

DATE: 7/6/16 FILE NO: DATE202
TO: Cherokee County Council
SUBJECT: Minutes of Regular Meeting, 7/5/16

There was a Regular Meeting of County Council Tuesday, 7/5/16, 5:00 PM in Council Chambers. Chairman Tim Spencer presided with Steven Blanton leading in prayer. All members of council were present along with Holland Belue, Attorneys Jim Thompson & Joe Mathis and Clerk Doris Pearson. The news media was informed by agenda and one was present. There was 7 visitors.

Councilman Mike Fowlkes made the motion to adopt the agenda of the Regular Meeting of 7/5/16 as received and in compliance with the SC FOIA, codified at Section 30-4-10 et. Seq. of the Code of Laws of SC, 1976, as amended. Tracy McDaniel seconded and council voted in favor.

Councilman Mike Fowlkes made the motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of 6/27/16 as received. Tracy McDaniel seconded and council voted in favor.

Attorney Joe Mathis requested council to pass a motion to go into Executive Session for a number of reasons pursuant to Section 30-4-70 paragraph related to Economic Development concerning a contractual matter; a personnel matter specific to the 911 Dept.; a personnel matter specific to the Administration Dept.; and a pending contractual matter unrelated to anything above. **Steven Blanton made the motion to go into Executive Session to discuss these matters given by Attorney Mathis. Mike Fowlkes seconded and council voted in favor and went into Executive Session at 5:07 PM.**

Councilman Steven Blanton made the motion for council to come out of Executive Session at 6:07 PM and return to the Regular Meeting. Mike Fowlkes seconded and council voted in favor. Attorney Mathis stated that no vote or action was taken during Executive Session.

Councilman Steven Blanton made the motion to approve the Mutual Engagement with Pope/Flynn Firm to assist with the scope of the engagement which will include the Lake Whelchel Recreation Park; to include the sports fields, rest rooms, concession & parking lots, as well as the demolition of the old Recreation Dist. Admin. Bldg. at the County Recreation Site; the reimbursement to the county of the lights at the Ford Complex; and the payoff of the existing loan for the new existing County Recreation Admin. Bldg. at the Recreation Dist. providing the scope of services are limited to those taxed only that council approved. Mike Fowlkes seconded and council voted in favor.

Acting Admin. Holland Belue gave as a matter of information that the C-fund bid package and the Ford Complex lighting package is out for bid. The Pre-Bid Construction Conference is scheduled for Friday, 7/8/16 @ 10 AM & 2 PM pending the potential for the extension on the County Council meeting being rescheduled from 7/18/16 to a date further in the future which may extend the bid date of those two projects. We are still shooting for construction for those two projects by the 1st week of August. Charles Mathis asked when did you send this out? Holland replied last Wed., 6/29/16

on SCBO. When the company request a pkg. then in it tells when the pre-bid conference will be. Since this morning we have had only one person to request a pkg. for each project. We can move the pre-bid back; it was scheduled for next week 7/12/16 but I will be unavailable on that date and we moved it up so I can be there since I know all the information. We can move it back and have the bid open the 2nd week in August. Charles replied I approve of the bidding processing but some time these time lines and dates so close that companies don't have time to get their information together. Holland replied we can move it back but I was under the impression that everyone wanted to get the paving moving asap. Charles replied it looks like we are doing it this way in order to favor certain contractors. Holland replied when we scheduled this originally, I was planning on being her 7/11/16 but I'm not going to be here now so I moved since I'm the one most informed of both projects. I gave Delissa approval to release the bid pkg. on Friday, 7/1/16. Tim asked is this procedure than it normally is? Did you move the days up any different than normal? Holland I can't recall ever doing this before, the only reason I moved it from the 12th to the 8th is because of my pending absence and to make sure that the bidders are properly informed, I felt I needed to be there. Chairman Spencer stated for Holland to move forward as planned.

Councilman Mike Fowlkes made the motion to adopt the 1st Reading of Ordinance No. 2016-20 to amend the Agreement for Development for Joint County Industrial Park by & between Spartanburg Co. & Cherokee Co., SC, so as to include additional property in Spartanburg Co. as part of the Joint County Industrial Park, and other matters relating thereto. Steven Blanton seconded and council voted in favor.

Councilman Charles Mathis made the motion to pay the claims for Cherokee County in the amount of \$712,311.52. Mike Fowlkes seconded and council voted in favor.

Acting Admin. Holland Belue reported that the Solicitor's Office has requested to do renovation work at the Worthless Check Office in the Courthouse. They will be building two walls; county will provide the labor after hours and the Solicitor's Office will provide the materials and reimburse the county for overtime associated with this project to build these two offices with wood style paneling.

Councilman Steven Blanton made the motion to change the Regular Meeting of Monday, 7/18/16 to either 7/25, 26 or 27/16. Mike Fowlkes seconded. Hoke Parris asked will this interfere with any other council member's plans? Steven replied I'm giving 3 days to try and work this out and if it creates a problem I want change the meeting. **Council voted in favor with Charles Mathis opposing. Motion carried.**

As there was no other business to come before council at this time, Chairman Spencer adjourned the meeting at 6:20 PM.

APPROVED: _____

Respectfully submitted,

BY ITS: _____

Doris F. Pearson, Clerk to Council