

DATE: 12/22/20 FILE NO: DATE498
TO: Cherokee County Council
SUBJECT: Minutes of PH & Regular Meeting, 12/21/2020

There was a Public Hearing & Regular Meeting of County Council Monday, 12/21/2020 @ 5 PM in Council Chambers. Chairman Tim Spencer presided and lead in prayer. All council members were present along with Administrator Bratton, Attorney Joe Mathis & Master Clerk to Council Doris F. Pearson. The news media was informed by agenda and it was posted in accordance with the SCFOIA. One news media was present. There were about 20 visitors.

Councilman Tracy McDaniel made the motion to adopt the agenda of the PH & Regular Meeting of 12/21/2020 as amended with postponing No. 11 Ordinance No. 2020-21. The agenda was posted in accordance with the SCFOIA. David Smith seconded and council voted in favor.

Councilman Lyman Dawkins made the motion to approve the minutes of the PH & Regular Meeting of 12/7/2020 as received. Quay Little seconded and council voted in favor.

Councilman Lyman Dawkins made the motion to pay the claims for Cherokee County in the amount of \$290,611.95. David Smith seconded and council voted in favor.

Chairman Spencer opened the public hearing on two matters: **1)** regarding Ordinance No. 2020-22 authorizing the lease of County Property to the Cherokee County School District. **2)** regarding Ordinance No. 2020-21 authorizing the execution & delivery of an amended & restated Fee in Lieu of Tax & Special Source Revenue Credit Agreement by & between Cherokee Co. & Project Sunshine 2020 (the "Company") with respect to certain economic development property in the county, whereby such property will be subject to certain payments in Lieu of Taxes, including the provision of Certain Special Source Revenue Credits; and other matters related thereto. As there was no one present to speak, the public hearing was closed.

Councilman David Smith made the motion to go into Executive Session on several matters: 1) pursuant to Section 30-4-70(a)(2) for the purpose of discussions concerning a contractual matter; 2) receipt of legal advice; 3) Section 30-4-70(a)(1) regarding a personnel matter; and 4) Section 30-4-70(a)(5) relating to two future proposed locations, expansions or provision of services including locations & expansions of industries or other businesses in the area served by a public body. Lyman Dawkins seconded and council voted in favor and went into Executive Session at 5:13 PM.

Councilman Quay Little made the motion for council to come out of Executive Session at 6:30 PM and enter back into the Regular Meeting. Lyman Dawkins seconded and council voted in favor. Attorney Mathis stated for the records that no action was taken during Executive Session.

Councilman Mike Fowlkes made the motion to adopt the 3rd Reading of Ordinance No. 2020-22 authorizing the lease of County property to the Cherokee County School District. David Smith seconded and council voted in favor.

Councilman Tracy McDaniel made the motion to adopt the 1st Reading of Ordinance No. 2020-23 authorizing the execution & delivery of a Fee in Lieu of Tax Agreement by & between Cherokee Co., SC & a company or companies known to the county at this time as “Project Pigeon” with respect to certain Economic Development property in the county, whereby such property will be subject to certain payments in Lieu of Taxes; will designate as being a Multi-County Industrial & Business Park; will be eligible to receive Certain Tax Credits; and other matters related thereto. Mike Fowlkes seconded and council voted in favor.

Councilman Mike Fowlkes made the motion to allow Administrator Bratton to purchase from Alarm Tech Systems, Inc. in the amount of \$17,178.40 a new system to replace the LEC Fire Alarm System. Lyman Dawkins seconded and council voted in favor.

Administrator Steve Bratton reported to Council that the Cherokee County Recycling Center will be closed due to the COVID19 and will re-open Sat., 12/26/20 regular hours.

Councilman Quay Little made the motion to approve Administrator Bratton’s recommendation and do a one-time supplement check to all full-time county employees who have been employed for at least a year in the amount of \$700 gross and \$350 gross for all fulltime employees employed less than a year, parttime employees and temporary employees. Mike Fowlkes seconded and council voted in favor. Administrator Bratton replied we are going to try and get these to all employees Wed., 12/23/20.

Councilman Quay Little made the motion to re-appoint Mrs. Sissy Brock to serve another term on the Cherokee Co. Alcohol & Drug Abuse Board. David Smith seconded and council voted in favor.

As there was no other business to come before council at this time, Chairman Spencer adjourned the meeting at 6:47 PM.

APPROVED: 1/4/2021

BY ITS CHAIRMAN: Tim Spencer

Respectfully submitted,

Doris F. Pearson, Master Clerk to Council