



Finance Committee Beaufort County, SC

This meeting will be held both in-person in Council Chambers at 100 Ribaut Road, Beaufort, and virtually through Zoom. Please be aware that there is limited seating available for the in-person meeting, and attendees must practice social distancing

**Monday, September 20, 2021
2:00 PM**

MINUTES

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Lawson called the meeting to order at 2:00 PM

PRESENT

Committee Chairman Mark Lawson
Committee Vice-Chair Chris Hervochon
Council Member Joseph F. Passiment
Council Member D. Paul Sommerville
Council Member Gerald Dawson
Council Member Brian Flewelling
Council Member Stu Rodman
Council Member York Glover

ABSENT

Council Member Alice Howard
Council Member Lawrence McElynn
Council Member Logan Cunningham

2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Chairman Lawson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. **FOIA**

Chairman Lawson noted that Public notification of this meeting had been published, posted, and distributed in compliance with the South Carolina Freedom of Information Act.

4. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

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

5. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Motion: It was moved by Council Member Sommerville, seconded by Council Member Flewelling to approve the minutes from June 21, 2021. The motion was approved without objection.

6. **CITIZEN COMMENTS**

No Citizen Comments

7. **UPDATE FROM CFO HAYES WILLIAMS**

Discussion: To see the full discussion click the link below.

<https://beaufortcountysc.new.swagit.com/videos/139785>

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AGENDA ITEMS

8. **DISCUSSION AND PRESENTATION OF YEAR-TO-DATE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR FY 2022**

Presentation: To see the full presentation click the link below.

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9. **FY2023 BUDGET CALENDAR**

Presentation: To see the full presentation click the link below.

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10. **PRESENTATION FROM ELLIOT DAVIS ON REPORT ON PROCESSES AND PROCEDURES FOR FINANCE, PROCUREMENT AND DISABILITIES, AND SPECIAL NEEDS**

Presentation and Discussion: To see the full presentation and discussion, click the link below.

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Motion: It Was Moved by Council Member Hervochon, Seconded by Council Member Flewelling For the County to Engage with An Outside CPA Firm to Preform A Forensic Audit of All Physical Assets of The County with A Historical Cost Of \$5,000.00 More Plus All Computers in An Effort to Put Together A Fixed Asset List with The Recommendation of Maintaining the List on An Ongoing Basis.

Motion to Amend: It Was Moved by Council Member Flewelling, Seconded by Council Member Hervochon To Amend the Wording of The Original Motion to State: To Direct the Administration to Move Forward with The Solicitation of Bids for Performing an Outside Audit of All County Properties with A Value Of \$5,000.00 Or More.

Motion to withdraw: It Was Moved by Council Member Flewelling, Seconded by Council Member Hervochon To Withdraw Original Motion and Amended Motion After Discussion That Administration Does Not Need Action to Carry Out the Specific Requests Within the Motions.

11. **PRESENTATION OF CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN FROM THE REPORT ON PROCESSES AND PROCEDURES FOR FINANCE PROCUREMENT AND DISABILITIES AND SPECIAL NEEDS**

Discussion: To see the full discussion click the link below.

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Motion: It was moved by Council Member Sommerville, seconded by Council Member Flewelling to amend the include into the 21/22 budget to include 7 additional full-time positions; 3 in Finance, 2 in Budget, 1 in Purchasing, and 1 in Clerk to Council Office. This is to be paid for by existing surplus and vacancy savings and move forward to County Council for final approval. The motion was approved.

Voting Yea: Committee Chairman Lawson, Committee Vice-Chair Hervochon, Council Member Passiment, Council Member Sommerville, Council Member Dawson, Council Member Flewelling, Council Member Rodman

Voting Nay: Council Member Glover. The vote 7:1.

Motion: It was moved by Council Member Passiment, seconded by Council Member Sommerville to approve the corrective action plan as presented by Mr. Williams from Elliot Davis, which is separate from the employees just added. The motion was approved without objection.

12. **RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT FEDERAL GRANT: AWARD # 1H79TI084543-01 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,934,988**

Discussion: To see the full discussion click the link below.

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Motion: It was moved by Council Member Rodman, seconded by Council Member Sommerville to approve the acceptance of Federal Grant: Award #1H79TI084543-01 in the amount of \$1,934.988. The motion was approved without objection.

13. **FIRST READING OF AN ORDINANCE TO REPURPOSE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION OF THE LOWCOUNTRY'S 2021 LOCAL ATAX GRANT AWARD**

Discussion: To see the full discussion click the link below.

<https://beaufortcountysc.new.swagit.com/videos/139785>

Motion: It was moved by Council Member Rodman, seconded by Council Member Sommerville, to approve the First Reading of an Ordinance to Repurpose Community Foundation of the Lowcountry's 2021 Local ATAX Grant Award and move forward to County Council. The motion was approved.

Voting Yea: Committee Chairman Lawson, Council Member Passiment, Council Member Sommerville, Council Member Dawson, Council Member Rodman

Voting Nay: Committee Vice-Chair Hervochon, Council Member Flewelling, Council Member Glover. The vote 5:3

14. **A REQUEST TO AUTHORIZE THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR TO ENTER INTO MEDIATION TO ATTEMPT TO ESTABLISH THE PURCHASE PRICE OF TWO PARKING LOTS AT THE OLD COURTHOUSE FROM THE G.G. DOWLING FAMILY PARTNERSHIP, LP.**

Discussion: To see the full discussion click the link below.

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Motion: It was moved by Council Member Flewelling, seconded by Council Member Glover to approve the request to authorize the County Administrator to enter mediation to attempt to establish the purchase price of two parking lots at the old courthouse from the G.G. Dowling Family Partnership, LP. The motion was approved without objection.

15. **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 4:15

Ratified by Committee: January 18, 2022