MINUTES OF CALLED MEETING SALUDA COUNTY COUNCIL MONDAY, JANUARY 23, 2017 at 6:00 P.M. COUNCIL CHAMBERS OF SALUDA COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING 400 WEST HIGHLAND STREET, SALUDA, SOUTH CAROLINA 29138

A. CALL TO ORDER

The Called Meeting of Saluda County Council was called to order by Chairman Donald E. Hancock at 6:00 P.M.

Present were: Chm. Donald E. Hancock

Coun. J. Frank Daniel, Sr.

Coun. D. J. Miller

Coun. Gwendolyn C. Shealy

Also present were: County Director, Sandra G. Padget

Clerk to Council, Karen T. Whittle

B. INVOCATION

Chm. Hancock delivered the invocation.

C. PUBLIC INFORMATION

It is noted by the Clerk herein that in compliance with the Freedom of Information Act, notice of the called meeting and agenda were given to the local news media and properly posted, to include the county website.

D. <u>OLD BUSINESS</u>

1. On motion of Coun. Shealy, seconded by Coun. Butler, and unanimously approved, Second Reading was given on Ordinance No. 01-17, "AN ORDINANCE TO LEASE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 119 NORTH MAIN STREET, SALUDA SOUTH CAROLINA, 29138, TMS #079-16-15-009." During discussion, Chm. Hancock informed the public that Cab Business Development Center, a call center, was interested in locating to Saluda County and was interested in the building at 119 North Main Street. Chm. Hancock said Saluda County purchased the building; the Town of Saluda would lease and re-pay the County for the building; and Cab Business Development Center would sublease the building from the Town of Saluda. Chm. Hancock said the County had received a grant from the S. C. Department of Commerce in the amount of \$115,000.00 for renovations to the building and 29 jobs were projected in the first year, up to a potential of 63 jobs.

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E. <u>NEW BUSINESS</u>

1. Chm. Hancock recognized Chief Deputy Chris Cockrell to present information on the purchase of two vehicles for the Sheriff's Office.

Chief Deputy Cockrell informed Council the request to purchase two new vehicles for the Sheriff's Office would be to replace one vehicle which was recently totaled and the other for additional personnel previously approved. The two vehicles were new 2016 Ford, utility, police interceptor vehicles that were located and in stock at a dealership, instead of ordering two new 2017 vehicles with a delivery date of six to eight weeks.

Information was provided in Council's agenda package on the vehicles, to include the cost of each vehicle being \$26,799.00 plus sales tax of \$300.00.

On motion of Coun. Shealy, seconded by Coun. Miller, it was unanimously approved to purchase from O.C. Welch Ford/Lincoln, 2 – 2016 Ford, Utility, Police Interceptor vehicles for the Sheriff's Office in the amount of \$54,198.00, which included sales tax, to be paid from the Vehicle Reserve account, with the insurance reimbursement check to be deposited to the Vehicle Reserve account for the replacement of the totaled vehicle.

F. ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Coun. Miller, seconded by Coun. Shealy, it was unanimously approved to adjourn the meeting at 6:04 P.M.

Karen T. Whittle

Clerk to Council

Donald E. Hancock

Chairman

Date Approved