

**MINUTES OF CALLED MEETING
SALUDA COUNTY COUNCIL
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2026 – 5:00 P.M.
SALUDA COUNTY ADMINISTRATION OFFICE**

A. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman James L. Moore called the Special Called Meeting of Saluda County Council to order at 5:00 P.M.

Present were:

Councilman Frank Daniel

Councilman Jack Atkinson

Vice-Chairman J. Carey Bedenbaugh

Chairman James L. Moore

Absent was: Councilman Justin Anderson

Also Present were:

Regina Turner, County Administrator

Heather Griffin, Clerk to Council

B. INVOCATION

Councilman Atkinson gave the invocation.

C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

D. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion was made and seconded to approve the agenda as presented. There being no discussion, the motion carried unanimously.

E. NEW BUSINESS

**1. TRANSFER OF FUNDS FROM FIRE BOARD MILLAGE ACCOUNT –
TANKER TRUCK PURCHASE**

A motion was made by Vice-Chairman Bedenbaugh and seconded by Councilman Atkinson to approve the transfer of funds from the Fire Board millage account to pay for a Fire Board-approved purchase of a tanker truck.

Chairman Moore explained that the Saluda County Fire Board had voted the previous Thursday to approve the purchase of a **2011 International tanker pumper truck**, not to exceed **\$175,000**, from the Fire Board millage account.

Chairman Moore stated that, according to Fire Board Coordinator Mark Lybrand, the truck is an extreme need for the Saluda Fire Department to assist with transporting water. The truck is currently owned by Spartanburg County, and purchasing the used, well-maintained truck would provide significant savings compared to the purchase of a new tanker truck.

Chairman Moore noted that a new tanker truck had previously been discussed during the Capital Project Sales Tax presentations and was estimated at approximately \$600,000. The Fire Board removed the proposed truck from consideration for the Capital Project Sales Tax after other County needs were identified.

Council discussed the truck's specifications and suitability for the Saluda Fire Department. It was noted that the truck is approximately nine feet high and will fit through the existing ten-foot-high fire station door. The truck has an approximately 1,800-gallon water tank and a 500-gallon-per-minute pump.

Council also discussed the truck's mileage and maintenance history. It was noted that the truck has approximately 8,000 miles and has been maintained by the company currently providing maintenance services for the County's other fire trucks. Service records for the truck are available.

There being no further discussion, the motion to approve the transfer of funds from the Fire Board millage account for the purchase of the 2011 International tanker pumper truck, not to exceed \$175,000, carried unanimously.

2. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, a motion was made by Vice-Chairman Bedenbaugh to adjourn the meeting. There being no discussion, the motion carried unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at **5:05 P.M.**

Heather L. Griffin
Clerk to Council

James L. Moore, Chairman

Date Approved: October 12, 2026

