



NEWBERRY COUNTY COUNCIL

AGENDA

June 19, 2019

7:00 P.M.

Call to order: Henry H. Livingston, III, Chairman
Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance: Steve Stockman, Councilman

- 1. *Adoption of Consent Agenda***
- 2. *Additions, Deletions, and Adoption of Agenda***
- 3. *Employee Service Awards***

Laurel Keen, Assessor's Office – 5 Years
Virginia Atkins, Building Department – 10 Years
Gary Ball, Facilities Maintenance– 10 Years
Sharon McClanahan, Sheriff's Office– 15 Years
Donald Leitzsey, Public Works – 15 Years
Robert Dennis, III, Sheriff's Office – 20 Years
Judy Sanders, Magistrate's Office – 25 Years
Todd Johnson, Sheriff's Office – 25 Years

4. *Personal Appearances*

- a. Jason Hentz, EMS Director
- b. Wilbur McNeil, Newberry County Recreation Director

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- 5. *Ordinance #04-04-19:*** An Ordinance to provide appropriations for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2019 and ending June 30, 2020, for the Newberry County Budget for County Ordinary purposes and for other County purposes for which the County may levy a tax and receive revenues; to provide for the levy of taxes on all taxable personal and real property in Newberry County for all County purposes, including sufficient tax to pay the principal and interest on outstanding indebtedness of Newberry County payable during said fiscal year; to provide for matters relating to Newberry County; and to provide for the expenditure of said taxes and other revenues received by the County during said fiscal year,

and to provide for borrowing in anticipation of tax collections by the issuance of one or more tax anticipation notes, if necessary.

a. Third Reading

Proposed Amendments

- 5.1 MOTION:** Strike funding in the amounts of \$40,000 for Daytime Fire Response and \$20,000 for Daytime Response Training/Equipment.

EXPLANATION: Removes funding for Daytime firefighting response that would be augmented by paying a \$5,000 stipend to five Sheriff's deputies and the Emergency Services Director, all of whom would assist with daytime response to structure fires countywide, when available. Equipment, training and other related expenses would be removed as well.

- 5.2 MOTION:** Strike funding in the amount of \$45,000 for Replacement of Fire Truck Tires.

EXPLANATION: Removes funding for replacement of tires on fire trucks due to age-related deterioration in the amount of \$45,000. If the amendment passes, staff would look for opportunities to fund this item through under-expenditures in other areas of the budget.

- 5.3 MOTION:** Reduce funding for Council Contingency in the amount of \$123,499.

EXPLANATION: Decreases Council Contingency by \$123,499, leaving a balance of \$200,000 for FY 19-20. The current fiscal year's Council Contingency line item (FY 18-19) is funded at \$276,641; the reduction taken would be from a proposed FY 19-20 amount of \$323,499.

- 5.4 MOTION:** Reduce the amount allocated for funding in Capital Repairs, Buildings in the amount of \$25,167.

EXPLANATION: Decreases Capital Repairs, Buildings by \$25,167, leaving a balance of \$194,833 for FY 19-20. The current fiscal year's Capital Repairs, Buildings line item (FY 18-19) is funded at \$217,500; the reduction taken would be from a proposed FY 19-20 amount of \$220,000.

- 5.5 MOTION:** Strike funding for Contracted Services, Cleaning in the amount of \$54,000.

EXPLANATION: Removes funding in the amount of \$54,000 for Contracted Services, Cleaning that would fund cleaning services at the county offices located in Newberry Square and at the Magistrates' building on Main Street. The County currently has a custodial staff of two persons that is responsible for cleaning 155,996 square feet of building space.

- 5.6 MOTION:** Reduce funding for Miscellaneous Line Items, Clerk of Court in the amount \$17,000.

EXPLANATION: Reduces Clerk of Court miscellaneous line items by \$17,000, as offered by the Clerk of Court in the cause of reducing tax millage needs.

- 5.7 MOTION:** Reduce funding for Recreation, Miscellaneous in the amount of \$10,000.

EXPLANATION: Decreases discretionary/miscellaneous funding by \$10,000 from staff recommendations. It is not anticipated that this would affect service delivery.

- 5.8 MOTION:** Strike funding for Fleet Maintenance, Other Equipment in the amount of \$13,000.

EXPLANATION: Strikes funding in the amount of \$13,000 for Fleet Maintenance tire mounting machine. This equipment will be purchased in FY 18-19.

- 5.9 MOTION:** Strike funding for the Newberry Opera House in the amount of \$25,000 and use this funding to reduce the need for revenue derived through property taxation.

EXPLANATION: Strikes discretionary accommodations tax revenue previously budgeted for the Newberry Opera House in the amount of \$25,000 and converts the revenue to general fund use, which is allowed by statute.

- 5.10 MOTION:** Add funding in the amount to \$22,700 for a new software program required to bill property taxes on boats and motors on a monthly cycle. Act 223 of 2018 was passed by the SC General Assembly, mandating this change.

EXPLANATION: Increases funding for the Auditor's and Treasurer's offices in the total amount of \$22,700 for a software program required to bill property taxes on boats and motors on a

monthly cycle, in accordance with Act 223 of 2018 (a state mandate effective 1/1/2020).

- 5.11 MOTION:** Reduce funding from Contingency, One-time Capital in the amount of \$9,877 and increase funding Coroner, Capital in the amount of \$9,877.

EXPLANATION: Decreases funding from Contingency, One-time Capital by \$9,877 and increases funding for Coroner, Capital by the same amount. The purpose is for the purchase of a pill counter and three laptops. If adopted, this amendment would further reduce Council Contingency (to \$190,123, assuming amendment proposal 4.3 is also adopted).

- 5.12 MOTION:** Increase revenue line item Net Balance Brought Forward (fund balance/savings usage) as a current-year revenue source in the amount of \$237,708.

EXPLANATION: Increases fund balance usage by \$237,708. Fund balance usage (expenditure of savings) would rise from the staff-recommended level of \$757,730 to \$995,438 for FY 19-20. FY 18-19 Fund Balance Usage was budgeted at \$988,802. To the extent that budget variances (positive) for revenues and expenditures for the prior year do not at least equal the amount of fund balance usage in the subsequent year, fund balance declines.

- 5.13 MOTION:** Increase revenue line item Local Government Fund in the amount of \$64,263.

EXPLANATION: The General Assembly has increased the Local Government Fund for FY 19-20. Newberry County's share of the increase amounts to \$64,263, resulting in a total of \$1,548,866 for that line item.

- 5.14 MOTION:** Increase revenue line item Fee in Lieu in the amount of \$40,365.

EXPLANATION: Increases revenue line item Fee in Lieu in the amount of \$40,365 based on updated revenue projections for that line item, the total for which is now projected at \$1,705,365.

- 5.15 MOTION:** Increase revenue line item CCCP-IV D in the amount of \$50,016.

EXPLANATION: Increases this line item by \$50,016 due to expected additional collections, per the Clerk of Court.

5.16 MOTION: Strike funding in the amount \$100,000 for Airport Site Improvements.

EXPLANATION: Removes funding for Airport Site Improvements in the amount of \$100,000. These improvements (principally a parking lot) could be delayed until state and federal funding could perhaps pay the bulk of the cost.

5.17 MOTION: Authorize staff to adjust final FY 19-20 budget revenues and expenditures for capital projects to reflect actual progress to date at the time of the budget's publication.

EXPLANATION: Prior to publication of the final budget, staff would assign more accurate revenue and expenditure numbers among the two budget years (FY 18-19 and FY 19-20) based on the most up-to-date invoice payments and outstanding contract amounts. This process would not change project budgets or FY 19-20 property tax revenue needs.

6. **Ordinance #04-05-19:** An Ordinance to provide appropriations for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2019 and ending June 30, 2020, for Newberry County Library, Piedmont Technical College and the Newberry Agency for Disabilities and Special Needs; to provide for the levy of taxes on all taxable personal and real estate properties in Newberry County for said purposes; to provide for the expenditure of said taxes and other revenues received by the county during said fiscal year for said purposes.

a. Third Reading

7. **Ordinance #05-07-19:** An Ordinance to provide for the issuance and sale of General Obligation Bonds of Newberry County, South Carolina not exceeding \$2,000,000 in aggregate principal amount, to prescribe the purposes for which the proceeds of said bonds shall be expended, to provide for the payment of said bonds, and other matters relating thereto.

a. Public Hearing
b. Second Reading

8. **Ordinance #06-08-19:** An Ordinance authorizing the execution and delivery of a Fee-In-Lieu of *Ad Valorem* taxes Agreement by and between Newberry County, South Carolina and Project DMZ to provide for payment of a Fee-In-Lieu of taxes; and other related matters. (TITLE ONLY)

a. First Reading

9. ***Resolution 07-19:*** A Resolution committing to negotiate a Fee-In-Lieu of *Ad Valorem* taxes agreement between Newberry County and Project DMZ; Identifying the Project; and other matters related thereto.
10. ***Resolution 08-19:*** A Resolution honoring Law Enforcement Officers in Newberry County who have died in the line of duty.
11. ***Consideration to approve a Mutual Aid Agreement between Newberry County Sheriff's Office and Saluda County Sheriff's Office.***
 - Requested by Sheriff Lee Foster
12. ***Consideration to approve Central SC Alliance FY 18/19 3rd & 4th Quarter Invoices totaling \$36,000.*** (Recommended by Economic Development Committee on 06/17/19)
13. ***Appointments***
14. ***Committee Reports***
 - a. Economic Development Committee 6/17/19
Rick Farmer, Economic Development Director
15. ***Public Comments (by those who signed up at the meeting)***
16. ***Executive Session (if needed)***
17. ***Comments/Requests from County Administrator***
18. ***Comments/Requests from Council Members***
19. ***Future Meetings***
 - a. County Council Meeting 07/03/19 7:00 p.m.
 - b. Public Safety & Courts Committee 07/08/19 5:00 p.m.
 - c. County Council Meeting 07/17/19 7:00 p.m.
20. ***Adjournment***

Consent Agenda

1. Minutes

- a. April 8, 2019 – Budget Work Session***
- b. May 1, 2019***
- c. May 15, 2019***