



## Special Called Meeting of County Council Beaufort County, SC

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

Thursday, June 27, 2024  
10:00 AM

### MINUTES

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#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Passiment called the meeting to order at 10:00am.

#### PRESENT

Chairman Joseph F. Passiment  
Vice-Chairman Lawrence McElynn  
Council Member David P. Bartholomew  
Council Member Paula Brown  
Council Member Logan Cunningham (virtual)  
Council Member York Glover  
Council Member Alice Howard  
Council Member Mark Lawson (virtual)  
Council Member Anna Maria Tabernik  
Council Member Thomas Reitz  
Council Member Gerald Dawson (late)

#### 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 the South Carolina Freedom of Information Act.

#### 4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

**Motion to Amend:** It was moved by Vice-Chairman McElynn, Seconded by Council Member Tabernik to amend the agenda to include another executive session item pursuant to S.C. Code Section 30-4-70 (a)(2) for purposes of receiving legal advice related to matters covered by the attorney client privilege (Ordinance 2020/25).

**The Vote** - Motion approved without objection.

**Main Motion:** It was moved by Vice-Chairman McElynn, Seconded by Council Member Tabernik to approve the agenda as amended.

**The Vote** - Motion was approved without objection.

**5. CITIZEN COMMENTS**

Citizen comments were taken.

**6. PUBLIC HEARING AND THIRD READING OF AN ORDINANCE TO MAKE APPROPRIATIONS FOR COUNTY GOVERNMENT AND SPECIAL PURPOSE DISTRICTS FOR BEAUFORT COUNTY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2024, AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2025; TO LEVY TAXES FOR THE PAYMENT THEREOF; TO ADOPT SERVICE AND USER FEES; TO PROVIDE FOR THE EXPENDITURE OF SAID TAXES AND OTHER REVENUES COMING INTO THE COUNTY; AND OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO**

**Motion:** It was moved by Council Member Glover, Seconded by Council Member Tabernik to approve public hearing and third reading of an ordinance to make appropriations for County Government and Special Purpose districts for Beaufort County for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024, and ending June 30, 2025; to levy taxes for the payment thereof; to adopt service and user fees; to provide for the expenditure of said taxes and other revenues coming into the county; and other matters related thereto.

The Chairman opened the floor for public hearing.

No one came forward.

The Chairman closed public hearing.

**The Vote** - Motion was approved without objection.

**7. PUBLIC HEARING AND THIRD READING OF AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE FOR THE LEVY OF TAX FOR SCHOOL PURPOSES FOR BEAUFORT COUNTY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2024 AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2025, AND TO MAKE APPROPRIATIONS FOR SAID PURPOSES.**

**Motion:** It was moved by Council Member Tabernik, Seconded by Council Member Dawson to approve public hearing and third reading of an ordinance to provide for the levy of tax for school purposes for Beaufort County for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024 and ending June 30, 2025, and to make appropriations for said purposes.

The Chairman opened the floor for public hearing.

No one came forward.

The Chairman closed public hearing.

**The Vote** - Motion was approved without objection.

**8. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**Motion:** It was moved by Vice-Chairman McElynn, Seconded by Council Member Glover to go into executive session to discuss the items below.

*Pursuant to S.C. Code Section 30-4-70 (a)(2) for purposes of receiving legal advice related to matters covered by the attorney client privilege (inquiries and investigations pursuant to S.C. Code Section 4-9-660 - HSB)*

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**The Vote** - Motion approved without objection.

**9. MATTERS ARISING OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION**

There were no matters arising out of executive session.

**10. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at or around 11:30AM.


COUNTY COUNCIL OF BEAUFORT COUNTY



BY: \_\_\_\_\_

Joseph F. Passiment, Jr., Chairman

ATTEST:



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Sarah W. Brock, Clerk to Council

Ratified: August 26, 2024