

PICKENS COUNTY

SOUTH CAROLINA

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MEAGAN NATIONS

PICKENS COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING

Monday, January 8, 2024

6:30 PM

Auditorium, County Administration Facility
222 McDaniel Avenue, Pickens SC 29671

All meetings of Pickens County Council are held in accordance with the South Carolina Freedom of Information Act, Section 30-4-70, *et seq.* of the Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, as amended, as well as the Organizational Rules for Pickens County Council.

WELCOME AND CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Chris Bowers

1. INVOCATION:

Chairman Chris Bowers

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Vietnam Veteran James Donald Gravely

2. PUBLIC FORUM.

County Council hosts a public forum at its first regularly scheduled meeting of each month. Individuals wishing to speak during Public Forum should contact the Clerk to Council in advance of the meeting. Comments are limited to 3 minutes per participant and 30 minutes in total.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

- December 4, 2023 – *Committee of the Whole Meeting*
- December 4, 2023 – *Council Meeting*
- December 11, 2023 – *Special-Called Meeting*
- December 18, 2023 – *Special-Called Meeting*
- December 18, 2023 – *Committee of the Whole*

4. ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Updates from the County Administrator on operations, personnel, or other day-to-day matters.

5. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a) Committee of the Whole – December 4, 2023
 - 1) Log No. 141 – UDSO
- b) Committee of the Whole – December 18, 2023
 - 1) Log No. 141 – UDSO

6. COUNCIL CORRESPONDENCE

Notification of future meeting dates and/or changes as well as community dates of interest.

7. MOTION PERIOD AND NEW BUSINESS

Matters can be added to the agenda by appropriate motion, second, and unanimous vote of council.

8. ORDINANCES FOR FIRST READING AND/OR RESOLUTIONS:

- a) FIRST READING IN TITLE ONLY OF AN ORDINANCE TO DEVELOP A JOINTLY OWNED AND OPERATED INDUSTRIAL/BUSINESS PARK IN CONJUNCTION WITH OCONEE COUNTY, SUCH INDUSTRIAL/BUSINESS PARK TO BE GEOGRAPHICALLY LOCATED IN OCONEE COUNTY AND ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO SECTION 4- 1-170 OF THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, AS AMENDED; TO PROVIDE FOR A WRITTEN AGREEMENT WITH OCONEE COUNTY TO PROVIDE FOR THE EXPENSES OF THE PARK, THE PERCENTAGE OF REVENUE APPLICATION, AND THE DISTRIBUTION OF FEES IN LIEU OF AD VALOREM TAXATION; AND OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO (PROJECT GALT).
- b) CONSIDERATION OF A RESOLUTION 2024-01 APPROVING FISCAL YEAR 2024 BUDGET CALENDAR.
- c) CONSIDERATION OF A RESOLUTION 2024-02 RECOGNIZING JANUARY 2024 AS BLOOD DONOR MONTH IN PICKENS COUNTY.

9. ORDINANCES FOR SECOND READING:

- a) PUBLIC HEARING AND SECOND READING OF AN ORDINANCE No. 631 CONVEYING CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY ADJACENT TO THE OLD CENTRAL ROLLER MILL TO ISSAQUEENA MILLS, LLC AND MATTERS RELATED THERETO.
- b) SECOND READING OF AN ORDINANCE NO. 630, ADOPTING AN ADDITIONAL TIME PERIOD FOR THE MORATORIUM ON THE ACCEPTANCE OF APPLICATIONS FOR RESIDENTIAL LAND USE, DEVELOPMENT, OR SUBDIVISION CONCEPT PLANS, TO PROVIDE FOR AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE, AND TO PROVIDE FOR TIME TO CONSIDER INPUT AT AN ADDITIONAL PUBLIC HEARING OF A PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE PICKENS COUNTY UNIFIED DEVELOPMENT ORDINANCE.

10. ORDINANCES FOR THIRD READING:

- a) PUBLIC HEARING AND THIRD READING OF AN ORDINANCE No. 629 ADDRESSING GROWTH ISSUES IN PICKENS COUNTY BY AMENDING THE UNIFIED DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS ORDINANCE SO AS TO PROVIDE FOR LIMITATIONS ON SUBDIVISIONS, MINIMIZE PRESSURE ON EXISTING ROADWAYS, INCREASE OPEN SPACES, REGULATE SUBSTANDARD HOUSING, AS WELL AS INCREASE PROTECTION OF TREE CANOPIES, NATURAL SPACES, AND WATERWAYS.

11. OTHER REQUEST AGENDA ITEMS:

- a) STAFF UPDATE ON 2024 FISCAL YEAR CAPITAL PURCHASES
- b) STAFF UPDATE ON MUNICIPAL RESPONSES TO RESOLUTION 2023-33

12. CONSENT AGENDA:

Routine matters and resolutions, as well as subject referrals to Council committees, can be accomplished by one vote via the Council's Consent Agenda.

- a) Review of County Holidays

13. EXECUTIVE SESSION

S.C. Code of Laws, Section 30-4-70 (A) allows that specifically delineated and qualifying matters may be discussed outside the presence of the public.

Boards and Commissions – Section 30-4-70 (a) (1)

- Boards and Commissions Applications

Contractual – Section 30-4-70 (a) (2)

- UDSO Legal Update

Economic Development – Section 30-4-70 (a) (5)

- Project Mobile

Personnel – Section 30-4-70 (a) (1)

- Citizenship Award

Security Measures– Section 30-4-70 (a) (3)

- Information Systems Update

14. ACTION ON EXECUTIVE SESSION ITEMS (as needed)

While the SC Freedom of Information Act allows for certain matters to be discussed outside the presence of the public, any votes on such matters can only take place once Council has returned to public session.

15. ADJOURN