karen T. Whittle
Clerk to Council



Derrick W. Jones
Chairman

February 11, 2019
Date Approved