

**NEWBERRY COUNTY COUNCIL  
SPECIAL CALLED MEETING  
MINUTES  
DECEMBER 11, 2019**

The Newberry County Council met on Wednesday, December 11, 2019, at 7:00 p.m. in Council Chambers at the Courthouse Annex, 1309 College Street, Newberry, SC, for a special called meeting.

The meeting was duly advertised, as required by law.

PRESENT: Henry H. Livingston, III, Chairman  
Kirksey Koon, Vice-Chairman  
Steve Stockman, Council Member  
Scott Cain, Council Member  
Travis Reeder, Council Member  
Johnny Mack Scurry, Council Member  
Wayne Adams, County Administrator  
A.J. Tothacer, County Attorney  
Susan C. Fellers, Clerk to Council

ABSENT: Dr. Harriett Rucker, Council Member

MEDIA: Andrew Wigger, Newberry Observer

**1. Call to Order - Henry H. Livingston, III, Chairman**

Mr. Livingston called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Mr. Koon had the invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

**2. Additions, Deletions and Adoption of Agenda.**

There being no additions or deletions to the Agenda, Mr. Scurry moved to adopt the agenda as presented; seconded by Mr. Reeder. Vote was unanimous.

**3. Ordinance #12-22-19: An Ordinance authorizing the execution and delivery of a Fee-in-lieu of *Ad Valorem* taxes and incentive agreement by and between Newberry County, South Carolina and Project Tiger Shark; to provide for payment of a fee-in-lieu of taxes; authorizing certain special source revenue credits; and other related matters.**

**A. Second Reading**

Motion for second reading by Mr. Stockman; second by Mr. Cain.

EXPLANATION: Project Tiger Shark is a \$9 Million expansion of an existing industry. The County would offer the company a 20 year fee-in-lieu of taxes (FILOT) agreement together with a 25% special source revenue credit (SSRC) for the first 10 years. This project would be placed in a multi-county industrial park.

The County proposes a non-pro-rata split for the first 7 years (County - 95% and School District - 5%). This arrangement is to recoup costs associated with a recent grant received by the School District to employ 4 new School Resource Officers. The grant does not pay for cars, uniforms, weapons and certain other costs associated with employing these 4 new officers. The School District is aware the County will pursue this path. Placement of the project in a multi-county industrial park allows Council to determine the distribution of the revenues.

There being no discussion after the explanation by Mr. Adams, Mr. Livingston called for the vote. Vote was unanimous for second reading.

**4. Public Comments (by those who have signed up at the meeting).**

James Wimmer and Vic Terrana spoke regarding a proposed second amendment sanctuary resolution for Newberry County (a copy of the proposed resolution presented to Council is on file in the County Administrator's Office).

Mr. Livingston advised this would be referred to the appropriate Council Committee and staff for further review and discussion.

Motion by Mr. Cain to refer to appropriate Council Committee for further review; second by Mr. Reeder. There being no further discussion, Mr. Livingston called for the vote. Vote was unanimous to refer to Council Committee for further review.

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

No comments.

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

Council Members thanked everyone for coming.

Mr. Livingston advised that even if Council adopts the proposed resolution, it means nothing beyond an election cycle.

**7. Adjournment.**

There being no further business, Mr. Livingston declared the meeting adjourned at 7:22 p.m.

**NEWBERRY COUNTY COUNCIL**

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**Henry H. Livingston, III**

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**APPROVED:\_\_\_\_\_**