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County Council Caucus Minutes

**Monday, September 14, 2020 at 5:00 PM *OR IMMEDIATELY
FOLLOWING THE EXECUTIVE MEETING.***

[This meeting is being held virtually in accordance with Beaufort
County Resolution 2020-05]

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Passiment called the meeting to order at 4:33 PM

PRESENT

Chairman Joseph F. Passiment
Vice Chairman D. Paul Sommerville
Council Member Michael Covert
Council Member Gerald Dawson
Council Member Brian Flewelling
Council Member York Glover
Council Member Stu Rodman
Council Member Chris Hervochon
Council Member Alice Howard
Council Member Mark Lawson
Council Member Lawrence McElynn

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Vice-Chair Paul Sommerville led the Pledge of Allegiance.

FOIA

Chairman Passiment, stated this meeting is being held in compliance with the
South Carolina Freedom of Information Act.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion: It was moved by Council Member Flewelling, seconded by Council
Member Howard to approve the agenda. The motion approved without
objection.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Administrator Jacobs stated that the 2020 Census response has improved
and encourages everyone to participate. Register of Deeds has reported over
\$800,000 in August for revenue for fiscal year 2021. The Hilton Head Airport
has received a 3 million dollar grant to fund the county's commercial ramp
Expansion for the airport terminal project.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Chairman Passiment stated that item numbers 11, 12, 13, 17, 19, 20, 21, 22,
23, 27, 29, 30, 31, & 32 to be moved to the consent agenda since the items
had no controversy.

Council Member Flewelling stated item numbers 11,12, 13, 14, & 17 will be called separate for a public hearing and comment.

Chairman Passiment stated agreeance with the rest being first reading. Item number 7, 8, 9, 15, 16, 18, 24, 25, 26, 28 will need more time for discussion. For Item 16 the motion that will need to be made is I move that the second reading of an ordinance of the County Council Beaufort County, South Carolina establishing and adopting a school improvement impact fee to be imposed on all new residential development in the South Beaufort County School service area to be post owned until October 12, 2020 to allow County Council to establish intergovernmental agreements between Beaufort County and the Beaufort County School District and individual intergovernmental agreements between Beaufort County and the Towns of Bluffton and Hilton Head Island and the City of the Hardeeville to ensure proper implementation and administration of the School Impact Fee Ordinance. The reason being is that there is no IGA in place and it would be premature for the county to have a public hearing and second reading of an ordinance is there is no agreement between the entities.

Kurt Taylor stated it is recommended to have the IGA in place prior to agreeance from County Council.

Council Member Covert stated he will make motion.

Council Member Howard stated she will second the motion.

Chairman Passiment stated on the future schedules would like to add more meeting in September and/or October so there is no back up of items due to summer vacations.

Sarah Brock asked if the first reading and resolutions will be on consent agenda or will they both continue to be action items.

Chairman Passiment stated we will put this on the next Executive committee agenda.

Council Member Flewelling stated the first reading has been used as a public notice to let individuals know there is consideration of an item. The second reading is used to offer opportunity to make motions, delays, substitutions and amendments.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

PURSUANT TO SC CODE SECTION 30-4-70(2) AN EXECUTIVE SESSION ITEM TITLE “THE RECEIPT OF LEGAL ADVICE WHERE THE LEGAL ADVICE RELATES TO A PENDING CLAIM, OR OTHER MATTERS COVERED BY THE ATTORNEY-CLIENT PRIVILEGE, SETTLEMENT OF LEGAL CLAIMS, OR THE POSITION OF THE COUNTY IN AN ADVERSARY SITUATION INVOLVING THE ASSERTION AGAINST THE COUNTY OF A CLAIM”

Administration to take actions to preserve the rights of all individuals involved in the lawsuits as it makes its way through the courts.

Motion: It was moved by Council Member Rodman, seconded by Council Member Flewelling to go into executive session. The motion approved without objection.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting Adjourned at 5:47 PM

COUNTY COUNCIL OF BEAUFORT COUNTY

Joseph Passiment, Chairman

ATTEST:

CLERK TO COUNCIL

Sarah W. Brock

Ratified: October 26, 2020