



Special Called Meeting of County Council Beaufort County, SC

Council Chambers, Administration Building Beaufort County Government Robert Smalls
Complex 100 Ribaut Road, Beaufort

Tuesday, July 23, 2024
5:00 PM

MINUTES

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1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Passiment called the meeting to order at 5:00PM

PRESENT

Chairman Joseph F. Passiment
Vice-Chairman Lawrence McElynn
Council Member David P. Bartholomew
Council Member Paula Brown
Council Member York Glover
Council Member Alice Howard
Council Member Mark Lawson
Council Member Anna Maria Tabernik
Council Member Thomas Reitz

ABSENT

Council Member Logan Cunningham
Council Member Gerald Dawson

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairman Passiment led the pledge of allegiance.

3. PUBLIC NOTIFICATION OF THIS MEETING HAS BEEN PUBLISHED, POSTED, AND DISTRIBUTED IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE SOUTH CAROLINA FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT

Chairman Passiment stated public notice of this meeting had been published, posted, and distributed in compliance with SC FOIA

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion to Amend: It was moved by Council Member Tabernik, Seconded by Council Member Glover to remove item number 7, Pursuant To S.C. Code Section 30-4-70 (a)(2): receipt of legal advice where the legal advice relates to matters covered by the attorney-client privilege (S.C. Code Section 4-9-610 et seq.)

The Vote - Motion was approved without objection.

Main Motion: It was moved by Council Member Glover, Seconded by Council Member Howard to approve the agenda as amended.

The Vote - Motion was approved without objection.

5. CITIZEN COMMENT PERIOD

There were no citizen comments.

6. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion: It was moved by Council Member Reitz, Seconded by Council Member Brown to have the executive session discussion in open so the public can hear.

The Vote - Voting Yea: Council Member Bartholomew, Council Member Brown, and Council Member Reitz. **Voting Nay:** Chairman Passiment, Vice-Chairman McElynn, Council Member Glover, Council Member Howard, Council Member Lawson, and Council Member Tabernik. The motion Fails 3:6

Motion: It was moved by Council Member Tabernik, Seconded by Council Member Howard to go into executive session to discuss the following items:

Pursuant To S.C. Code Section 30-4-70 (a)(2): discussion of matters covered by the attorney-client privilege (inquiries and investigations pursuant to S.C. Code section 4-6-660- HSB)

The Vote - Voting Yea: Chairman Passiment, Vice-Chairman McElynn, Council Member Glover, Council Member Howard, Council Member Lawson, and Council Member Tabernik. **Voting Nay:** Council Member Bartholomew, Council Member Brown, and Council Member Reitz. The motion passed 6:3.

7. MATTERS ARISING OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion: It was moved by Vice-Chairman McElynn, Seconded by Council Member Tabernik to authorize the chairman of county council to release a report, which is titled report concerning council actions relating to procurement and purchasing issues. This report will detail the issues that have come to our attention as a result of the investigation council commission during the summer of 2023.

The Vote - Motion was approved without objection.

8. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 5:36PM

COUNTY COUNCIL OF BEAUFORT COUNTY



BY: _____

Joseph F. Passiment, Jr., Chairman

ATTEST:

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Sarah W. Brock" followed by a horizontal line extending to the right.

Sarah W. Brock, Clerk to Council

Ratified: September 23, 2024