

MINUTES OF A BUDGET WORK SESSION
SALUDA COUNTY COUNCIL
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 26, 2017 at 5:30 P.M.
COUNCIL CHAMBERS OF SALUDA COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING
400 WEST HIGHLAND STREET, SALUDA, SOUTH CAROLINA 29138

A. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Donald E. Hancock called the Budget Work Session to order at 5:38 P.M.

Present were: Chm. Donald E. Hancock
Coun. Jones P. Butler
Coun. J. Frank Daniel, Sr.
Coun. D. J. Miller

Also present were: County Director, Sandra G. Padgett
Clerk to Council, Karen T. Whittle

Absent was: Coun. Gwendolyn C. Shealy

B. INVOCATION

Coun. Butler 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 budget work session was given to the local news media and properly posted, to include the county website.

D. BUDGET WORK SESSION

Piedmont Agency

Ms. Tracy Bedenbaugh, Deputy Director for Piedmont Agency, met with County Council to discuss appropriations for the Saluda County Council on Aging. Ms. Bedenbaugh informed Council that Piedmont Agency had applied for a van through a Department of Transportation grant for Saluda County. Ms. Bedenbaugh requested Council's consideration to provide the 15% required match of \$8,823.00, if awarded the grant. The County Director informed Ms. Bedenbaugh and Council that matching funds for a van had been budgeted for in the current fiscal year 2016-2017 budget.

Ms. Bedenbaugh gave an overview of the services that Piedmont Agency provided to Greenwood, Abbeville, Laurens and Saluda Counties. Ms. Bedenbaugh provided Council with the number of meals served and operational costs for Saluda County. Ms. Bedenbaugh also informed Council that Piedmont Agency was seeking a Saluda County resident to serve on their Board.

Roads and Bridges


County Council and Roads and Bridges Superintendent, Billie Corley reviewed #33 soil and gravel in regards to the difference in county funding and County Transportation Committee (CTC) funding for soil and gravel on county roads. Mr. Corley had requested \$132,000.00 from county funds for soil and gravel.

Mr. Corley said the difference in the use of funds were CTC funds were used for improvements to county roads and county funds were used for maintenance only.

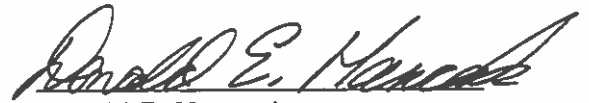
Mr. Corley and Council discussed, but not limited to: loss of gravel on roads due to travel and weather; cost effectiveness of gravel versus paved roads; and yearly funding CTC received from the state to be used for state and county road projects decided upon by the CTC.

E. ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Coun. Butler, seconded by Coun. Miller, it was unanimously approved to adjourn the budget work session at 6:14 P.M.



Karen T. Whittle
Clerk to Council



Donald E. Hancock
Chairman

May 8, 2017
Date Approved