# MINUTES OF A WORK SESSION SALUDA COUNTY COUNCIL MONDAY, JULY 17, 2017 AT 5:45 P.M.

# COUNCIL CHAMBERS OF SALUDA COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING 400 WEST HIGHLAND STREET, SALUDA, SOUTH CAROLINA 29138

### A. CALL TO ORDER

The work session of Saluda County Council was called to order by Vice-Chair Gwendolyn C. Shealy at 5:45 P.M.

Present were:

Vice-Chair Gwendolyn C. Shealy

Coun. Jones P. Butler Coun. J. Frank Daniel, Sr.

Coun. D. J. Miller

Also present were:

County Director, Sandra G. Padget Clerk to Council, Karen T. Whittle County Attorney, Christian G. Spradley

Absent was:

Chm. Donald E. Hancock

#### B. INVOCATION

Vice-Chair Shealy 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 work session was given to the local news media and properly posted, to include the county website.

#### D. WORK SESSION

A work session was held between County Council and the Saluda County Historical Society Board to discuss the S. C. National Heritage Corridor grant offer.

The Saluda County Historical Society was present at the July 10, 2017 County Council meeting and requested assistance from the County in meeting the Historical Society's \$45,000.00 match for the S. C. National Heritage Corridor grant offer. The grant was a 50/50 grant with the S. C. National Heritage Corridor providing \$45,000.00.

During the work session Vice-Chair Shealy informed the Historical Society Board of the County's grant policy where County departments present the grant and matching funds request to County Council for approval or non-approval prior to submitting the grant application. Vice-Chair Shealy informed the Historical Society Board that the next available funding would be the accommodations tax funds towards the end of the calendar year since County Council did not have knowledge of the grant during the budget process that was completed June 30<sup>th</sup>.

The Historical Society Board informed Council they had the \$45,000.00 for the Historical Society's match requirement for the grant.

Other topics discussed during the work session, but not limited to: the timeline and process of the Historical Society Board applying for the S. C. National Heritage Corridor grant; the County owns the Theatre building so the Historical Society could apply for grants (deed of January 21, 2000); the County holds certificate of insurance on the Theatre building; Historical Society holds certificate of insurance on contents in building; lease agreement between the County and the Historical Society provided for the Historical Society to hold certificate of insurance for building and contents; staff to search records for change in County holding certificate of insurance for building; and the County Attorney recommended Historical Society Board notify National Heritage Corridor that Saluda County was owner of the building prior to accepting grant offer since the Saluda Town Administrator was listed as the grant manager.

## E. ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Coun. Miller, seconded by Coun. Butler, it was unanimously approved to adjourn the work session at 6:36 P.M.

Karen T. Whittle

Clerk to Council

Date Approved

Gwendolyn C. Shealy

Vice-Chair