

BARNWELL COUNTY COUNCIL
July 22, 2019
Special Called Council Meeting

Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, the news media was notified & notice was posted 24 hours prior to the meeting.

Barnwell County Council met for a Special Called Meeting on July 22, 2019 at 6 pm. Attending were Chairman Ben Kinlaw, Vice Chairman Harold Buckmon, Councilman Daniel Alexander, Councilman Jerry Creech, Councilman Freddie Houston Sr., Councilman David Kenner, and Administrator Tim Bennett. Councilman Don Harper was unable to attend. Also in attendance were Chief Dicks with the EMS Committee and Jonathon Vickery with the People Sentinel.

The meeting was called to order and a quorum was declared. A motion was made to approve the agenda. The motion was seconded and it passed.

Chairman Kinlaw said that Councilman Harper said he would be unable to attend the July 22nd Council meeting, but had asked that Sandy Cochran (District 4 resident) be nominated to serve on the Planning Commission for District 3. Councilman Houston moved to nominate Ms. Cochran to the Planning Commission for District 3. Vice Chairman Buckmon seconded the motion and it passed. Councilman Houston appointed Elizabeth Coleman to serve on the Planning Commission for District 1. Following a nomination from the July 9th Council Meeting, Councilman Creech moved for the appointment of Robin Hutto (District 1 resident) to serve on the Planning Commission for District 7. Councilman Houston seconded the motion and it passed.

Due to the time frame of the SCAC Conference in Hilton Head, Council agreed to reschedule the August Council meeting from August 13th to August 20th. This would ensure that the Administrator and his staff would have ample time to prepare the Council packet.

Chief Dicks with the EMS Committee updated Council on the EMS Committee's concerns with Air Methods and its recommendations regarding the potential renewal of the Air Methods Agreement. Air Methods Account Executive Patrick Lamontagne responded to some of the concerns Chief Dicks had mentioned and reviewed the emergency medical services that Air Methods provided that would be vital in a time sensitive emergency call.

Councilman Creech moved that the Agreement with Air Methods be terminated. Councilman Houston seconded the motion and it passed.

A motion was made to adjourn. The motion was seconded and it passed.

The meeting adjourned at 6:55 pm.



County Administrator Tim Bennett



Council Chairman Ben Kinlaw