



**NEWBERRY COUNTY COUNCIL  
AGENDA  
May 6, 2020  
7:00 P.M.**

Call to order: Henry H. Livingston, III, Chairman  
Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance: Dr. Harriett Rucker, Councilwoman

**1. Adoption of Consent Agenda**

**2. Additions, Deletions & Adoption of the Agenda**

a. Instructions for Amending Second Reading of the Budget

Amendments to second reading of either budget ordinance may be offered once there is a motion and a second to adopt second reading and the chairman has opened the floor for discussion. The final vote on second reading will not occur until all amendments have been voted on.

Each amendment is considered as if it were a separate vote. Each has its own motion, second, discussion period and vote.

After all amendments have been considered as described above, Council votes on second reading *as amended*. There is no need for a motion and second – they have already been offered. The Chairman simply calls for the question on second reading *as amended*. Approval then incorporates all amendments that have been approved.

**3. Ordinance #04-14-20:** An Ordinance to provide appropriations for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2020 and ending June 30, 2021, for the Newberry County Budget for County Ordinary purposes and for the 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. Second Reading

It is expected that Councilwoman Rucker will offer the following amendments:

- 3.1 MOTION: Strike funding for employee salary increases in the amount of \$175,191 (line item # 010-005-02200-01000). Reduce current year property tax revenue by a corresponding amount. Millage equivalent = 1.20
- 3.2 MOTION: Reduce council contingency funding by \$101,634, from \$287,397 to \$185,763 (line item # 010-005-15000-02011). Reduce current year property tax revenue by a corresponding amount. Millage equivalent = 0.70
- 3.3. MOTION: Strike one-time equipment purchases for school resource officers in the amount of \$33,400 (line item # 010-005-06112-0410). Reduce current year property tax revenue by a corresponding amount. Millage equivalent = 0.23
- 3.4 MOTION: Reduce facilities capital repairs – detention center by \$20,000, from \$190,000 to \$170,000 (line item # 010-005-08130-04150). Reduce current year property tax revenue by a corresponding amount. Millage equivalent = 0.14
- 3.5 MOTION: Reduce Sheriff’s fuel by \$17,000, from \$167,500 to \$150,500 (line item # 010-005-06100-03130). Reduce current year property tax revenue by a corresponding amount. Millage equivalent = 0.12
- 3.6 MOTION: Reduce fleet maintenance contracted services by \$8,000, from \$472,464 to \$464,464 (line item # 010-005-08120-02021). Reduce current year property tax revenue by a corresponding amount. Millage equivalent = 0.06
- 3.7 MOTION: Strike funding for Helena Center repairs in the amount of \$8,000 (line item # 010-005-08180-02312). Reduce current year property tax revenue by a corresponding amount. Millage equivalent = 0.06
- 3.8 MOTION: Reduce GIS contracted maintenance by \$5,000, from \$56,604 to \$51,604 (line item # 010-005-03700-02050). Reduce current year property tax revenue by a corresponding amount. Millage equivalent = 0.03
- 3.9 MOTION: Reduce funding for Chamber of Commerce in the amount of \$5,000 (video), from \$15,000 to \$10,000 (line item # 010-005-13800-02020).

Reduce current year property tax revenue by a corresponding amount. Millage equivalent = 0.03

- 3.10 MOTION: Strike funding for Community Hall site repairs in the amount of \$4,000 (line item # 010-005-08140-02312). Reduce current year property tax revenue by a corresponding amount. Millage equivalent = 0.03
- 3.11 MOTION: Remove two vehicles for school resource officers from the debt service levy budget (lease purchase) in the amount of \$17,250 (line item # 020-005-06100-04070). Reduce current year property tax revenue by a corresponding amount. Millage equivalent = 0.12

It is expected that Councilman Koon will offer the following amendments:

- 3.12 MOTION: Strike funding for the Newberry Museum by \$70,000 (line item # 010-005-13820-02020). Reduce current year property tax revenue by a corresponding amount. Millage equivalent = 0.48
- 3.13 MOTION: Strike funding for Newberry Opera House by \$25,000 (line item # 010-005-13900-02020). Reduce current year property tax revenue by a corresponding amount. Millage equivalent = 0.17
- 3.14 MOTION: Strike funding for Newberry County Literacy by \$6,000 (line item # 010-005-13800-02020). Reduce current year property tax revenue by a corresponding amount. Millage equivalent = 0.04
- 3.15 MOTION: StrIKE funding for Small Business Development Center by \$5,000 (line item # 010-005-09400-02021). Reduce current year property tax revenue by a corresponding amount. Millage equivalent = 0.03
- 3.16 MOTION: Strike funding for Free Medical Clinic by \$5,000 (line item # 010-005-12500-02020). Reduce current year property tax revenue by a corresponding amount. Millage equivalent = 0.03
- 3.17 MOTION: Strike funding for Sexual Trauma ServiceS in the amount of \$4,250 (line item # 010-005-13600-02020). Reduce current year property tax revenue by a corresponding amount. Millage equivalent = 0.03
- 3.18 MOTION: Strike funding for Comet in the amount of \$2,500 (line item # 010-005-15000-04203). Reduce current year property tax revenue by a corresponding amount. Millage equivalent = 0.02

- 3.19 MOTION: Strike funding for Sistercare, Inc. in the amount of \$2,295 (line item # 010-005-13700-02020). Reduce current year property tax revenue by a corresponding amount. Millage equivalent = 0.02
- 3.20 MOTION: Strike funding for Village Cemetery in the amount of \$2,000 (line item # 010-005-15000-04200). Reduce current year property tax revenue by a corresponding amount. Millage equivalent = 0.01
- 3.21 MOTION: Strike funding for the Christmas Lights in the amount of \$1,500 (line item # 010-005-15000-04202). Reduce current year property tax revenue by a corresponding amount. Millage equivalent = 0.01
- 3.22 MOTION: Strike funding for the Newberry Downtown Development in the amount of \$1,000 (line item # 010-005-15000-04201). Reduce current year property tax revenue by a corresponding amount. Millage equivalent = 0.01

4. **Ordinance # 04-15-20:** An Ordinance to provide appropriations for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2020 and ending June 30, 2021, for Newberry County Library, Piedmont Technical College and Newberry Agency for the 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. Second Reading

It is expected that Council will consider and vote on one amendment to this ordinance:

- 4.1 MOTION: Reduce proposed funding for the community services levy by \$28,106, from \$1,003,584 to \$975,478. Reduce current year property tax revenue by a corresponding amount. Millage equivalent = 0.19

5. **Resolution 02-20:** A Resolution committing to negotiate a Fee-in-lieu of *Ad Valorem* taxes agreement between Newberry County and Project Ursa including the provision of special source revenue credits; and other matters related thereto.

6. **Consideration of Annual Indexing of Elected Officials' Salaries**

- Newberry County Ordinance No. 01-01-17 provides that, “absent a successful vote to the contrary by Newberry County Council at its first meeting in May, the county-funded salary portions for all countywide

elected officials shall be increased at a rate equal to the consumer price index for all urban consumers(CPI-U), as determined by the Bureau of Labor Statistics (unadjusted) for the most recently reported 12-month period.”

- 6.1 MOTION: Provide salary increases to countywide elected officials in a percentage equal to such increases for salaries of county employees.

**7. Executive Session (if needed)**

**8. Public Comments**

**7. Comments/Requests from County Administrator**

**8. Comments/Requests from Council Members**

**9. Future Meetings**

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| a. Personnel & Intergovernmental Relations | 05/18/20 | 6:00 p.m. |
| b. County Council                          | 05/20/20 | 7:00 p.m. |
| c. County Council                          | 06/03/20 | 7:00 p.m. |

**10. Adjournment**

## **Consent Agenda**

### **1. Minutes**

- a. February 5, 2020
- b. February 19, 2020
- c. March 4, 2020
- d. April 1, 2020