



Public Facilities Committee Beaufort County, SC

This meeting was held both in person at the County Council Chambers, 100 Ribaut Road, Beaufort, and virtually through Zoom

Tuesday, February 22, 2022
3:00 PM

MINUTES

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Rodman called the meeting to order at 3:24 P.M.

PRESENT

Committee Chairman Stu Rodman
Committee Vice-Chair York Glover
Council Member Brian Flewelling
Council Member Joseph F. Passiment
Council Member D. Paul Sommerville
Council Member Gerald Dawson
Council Member Alice Howard
Council Member Lawrence McElynn

ABSENT

Council Member Chris Hervochon
Council Member Mark Lawson
Council Member Logan Cunningham

2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Chairman Rodman led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. **FOIA**

Chairman Rodman stated public notice of this meeting had been published, posted, and distributed in compliance with the South Carolina Freedom of Information Act (FOIA).

4. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Motion to Amend: It was moved by Council Member Flewelling, seconded by Council Member Passiment to add an executive session to seek legal advice relates to potential claims covered under attorney client privilege that relates to MC Riley pool in Bluffton.

The Vote -The motion was approved without objection.

Motion: It was moved by Council Member Passiment, seconded by Council Member Howard to approve the agenda as amended.

The Vote -The motion was approved without objection.

5. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES - JANUARY 18, 2022**

Motion: It was moved by Council Member Passiment, seconded by Council Member Flewelling to approve the minutes from January 18, 2022.

The Vote -The motion was approved without objection.

6. **CITIZEN COMMENTS**

No citizen comments

7. **ASSISTANT COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR REPORT**

Discussion: Jared Fralix provided an update on transportation, road improvements, county paved roads, Sun City Fire Station, Waste Day, Earth Day, and broadband.

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8. **HILTON HEAD ISLAND AIRPORT – RECOMMENDATION OF APPROVAL TO APPLY FOR US DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION SMALL COMMUNITY AIR SERVICE DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM (SCASDP) GRANT**

9. **HILTON HEAD ISLAND AIRPORT – WORK AUTHORIZATION 2119-1803, AMENDMENT 2**

10. **RECOMMEND APPROVAL OF A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR TO ACCEPT AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT 2021 (ARPA) GRANT FUNDS FOR HILTON HEAD ISLAND AIRPORT**

11. **RECOMMEND APPROVAL OF A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR TO ACCEPT AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT 2021 (ARPA) GRANT FUNDS FOR BEAUFORT EXECUTIVE AIRPORT (ARW)**

Discussion: Jon Rembold stated the funds for the US Department of Transportation Small Community Air Service Development Program (SCASDP) Grant are to be used for air service marketing/brand awareness and would be expended to create/increased awareness of air service directly to Hilton Head Island in key originating markets. USDOT will award up to \$17M in grants across the country in this year's opportunity. This application is written on behalf of the island – as the destination – and will have pledge funds from community partners in the amount of \$100,000.

The consulting fee existing needs to be amended from an existing Work Authorization that was approved in June 2018. The consulting fees under this amendment will not exceed \$200,000. Approximately 60% of this is eligible for FAA participation, but the details of the participation will be developed as the work proceeds.

On June 22, 2021, Hilton Head Island Airport became eligible for funds under the American Rescue Plan Act 2021 (Public Law 117-2) (ARPA). The purpose of these funds is to provide economic relief to airports in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. Hilton Head Island Airport has two grant opportunities Airport Operations -\$1,900,312 and Concessionaire Relief -\$94,757. These funds are to be used for costs related to operations, personnel, cleaning, sanitization, janitorial services, combating the spread of pathogens at the airport, and other similar costs. These projects mentioned above will be 100% funded by these grants.

On June 22, 2021, Beaufort Executive Airport (ARW) became eligible for funds under the American Rescue Plan Act 2021 (Public Law 117-2) (ARPA). The purpose of these funds is to provide economic relief to airports in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. Beaufort Executive Airport has one grant opportunity, Airport Operations -\$32,000.

Motion: It was moved by Council Member Passiment, seconded by Council Member Howard to approve recommendation of approval to apply for US Department Of Transportation Small Community Air Service Development Program (SCASDP) Grant of \$500,000, work authorization 2119-1803, Amendment 2 which will not exceed \$200,000, resolution authorizing the county administrator to accept American Rescue Plan Act 2021 (ARPA) grant funds in the amount of \$1,995,69 for Hilton Head Island Airport and resolution authorizing the County Administrator to accept American Rescue Plan Act 2021 (ARPA) grant funds in the amount of \$32,000 for Beaufort Executive Airport and move forward to County Council for approval.

The Vote -The motion was approved without objection.

12. **RECOMMENDATION TO AWARD IFB #011322E YEAR 5 RESURFACING TO APAC-ATLANTIC, INC.**

Discussion: Jared Fralix stated a pavement condition report was prepared by F&ME Consultants dated July 19, 2017, which serves as a basis for evaluating pavement maintenance and preservation methods for the Beaufort County roadway network. On January 13, 2022, Beaufort County received 1 submission to IFB #011322E Year 5 Resurfacing. The funding for this project is Beaufort County Transportation C Funds Road Improvement account #23430011-54500 with a current balance of \$3,173,766.00.

Motion: It was moved by Committee Vice-Chair Glover, seconded by Council Member Passiment to approve the award IFB #011322E Year 5 Resurfacing to APAC Atlantic, Inc total of \$2,220,051 with a 10% contingency of \$222,000 for FDP Allowance and an Allowance of \$50,000 for Goethe Road repair/resurfacing for a total project cost of \$2,492,052 and move forward to County Council for approval.

The Vote -The motion was approved without objection.

13. **RECOMMENDATION TO AWARD RFQ#083121E BURNT CHURCH ROAD IMPROVEMENTS DESIGN AND ENGINEERING SERVICES TO PARRISH AND PARTNERS, LLC**

Discussion: Jared Fralix stated the engineering design and construction support services for corridor improvements to Burnt Church Road, S-7-163. This includes corridor improvements to approximately 1.3 miles along Burnt Church Road (S-7-163) from Bluffton Parkway to the intersection of Bridge St/Alljoy Road (S-7-13) extending approximately 250 feet down each intersecting route. A Shared-Use Path is planned throughout the project corridor. Widening the roadway from 2 lanes to 3 lanes is planned from Bluffton Parkway to Bridge St/Alljoy Road. Additionally, intersection improvements are planned at Bruin Road (S-7-120) to improve safety and traffic flow. The contract fee is based on time and materials for the scope of work totaling \$1,411,333.91 which is within the engineers' estimate of \$1,500,000. The contract will be funded from Bluffton Road Impact Fees account 23020011-51160 with a balance of \$4,075,828.14.

Motion: It was moved by Council Member Passiment, seconded by Council Member Sommerville to approve RFQ#083121E Burnt Church Road Improvements to Parrish and Partners, LLC. Contract fee which is based on time and materials for the scope of work totaling \$1,411,333.91 which is within the engineers' estimate of \$1,500,000. The contract will be funded from Bluffton Road Impact Fees account 23020011-51160 with a balance of \$4,075,828.14 and move forward to County Council for approval.

The Vote -The motion was approved without objection.

14. **DISCUSSION TO ALLOCATE 2018 ONE CENT SALES TAX ADDITIONAL REVENUE TO THE SIDEWALKS AND MULTI-USE PATHWAYS PROGRAM.**

Discussion: Jared Fralix stated the citizens of Beaufort County voted to approve the 1% - percent special transportation sales and use tax for not more than four (4) years or until a total of \$120,000,000 revenue has been collected, whichever comes first. As of the 1st quarter of FY22, Beaufort County has received the full sales tax collection. As the monetary goal was met in the middle of a fiscal quarter, the collection continued throughout the remaining of the quarter and expired December 31, 2021.

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15. **WESTON AND SAMPSON SUSTAINABILITY CAMPUS SITING STUDY**

Discussion: Cindy Carters stated Beaufort County's Solid Waste and Recycling Department utilized the consulting services of Weston and Sampson to perform a Sustainability Campus Siting Study. Beaufort County properties were evaluated to identify those available and best suited for a mixed-use waste management campus with highway access. Other criteria included a location south of the Broad River (dense population), with preferred acreage (50+ acres) and suitable soils. The final report was submitted in September 2021. Potential mixed-use waste management facilities could include a material recycling facility (MRF), a solid waste transfer facility (MSW and/or C&D), yard and/or food waste composting and a collection campus for landfill banned items such as waste tires, electronics, and household hazardous waste (HHW).

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16. **RECOMMEND APPROVAL OF A RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT 2022 PALMETTO PRIDE LITTER PREVENTION GRANT AWARD**

17. **RECOMMEND APPROVAL OF A RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT 2022 PALMETTO PRIDE KEEP SC BEAUTIFUL AFFILIATE SUPPORT GRANT AWARD**

18. **RECOMMEND APPROVAL TO APPLY TO THE SC DHEC FY23 GRANTS: SOLID WASTE (GENERAL RECYCLING AND ORGANICS RECOVERY), USED OIL, AND WASTE TIRE**

Discussion: Cindy Carter stated Beaufort County's Solid Waste and Recycling Department applied for the 2022 Palmetto Pride Litter Prevention Grant on December 13, 2021, after County Council's permission to apply (October 11, 2021). The grant was offered to eligible applicants (city or county governments) for anti-litter programs, including participation in a Great American Clean-Up event.

Beaufort County's Solid Waste and Recycling Department applied for the 2022 Palmetto Pride Keep SC Beautiful Affiliate Support Grant on November 4, 2021, after County Council's permission to apply (October 11, 2021). The grant was offered to eligible applicants (city or county governments) for creating and maintaining successful litter reduction, waste reduction, and beautification efforts in South Carolina.

Beaufort County's Solid Waste and Recycling Department has historically submitted applications and been awarded grants annually through SC DHEC. Four grants are now available: Solid Waste (General Recycling and Organics Recovery), Used Oil, and Waste Tire. The maximum award for the Solid Waste Grant is \$110,000 for the recovery and recycling of organics. There is a second component award of up to \$15,000 for general recycling and outreach. The Used Oil Grant supports our Collection Center oil program is awarded based on the need of supplies, with one component of professional development opportunity. Waste Tire Grants are intended for the removal or contracting related to waste tire recycling. None of the applications require matching funds and all are reimbursable grants.

Motion: It was moved by Council Member Dawson, seconded by Council Member Passiment to approve 2022 Palmetto Pride Litter Prevention Grant on December 13, 2021, of \$5,000, 2022 Palmetto Pride Keep

SC Beautiful Affiliate Support Grant on November 4, 2021, of \$5,000, and approve the submittal of grant applications for the 2023 SC DHEC grant cycle and move forward to County Council for approval.

The Vote -The motion was approved without objection.

19. **SOLID WASTE AND RECYCLING COMPOST CAMPAIGN SPRING 2022**

Discussion: Victoria Hoffman, Solid Waste and Recycling, Recycling Coordinator stated Beaufort County's Solid Waste and Recycling Department received a South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control Solid Waste Grant, in fiscal year 15. 07 SW 15 Modification supplied Beaufort County with 200 compost bins. The initial grant was the seed for a sustainable program. Since that time, the Department has sold bins for (\$50 each) - just enough to cover replacement costs. Citizens are provided with instructional educational material to successfully compost residential yard items (grass clippings, leaves, etc.) and various food wastes from the kitchen, that can be returned to their gardens and flowerbeds for nutrients while removing those items from the landfilled waste stream.

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20. **RECOMMEND APPROVAL OF A RESOLUTION FOR EMINENT DOMAIN FOR A PORTION OF PARCELS R600 039 000 130A AND R600 039 000 1704 TO INSTALL THE 2018 ONE-CENT SALES TAX PROJECT BLUFFTON PARKWAY PATHWAY EXTENSION.**

Discussion: Jared Fralix stated the owner of the parcels requested \$226,568 for property value and \$130,000-\$150,000 for fill dirt and subsurface drainage totaling up to \$379,568. The County obtained appraisals for parcel R600 039 000 130A from A.R. Martin for permanent right of way with permissions for a total of \$34,600. The appraisal was revised to covert the permissions to temporary right of way and retain the permanent right of way for \$40,100. The County's offer for parcel R600 039 000 1704 is to comply with the original development agreement since a portion of the pathway resides on this tract and connects. The offer is to receive credit against their open space requirements with no monetary compensation. The owner of the parcels has declined all offers and is not willing to counter-offer or coordinate further. He has instructed all further communication to be with his attorney and go through the eminent domain process unless another offer is provided which would be more acceptable.

Motion: It was moved by Council Member Sommerville, seconded by Council Member Passiment to approve eminent domain for a portion of parcels R600 039 000 130A and R600 039 000 1704 to install the 2018 One Cent Sales Tax project Bluffton Parkway Pathway Extension and move forward to County Council for approval.

The Vote -The motion was approved without objection.

21. **RECOMMEND APPROVAL OF THE APPOINTMENT OF PAUL MANNING TO THE BEAUFORT COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE FOR A FIRST TERM WITH AN EXPIRATION DATE OF 2026**

22. **RECOMMEND APPOINTMENT OF BRENDA MCFEE TO THE BEAUFORT COUNTY KEEP BEAUFORT COUNTY BEAUTIFUL BOARD FOR A FIRST TERM WITH AN EXPIRATION DATE OF 2026**

Motion: It was moved by Council Member Passiment, seconded by Council Member Flewelling to approve appointment of Brenda McFee to The Beaufort County Keep Beaufort County Beautiful Board for a first term with an expiration date of 2026 and appointment of Paul Manning to the Beaufort County

Transportation Committee for a first term with an expiration date of 2026 and move forward to County Council for approval.

The Vote -The motion was approved without objection.

23. **RECOMMEND APPROVAL OF THE REAPPOINTMENT OF BARBARA CHILDS TO THE LOWCOUNTRY REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY FOR A THIRD TERM WITH AN EXPIRATION DATE OF 2026**

Motion: It was moved by Committee Vice-Chair Glover, seconded by Council Member Flewelling approval of the reappointment of Barbara Childs to the Lowcountry Regional Transportation Authority for a third term with an expiration date of 2026 and move forward to County Council for approval.

The Vote -The motion was approved without objection.

24. **CHAIRMAN'S WRAP UP**

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EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion: It was moved by Council Member Sommerville, seconded by Council Member Passiment to go into executive session at 4:23 P.M.

The Vote -The motion was approved without objection.

25. **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 4:33 P.M.