

DATE: 11/19/24 FILE NO: DATE630  
TO: County Council  
SUBJECT: Minutes of Regular Meeting Monday, 11/18/24

There was a Regular Meeting of County Council Monday, 11/18/24, 5 PM in Council Chambers. Chairman Tim Spencer presided with Tracy McDaniel leading in prayer. All council members were present except David Smith. Administrator Merv Bishop, Asst. Admin. Amanda Walker, Attorney Joe Johnson and Master Clerk Doris Pearson were present. The news media was informed by agenda and it was posted in accordance with the SCFOIA. 2 news media were present along with 12 visitors.

**Councilman Tracy McDaniel made the motion to adopt the agenda of the Regular Meeting of Monday, 11/18/24 as received and posted in accordance with the SCFOIA. Quay Little seconded and council voted in favor.**

**Councilman Quay Little made the motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of 11/4/24 as received. Bill Blanton seconded and council voted in favor.**

**Councilman Tracy McDaniel made the motion to approve the claims for Cherokee County in the amount of \$685,981.14. Bill Blanton seconded and council voted in favor.**

**Councilman Tracy McDaniel made the motion to approve the Cherokee County Council Scheduled Meeting Dates for 2025 as presented and subject to change if necessary. Quay Little seconded and council voted in favor.**

**Councilman Quay Little made the motion to adopt 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading of Ordinance No. 2024-27 to develop a Jointly Owned & Operated Industrial/Business Park in conjunction with Spartanburg County, such Industrial/Business Park to be geographically located in Cherokee County and established pursuant to Section 4-1-170 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, as amended; to provide for a written agreement with Spartanburg County to provide for the expenses of the park, the percentage of revenue application, and the distribution of Fees in Lieu of Ad Valorem Taxation; and providing for other matters related. Bill Blanton seconded and council voted in favor.**

**Councilman Quay Little made the motion to adopt 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading of Ordinance No. 2024-29 to amend the Agreement for Development for Joint County Industrial Park by & between Spartanburg & Cherokee Counties, SC, so as to include additional property in Spartanburg County as part of the Joint County Industrial Park, and other matters relating thereto, (UCP Building 1 Owner, LLC). Elliott Hughes seconded and council voted in favor.**

**Councilman Quay Little made the motion to adopt 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading of Ordinance No. 2024-30 to amend the Agreement for Development for Joint County Industrial Park by & between Spartanburg & Cherokee Counties, SC, so as to include additional property in Spartanburg County as part of the Joint County Industrial Park, and other matters relating thereto. (Novara Realty, LLC, Carbotech Mfg., LLC, and Cowpens 5365, LLC). Tracy McDaniel seconded and council voted in favor.**

**Councilman Quay Little made the motion to adopt 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading of Ordinance No. 2024-31 authorizing the execution & delivery of an Amended & Restated Agreement for Development of Joint County Industrial/Business Park (City of Spartanburg Economic Development Partnership Park) with Cherokee County. Elliott Hughes seconded and council voted in favor.**

Administrator Bishop opened the bid for Bid 2025-12 Hurricane Storm Debris Limb & Bush Grinding at the Landfill. 4 bids were received: **1)** Moorehead, Blacksburg - \$116,200; **2)** BMP Construction, Gaffney = \$70,000; **3)** Farmer’s Mulch & Rock Inc., Dobson, NC - \$115,000; and **4)** Hickory Ridge Grading Co., Inc., Blacksburg - \$112,500. I’ll take these and review them with Ronnie Benton and we will report back to PWC and council on 12/2/24.

Administrator Bishop reported on the burn incinerator for the landfill. I had a zoom call with the manufacturer and gained a lot of information. Also, the City of Shelby just purchased one and we will go observe it in operation. The zoom referred to the ones that use diesel or electric. Electric uses about 480 volts at 50 cents/volt, vs diesel at \$1.00/ton; diesel required more maintenance; burns 10 tons/hour and will need to be loaded every 30 minutes.

Administrator Merv Bishop reported that bids went out today on the FEMA Public Assistance. This is all the debris collected from the storm damage. We will get reimbursed for some of this but not 100%. It will be based on depreciation.

Asst. Admin. Amanda Walker stated this is her last council meeting to attend as Admin. Asst. I just want to thank council for your trust in me. I have enjoyed my time here and look forward to watching our county move forward with council’s guidance. Merv stated that Amanda has done a great job and I truly will miss her. Chairman Spencer on behalf of council thanked Amanda for all she contributed during her time as Asst. Admin. and wishes her well in the future.

**Councilman Tracy McDaniel made the motion to go into Executive Session at 5:20 PM pursuant to Section 30-2-70(a)(5) discussion of matters relating to the proposed location, expansion, or the provision of services encouraging location or expansion of industries or other businesses in the area served by the public body, specifically Project Charm. Quay Little seconded and council voted in favor.**

**Councilman Quay Little made the motion to come out of Executive Session at 5:50 PM. Tracy McDaniel seconded and council voted in favor. Attorney Joe Johnson stated that no action was taken during Executive Session.**

As there was no other business to come before council at this time, Chairman Spencer adjourned the meeting at 5:51 PM.

APPROVED: 12/2/24

BY ITS CHAIR: Tim Spencer

Respectfully submitted,

Doris F. Pearson, Master Clerk to Council