PUBLIC HEARING & REGULAR MEETING
DARLINGTON COUNTY COUNCIL
DARLINGTON, SC

JUNE 5, 2023

A Public Hearing and Regular Meeting of the County Council of Darlington County was held this 5th day of June 2023, at 6 p.m., at the Courthouse Annex/EMS Building, 1625 Harry Byrd Highway (Highway 151), Darlington, South Carolina.

NOTICE OF MEETING

In compliance with the Freedom of Information Act, a copy of the agenda providing the date, time, and place of the meeting was emailed to the local newspapers, persons requesting notification, and posted on the county’s website and on the bulletin board in the lobby of the courthouse.

A Notice of Public Hearing for Ordinance No. 23-03 was published on May 10, 2023, in the Hartsville Messenger and updated and republished on May 17, 2023, in the Hartsville Messenger and the News and Press.

A Notice of Public Hearing for Ordinance No. 23-04 was published on May 10, 2023, in the Hartsville Messenger and the News and Press.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT

Chairman Bobby Hudson, Vice-Chairman Marvin Le Flowers, Chaplain Dannie Douglas, Jr., M. Kirk Askins, Mr. David Coker, Mr. Albert Davis, III, Mrs. Angie Stone Godbold, Ms. Joyce W. Thomas.

ALSO PRESENT

County Administrator Marion Charles Stewart, III, County Attorney James H. Lucas, Clerk to Council J. J. Net Bishop, Emergency Management Director Molly Odom, Emergency Services Director Kenny Bowen, Finance Director Sherman Dibble, Fire District Chief Ricky Flowers, Historical Commission Director Brian Gandy, Human Resources Director Ginger Winburn, Library Director Jimmie Epling, Roads and Bridges Director Bobby Richardson, Sheriff James Hudson, Florence City Councilman and Congressman Russell Fry Representative Bryan Braddock, and others.

REPORTERS PRESENT

A reporter from the Florence Morning News.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Ordinance No. 23-03, An Ordinance To Make Appropriations For Ordinary County Purposes For Darlington County For The Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 2023, And Ending June 30, 2024:
To Provide For The Expenditures Thereof; And To Provide For Revenues For The Payment Thereof - SECOND READING

Chairman Hudson declared the public hearing open at 6 p.m. to receive comments on Ordinance No. 23-03.

There being no comments, the public hearing was closed.

Ordinance No. 23-04, An Ordinance To Designate That Agency In The County For Alcohol And Drug Abuse Planning For Programs And To Make Appropriations Pursuant To Sections 6-27-40(B) And 12-33-245(B) And (C) Of The 1976 Code Of Laws Of South Carolina, As Amended, For Darlington County For The Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 2023, And Ending June 30, 2024 - SECOND READING

Chairman Hudson declared the public hearing open to receive comments on Ordinance No. 23-04.

There being no comments, the public hearing was closed.

REGULAR MEETING

Call to Order / Invocation / Pledge of Allegiance

Chairman Hudson called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m. Mr. Douglas presented the invocation and Mr. Davis led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Personal Appearances - Ms. Carol Larts, Traffic Problems On Dovesville Highway

Ms. Carol Larts talked about the problems with people speeding and racing dirt bikes along Dovesville Highway, which she has reported several times. She also questioned why the speed limit along Dovesville Highway is 55 mph where there are many elderly residents, driveways, and a safety hazard for school buses compared to 35 and 45 mph along various sections of Governor Williams Highway where there are fewer residences. Ms. Larts wanted to know who to contact to reduce the speed limit on Dovesville Highway since there have been several accidents and near misses.

Mr. Stewart indicated that he would pass these concerns to Highway Patrol and the State Transport Police since they are the enforcing agencies. Sheriff Hudson was present at the meeting to hear the complaint.

Mr. Akins suggested erecting a digital speed limit sign in this area.

Mr. Stewart will ask the Sheriff to place a digital speed limit sign in the area to make people aware of their speed.

Sheriff Hudson stated that he would contact someone in that area tonight regarding the complaint.

Citizens' Comments

Mrs. Godbold brought it to Council's attention that Ms. Dian Pruitt had arrived late to the meeting but wanted to speak before Council.
MOTION was made by Mr. Flowers and seconded by Mrs. Godbold to amend the agenda to allow Ms. Dian Pruitt to make comments.

Ms. Dian Pruitt complained about the location of SCDOT's (South Carolina Department of Transportation) proposed roundabout at the intersection of E. McIver Road and Old Florence Highway. She talked about the proposed roundabout being against her driveway in a blind curve in both directions and problems already occurring at this point of the road due to people speeding and heavy beach traffic.

Ms. Pruitt also talked about SCDOT's recent meeting where she communicated about the dangers surrounding the proposed roundabout. Although she complained about SCDOT not considering other options such as a nearby empty field one-half mile farther down the road where there are no homes and truck traffic from Dixie Cup, SCDOT responded that the project is based on geometry. Ms. Truitt felt that there was no notice about the meeting; there were no county or state representatives at the meeting; and this was the only meeting for people in that area. She asked her County Council representative, Mrs. Godbold, and others to do something to stop this roundabout which will create more traffic accidents and deaths due to the roundabout being in a curve with a blind spot in both directions and where no one acknowledges the posted speed limit.

Consent Agenda

Included in the Consent Agenda were the following:
6.A. Airport Commission Minutes, December 1, 2022, And January 26, 2023
6.B. Beaver Management Program Report, April 2023
6.C. Pee Dee Workforce Development Board Quarterly Report, Period Ended March 31, 2023
6.D. Darlington County's Baseball Inductee, Charles "Chino" Smith, Into The SC Athletic Hall of Fame, May 15, 2023
6.E. Darlington County Parks Recreation And Tourism, June Activities
6.F. Financial Statement Through April 2023

MOTION made by Mr. Douglas and seconded by Mr. Davis to receive the Consent Agenda items as information.
The motion carried unanimously.

Approval Of Minutes – Minutes Of Regular Meeting, May 1, 2023

MOTION made by Mr. Douglas and seconded by Mr. Davis to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held on May 1, 2023.
The motion carried unanimously.

Approval Of Minutes – Minutes Of Budget Worksession, May 3, 2023

MOTION made by Mr. Douglas and seconded by Mr. Davis to approve the minutes of the budget worksession held on May 3, 2023.
The motion carried unanimously.
Ordinances

Ordinance No. 23-03, An Ordinance To Make Appropriations For Ordinary County Purposes For Darlington County For The Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 2023, And Ending June 30, 2024; To Provide For The Expenditures Thereof; And To Provide For Revenues For The Payment Thereof - SECOND READING

MOTION made by Mr. Coker and seconded by Mr. Douglas to approve second reading of Ordinance No. 23-03.

The motion carried with Mrs. Godbold and Mr. Davis opposing.

Ordinance No. 23-04, An Ordinance To Designate That Agency In The County For Alcohol And Drug Abuse Planning For Programs And To Make Appropriations Pursuant To Sections 6-27-40(B) And 12-33-245(B) And (C) Of The 1976 Code Of Laws Of South Carolina, As Amended, For Darlington County For The Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 2023, And Ending June 30, 2024 - SECOND READING

MOTION made by Mr. Davis and seconded by Mr. Coker to approve second reading of Ordinance No. 22-04.

The motion carried unanimously.

Ordinance No. 23-05, An Ordinance Authorizing Pursuant To Chapter 44 Of Title 12, South Carolina Code Of Laws, 1976, As Amended, The Execution And Delivery Of A Fee Agreement Between Darlington County, South Carolina And Culpepper Solar, LLC And Certain Affiliates, Thereby Replacing The 2018 Culpepper Solar Fee Agreement; And Authorizing Other Related Matters - FIRST READING (By Title Only)

The title of Ordinance No. 23-05 was read for first reading. No action required.

Ordinance No. 23-06, An Ordinance Authorizing Pursuant To Chapter 44 Of Title 12, South Carolina Code Of Laws, 1976, As Amended, The Execution And Delivery Of A Fee Agreement Between Darlington County, South Carolina And Rollins Solar, LLC And Certain Affiliates, Thereby Replacing The 2018 Rollins Solar Fee Agreement; And Authorizing Other Related Matters - FIRST READING (By Title Only)

The title of Ordinance No. 23-06 was read for first reading. No action required.

Ordinance No. 23-07, An Ordinance Authorizing Pursuant To Chapter 44 Of Title 12, South Carolina Code Of Laws, 1976, As Amended, The Execution And Delivery Of A Fee Agreement Between Darlington County, South Carolina And GEB Solar, LLC And Certain Affiliates, Thereby Replacing The 2019 GEB Solar Fee Agreement; And Authorizing Other Related Matters - FIRST READING (By Title Only)

The title of Ordinance No. 23-07 was read for first reading. No action required.

Ordinance No. 23-08, An Ordinance Authorizing Pursuant To Chapter 44 Of Title 12, South Carolina Code Of Laws, 1976, As Amended, The Execution And Delivery Of A Fee Agreement Between Darlington County, South Carolina And B&K Solar, LLC And Certain Affiliates,
Thereby Replacing The 2018 B&K Solar Fee Agreement; And Authorizing Other Related Matters - FIRST READING (By Title Only)

The title of Ordinance No. 23-08 was read for first reading. No action required.

Ordinance No. 23-09, An Ordinance Authorizing Pursuant To Chapter 44 Of Title 12, South Carolina Code Of Laws, 1976, As Amended, The Execution And Delivery Of A Fee Agreement Between Darlington County, South Carolina And Ross Solar, LLC And Certain Affiliates, Thereby Replacing The 2019 Ross Solar Fee Agreement; And Authorizing Other Related Matters - FIRST READING (By Title Only)

The title of Ordinance No. 23-09 was read for first reading. No action required.

Ordinance No. 23-10, An Ordinance To Amend Darlington County Code Of Ordinances, Chapter 2 (Administration), Article V. (Finance), Division 7 (Fees), To Increase The Emergency Services Vehicle Fee; To Increase The Rate For Mileage Reimbursement; To Include The Animal Shelter Fees, And To Establish The Effective Date Of This Ordinance - FIRST READING (By Title Only)

The title of Ordinance No. 23-10 was read for first reading. No action required.

Ordinance No. 23-11, An Ordinance Authorizing The Sale Of Property In The I-20 Industrial Park Pursuant To A Purchase And Sales Agreement Between Darlington County And Pee Dee Electric Cooperative, Inc. - FIRST READING (By Title Only)

The title of Ordinance No. 23-11 was read for first reading. No action required.

Ordinance No. 23-12, An Ordinance To Amend Darlington County Code Of Ordinances, Chapter 6 (Animals), To Amend/Update Various Sections And To Establish The Effective Date Of This Ordinance - FIRST READING (By Title Only)

The title of Ordinance No. 23-12 was read for first reading. No action required.

Resolutions

Resolution No. 755, Resolution Establishing The Opioid Recovery Act Funds Committee

MOTION made by Mr. Flowers and seconded by Mr. Coker to approve Resolution No. 755 establishing the Opioid Recovery Act Funds Committee.

The motion carried unanimously.

County Council’s Appointments to the Opioid Recovery Act Funds Committee, Mr. Stewart noted that County Council has three nominations (local pharmacists) for appointment to the Opioid Recovery Act Funds Committee.

Mr. Coker nominated Colin Hungerpiller of Black Creek Pharmacy. The nomination was seconded by Mr. Davis.

Mr. Flowers nominated Merritt Wallace of Darlington to represent local pharmacists on this committee. The nomination was seconded by Mr. Douglas.

The vote was unanimous.
Committee Reports
There were no Committee Reports.

Other Items
Appointments To Boards/Commissions/Committees
Mr. Askins carried over his appointment to the Airport Commission and Planning Commission.

MOTION made by Mr. Flowers and seconded by Mr. Douglas to reappoint Mr. Wesley Woodard to the Planning Commission.
The motion carried unanimously. *(Mr. Woodard will serve a second term commencing July 1, 2023, and ending June 30, 2027.)*

MOTION made by Mr. Douglas and seconded by Mr. Coker to reappoint Ms. Suzanne Calcutt to the Historical Commission and Mr. Ken McRae to the Recreation Commission.
The motion carried unanimously. *(Ms. Suzanne will serve a fourth term on the Historical Commission and Mr. McRae will serve a second term on the Recreation Commission. Their term will commence July 1, 2023, and end June 30, 2027.)*

Mr. Davis carried over his appointment to the Library Board.

Mr. Coker reaffirmed his appointment of Mr. James Clemons to the Alcohol and Drug Citizen Advisory Committee and carried over his appointment to the Board of Assessment Appeals and Construction Board of Adjustment and Appeals.

Chairman Hudson carried over his appointment to the Library Board.

Ms. Thomas carried over her appointment to the Construction Board of Adjustment and Appeals and the Library Board.

Mrs. Godbold reappointed Mr. John Ramsey to the Airport Commission, Ms. Anna DeWitt to the Board of Assessment Appeals, Mr. Irone Richardson to the Recreation Commission, and Mr. Joshua Ward to the Planning Commission.

MOTION made by Mr. Flowers and seconded by Mr. Douglas to accept Mrs. Godbold's reappointments.
The motion carried unanimously. *(Mr. Ramsey will serve a second term on the Airport Commission, Ms. Anna DeWitt will serve a second term on the Board of Assessment Appeals, Mr. Richardson will serve a full term on the Parks and Recreation Commission, and Mr. Ward will serve a second term on the Planning Commission. Their term will commence July 1, 2023, and end June 30, 2027.)*

Economic Development Partnership, Ms. Thomas requested a carryover of Council's appointment (Mr. Leo Bonaparte) to the Economic Development Partnership Board.
Mr. Stewart explained that the Economic Development Partnership Board was requesting the reappointment of Mr. Danny Hogge, Jr. as a Top Executive Representative; the appointment of Jason Freidenberger to replace Mr. Tom Batterbee as Top Executive Representative; the appointment of Mr. Jason Speake to replace Mr. Stuart Ames as Duke/Progress Representative; and reappoint of Mr. Jeff Singletary as Pee Dee Electric’s Representative.

**MOTION** made by Mr. Coker and seconded by Mrs. Godbold to accept/approve the requested appointments and reappointments to the Economic Development Partnership Board.

The motion carried unanimously. *(Mr. Freidenberger and Mr. Speake will fill unexpired terms through June 30, 2024. Mr. Hogge will serve a second term and Mr. Singletary will serve a sixth term to expire June 30, 2024.)*

**Board of Fire Control,** Mr. Stewart reported that the Fire Board was requesting the reappointment of Mr. Robert Garland, Jr. (Industrial Park Station 3) and Mr. Andy Rheuark (Mechanicsville Station 4) and the appointment of Mr. Tylan Hillian (Byrtdtown Station 12) to replace Mr. Justin Polson.

**MOTION** made by Mr. Flowers and seconded by Mr. Coker to reappoint Mr. Garland and Mr. Rheuark and appoint Mr. Hillian to the Board of Fire Control.

The motion carried unanimously. *(Their term will commence July 1, 2023, and expire June 30, 2027.)*

**Historical Commission Request To Temporarily Close The Darlington County Historical Commission & Museum Upon Completion Of Construction To Build Out Galleries And Set Up Exhibits**

**MOTION** made by Mr. Flowers and seconded by Mr. Davis to approve the Historical Commission’s request to temporarily close the Darlington County Historical Commission and Museum upon completion of construction to build out galleries and set up exhibits.

The motion carried unanimously.

**Bid Award For Library Shelving For Darlington County Historical Commission and Museum**

**MOTION** made by Mr. Coker and seconded by Mr. Douglas to approve acceptance of the bid from American Specialty Office Products of Florence, in the amount of $44,551, for library shelving for the new library and research room at the Historical Commission facility.

The motion carried unanimously.

**Bid Award For Remount Of Two Ambulances, EMS**

**MOTION** made by Mr. Douglas and seconded by Mr. Davis to approve acceptance of the bid from Southeastern Specialty Vehicles of Henderson, North Carolina, in the amount of $228,628.44, for the remount of two ambulances for Emergency Medical Services.

Mrs. Godbold asked whether this would be the county’s tenth ambulance.

Mr. Stewart clarified that the county has ten units. This will replace two of the ambulances. One unit has over 325,000 miles with shavings in the oil at the last oil change.
and the other has approximately 275,000. By the time the first unit is replaced, the second unit will have over 300,000 miles. The boxes that the county already owns will be placed on a new chassis.

The motion carried unanimously.

Town Of Lamar Request for Matching Grant Funds

MOTION made by Mr. Flowers and seconded by Mr. Douglas to approve $44,124 from the General Fund Balance to provide matching funds for the Town of Lamar railroad pump station upgrades.

The motion carried unanimously.

Authorize The Chairman To Sign Pee Dee Workforce Area/SC Works System Memorandum Of Understanding Pursuant To The Workforce Innovation And Opportunity Act (WIOA)

MOTION made by Mr. Flowers and seconded by Mr. Davis to authorize the Chairman to sign the Memorandum of Understanding for Pee Dee Workforce Area/SC Works System.

The motion carried unanimously.

Acceptance Of New Position Classifications/Pay Plan

MOTION made by Mr. Flowers and seconded by Mr. Douglas to approve and accept the new position classification/pay plan.

Mrs. Godbold asked for clarification as to what Council was approving.

Mr. Stewart explained that this was acceptance of the new recommended pay plan/pay grades across the board as discussed in the budget worksession. The agenda package included the new pay grades by title, grade, and department. The proposed budget already includes any changes that this pay plan would incur and the planned cost-of-living raise (five percent for employees making $50,000 or greater and $2,500 for those making less than $50,000). As discussed during the budget worksession, Mr. Stewart stated that if Council selects the Bring to Minimum Standard so that everyone will be within the minimum of the new pay plan based upon the market, approximately 95 employees will receive an additional adjustment to bring to minimum. Everyone will, at least, be at the new minimum salary as listed.

Mrs. Godbold asked whether the five percent cost-of-living increase would be on top of the Bring to Minimum.

Mr. Stewart clarified that the five percent cost-of-living increase brought three-fourths of the employees to their Bring to Minimum salary. There will only be a few employees who will need an additional adjustment to bring them to their new minimum salary. This additional adjustment of about $175,000 was added to the budget to bring those employees to their new minimum. However, if the proposed cost-of-living increase is removed from the budget, many employees will drop below their minimum salary.

Mr. Flowers mentioned that because an outside/third-party agency created the pay plan, council can legally defend it because it has nothing to do with personalities or anything created by county officials.
Attorney Lucas confirmed that an outside party/agency provides a shield/line between administration and county council and gives the appearance that the pay plan was done for salary reasons only and not for nepotism or any other reasons that may creep in. The motion carried unanimously.

**Purchase Of Two Caterpillar Backhoe's From Blanchard Machinery**

**MOTION** made by Mr. Douglas and seconded by Mr. Flowers to approve the purchase of two Caterpillar backhoes from Blanchard Machinery for $288,340.78 from Roads and Bridges Fund Balance to replace two backhoes nearing the end of life.

Mr. Coker asked whether this purchase was necessary.

Mr. Stewart talked about the current engines and the need for these replacements. The current engines have 18 to 20 years of wear/tear. Funds are available in the Roads and Bridges Fund Balance. The backhoes should be delivered in four to five months.

Mrs. Godbold requested a report on the useful life of all equipment.

Mr. Stewart responded that the staff was working on a capital budget to be a part of the normal budget process. Training may be conducted this Fall regarding capital equipment requests. He will provide a list of what is expected at this time and a Five-Year Capital Budget Plan with the next budget.

The motion carried unanimously.

**Administrative Update – County Administrator Charles Stewart**

**Douglas Clubhouse At Lake Darpo,** Mr. Stewart reported that over the last six months, the Clubhouse was used 36 times (five training events; two hunting events; six meetings/business conferences, and 21 family events (reunions, showers, birthday parties, celebratory dinners, etc.)

Mr. Flowers asked whether the availability of The Douglas Clubhouse was on the county’s website to encourage the use of this facility.

Mr. Stewart thinks information regarding The Clubhouse was on the Recreation Department’s webpage since they maintain the schedule for use of this facility.

Mr. Douglas requested that the Prison Camp clean the banks and cut the bushes on the right side of this property just beyond the tenant building.

Mr. Stewart will follow up on this matter.

**Fire District Introduction of Paige – The Accelerant Detection Canine,** Mr. Stewart mentioned that Council received information at their desk from Fire Chief Ricky Flowers informing the public that State Farm and Darington Fire will host the introduction of Paige, the accelerant detection canine. The introduction is scheduled for June 13, 2023, at 1 p.m., at Darlington County Fire District Headquarters, 137 N Center Road, Hartsville.

**Thank You Note,** Council also received a Thank You note from the family of the late Johnny Brown, long-time Executive Director at Pee Dee Regional Council of Governments.
Proposed Animal Control Ordinance Amendment. Council received a copy of the proposed Animal Control Ordinance which was given first reading tonight by title only. This proposed ordinance will be presented at Council’s next meeting for second reading.

Location of Solar Farms. Council also received location maps of the solar farms that were approved several years ago and listed on the agenda for first reading. Based on the way the Fee Agreements were set, the solar farms ran out of time for the fees. It is being requested that Council reconstitute those Fee Agreements so that the solar farms can be built.

In reference to solar farms, Mr. Askins asked about the economic impact of converting property from four percent agriculture assessment to commercial.

Mr. Stewart briefly explained the assessment for agriculture and commercial. He will provide information to describe the calculation change. The solar projects listed on the agenda were approved years ago. However, Council must authorize another fee agreement because they had so many years to get started on the build under the old fee agreement.

Status of Courthouse Construction. Mr. Stewart reported that the courthouse and the Historical Commission addition are still on schedule to be completed during the first part of December if there are no delays.

Neighborhood Revitalization Grant. In response to Ms. Thomas’ request for an update on the Neighborhood Revitalization Grant, Mr. Stewart reported that he met with Ms. Thomas two weeks ago and she discussed her proposal with Pee Dee Regional Council of Governments’ (COG) staff. COG’s staff was scheduled to meet with someone from the Commerce Department last Wednesday. Although they were going to give COG’s staff a week to respond, he reached out to COG today to find out whether a decision had been made about the size of the project — whether the size of Ms. Thomas’ proposal could be as broad as described or focused down. He needs to hear from COG to know what will or will not be accepted.

Requests / Comments – Members Of Council

Mr. Coker stated that the county needs to reinforce the foliage restrictions around solar farms. He asked the staff to reemphasize to builders that there needs to be a perimeter of foliage around solar farms to cover them so that they are not right in people’s faces. He also asked the staff to make sure that the county has bonds for the solar farms.

Mr. Davis thanked everyone for attending the meeting and for what they do for the county. He also commented about solar farms.

Mr. Douglas asked the staff to try to get help regarding speeding motorists and 4-wheelers racing at night along Dovesville Highway, Highway 52 (Governor Williams Highway), Jeffords Mill Road, and other nearby roads. The speed limit is 45 to 55 mph but people are traveling 75 to 80 mph. Mr. Douglas said he receives complaints and cannot sleep because of the noise from 4-wheelers.
Mr. Flowers thanked Mr. Brian Gandy, Historical Commission Director, for his work in guiding the Historical Commission addition project.

Ms. Thomas asked Council to be more concerned with human needs and seniors. She suggested that the Council order flashlights for seniors to use when the power goes out during bad weather.

Mrs. Godbold thanked Mr. Brian Braddock, of Congressman Rice’s Office, Florence City Council, House of Hope, and the Addiction Recovery Center. She said maybe Mr. Braddock could help the citizens regarding SCDOT’s proposed roundabout. She expressed that the location of the roundabout will be dangerous due to beach traffic and speeding. She also thanked Ms. Diane Pruitt for appearing before the Council.

Chairman Hudson thanked everyone for attending the meeting and expressed condolences for Ms. Betty Tanner, a former county EMS employee. He also thanked the Sheriff’s Office and EMS for participating in Ms. Tanner’s services.

Chairman Hudson presented Ms. Thomas with a service pin in recognition of five years of service on Darlington County Council.

Vote For Executive Session
Discussion Of Negotiations Incident To Proposed Contractual Arrangements And Proposed Sale Or Purchase Of Property RE: The I-20 Industrial Park

MOTION made by Mr. Flowers and seconded by Mr. Coker to vote for executive session for discussion of negotiations incident to proposed contractual arrangements and proposed sale or purchase of property regarding the I-20 Industrial Park. The motion carried unanimously.

Executive Session - Discussion Of Negotiations Incident To Proposed Contractual Arrangements And Proposed Sale Or Purchase Of Property RE: The I-20 Industrial Park

MOTION made by Mr. Flowers and seconded by Mr. Coker that after a five-minute recess, Council, the county administrator, the county attorney, and the county attorney representative will go into executive session for discussion of negotiations incident to proposed contractual arrangements and proposed sale or purchase of property regarding the I-20 Industrial Park. The motion carried unanimously.

Council recessed at 6:50 p.m. before going into executive session and reconvened at 7:03 p.m. Upon reconvening, Chairman Hudson announced that no action was taken during executive session.
Clarification On The Vote RE: Ordinance No. 23-03, Mr. Davis clarified for the record that he voted “no” for second reading of the budget, Ordinance No. 23-03.

Adjournment

**MOTION** made by Chairman Hudson to adjourn the meeting. There being no further comments, the meeting was adjourned at 7:04 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

J. JaNee Bishop
Clerk to Council

Bobby Hudson, Chairman
Darlington County Council

Approved at meeting of July 3, 2023.