

DATE: 11/8/16 FILE NO: DATE218
TO: Cherokee County Council
SUBJECT: Minutes of Regular Meeting of 11/7/16

There was a Regular Meeting Monday, 11/7/16, 5:10 PM in Council Chambers. Chairman Spencer presided with Charles Mathis leading in prayer. All council members were present along with Administrator Holland Belue, Attorney Jim Thompson and Clerk Doris Pearson. The news media was informed by agenda that was in compliance with the SCFOIA and 2 was present. There were 7 visitors.

Councilman Rufus Foster made the motion to adopt the agenda of the Regular Meeting of Monday, 11/7/16, as received and being in compliance with the SCFOIA. Mike Fowlkes seconded and council voted in favor.

Councilman Tracy McDaniel made the motion to approve the minutes of the Public Hearing & Regular Meeting of 10/17/16 as received. Mike Fowlkes seconded and council voted in favor.

Councilman Charles Mathis made the motion to pass the 1st Reading of Ordinance No. 2016-26 to amend the Agreement for Development for Joint Co. Industrial Park by & between Spartanburg & 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. Rufus Foster seconded and council voted in favor.

Councilman Steven Blanton made the motion to pass the 1st Reading of Ordinance No. 2016-27 to amend the Agreement for Development for Joint County Industrial Park by & between Spartanburg & 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. Mike Fowlkes seconded and council voted in favor.

PWC Chair Tracy McDaniel reported they met earlier today at 4:30 PM. [PWC Chair Tracy McDaniel made the motion coming from the committee to award to Vin Woods, LLC for their low bid of \$22,500 for the seedlings to replace timber project which includes 137 acres. Mike Fowlkes seconded and council voted in favor.

PWC Chair Tracy McDaniel made the motion coming from committee to sell the case at the landfill to govdeals.com and contract with Volvo to demo a new track hoe for one week with the option to purchase it at a cap of \$155,000. Charles Mathis seconded and council voted in favor.

Administrator Holland Belue gave as a matter of information that all our emergency management services including the Sheriff Office, Coroner Office, Communication's Dept. & Emergency Management all have radios that run on the 800 megahertz system. Over the past several years, we received grants to purchase these units & we've had the state to give us some. We have about 29 – 32

of these units that are throughout the county used basically for emergencies and in situations where UHS is not working. We have to from time to time to upgrade these units which run a lot like a cell phone. These have manual & reoccurring fees associated with it/unit. We need to do a new upgrade and it has to be done by the end of Dec., 2016 and will cost between \$3,000 to \$12,000. These are the reoccurring cost that always come with grants. We will bill this out to the appropriate departments which is outside of budget but will show on the trail balance.

Administrator Holland Belue reported that the SC Association of Counties has an annual Board of Directors Scholarship Program which awards four \$2,500 scholarships on an annual basis to graduating high school seniors who are residents of counties chosen by lot by the SCAC and this year Cherokee County was selected in the draw and one scholarship will be awarded to a Cherokee County student. Applications were sent to the school's guidance office for Gaffney High, Blacksburg High & Cherokee Technology.

Councilman Charles Mathis made the motion to allow Administration to fill the vacant position of Cherokee Co. Deputy Tax Assessor and the Cherokee Co. Landfill Scale House attendant vacant position. Mike Fowlkes seconded and council voted in favor.

Councilman Tracy McDaniel made the motion to approve the claims for Cherokee County in the amount of \$1,637,428.77. Mike Fowlkes seconded and council voted in favor.

Development Board Director Jim Cook requested council to go into Executive Session for the purpose of discussion of matters relating to future proposed locations, expansions or provision of services including locations and expansions of industries or other businesses in the areas served by a public body specifically Projects Flair, Butter & Autumn. **[Tracy McDaniel made the motion for council to go into Executive Session for this purpose. Mike Fowlkes seconded and council voted in favor and went into executive session at 5:25 pm.]**

Councilman Mike Fowlkes made the motion for council to come out of Executive Session at 6:10 pm and enter back into the Regular Session. Tracy McDaniel seconded and council voted in favor. Attorney Jim Thompson stated that no action or vote was taken during executive session.

Councilman Tracy McDaniel made the motion to pass Resolution No. 2016-07 authorizing (1) the execution & delivery of a Fee in lieu of Tax and Incentive Agreement by & between Cherokee County, SC and a Company identified for the time being as Project Flair, acting for itself, and/or one or more affiliates or other project sponsors (the "Company"), pursuant to which the county shall covenant to accept certain negotiated fees in lieu of ad valorem taxes with respect to the establishment and/or expansion of certain facilities in the county (collectively, The "Project"); (2) the benefits of a Multi-County Industrial or Business Park to be made available to the Company and the Project; (3) certain Special Source Revenue credits in connection with the Project; and (4) other matters relating thereto. Mike Fowlkes seconded and council voted in favor.

Councilman Charles Mathis made the motion to pass the 1st Reading of Ordinance No. 2016-28 authorizing (1) the execution & delivery of a Fee in Lieu of Tax & Incentive Agreement by & between Cherokee County, SC (The “County”) and a company identified for the time being as Project Flair, acting for itself, and/or one or more affiliates or other project sponsors (The “Company”), pursuant to which the county shall covenant to accept certain negotiated fees in lieu of ad valorem taxes with respect to the establishment and/or expansion of certain facility in the county (collectively, The “Project”); (2) the benefits of a Multi-county Industrial or Business Park to be made available to the company and the project; (3) Certain Special Source Revenue Credits in connection with the Project; and (4) other matters relating thereto. Steven Blanton seconded and council voted in favor.

Chairman Spencer reminded council of the Work Session scheduled for Monday, 11/21/16, 6 PM, here in the Training Rooms 159 & 160 with the Fire Chiefs & Fire Boards.

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

APPROVED: 11/21/16

BY ITS: Chairman Tim Spencer

Respectfully submitted,

Doris F. Pearson, Clerk to Council