

**NEWBERRY COUNTY COUNCIL
MINUTES
JULY 1, 2020**

Newberry County Council met on Wednesday, July 1, 2020, at 7:00 p.m. in Council Chambers, Courthouse Annex, 1309 College Street, Newberry, SC for a regular scheduled meeting.

Notice of the meeting was duly advertised as required by law.

PRESENT: Henry H. Livingston, III, Chairman
Kirksey Koon, Vice Chairman
Steve Stockman, Council Member
Travis Reeder, Council Member
Dr. Harriett Rucker, Council Member
Johnny Mack Scurry, Council Member
A.J. Tothacer, III, County Attorney
Karen Brehmer, Deputy Administrator
Crystal Waldrop, Purchasing Director
Taylor Davenport, Legislative Support Specialist
Susan C. Fellers, Clerk to Council

ABSENT: Scott Cain, Council Member
Wayne Adams, County Administrator

MEDIA: Andrew Wigger, Newberry Observer

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

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

1. Additions, Deletions and Adoption of Agenda.

There being no additions or deletions to the Agenda, Dr. Rucker moved to adopt the agenda as presented; second Mr. Reeder.

Vote was unanimous.

2. **Ordinance #06-17-20: An Ordinance to provide for the issuance and sale of not exceeding one million one hundred twenty-five thousand (\$1,125,000) dollars general obligation refunding bonds of Newberry County, South Carolina, to prescribe the purposes for which the proceeds of such obligations shall be expended, to provide for the payment thereof, and other matters relating thereto.**

- a. **Second Reading**

This ordinance provides for the re-issuance of the County's 2018 Bonds, which have no prepayment penalty. Prevailing (lower) interest rates are expected to save the County approximately \$7,500 annually.

Motion by Mr. Koon to approve second reading; second by Mr. Stockman.

There being no discussion, Mr. Livingston called for the vote.

Vote was unanimous.

3. **Consideration to approve the low bid of \$51,600 from Superior Lawn and Yard Maintenance for the Grounds Maintenance Contract - Crystal Waldrop, Purchasing Director.**

Bids were received from Superior Lawn and Yard Maintenance in the amount of \$51,600 and Gregg's Lawn Maintenance in the amount of \$59,000. The low bid is within budget and staff recommends approval of the low bid.

Motion by Mr. Reeder to approve the low bid of \$51,600 from Superior Lawn and Yard Maintenance; second by Dr. Rucker.

Mr. Koon inquired as to the location of Superior Lawn and Yard Maintenance. Mrs. Waldrop responded that they are located in Prosperity.

Mr. Stockman asked if this bid was close to what was charged last year. Mrs. Waldrop said this was only done for 6 months last year.

There being no further discussion, Mr. Livingston called for the vote.

Vote was unanimous to approve the bid of Superior Lawn and Garden Maintenance in the amount of \$51,600.

- 4. Consideration to approve the low bid of \$101,934.50 (includes road striping) from Satterfield Construction Company for Henderson Court Road repairs - Crystal Waldrop, Purchasing Director.**

Bids were received from Satterfield Construction Company - \$101,934.50; Armstrong Contractors - \$127,784.00; and AOS Specialty Contractors, Inc. - \$134,700.00

This will cover 7/10 of a mile of patch and overlay with striping. Staff recommends low bid of Satterfield Construction Company.

Motion by Mr. Koon to approve the bid of Satterfield Construction Company in the amount of \$101,934.50; second by Mr. Stockman.

There being no discussion, Mr. Livingston called for the vote.

Vote was unanimous to approve bid of Satterfield Construction Company in the amount of \$101,934.50

- 5. Consideration to approve Central SC Alliance FY 19/20 4th Quarter invoice totaling \$18,000. (Recommended by the Economic Development Committee on 3-2-2020)**

The Economic Development Committee recommends payment of this invoice.

Motion by Dr. Rucker to approve payment of invoice; second by Mr. Stockman.

There being no discussion, Mr. Livingston called for the vote.

Voting to approve payment of invoice: Council Members Livingston, Stockman, Reeder, Rucker and Scurry.

Voting against payment of the invoice: Council Member Koon.

Approval of payment of invoice passed by majority vote.

6. Executive Session (if needed)

No Executive Session needed.

7. Appointments

No appointments.

8. Public Comments

James Wimmer, 635 Ira Kinard Road, Prosperity, SC advised he had received a draft resolution from Mr. Adams as to the second amendment. He has reviewed it and will give proposed changes to Mrs. Davenport.

9. Comments/Requests from Council Members

Mr. Stockman wished everyone a safe July 4th.

Mr. Koon gave a brief history of the Declaration of Independence, which gives us our rights. We have our freedom, and Mr. Koon said he would always stand for the flag.

(Lady from the audience commented that nobody was kneeling to disrespect the flag but to protest police brutality.)

Mr. Livingston asked that everyone please be careful with the Covid numbers rising. If you are going to be in groups or a lot of traffic flow, please wear a mask.

10. Future Meetings

- a. Public Safety and Courts, 7/13/2020, 5:00 p.m.**
- b. County Council, 7/15/2020, 7:00 p.m.**
- c. Public Works and Planning, 8/17/20, 7:00 p.m.**

Mr. Livingston advised a special called Council meeting has been scheduled for Wednesday, July 29, at 7:00 p.m., regarding the proposed rezoning in the

Plantation Pointe area. Because of Covid there will be regulations as to entering County Chambers and speaking.

There will be no meeting on Wednesday, August 5, 2020.

11. Adjournment

Motion by Mr. Reeder to adjourn.

Mr. Livingston declared the meeting adjourned at 7:14 p.m.

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Henry H. Livingston, III, Chairman

Susan C. Fellers, Clerk to Council

APPROVED: _____