



**JASPER COUNTY COUNCIL
358 THIRD AVE., RIDGELAND SC. 29936**

**COUNCIL CHAMBERS
DEC. 19, 2013, 9:30 A.M.
SPECIAL CALLED MEETING
AGENDA**

OFFICIALS PRESENT: Chairman Henry Etheridge, Councilman Theodus Drayton, Councilman D. Thomas Johnson, Councilman L. Martin Sauls, IV

OFFICIALS ABSENT: Vice Chairwoman Barbara Clark

STAFF PRESENT: Administrator Andrew Fulghum, Clerk to Council Judith Frank, Planning Director LeNolon Edge

In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act the electronic and print media were notified. During periods of discussion and/or presentations minutes are typically condensed and paraphrased.

CALLS TO ORDER – Chairman Etheridge called the Budget Workshop to order at 9:30 a.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Chairman Etheridge led the Pledge of Allegiance.

INVOCATION – Councilman Sauls gave the invocation.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA – Councilman Sauls motioned and Councilman Johnson seconded the motion to approve the agenda. The motion carried with all members present voting in favor.

RESOLUTIONS

ANDREW FULGHUM – RESOLUTION TO PROVIDE AUTHORIZATION FOR THE ACCEPTANCE OF TITLE TO REAL PROPERTY BEING DONATED TO JASPER COUNTY FOR THE PURPOSE OF ESTABLISHING A CAMPUS FOR A PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL; AND TO PROVIDE FOR OTHER MATTERS RELATING THERETO – Mr. Fulghum explained that the resolution was to accept the property and that the County would turn the property over to the Charter School. Ted Felder explained that the Gray Family was donating 26 acres of land at the corner of John Smith Road and McTeer St. and they were asking the County to accept the property and then transfer the property to the Royal Live Oaks Academy of the Arts and Sciences. Mr. Felder said there will be walkways from this location to other facilities in Jasper County. Mr. Felder said there are some restrictions in the deed. Councilman Sauls motioned and Councilman Johnson seconded the motion to pass the resolution to provide authorization for the acceptance of title to real property being donated to Jasper County for the purpose of establishing a campus for a Public Charter School;

and to provide for other matters relating thereto. The motion carried with all members present voting in favor.

ORDINANCES

ANDREW FULGHUM – 1ST READING OF AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR CONVEYANCE OF REAL PROPERTY TO ROYAL LIVE OAKS ACADEMY OF THE ARTS & SCIENCES; AND OTHER MATTERS RELATING THERETO – Mr. Fulghum explained that an ordinance is needed to transfer the property. Councilman Sauls motioned and Councilman Johnson seconded the motion that this be the 1st reading of an ordinance providing for conveyance of real property to Royal Live Oaks Academy of the Arts & Sciences; and other matters relating thereto. Councilman Sauls commented that this donation of land will save the Charter School \$800,000 that they offered the School District to purchase the old school building. Councilman Sauls said the \$800,000 can be used to build a new building. Chairman Etheridge said the new school will be a blessing. Chris Damgin thanked the Council on behalf of the City of Hardeeville for partnering with them on this project. **Councilman Drayton arrives at this time.** The motion carried with all members present voting in favor.

Councilman Johnson thanked Councilman Drayton for representing the Council at the Ports Authority Meeting. Councilman Drayton said it was a very informative meeting.

ADJOURN - Councilman Sauls motioned and Councilman Johnson seconded the motion to adjourn. The motion carried with all members present voting in favor.

The meeting ended at 9:50 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted By:

Approved by:

Judith M. Frank, ccc
Clerk To Council

Henry Etheridge
Chairman