

MINUTES OF CALLED MEETING  
SALUDA COUNTY COUNCIL  
MONDAY, JUNE 22, 2020 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 6:00 P.M.

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

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

Absent was: Coun. Wayne Grice

B. INVOCATION

Coun. Anderson delivered the invocation.

C. 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 open to the public, but seating will be limited for social distancing in response to COVID-19. You may also access the live stream of the meeting by going to the county's website at [www.saludacounty.sc.gov](http://www.saludacounty.sc.gov), click on the you tube box in the top right hand corner and click on the June 22, 2020 video.**

D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On motion of Coun. Butler, seconded by Coun. Anderson, the minutes for June 3, 8, and 15, 2020 were unanimously approved as submitted.

E. REPORT FROM THE VICE-CHAIRMAN

Vice- Chm. Daniel stated Council had previously advertised for a public hearing on Ordinance No. 06-20, an ordinance to transfer funds from the county reserved fund balance to the general operating fund to balance the Saluda County annual operating budget for Fiscal Year 2020-2021. Vice-Chm. Daniel said Council was not having to balance the budget from fund balance, therefore the public hearing and third reading on Ordinance No. 06-20 were not necessary.

F. NEW BUSINESS

1. On motion of Coun. Anderson, seconded by Coun. Butler, a change of \$9,000.00 in projected revenue and \$218,060.00 from the Fiscal Year 2019-2020 roll money to balance the proposed FY2020-2021 county operating budget were unanimously approved. During discussion Vice-Chm. Daniel said after the budget work session on Monday, June 15<sup>th</sup>, staff was notified by the Clerk of Court that the projected revenue for Family Court fines would be \$34,000.00 instead of \$43,000.00; a difference of \$9,000.00. The change affected the amount of the roll money to balance the county operating budget from \$209,060.00 to \$218,060.00.

G. PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. Vice-Chm. Daniel opened the Public Hearing on Ordinance No. 04-20, "AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2020, FOR EDUCATIONAL AND SCHOOL PURPOSES IN SCHOOL DISTRICT ONE OF SALUDA COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA: TO PROVIDE FOR LEVY OF TAXES AND THE TAXABLE PROPERTY IN SCHOOL DISTRICT ONE: TO PROVIDE FOR THE EXPENDITURE OF SAID TAXES AND OTHER REVENUES COMING INTO THE SCHOOL DISTRICT DURING THE FISCAL YEAR."

Vice-Chm. Daniel stated Saluda County Council shall determine and establish a tax of sufficient millage to support \$7,685,254.00 minus revenues and credits reflected on the tax receipt from Fee-in-Lieu, Property Tax Relief, Homestead Exemption, Tier 3 Property Tax Relief, Merchant Inventory, Manufacturer's Depreciation and Motor Carrier, for a net amount of \$5,001,100.00 from Ad Valorem Taxes, as county funding for the appropriations and levies made herein, and shall advise the Auditor who shall fix said millage as advised by the Council.

No one spoke and the Public Hearing was closed.

2. Vice-Chm. Daniel opened the Public Hearing on Ordinance No. 05-20, "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, 2020; 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, 2020; 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, 2020: 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 \$13,540,024.00 and debt service on bonds was \$131,452.00 for a total amount of \$13,671,476.00. Piedmont Technical College appropriations would be revenue collected from three mills.

No one spoke and the public hearing was closed.

#### H. OLD BUSINESS

1. On motion of Coun. Butler, seconded by Coun. Anderson, and unanimously approved, Third Reading was given on Ordinance No. 04-20, “AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2020, FOR EDUCATIONAL AND SCHOOL PURPOSES IN SCHOOL DISTRICT ONE OF SALUDA COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA: TO PROVIDE FOR LEVY OF TAXES AND THE TAXABLE PROPERTY IN SCHOOL DISTRICT ONE: TO PROVIDE FOR THE EXPENDITURE OF SAID TAXES AND OTHER REVENUES COMING INTO THE SCHOOL DISTRICT DURING THE FISCAL YEAR.” During discussion Vice-Chm. Daniel stated Saluda County Council shall determine and establish a tax of sufficient millage to support \$7,685,254.00 minus revenues and credits reflected on the tax receipt from Fee-in-Lieu, Property Tax Relief, Homestead Exemption, Tier 3 Property Tax Relief, Merchant Inventory, Manufacturer’s Depreciation and Motor Carrier, for a net amount of \$5,001,100.00 from Ad Valorem Taxes, as county funding for the appropriations and levies made herein, and shall advise the Auditor who shall fix said millage as advised by the Council.
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I. ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Coun. Anderson, seconded by Coun. Butler, it was unanimously approved to adjourn the meeting at 6:14 P.M.

  
Karen T. Whittle  
Clerk to Council

  
J. Frank Daniel, Sr.  
Vice-Chairman

July 13, 2020  
Date Approved