

**NEWBERRY COUNTY COUNCIL
PUBLIC SAFETY AND COURTS COMMITTEE
MINUTES
APRIL 15, 2019**

The Newberry County Council Public Safety and Courts Committee met on Monday, April 15, 2019, at 5:00 p.m. in the Conference Room at the Courthouse Annex, 1309 College Street, Newberry, South Carolina.

PRESENT: Kirksey Koon, Chairman
Dr. Harriett Rucker, Council Member
Johnny Mack Scurry, Council Member
Wayne Adams, County Administrator
A.J. Tothacer, County Attorney
Susan C. Fellers, Clerk to Council
Debbie S. Cromer, Finance Director
Karen Brehmer, Assistant to the County Administrator
Taylor Davenport, Administrative Assistant
Tommy Long, Public Safety Director

The meeting was duly advertised as required by law.

1. Call to Order and Invocation.

Mr. Koon called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. followed by the Invocation.

2. 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 by Mr. Scurry. Vote was unanimous.

3. Approval of January 28, 2019 Minutes.

Dr. Rucker moved to approve the January 28, 2019 minutes as presented; second by Mr. Scurry. Vote was unanimous.

4. Laura Kneece, Coroner.

Ms. Kneece discussed the Paul Coverdell Forensic Science Improvement Grants Program and joining the Newberry County Coroner's Office and the Newberry Hospital Pathology Department to make a Coroner-Medical Examiner's Facility.

Kevin Worley, Chief Deputy Coroner, spoke regarding the proposed budget for FY 19-20. They are requesting approximately \$10,000 be included in the Coroner's Office budget for a pill counter and laptop computers to outfit their vehicles. This would be a one time cost for these items.

They also discussed the possibility of the Coroner's Office obtaining use of an EMS truck that has been taken off line in Pomaria.

Mr. Adams advised them to request placement on the agenda for the May 13 Budget Work Session relating to the pill counter and laptop computers.

5. Aubrey Horne, Board of Rural Fire Control Chairman.

Mr. Horne updated the Committee on equipment requests for the Board of Rural Fire Control for FY 19-20. The top three priorities would be PPE, Pumper/Tanker and Training Grounds.

He also requested designation of training grounds for the Board of Rural Fire Control.

Dr. Rucker moved to recommend the Fairgrounds property as training grounds for the Board of Rural Fire Control; second by Mr. Scurry. Vote was unanimous. This will be presented to the full Council for consideration.

6. Public Comments.

No public comments.

7. Adjournment.

There being no further business to come before the Committee, Mr. Scurry moved to adjourn,

Meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

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APPROVED: _____