



## GREENVILLE COUNTY COUNCIL

### Minutes

Regular Meeting  
April 21, 2020  
4:06 p.m.

County offices closed for public meetings  
Meeting conducted by remote participation

#### **Council Members present by remote participation**

Mr. Butch Kirven, Chairman, District 27  
Mr. Willis Meadows, Vice Chairman, District 19  
Mrs. Xanthene Norris, Chairman Pro Tem, District 23  
Mr. Joe Dill, District 17  
Mr. Mike Barnes, District 18  
Mr. Sid Cates, District 20  
Mr. Rick Roberts, District 21  
Mr. Bob Taylor, District 22  
Mrs. Liz Seman, District 24  
Mr. Ennis Fant, Sr., District 25  
Mr. Lynn Ballard, District 26  
Mr. Dan Tripp, District 28

Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, notice of the meeting date, time, place and agenda was posted on the bulletin board at County Square and made available to the newspapers, radio stations, television stations and concerned citizens.

#### **Council Members Absent**

None

#### **Staff Present**

**Joe Kernell**, *County Administrator*  
**Mark Tollison**, *County Attorney*  
**John Hansley**, *Deputy County Administrator*  
**Regina McCaskill**, *Clerk to Council*  
**Jessica Stone**, *Deputy Clerk to Council*  
**Paula Gucker**, *Assistant County Administrator, Public Works*  
**Shannon Herman**, *Assistant County Administrator*  
**Nicole Wood**, *Assistant County Administrator*

#### **Others Present**

None

#### **Call to Order**

Chairman Kirven

#### **Invocation**

Councilor Rick Roberts

#### **Pledge of Allegiance**

**Item (4) Approval of Minutes**

**Action:** Councilor Barnes moved to approve the minutes of the April 7, 2020, Regular Council Meeting.

Motion carried unanimously.

**Item (5) Consent Agenda**

- a. **Community Project Application / Piedmont Sewer Light and Fire District – Space for Piedmont Historical Preservation Community Center Building - \$1,000.00 (Finance)**
- b. **Community Project Application / Upstate Circle of Friends – Campus Upgrades - \$9,000.00 (Finance)**

**Action:** Councilor Norris moved approval of the Consent Agenda items.

Motion carried unanimously.

**Item (6) Resolutions**

- a. **Project Blakely / Inducement Resolution**

**Action:** Councilor Taylor moved for adoption a resolution authorizing the execution and delivery of an inducement agreement by and between Greenville County, South Carolina and Project Blakely, whereby, under certain conditions, Greenville County would execute a fee in lieu of tax and special source credit agreement with respect to a project in the County whereby the Project would be subject to payment of certain fees in lieu of taxes, and whereby Project Blakely would be provided certain credits against fee payments in reimbursement of investment in related qualified infrastructure; and providing for related matters.

Motion carried unanimously.

**Item (7) Ordinances – Third Reading**

- a. **Zoning Ordinances**

- i. **CZ-2020-12:** Property of KVP Five Forks, LLC, located at 2615 Woodruff Road, requesting rezoning from S-1 to C-2.

**Action:** Councilor Dill moved adoption of the ordinance at third reading.

Motion carried unanimously.

- ii. **CZ-2020-13:** Property of New Generation Daycare and Learning Center LLC, located at 110 Old Grove Road, requesting rezoning from R-12 to FRD.

**Action:** Councilor Dill moved adoption of the ordinance at third reading.

Motion carried unanimously.

- b. **Greenville / Anderson Multi County Industrial Business Park Agreement Amendment – Vermeer Corporation**

**Action:** Councilor Taylor moved for adoption at third reading an ordinance to amend an agreement for the development of a joint county industrial and business park (2010 Park) of Anderson and Greenville Counties so as to enlarge the park.

**Action:** Councilor Taylor moved to hold third reading of the item until the May 5, 2020, County Council Meeting at which time a public hearing would be scheduled.

Motion to hold carried unanimously.

**c. Property Transfer to Greenville Transit Authority (GTA)**

**Action:** Vice-Chairman Meadows moved for adoption at third reading ordinance to authorize the donation of County-owned land consisting of approximately 26.58 +/- acres, with a site address of 205 Arcadia Drive, Greenville, South Carolina, 29609, to the Greenville Transit Authority, and to authorize the execution of deeds and any other appropriate documents and agreements related thereto.

**Action:** Vice-Chairman Meadows moved to hold third reading of the item until the May 5, 2020, County Council Meeting at which time a public hearing would be scheduled.

Motion to hold carried unanimously.

**Item (8) Ordinances – Second Reading**

**a. Project Spear / Fee in Lieu of Tax Agreement Amendment**

**Action:** Councilor Taylor moved for approval at second reading an ordinance authorizing the execution and delivery of a fee in lieu of tax agreement by and between Greenville County, South Carolina and a company or companies known to the County at this time as Project Spear with respect to certain economic development property in the County, whereby such property would be subject to certain payments in lieu of taxes; and other matters related thereto.

**Action:** Councilor Taylor moved to amend the ordinance and agreement to reflect the changes outlined in the red-lined version provided in the agenda packet.

Motion to amend carried unanimously.

**Action:** Councilor Taylor moved for approval of the ordinance as amended and requested that third reading of the item be delayed until such time as a public hearing could be scheduled.

Motion as amended carried unanimously.

**b. Recreation System Revenue Bonds / Series 2015A and 2015B**

**Action:** Councilor Taylor moved for approval at second reading a resolution providing for the issuance and sale of not exceeding \$7,010,000 Greenville County, South Carolina, Recreation System Revenue Refunding and/or Improvement Bonds, in one or more series, for the expenditure of the proceeds thereof, for the payment of said bonds, and other matters relating thereto.

Motion carried unanimously.

**Item (9) Ordinances – First Reading**

**a. Zoning Ordinances**

Councilor Dill presented for first reading Zoning Dockets CZ-2020-24 through CZ-2020-32.

Chairman Kirven referred the items to the Planning and Development Committee.

**b. Enoree Landfill Cell Tower**

Councilor Taylor presented for first reading an ordinance to authorize the Chairman of County Council and the Council Administrator to execute a lease with Milestone Development Inc. for the purpose of installing, constructing, and maintaining a telecommunications monopole at the Enoree Landfill.

Chairman Kirven stated the item would remain on the floor.

**c. Greenville Technical College / Escrow Agreement**

Councilor Taylor presented for first reading an ordinance approving an escrow agreement among Greenville County, Greenville Technical College Area Commission and an escrow agent; and other matters related thereto.

Chairman Kirven stated the item would remain on the floor.

**d. RV Parks / Tiny Home Subdivisions Moratorium**

Per notice provided on the Council agenda, Councilor Dill presented for first reading an ordinance declaring a moratorium for six months on the issuance of development permits for recreational vehicle (“RV”) parks and tiny home subdivisions in Greenville County while revised standards were developed and updated; and requested the ordinance be referred to the Planning and Development Committee.

Chairman Kirven referred the item to the Planning and Development Committee.

**Item (10) Administrator’s Report**

Joe Kernell stated Greenville County would receive a direct allocation from the CARES Act administered by the Federal Government; final guidelines for disbursement of the funds should be in place by April 24. Mr. Kernell stated he would keep Council up-to-date regarding the allocation.

**Item (11) Comments by Council Members**

- Councilor Ballard stated he planned to request reopening the application period for the Alcohol and Drug Abuse Commission at the next Council meeting. The board preferred specific qualifications for new members; none of the recent applicants possessed those qualifications.

Mr. Ballard asked if public comments would be allowed during future livestreamed County Council meetings.

Chairman Kirven stated public comments would be allowed; he pointed out that two of the items on the current agenda were held in order for the public hearings to be scheduled. He predicted Council would be in “full meeting mode” by the next meeting scheduled for May 5; everyone was getting “very skilled” in the area of remote meetings and there was no reason public comments could not be included.

- Chairman Kirven stated the Zoning Public Hearing held on Monday, April 20, was long but appeared to work very well. There were a number of comments from citizens; Council should be pleased with the meeting. Things were getting caught up and moving along well. He commended staff for supporting Council and the citizens of Greenville County.
- Councilor Taylor requested an update on the Halton Road project.

Joe Kernell stated the contract for improving the building had just been awarded; no one would be moving into the building for at least a year. Family Court would move into the building first and other state agencies would follow.

- Councilor Seman stated operations and activities remained steady at SCTAC. The board and management were fully complying with all COVID-19 recommendations from the original Executive Order. SCTAC was officially certified as an “essential business” by the South Carolina Department of Commerce on April 1. There continued to be economic development at the site.
- Councilor Dill stated the “toilet paper drive” was very successful; he thanked Joe Kernell, Bob Mihalic, Steve Pellisier with ACOG, Andrea Smith with Meals on Wheels and Debbie Bush with Greenville County Schools for their support. The toilet paper was supplied by Greenville County Schools. Mr. Dill stated the toilet paper was delivered to senior citizens and other needy citizens who were unable to leave their homes. He had received a lot of response from people who were very thankful and excited about the fact that the citizens of Greenville County cared so much about them.

Mr. Dill thanked Joe Kernell and Jay Maret, Greenville County Emergency Management, for studying the alarm system in the Slater and Pickens area. Those residents did not receive notification of the recent storm as their cell signals were “dead.” Mr. Dill stated that Mr. Maratt had done a tremendous job putting together a plan to supply the citizens with battery-powered radios to alert them of approaching storms. He requested his colleagues to pledge monies from their Community Projects accounts to help fund the effort. Mr. Dill stated the County’s staff was working hard to keep things going.

A local organization was assisting individuals who were unable to pay their child support; he had the applications necessary to receive assistance.

Mr. Dill commended the new Sheriff. Deputies were stopping at stores to talk to citizens as well as in their yards. Mr. Dill stated it had been a long time since he had seen deputies do that.

- Councilor Norris thanked everyone involved in the completion of the Hampton Avenue Bridge.

**Item (12) Adjournment**

Councilor Norris moved to adjourn the meeting.

Motion carried unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 4:31 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Regina G. McCaskill  
Clerk to Council