

DATE: 3/22/22 FILE NO. DATE539
TO: Cherokee County Council
SUBJECT: Minutes of PH & Regular Meeting, Monday, 3/21/22

There was a Public Hearing & Regular Meeting of County Council Monday, 3/21/22, 5 PM in Council Chambers. Chairman Tim Spencer presided with Mike Fowlkes leading in prayer. All council members were present along with Asst. Admin. Bishop, Attorney Mathis & Master Clerk Doris Pearson. The news media was informed by agenda and one was present. There were 9 visitors.

Councilman David Smith made the motion to adopt the agenda of the PH & Regular Meeting of 3/21/22 as received and posted in accordance with the SCFOIA. Lyman Dawkins seconded and council voted in favor.

Councilman Tracy McDaniel made the motion to approve the minutes of the PH & Regular Meeting of 3/7/22 as received. Quay Little seconded and council voted in favor.

Councilman Lyman Dawkins made the motion to approve the claims for Cherokee County in the amount of \$528,031.81. David Smith seconded and council voted in favor.

Chairman Tim Spencer opened the floor on two public hearings: **1) Ordinance No. 2021-33** authorizing the execution & delivery of a Fee-in-Lieu of Tax Agreement by & between Cherokee County, SC and BERICAP, LLC 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 credits; and other matters related thereto; and **2) Ordinance No. 2022-02** authorizing transfer of real property to Macedonia Water Works, Inc. As there was no one to speak the public hearing was closed.

Councilman Lyman Dawkins made the motion to adopt the 3rd Reading of Ordinance No. 2021-33 authorizing the execution & delivery of a Fee-in-Lieu of Tax Agreement by & between Cherokee County, SC and BERICAP, LLC 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 credits; and other matters related thereto. Quay Little seconded and council voted in favor.

Councilman Quay Little made the motion to adopt the 3rd Reading of Ordinance No. 2022-02 authorizing the transfer of real property to Macedonia Water Works, Inc. Lyman Dawkins seconded and council voted in favor.

Councilman Mike Fowlkes made the motion to adopt Fair Housing Resolution No. 2022-03. Tracy McDaniel seconded and council voted in favor.

Asst. Admin. Merv Bishop passed out copies of the DSS/DJJ/PPP floor plans to council. Steve & I have met with all 3 agencies and they approved the plans as presented. We are asking permission to send these drawings to an architect for them to approve and send out for bid by 5/1/22.

This will be about a 4-to-5-month process before we can get started. Our lease with Peachtree Centre will run out 12/31/22 and we need to give a 6 month notice if we plan to move out. Ace Hardware plans to move out by the end of April, 2022 and the Pharmacy within the next couple of months. We went with 6x6 cubicles for DSS and they all are pleased with these plans. Quay Little asked about the bathrooms, do you have enough for this amount of people? Merv replied there are 4 bathrooms in all and we feel this is enough. **[Councilman Quay Little made the motion to proceed with these plans for DSS/DJJ/PPP by giving them to the architect for their final drawings and then to go out for bid. Mike Fowlkes seconded and council voted in favor.]**

Councilman Mike Fowlkes asked what is the report on the Broad River Electric facility? Merv replied once they notify us when their final date will be and we will start plans for the recreational gym and then we will move forward on moving Public Works out there. We now have the project with Midway going on; then BRE will be after this one and so on.

Asst. Administrator Merv Bishop reported no bids were received for Bid 2022-10 Grinding of Yard Waste at the Cherokee Co. Landfill so we will put this out for bid again and come back at a later date.

Asst. Admin. Merv Bishop reported that due to a tragic event, one of our employees in the Treasurer Office lost her spouse in a vehicle accident Thursday night, 3/17/22. The Treasurer Office, Auditor Office and Delinquent Tax Office will close their offices on Tuesday, 3/22/22 from 1:30 to 3:30 PM in order to attend his funeral service. We have put this out on Facebook and have posted notices on the doors.

Councilman Tracy McDaniel made the motion to go into Executive Session at 5:20 PM regarding a personnel matter arising in the GIS/Mapping Dept. David Smith seconded and council voted in favor.

Councilman Tracy McDaniel made the motion for council to come out of Executive Session at 5:47 PM and enter back into the Regular Meeting. 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 5:48 PM.

APPROVED: 4/4/21

BY ITS CHAIR: Tim Spencer

Respectfully submitted,

Doris F. Pearson, Master Clerk to Council