

BARNWELL COUNTY COUNCIL
April 22, 2021
Special Called County Council Meeting Minutes

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

Barnwell County Council met for a special called meeting on April 22, 2021, at 6:00 p.m. Attending were Chairman Harold Buckmon, Vice-Chairman Jerry Creech, Councilman David Kenner, Councilman Don Harper, Councilman Daniel Alexander, Councilman Ben Kinlaw, and County Administrator Tim Bennett. Councilman Freddie Houston was absent.

Also in attendance were County Attorney J.D. Mosteller, Attorney Joanie Winters by conference call, Meadors' architect Jeremy Tate by Zoom, Solid Waste Director Frank Williams and Public Works Director Curtis Hogg.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Buckmon, and Invocation was given by Councilman Kinlaw. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilman Kinlaw. Chairman Buckmon declared a quorum was present. Councilman Alexander made a motion to approve the agenda, seconded by Councilman Harper. Motion carried.

Councilman Harper made a motion that council go into Executive Session to receive legal advice from the County Attorney J.D. Mosteller and Employment Attorney Joanie Winters concerning a personnel matter, seconded by Councilman Kenner. Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

PUBLIC SESSION

Chairman Buckmon declared the meeting was back in open session and said no decisions were made in Executive Session. Councilman Alexander made a motion to approve the course of action suggested by the county's employment attorney, Joanie Winters, regarding the personnel matter discussed in Executive Session, seconded by Councilman Kenner. Motion carried.

PRIORITIZATION OF PROJECTS FOR SUBMISSION TO LEGISLATIVE DELEGATION FOR POTENTIAL FUNDING

Council discussed at length the prioritization of projects to send to the Legislative Delegation, which will play a major role in determining which projects will be funded by the Department of Energy / Plutonium Settlement. Expansion of the county Landfill and acquisition of Landfill-related equipment and vehicles was the top project. Other projects on the priority list were the Coroner Facility/Morgue, Strategic Planning, and firefighting equipment and vehicles. Council directed Administrator Bennett to prepare the prioritized list with supporting documentation and forward it to the Legislative Delegation.

Council having no further business, Chairman Buckmon adjourned the meeting at 7:30 p.m.



ATTEST:

Elaine S. Ferguson

Elaine S. Ferguson, Clerk to Council

Approved: May 11, 2021

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Harold Buckmon

By: Harold Buckmon, Chairman