

# County Council of Beaufort County Finance Committee Meeting

# Chairman

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# **Finance Committee Minutes**

Monday, August 17, 2020 at 2:00 PM

Virtual Meeting

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Hervochon called the meeting to order at 2:00pm.

# **PRESENT**

Committee Chairman Hervochon

Committee Vice-Chairman Lawson

**Council Member Passiment** 

Council Member Sommerville

**Council Member Covert** 

Council Member Dawson

Council Member Rodman

Council Member Glover

**Council Member Howard** 

Council Member McElynn

#### **ABSENT**

Council Member Flewelling

#### **FOIA**

Committee Chairman Hervochon noted that the Public Notification of this meeting has been published, posted, and distributed in compliance with the South Carolina Freedom of Information Act.

# **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Committee Chairman Hervochon led the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Committee Chairman Hervochon stated that the agenda needed to be amended to add an item; Carryover FY2021.

Motion: It was moved by Council Member Sommerville, seconded by Committee Vice-Chairman Lawson to amend the agenda to add the item, Carryover FY2021. The vote: Unanimous without objection. The motion passed. 10:0

**Motion**: It was moved by Council Member Dawson, seconded by Council Member Sommerville to approve the agenda as amended. The vote: Unanimous without objection. The motion passed. 10:0

# **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Motion: It was moved by , seconded by to approve the minutes from March 16, 2020, April 9, 2020, and May 21, 2020. The Vote: Unanimous without objection. The motion passed. 10:0

#### **ACTION ITEMS**

# **Beaufort County, Carryover Budget FY 2021**

**Discussion:** Raymond Hayes, Interim CFO, presented requested items to roll over into the fiscal year 2021. Various departments are requesting this rollover from their fiscal year 2020 budget to complete projects, purchase items, and fulfill other departmental needs that were not complete due to COVID 19.

General Fund total requested Amount \$1,339,836.65: Sheriff's Department \$691,130.91; Public Works \$47,870.00; Roads and Drainage \$9,604.15; Mosquito Control \$21,214.00; Parks and Recreation; \$93,579.00; Animal Services \$30,000.00; Treasurer's Office \$12,609.88; Facilities Maintenance \$433,828.00.

Special Revenue Fund total requested amount \$12,609.86 from the Treasurer's Office.

Stormwater Proprietary Fund total requested amount \$752,931.34 from Stormwater.

The total carryover request is \$2,105,377.85. The money is available in the requested funds and will carry over into the fiscal year 2021.

It was pointed out by Council Member Rodman that appropriation of funds requires three readings and a public hearing.

Motion: It was moved by Council Member Rodman, seconded by Committee Vice-Chairman Lawson to forward the Carryover Budget FY2021 to County Council for consideration. The Vote: Yea: Committee Chairman Hervochon, Committee Vice-Chairman Lawson, Council Member Passiment, Council Member Sommerville, Council Member Covert, Council Member Dawson, Council Member Rodman, Council Member Glover, Council Member Howard, Council Member McElynn. The motion passed. 10:0.

# Consideration of a Resolution approving the Mitchelville Freedom Park Master Plan

**Discussion:** Ahmad Ward with The Historic Mitchelville Freedom Park presented the completion of the master plan for approval of the Resolution.

Motion: It was moved by Council Member Rodman, seconded by Council Member Dawson to approve the Resolution for the Mitchelville Freedom Park Master Plan. The Vote: Yea: Committee Chairman Hervochon, Committee Vice-Chairman Lawson, Council Member Passiment, Council Member Sommerville, Council Member Covert, Council Member Dawson, Council Member Rodman, Council Member Glover, Council Member Howard, Council Member McElynn. The motion passed. 10:0.

Approval of an Ordinance to authorize \$575,000.00 to the Historic Mitchelville Freedom Park for Phase I Build Out of the Mitchelville Freedom Park Master Plan.

Raymond Hayes, Interim CFO, stated that the Master Plan for Mitchelville Freedom Park requires approval for funding from H-Tax. The H-Tax/A-Tax committee reviewed the Master Plan and find that this item meets the requirements for funds.

Motion: It was moved by Committee Council Member Rodman, seconded by Council Member Glover to forward the approval of an Ordinance to authorize \$575,000.00 from H-Tax for the Historic Mitchelville Freedom Park Phase I Build Out from the Master Plan. The Vote: Yea: Committee Chairman Hervochon, Committee Vice-Chairman Lawson, Council Member Passiment, Council Member Sommerville, Council Member Covert, Council Member Dawson, Council Member Rodman, Council Member Glover, Council Member Howard, Council Member McElynn. The motion passed. 10:0.

Approval for Purchase of Two (2) Emergency Medical Service (EMS) Ambulances-Remounts for a total cost of \$310,878.00.

**Discussion:** Phil Foot, Assistant County Administrator for Public Safety, presented the request to approve the purchase of two EMS Ambulances- remounts.

Motion: It was moved by Committee Vice Chairman Lawson, seconded by Council Member Howard to forward to Council the approval for purchase of two (2) emergency medical service (EMS) Ambulances-Remounts for a total cost of \$310,878.00. The Votes: Yea: Committee Chairman Hervochon, Committee Vice-Chairman Lawson, Council Member Passiment, Council Member Sommerville, Council Member Covert, Council Member Dawson, Council Member Rodman, Council Member Glover, Council Member Howard, Council Member McElynn. The motion passed. 10:0.

Approval of an Ordinance to authorize and approve a mult-county park agreement by and between Beaufort County and Jasper County relating to the Trask East Solar, LLC, Project

**Discussion**: John O'Toole, Executive Director of Beaufort County Economic Development Corporation, presented the MCP or MCI to be approved at a 99/1% mix. It will cost the county approximately \$492.00 of the projected \$490,000.00 revenue that comes from this project.

Motion: It was moved by Council Member Glover, seconded by Council Member Dawson to forward to council the approval of an Ordinance to authorize and approve a multi-county park agreement by and between Beaufort County and Jasper County relating to the Trask East Solar, LLC, Project. The Vote: Yea: Committee Chairman Hervochon, Committee Vice-Chairman Lawson, Council Member Passiment, Council Member Sommerville, Council Member Covert, Council Member Dawson, Council Member Rodman, Council Member Glover, Council Member Howard, Council Member McElynn. The motion passed. 10:0

Approval of a Contract Award recommendation to Purchase a new (DEMO) 2020 Pump Truck in the amount of \$551,200.00 from Ahrens-Fox Engine Co.

**Discussion:** Chief Jones with the Sheldon Fire Department presented an approval request for the purchase of a new 2020 pump truck for \$551,200.00.

Motion: It was moved by Council Member Dawson, seconded by Council Member Glover to forward to Council the approval of a contract award recommendation to purchase a new (demo) 2020 pump truck in the amount of \$551,200.00 from Ahrens-Fox Engine Company. The Vote: Yea: Committee Chairman Hervochon, Committee Vice-Chairman Lawson, Council Member Passiment, Council Member Sommerville, Council Member Covert, Council Member Dawson, Council Member Rodman, Council Member Glover, Council Member Howard, Council Member McElynn. The motion passed. 10:0.

Approval of a contract award for a commercial ramp expansion at Hilton Head Airport for a total cost of \$3,307,934.00

**Discussion:** Airport Director, Jon Rembold presented a request for a contract award from a commercial ramp expansion at Hilton Head Airport. The cost is \$3,307,934.00 Due to the CARES Act, this project is 100% funded by the FFA.

Motion: It was moved by Council Member Glover, seconded by Council Member Rodman to forward to Council the approval of a contract award for a commercial ramp expansion at Hilton Head Airport for a total cost of \$3,307,934.00. The Vote: Yea: Committee Chairman Hervochon, Committee Vice-Chairman Lawson, Council Member Passiment, Council Member Sommerville, Council Member Covert, Council Member Dawson, Council Member Rodman, Council Member Glover, Council Member Howard, Council Member McElynn. The motion passed. 10:0.

Consideration for Approval of Hilton Head Island Airport-Wetlands Mitigation Payment for a total cost of \$414,000.00

**Discussion:** Airport Director, John Rembold presented a request for a wetlands mitigation payment due to the expansion of the commercial ramp at the Hilton Head Airport. The cost is \$414,000.00. Due to the CARES Act, this project is 100% funded by the FFA.

Motion: It was moved by Council Member Covert, seconded by Council Member Howard to forward to Council the consideration for approval of Hilton Head Island Airport-Wetlands Mitigation Payment for a total cost of \$414,000.00. The Votes: Yea: Committee Chairman Hervochon, Committee Vice-Chairman Lawson, Council Member Passiment,

<u>Council Member Sommerville, Council Member Covert, Council Member Dawson, Council Member Rodman, Council Member Glover, Council Member Howard, Council Member McElynn. The motion passes. 10:0.</u>

#### **BOARDS AND COMMISSION**

# Consideration for approval to the Airports Board- David Mixson

Motion: It was moved by Council Member Rodman, seconded by Council Member Glover to forward to Council the consideration for approval to the Airports Board-David Mixson. The Vote: Yea: Committee Chairman Hervochon, Committee Vice-Chairman Lawson, Council Member Passiment, Council Member Sommerville, Council Member Covert, Council Member Dawson, Council Member Rodman, Council Member Glover, Council Member Howard, Council Member McElynn. The motion passed. 10:0.

#### **CITIZEN COMMENTS**

Per Clerk to Council Sarah Brock, no emails regarding citizen comments have been received.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 2:46pm.

Ratified by Committee: September 21, 2020