Hampton County Council held its regular meeting on Monday, April 17, 2017, 6:00 p. m., Council Chambers, Hampton County Administrative Center, Hampton, South Carolina. Council Member(s) present: Roy Hollingsworth, Chairman; Charles H. "Buddy" Phillips, Vice Chairman; Isaac Smith; Shedron D. Williams and Ronald G. "Breeze" Winn. Council Member(s) absent: None. Staff present: Rose Dobson-Elliott, Administrator; Aline Newton, Clerk to Council; A. G. Solomons, Jr., County Attorney. Media present: Hampton County Guardian. The meeting was advertised as prescribed by law.

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Hollingsworth called the meeting to order.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

INVOCATION:

Council Member Smith gave the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Council. Dr. Hollingsworth recognized Dr. Wilcox, Superintendent, Hampton County School District #1, Dr. Gibbes, Palmetto Palace, Ms. Lawton, Citizen and Resource Officer and welcomed everyone.

<u>ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA</u>

ADOPTION OF THE APRIL 17, 2017 HAMPTON COUNTY AGENDA AND CONSENT AGENDA:

Moved by Council Member Williams, seconded by Council Member Smith, to accept the Consent Agenda

- 6.1 November 7, 2016 Hampton County Council Meeting Minutes
- 6.2 March 20, 2017 Hampton County Council Special Meeting Minutes
- 6.3 March 20, 2017 Hampton County Council Meeting Minutes
- 6.4 April 3, 2017 Hampton County Special Meeting Minutes
- 6.5 April 3, 2017 Hampton County Meeting Minutes

and the April 17, 2017 Hampton County Council Meeting Agenda with the deferral of Item #6.4, Minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARING(S)

Public Hearings were scheduled. Administrator Dobson Elliott explained that no one was present from Lowcountry Council of Governments (LCOG), and they would have to provide the information for the close out of grants, etc. Chairman Hollingsworth stated that the hearings would have to be rescheduled.

PUBLIC COMMENT(S)

There were no public comments.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved by Council Member Williams, seconded by Council Member Smith, to approve the November 7, 2016 Hampton County Council Meeting, March 20, 2017 Hampton County Council Meeting and Special Meeting Minute and the April 3, 2017 Hampton County Special Meeting Minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

PRESENTATION(S)

DR. YOULANDA GIBBS, FOUNDER AND EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF PALMETTO PALACE:

Dr. Youlanda Gibbs, Founder and Executive Director of Palmetto Palace, came before council and explained that Palmetto Palace is a non-profit which is a version of Ronald McDonald House for adults. She stated that there were discussions of a mobile health care unit that had the support of the late Senator Clementa Pinckney whose mother may have died prematurely from cancer due to the fact that she did not have transportation to get to chemotherapy. She explained that Representative Gilda Cobb Hunter was in support, etc. Dr. Gibbes informed council that she was there to share information and ask for their blessing where unit will go. She was there to provide education about the mobile unit. Chairman Hollingsworth thanked Dr. Gibbes for her presentation and explained that council would discuss the matter and get back to her.

APPOINTMENT(S)

There were no appointment(s).

RESOLUTION(S)/PROCLAMATION(S)

There were no resolutions/proclamations.

ORDINANCE(S)

There were no ordinances.

BID(S)

There were no bid(s).

COUNCIL'S BRIEFING(S)

CHAIRMAN'S UPDATE:

Chairman Hollingsworth reported that:

- He plans to attend the Local Emergency Planning Committee meeting in Allendale, SC at 1:00 p. m.
- He plans to attend the Municipal Association Meeting on April 24, 2017 at 6:00 p. m. The location is to be announced.
- He will be attending the Lowcountry Regional Water System (LRWS) at 400 p. m. on April 25, 2017
- And there will be the third Budget Workshop on April 28, 2017 from 9:00 a. m. to 12:00 noon.

DISCUSSION POINTS (COUNCIL MEMBERS):

Council Member Winn

Council Member Winn commented that he was on Human Resources Committee and discussions are needed about cost sharing in regards to insurance high premiums. He would like to try and save the county some money.

Council Member Williams

Council Member Williams stated that he had planned to attend the Legislative Delegation meeting on tomorrow, April 18, 2017 but learned tonight that it has been canceled.

Vice Chairman Phillips

Vice Chairman Phillips stated that he plans to attend the Southern Carolina Regional Alliance meeting on April 25, 2017, Lowcountry Council of Governments (LCOG) meeting on April 27, 2017 and may be able to attend council's monthly retreat on April 28, 2017.

Council Member Smith

Council Member Smith stated that he planned to attend the Municipal Association meeting scheduled for April 24, 2017.

COUNTY ATTORNEY'S UPDATE:

County Attorney Solomons stated that he spoke to the Attorney regarding the Clemson Deed for the Aquaculture Center and said that they would get back to him ASAP, but he has not heard anything. He explained that at soon as he does he will circulate it to council

CLERK TO COUNCIL'S UPDATE:

The Clerk to Council reported that she is developing the schedule to meet with the boards and commissions.

REPORT(S) TO COUNCIL ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:

Employee Update

Administrator Dobson Elliott reported that the Fire Department lost one and hired one; the Recycling Center lost a substitute and the Detention Center will be losing three.

Personnel Policy

Administrator Dobson Elliott reported that she was getting some comments in regards to the Personnel Policy.

County Focus Magazine

Administrator Dobson Elliott shared with council that an article written in the South Carolina Association of Counties magazine, County Focus featured Nupi, a Hampton County project in the article.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

PERSONNEL MATTERS:

Moved by Council Member Smith, seconded by Vice Chairman Phillips, to go into executive session to discuss personnel matters regarding evaluations, a position, boards and commissions. Motion carried unanimously.

REPORT OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION

PERSONNEL MATTERS:

Moved by Council Member Williams, seconded by Council Member Smith, to come out of executive session regarding personnel matters concerning evaluations, a position, boards and Motion carried unanimously. Chairman Hollingsworth reported that council commissions. discussed evaluating of personnel, discussions regarding boards and commissions and changing an hourly employee to a salaried. Moved by Council Member Williams to changed hourly employee to a salaried employee. Administrator Dobson Elliott explained that it could be done in the budget. Council Member Williams withdrew his motion.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Council Member Williams, seconded by Council Member Smith, to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously. Chairman Hollingsworth adjourned the meeting.