

JOINT MEETING OF THE UNION COUNTY COUNCIL  
AND THE CARLISLE TOWN COUNCIL  
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2018 AT 6:05 P.M.  
CARLISLE TOWN HALL IN CARLISLE, SC 29031

Present-County Council: Chairman Frank Hart, Vice-Chairman Ben Ivey, Councilwoman Joan Little, Councilman Ralph Tucker, Councilman David Sinclair, Councilman Tommie Hill, Councilwoman Kacie Petrie, County Attorney Sammy Diamaduros and Clerk to Council Linda G. Jolly  
Absent: None

Present-Town Council: Mayor Mary Ferguson Glenn, Mayor Pro Tem Ronnie Lyles, Councilwoman Darlene Smalls, Councilwoman Maxine Spencer, Councilwoman Ann Stevens and Town Administrator Shannon McBride.  
Absent: None

Notice of the meeting and a copy of the agenda giving the date, time and place of the meeting was posted on the bulletin board in the hall of the Union County Courthouse and a copy was mailed or delivered to the members of the Union County Council, the County Attorney, the Union County Development Board, Jeff Fellers with Clemson Extension, Jami Trammell with Chamber of Commerce, Mr. Mickey Gist, Mr. Robert Small, Mr. James Kollock, Mrs. Curtiss Hunter, Mrs. Casie Jolly and emailed to Mike Stevens at WBCU Radio Station, to Graham Williams at the County News, to Charles Warner at the Union Times, to Jason Spencer with the Spartanburg Herald Journal, to the News Room at the Spartanburg Herald Journal, to Chris Lavender with the Spartanburg Herald Journal, to Shell Suber at MHISC and to Randall Hanvey. A notice of the meeting was also posted on the County's website.

Mayor Mary Ferguson Glenn called the meeting to order for the Carlisle Town Council and Councilwoman Maxine Spencer gave the invocation.

There was a motion and second to accept the minutes of the Carlisle Town Council and the vote was unanimous.

There was a motion and second to approve the financial report and the vote was unanimous.

Mayor Mary Ferguson Glenn stated under new business they had discussed changing the time for their monthly meeting from 6:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. There was a motion and second to change the time for their monthly meeting from 6:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. and the motion carried.

Mayor Mary Ferguson Glenn asked Town Administrator Shannon McBride to read the title of a resolution for a Hometown Economic Grant. There was a motion and second approving the resolution and the motion carried.

Mayor Mary Ferguson Glenn called for the Administrator's report but Shannon McBride said she did not have anything to report at this time.

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Under the Mayor's report, Mayor Mary Ferguson Glenn reminded everyone that on Tuesday, October 9<sup>th</sup> they would be accepting bids for their water tank grant program.

Mayor Mary Ferguson Glenn called for any comments from the Town Councilmembers but there were none. She stated that concluded the meeting of the Carlisle Town Council.

County Council Chairman Frank Hart called the meeting to order for the Union County Council at 6:10 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Clerk to Council gave the Roll Call with the following results:

Joan Little, District 1 – Present  
Ralph Tucker, District 2 – Present  
David Sinclair, District 3 - Present  
Ben Ivey, District 4 - Present  
Tommie Hill, District 5 - Present  
Kacie Petrie, District 6 – Present

Kacie Petrie: Made a motion to dispense with reading of the minutes of the regular monthly meeting of the Union County Council held on August 14, 2018, the special meeting of County Council held on August 27, 2018 and to adopt the minutes as written.

Ralph Tucker: Seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

Elise Ashby gave an update on the Ag + Art Tour. She thanked Council for their support of the tour over the past four years. This year they had folks come in from fifty-one difference zip codes. They had over seven hundred people to participate and visit the farm sites. The largest groups of people went to the distillery. The tour is growing and showing folks what Union has to offer. They will be doing senior days at the Farmers Market so they can use up their senior vouchers. She asked the County to provide five or six new stalls for the Farmers Market.

Chairman Frank Hart stated Council had discussed during the budget sessions providing funding through a lease to purchase finance agreement for the Motorola 911 console upgrade. We have not closed on that finance agreement but they would like to go ahead and place the order. He asked Council to authorize up to \$200,000 they would advance as a down payment on the system from Multi-County Park funds which would be reimbursed from the proceeds of the lease agreement.

Ben Ivey: Made a motion to advance up to \$200,000 from Multi-County Park funds for the Motorola 911 console upgrade to be reimbursed from the proceeds of the lease agreement.

David Sinclair: Seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

Sheriff David Taylor presented a check from the Office of the State Treasurer in the amount of \$10,800 to help reimburse the County for the advancement they approved for the purchase of body-worn cameras.

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Chairman Frank Hart stated he understood the Sheriff's Office had some money coming from drug forfeiture funds. Sheriff David Taylor stated they were working on a federal forfeiture drug case and they are looking to receive around \$100,000 from that. Sheriff Taylor said they have four people waiting to get into the Criminal Justice Academy. They have had people leave for better paying jobs and salaries will need to be addressed during the next budget sessions.

Emergency Services Director Rob Fraim gave an update on the possible approach of Hurricane Florence which is predicted to hit the Wilmington, North Carolina area in the coming days. The track from there is still uncertain. Union County could experience some wind and rain as a result of the hurricane.

Sheriff David Taylor said they were getting a grant from the State to hire another School Resource Officer for the Union Achievement Academy. He said he had met with Dr. Roach and they have asked that it be a deputy position rather than a public safety position. They want the person in that position to roam from the Achievement Academy to other schools in the county. They will be looking to fill that position within the next two weeks. They hope to have that in place by October 1<sup>st</sup> and the grant would come directly to them and not through the school district.

Rieta Drinkwine with Carnegie Library stated they hope to have the renovation and reopening of the library completed by the end of the month. They have gotten the Smithsonian exhibit installed. They closed with a federal investor and received their first small portion of tax credit funding. She thanked Neil McKeown and the County for working with them. SC Works is officially operating out of the Carnegie Library.

Chairman Frank Hart presented for second reading an ordinance authorizing the execution and delivery of a title to real estate to James Rose conveying the interest of Union County, South Carolina, in certain parcel of real estate located at 225 South Street, Buffalo, South Carolina and as shown on tax map parcel 072-06-13-008.

Ben Ivey: Made a motion to accept second reading of the ordinance authorizing the execution and delivery of a title to real estate to James Rose conveying the interest of Union County, South Carolina, in certain parcel of real estate located at 225 South Street, Buffalo, South Carolina and as shown on tax map parcel 072-06-13-008.

Ralph Tucker: Seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

Chairman Frank Hart stated next on the agenda was an ordinance pertaining to a FILOT agreement with Volvo Car US Operations Inc. Jim Price who represents Volvo Car US Operations Inc. stated both Volvo and BMW come out of the Gestamp manufacturing plant. The first year this project is placed in service, just the tool and dyes for Volvo will generate about \$300,000 of tax money for the County. Chairman Frank Hart introduced in title only an ordinance authorizing a Fee-In-Lieu of Tax and infrastructure credit arrangement pursuant to a Fee-In-Lieu of Tax Agreement between Union County, South Carolina and Volvo Car US Operations Inc.; and other matters relating to the foregoing.

Ben Ivey: Made a motion to dispense with referring the ordinance to a committee and to accept first reading of the ordinance authorizing a Fee-In-Lieu of Tax and infrastructure credit

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arrangement pursuant to a Fee-In-Lieu of Tax Agreement between Union County, South Carolina and Volvo Car US Operations Inc.; and other matters relating to the foregoing.  
David Sinclair: Seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

Chairman Frank Hart introduced in title only an ordinance authorizing pursuant to Title 12, Chapter 44, Section 10, et seq.; Title 4, Chapter 1, Section 170 and Section 175; and Title 4, Chapter 29, Section 68 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, as amended, the execution and delivery of a Fee-In-Lieu of Tax and Special Source Revenue Credit Agreement between Union County, South Carolina and BMW Manufacturing Co., LLC.

Ralph Tucker: Made a motion to dispense with referring the ordinance to a committee and to accept first reading of the ordinance authorizing pursuant to Title 12, Chapter 44, Section 10, et seq.; Title 4, Chapter 1, Section 170 and Section 175; and Title 4, Chapter 29, Section 68 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, as amended, the execution and delivery of a Fee-In-Lieu of Tax and Special Source Revenue Credit Agreement between Union County, South Carolina and BMW Manufacturing Co., LLC.

Ben Ivey: Seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

Chairman Frank Hart stated the Auditor is still working on the information for the resolution to set the tax millage. The Clerk to Council said they were looking at holding a special meeting on Monday, October 1<sup>st</sup> to consider the resolution after allowing time to advertise the notice of a public hearing. Council agreed to meet at 12:00 noon on October 1<sup>st</sup> for the public hearing and special meeting to consider the resolution to set the tax levy.

Chairman Frank Hart stated the Council had previously fronted some money for the Kelly-Kelton Fire Department to be able to go ahead and procure a truck. The resolution being presented is to allow the County to be reimbursed from the proceeds of the general obligation bond proceeds. Chairman Frank Hart introduced a resolution relating to the declaration of intent by Union County, South Carolina, to reimburse certain expenditures made prior to the execution and delivery of a federally tax-exempt lease purchase agreement and general obligation bond, or other obligations, by the County. This resolution will also allow reimbursement for the funds appropriated for the Motorola 911 console upgrade and the funds appropriated for the Zuercher system once we receive the lease proceeds.

Ben Ivey: Made a motion to dispense with referring the resolution to a committee and to adopt the resolution relating to the declaration of intent by Union County, South Carolina, to reimburse certain expenditures made prior to the execution and delivery of a federally tax-exempt lease purchase agreement and general obligations bond, or other obligations, by the County.

Ralph Tucker: Seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

Chairman Frank Hart stated Council has a copy of the information for the South Carolina Association of Counties Coalition meeting on October 25<sup>th</sup> in Columbia. They will be offering classes for the Institute of Government for those that wish to complete those courses.

Chairman Frank Hart called for any committee reports. Councilwoman Kacie Petrie stated the Planning and Development Committee had met on Monday, August 27<sup>th</sup> and recommends

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advertising to receive bids to sell some county-owned properties located at 1504 Main Street in Buffalo and at 218 South Street in Buffalo.

Ben Ivey: Made a motion to accept the recommendation of the Planning and Development Committee to advertise to receive bids to sell some county-owned properties located at 1504 Main Street in Buffalo and at 218 South Street in Buffalo.

David Sinclair: Seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

Councilwoman Kacie Petrie asked if there was an estimated time on when the field house at the stadium would be completed. Chairman Frank Hart stated he understood it would be in use for the Homecoming football game. He said he would get an update on that and send Council a text. He plans to hold a ribbon cutting ceremony and dedication of the renovated facility.

Chairman Frank Hart called for any other business but there was none.

Ralph Tucker: Made a motion to adjourn the meeting for the Union County Council.

David Sinclair: Seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

The joint meeting of the Union County Council and the Carlisle Town Council adjourned at 6:36 p.m.

Frank Hart, Chair  
Union County Council

Linda G. Jolly, Clerk to Council