

MINUTES
ORANGEBURG COUNTY COUNCIL
January 18, 2022
5:30 PM



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

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Johnnie Wright, Sr.
Deloris Frazier
Johnny Ravenell
Janie Cooper-Smith
Kenneth McCaster
Joseph Garvin

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Willie B. Owens

OTHERS PRESENT:

Harold M. Young, County Administrator
D'Anne Haydel, County Attorney
Connie N. Portee, Clerk to Council

CALL TO ORDER

Johnnie Wright, Sr., Chairman

On the 18th day of January 2022, Chairman Wright called to order the regular session meeting of the Orangeburg County Council at 5:32 p.m. with a roll call due to having a virtual meeting on Microsoft Teams.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

January 3, 2022 RS

Chairman Wright asked for a motion to approve the minutes. Councilman Kenneth McCaster made the motion to approve the minutes, it was seconded by Councilman Willie Owens. Motion carried. (6-0-0)

Roll Call Vote

Chairman Johnnie Wright, Sr – Yay
Councilman Johnny Ravenell – Yay
Councilman Kenneth McCaster – Yay
Councilman Joseph Garvin -Yay
Vice-Chair Janie Cooper-Smith - Yay
Councilwoman Deloris Frazier – Yay

ORDINANCES

Ordinance Third Reading & Public Hearing

- 1. An Ordinance To Amend The Existing Amended And Restated Agreement For Development Of Joint County Industrial Park By And Between Orangeburg County, South Carolina And Dorchester County, South Carolina To Enlarge The Boundaries Of The Industrial Park To Include Certain Property Located In Orangeburg County, South Carolina Now Or To Be Hereafter Owned And/Or Operated By A Company Identified For The Time Being As Project Dahlia Or One Or More Companies Related Thereto; And Authorizing Pursuant To Title 12, Chapter 44 Of The Code Of Laws Of South Carolina 1976, As Amended, The Execution And Delivery Of An Amended And Restated Fee-In-Lieu Of Ad Valorem Taxes Agreement, By And Between Orangeburg County, South Carolina And Magnolia Solar, LLC, As Sponsor, And One Or More Sponsor Affiliates To Provide For A Fee-In-Lieu Of Ad Valorem Taxes Incentive And Certain Special Source Revenue Credits; And Other Related Matters.**

Chairman Wright open the floor for public hearing. There were none.

Chairman Wright asked, the Council if they had any questions. There were none.

Chairman Wright entertained a motion to pass the ordinance for third and final reading. Councilman Joseph Garvin made the motion. The motion was seconded by Councilman Kenneth McCaster. Motion carried. (6-0-0)

Roll Call Vote

**Chairman Johnnie Wright, Sr – Yay
Councilman Johnny Ravenell – Yay
Councilman Kenneth McCaster – Yay
Councilman Joseph Garvin -Yay
Vice-Chair Janie Cooper-Smith - Yay
Councilwoman Deloris Frazier – Yay**

Ordinance Third Reading

- 2. The consideration of a request from Holly Hill Land, LLC to rezone property on State Park Rd/Acorn Ln, Santee, SC 29142, TMS# 0307-00-02-052.000 from “RS (Residential Single-Family) district” to “PUD (Planned Development) district” for the purpose of a mixed-use development.**

Chairman Wright entertained a motion to pass the ordinance for third and final reading. Councilman Johnny Ravenell made the motion. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Deloris Frazier. Motion carried. (6-0-0)

Roll Call Vote

**Chairman Johnnie Wright, Sr – Yay
Councilman Johnny Ravenell – Yay
Councilman Kenneth McCaster – Yay
Councilman Joseph Garvin -Yay
Vice-Chair Janie Cooper-Smith - Yay**

Councilwoman Deloris Frazier – Yay

- 3. The consideration of a request from Edward H. Wolfe and Russell S. Wolfe, Jr. to rezone property on Five Chop Rd., Orangeburg, SC 29115 TMS# 0182-20-01-003.000 from “CG (Commercial General) district” to “FA (Forest Agricultural) district” for the purpose of preserving agricultural land.**

Chairman Wright entertained a motion to pass the ordinance for third and final reading. Councilman Johnny Ravenell made the motion. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Deloris Frazier. Motion carried. (6-0-0)

Roll Call Vote

**Chairman Johnnie Wright, Sr – Yay
Councilman Johnny Ravenell – Yay
Councilman Kenneth McCaster – Yay
Councilman Joseph Garvin -Yay
Vice-Chair Janie Cooper-Smith - Yay
Councilwoman Deloris Frazier – Yay**

RESOLUTIONS

- 4. USDA Rural Development Community Facility Grant Resolution and Acceptance of Letter of Conditions-Funding to purchase rescue airbags for the Emergency Services Department. (Orangeburg Region)**

Chairman Wright entertained a motion to pass the resolution for \$7,000.00 funding to purchase cardiac monitors for the Emergency Services Department. Vice-Chair Janie Cooper-Smith made the motion and Councilman Kenneth McCaster seconded the motion. Motion carried. (6-0-0)

Roll Call Vote

**Chairman Johnnie Wright, Sr – Yay
Councilman Johnny Ravenell - Yay
Councilman Kenneth McCaster – Yay
Councilman Joseph Garvin - Yay
Vice-Chair Janie Cooper-Smith-Yay
Councilwoman Deloris Frazier– Yay**

- 5. USDA Rural Development Community Facility Grant Resolution and Acceptance of Letter of Conditions-Funding to purchase rescue airbags for the Emergency Services Department. (Bowman Region)**

Chairman Wright entertained a motion to pass the resolution for \$11,000.00 funding to purchase cardiac monitors for the Emergency Services Department. Vice-Chair Janie Cooper-Smith made the motion and Councilman Kenneth McCaster seconded the motion. Motion carried. (6-0-0)

Roll Call Vote

Chairman Johnnie Wright, Sr – Yay

Councilman Johnny Ravenell - Yay
Councilman Kenneth McCaster – Yay
Councilman Joseph Garvin - Yay
Vice-Chair Janie Cooper-Smith-Yay
Councilwoman Deloris Frazier– Yay

- 6. USDA Rural Development Community Facility Grant Resolution and Acceptance of Letter of Conditions-Funding to purchase a hazmat truck for the Emergency Services Department.**

Chairman Wright entertained a motion to pass the resolution for \$48,700.00 funding to purchase cardiac monitors for the Emergency Services Department. Vice-Chair Janie Cooper-Smith made the motion and Councilman Kenneth McCaster seconded the motion. Motion carried. (6-0-0)

Roll Call Vote

Chairman Johnnie Wright, Sr – Yay
Councilman Johnny Ravenell - Yay
Councilman Kenneth McCaster – Yay
Councilman Joseph Garvin - Yay
Vice-Chair Janie Cooper-Smith-Yay
Councilwoman Deloris Frazier– Yay

- 7. USDA Rural Development Community Facility Grant Resolution and Acceptance of Letter of Conditions-Funding to purchase a cardiac monitor for Emergency Services Department.**

Chairman Wright entertained a motion to pass the resolution for \$13,800.00 funding to purchase cardiac monitors for the Emergency Services Department. Vice-Chair Janie Cooper-Smith made the motion and Councilman Kenneth McCaster seconded the motion. Motion carried. (6-0-0)

Roll Call Vote

Chairman Johnnie Wright, Sr – Yay
Councilman Johnny Ravenell - Yay
Councilman Kenneth McCaster – Yay
Councilman Joseph Garvin - Yay
Vice-Chair Janie Cooper-Smith-Yay
Councilwoman Deloris Frazier– Yay

- 8. Resolution authorizing Representative Signature-Certifier and Administrator for the Online Application System for the ReConnect Program and Community Connect Grant Program.**

Chairman Wright entertained a motion to pass the resolution. Councilman Joseph Garvin made the motion and Councilwoman Deloris Frazier seconded the motion. Motion carried. (6-0-0)

Roll Call Vote

Chairman Johnnie Wright, Sr – Yay
Councilman Johnny Ravenell - Yay
Councilman Kenneth McCaster – Yay
Councilman Joseph Garvin - Yay
Vice-Chair Janie Cooper-Smith-Yay
Councilwoman Deloris Frazier– Yay

OFFICIAL ACTION

9. Approval of the Orangeburg County Budget Calendar for Fiscal Year 2023.

Chairman Wright entertained a motion to pass the official action and accept the budget calendar for the fiscal year 2023. Councilwoman Janie Cooper-Smith made the motion. The motion was seconded by Councilman Willie Owens. Motion carried. (6-0-0)

Roll Call Vote

Chairman Johnnie Wright, Sr – Yay
Councilman Johnny Ravenell - Yay
Councilman Kenneth McCaster – Yay
Councilman Joseph Garvin - Yay
Vice-Chair Janie Cooper-Smith-Yay
Councilwoman Deloris Frazier– Yay

PROCUREMENT

a. FY22-0105 Lake Edisto Phase I Landscape & Irrigation Completion.

Chairman Wright entertained a motion to accept the procurement FY22-0105. Councilwoman Deloris Frazier made the motion. The motion was seconded by Councilman Kenneth McCaster. Motion carried. (6-0-0)

Roll Call Vote

Chairman Johnnie Wright, Sr – Yay
Councilman Johnny Ravenell - Yay
Councilman Kenneth McCaster – Yay
Councilman Joseph Garvin - Yay
Vice-Chair Janie Cooper-Smith-Yay
Councilwoman Deloris Frazier– Yay

b. FY22-0114 Landscaping for County & Industrial Properties.

Chairman Wright entertained a motion to accept the procurement FY22-0114. Councilwoman Deloris Frazier made the motion. The motion was seconded by Councilman Kenneth McCaster. Motion carried. (6-0-0)

Roll Call Vote

Chairman Johnnie Wright, Sr – Yay

Councilman Johnny Ravenell - Yay
Councilman Kenneth McCaster – Yay
Councilman Joseph Garvin - Yay
Vice-Chair Janie Cooper-Smith-Yay
Councilwoman Deloris Frazier– Yay

c. Roofing for Coroner and Sheriff's Office – Exemption.

Chairman Wright entertained a motion for County Council is giving its permission to enter into this transaction contingent upon the Administrator providing additional information based on the exemption and this is a common practice here in South Carolina to use this particular process. Councilman Johnny Ravenell made the motion. Councilwoman Deloris Frazier seconded the motion. Motion carried. (6-0-0)

Roll Call Vote

Chairman Johnnie Wright, Sr – Yay
Councilman Johnny Ravenell – Yay
Councilman Kenneth McCaster - Yay
Councilman Joseph Garvin – Yay
Vice-Chair Janie Cooper-Smith - Yay
Councilwoman Deloris Frazier – Yay

UPDATES

a. Public Works Committee.

Chairman Wright yielded to the Public Works Committee Chairperson Councilman Johnny Ravenell to give an update. Councilman Johnny Ravenell advised that the Public Works Committee met to discuss two agenda items one was Hollis Road introduction/discussion and discussion of access roads. The Public Works Committee made the recommendation to not put the remaining portion (400ft) of Hollis Road in the County maintenance system. The second was discussion of access roads. The Public Work Committee made the recommendation if any roads need paving, they will meet the requirements and they will target C-Fund money for paving.

Chairman Wright entertained a motion to accept the recommendation from the public works committee not to put the remaining portion of Hollis Road in the County maintenance system. Councilman Johnny Ravenell made the motion. Vice-Chair Janie Cooper-Smith seconded the motion. Motion carried. (6-0-0)

Roll Call Vote

Chairman Johnnie Wright, Sr – Yay
Councilman Johnny Ravenell – Yay
Councilman Kenneth McCaster - Yay
Councilman Joseph Garvin – Yay
Vice-Chair Janie Cooper-Smith - Yay
Councilwoman Deloris Frazier – Yay

Chairman Wright entertained a motion to accept the recommendation from the public works committee as the County continue to grow to target C-Fund Committee to help with funding, paving, and up keep on any access roads. Councilman Johnny Ravenell made the motion. Councilman Kenneth McCaster seconded the motion. Motion carried. (6-0-0)

Roll Call Vote

Chairman Johnnie Wright, Sr – Yay
Councilman Johnny Ravenell – Yay
Councilman Kenneth McCaster - Yay
Councilman Joseph Garvin – Yay
Vice-Chair Janie Cooper-Smith - Yay
Councilwoman Deloris Frazier – Yay

b. Discussion of the Status and Planning of Council Re-Districting.

County Council discussed when to have the next meeting date to have second reading to review the proposed re-districting maps. County Council agreed to have second reading on an ordinance to re-district Orangeburg County Council Districts; and other related matters on Thursday, January 20th at 12:00 p.m. via Microsoft Teams.

VOTE FOR ADJOURNMENT


Chairman Wright entertained a motion for adjournment. Councilwoman Deloris Frazier motioned that the regular session of the Orangeburg County Council of January 18, 2022, stands adjourned. Councilman Kenneth McCaster seconded the motion. Motion carried. (6-0-0)

Roll Call Vote

Chairman Johnnie Wright, Sr – Yay
Councilman Johnny Ravenell - Yay
Councilman Kenneth McCaster – Yay
Councilman Joseph Garvin - Yay
Vice-Chair Janie Cooper-Smith-Yay
Councilwoman Deloris Frazier– Yay

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 6:35 p.m.



Johnnie Wright, Sr.
Chairman
Orangeburg County Council



Connie N. Portee
Clerk to Council
Orangeburg County Council