

**HAMPTON COUNTY COUNCIL'S SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY; AUGUST 17, 2009; 5:00 P. M.
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, B. T. DeLOACH BUILDING
201 JACKSON AVENUE, WEST, HAMPTON, SC**

Hampton County Council held its regularly scheduled meeting on Monday, August 17, 2009, 5:00 p. m., Council Chambers, B. T. DeLoach Building, Hampton, South Carolina. Council Member(s) present: Hugh B. Gray, Chairman; Virgin Johnson, Sr.; Margaret S. "Peggy" Parker, Vice Chairman; Charles H. "Buddy" Phillips and Willard E. Wilson. Staff present: Sabrena Posey Graham, Administrator; Aline Newton, Clerk to Council and A. G. Solomons, Jr., County Attorney. Media present: Michael DeWitt, The Hampton County Guardian and Shellie Murdaugh, LowcountryUs.Net. The meeting was advertised as prescribed by law.

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Gray called the meeting to order.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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Administrator Graham gave the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Chairman Gray led the Pledge of Allegiance.

REPORTS TO COUNCIL

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:

Discussion of the Capital Projects Sales Tax (CPST)

Administrator Graham recommended that council not proceed with Phase II of the Capital Projects Sales Tax Referendum for November 3, 2009 for the Capital Projects Sales Tax but continue to plan and work until the county can successfully implement Phase II. She stated that they were trying to get it done before the first tax lapsed, hoping to continue with another set of projects. Administrator Graham stated that she still agrees and supports, wholeheartedly, but have some concerns about successfully being able to proceed. She stated that the current tax that the county has will end December 3, 2009; the Department of Revenue has informed the county of this. She recommended that Phase II of the Capital Projects Sales Tax Referendum be scheduled for November 2010. She stated that this would allow adequate time to prepare. Council accepted the Administrator's recommendation. **Moved** by Council Member Johnson, seconded by Council Member Phillips to accept the recommendation of the County Administrator to schedule the referendum for November of 2010. Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Council Member Phillips, seconded by Council Member Wilson, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously. Chairman Gray adjourned the meeting at 5:37 p. m.