

CHARLTON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
THURSDAY, AUGUST 18, 2022
BOC CONFERENCE ROOM
6:00 P.M.

8/18/2022 - Minutes

1. CALL TO ORDER

Those present were: Chairman James Everett, along with Commissioners Alpha Benefield, Jesse Crews, Drew Jones and Luke Gowen; County Administrator Hampton Raulerson; County Clerk Jenifer Nobles; HR Clerk Becky Harden; and visitors as recorded hereafter. County Attorney John Adams was absent.

2. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

Chairman Everett led the Invocation and Pledge to the Flag.

3. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Commissioner Gowen made motion to adopt the August 18, 2022 Agenda. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Benefield, Board voted; motion carried unanimously.

4. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF JULY 21, 2022 AND AUGUST 4, 2022 MINUTES

Commissioner Crews made motion to approve July 21, 2022 and August 4, 2022 Minutes. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Benefield, Board voted; motion carried unanimously.

5. FINANCIAL REPORT (SECOND MEETING)

Commissioner Gowen made motion to approve Financial Report. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Benefield, Board voted; motion carried unanimously.

6. PUBLIC HEARING - REPEAL OF CIVIL SERVICE SYSTEM

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Chairman Everett opened meeting and asked for comments concerning repeal of civil service system. Hearing no comments, the public hearing ended.

7. INITIAL VOTE/ADOPTION - REPEAL CHARLTON COUNTY CIVIL SERVICE SYSTEM

Commissioner Jones made motion to approve initial vote to repeal Charlton County Civil Service System. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Crews, Board voted; motion carried unanimously.

8. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF PURCHASE FOR ALUMINUM WORK PLATFORM WITH GATE

Commissioner Crews made motion to approve purchase for aluminum work platform with gate for \$7,808.33. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Benefield, Board voted; motion carried unanimously.

9. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF BIDS FOR PURCHASE OF BUNKER GEAR - VFD

Fire Chief Lewis asked for approval of bids for purchase of bunker gear for the volunteer fire department. The following bids were received:

Nafeco - \$6,527.90

Alert Visions - \$6,776.00

MTS Safety - \$6,816.00

Commissioner Jones made motion to approve bid from NAFECO for \$6,527.90 for bunker gear for the vfd. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Gowen, Board voted; motion carried unanimously.

10. ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF JULY, 2022 WELLNESS REPORT

The Board acknowledged receipt of July, 2022 Wellness Report.

11. PUBLIC COMMENTS: (PLEASE LIMIT TO 3 MINUTES)

Ronnie Smith, concerned citizen, asked the Board to waive late fee for \$750.00. He stated he paid \$750.00 for mobile home permit, but the permit had expired a year ago; came in a year later and couldn't get culvert pipe. The Health Department is willing to waive fee. After lengthy discussion, Commissioner Everett agreed to pay permit fee.

12. COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS

Commissioner Benefield asked Ronnie Pollock, Road Superintendent to ask engineer to check Brown Street and talk to Pender Lloyd concerning Mt. Carmel Street, asked about status of trash truck being down. Mr. Pollock stated that it is taking longer to get parts.

Commissioner Benefield asked everyone to pay attention to covid, flu, etc., thanked Sheriff and law enforcement for their efforts, and sent condolences to the Jones Family.

Commissioner Gowen stated dead end signs are needed on Harold White Road.

The Commissioners thanked fire and road department for their efforts.

13. EXECUTIVE SESSION (IF REQUIRED)

None

14. NEXT BOC MEETING, THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 2022 - BOC CONFERENCE ROOM, 6:00 P.M.

15. ADJOURN

Commissioner Benefield made motion that meeting be adjourned at 6:25 p.m. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Jones, Board voted; motion carried unanimously.

James E. Everett, Chairman

Jenifer Nobles, County Clerk