

**MINUTES
ORANGEBURG COUNTY COUNCIL
March 1, 2021
5:30 PM**



Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, the news media was notified and notice was posted on the bulletin board 24 hours prior to the meeting.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

**Johnnie Wright, Sr.
Deloris Frazier
Johnny Ravenell
Janie Cooper-Smith
Kenneth McCaster
Joseph Garvin**

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Willie B. Owens

OTHERS PRESENT:

**Harold M. Young, County Administrator
D'Anne Haydel, County Attorney
Connie N. Portee, Clerk to Council**

CALL TO ORDER

Johnnie Wright, Sr., Chairman

On the 1st day of March 2021, Chairman Wright called to order the regular session meeting of the Orangeburg County Council at 5:41 p.m. with a roll call due to having a virtual meeting on Microsoft Teams.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

**February 16, 2021 RS
February 25, 2021 SS**

Chairman Wright asked for a motion to approve the minutes. Councilman Johnny Ravenell made the motion to approve the minutes, it was seconded by Councilwoman Deloris Frazier. Motion carried. (6-0-0)

Roll Call Vote

**Chairman Johnnie Wright, Sr – Yay
Councilman Johnny Ravenell - Yay
Councilman Kenneth McCaster – Yay
Councilman Joseph Garvin - Yay
Vice-Chair Janie Cooper-Smith-Yay
Councilwoman Deloris Frazier– Yay**

ORDINANCE

Ordinance First Reading

- 1. An Ordinance Authorizing An Amendment To The Amended And Restated Agreement For Development Of Joint Industrial Park Dated May 17, 2010, By And Between Dorchester County, South Carolina, And Orangeburg County, South Carolina, To Expand The Boundaries Of The Park To Include Certain Real Property Located In Orangeburg County Related To Indevco North America, Inc., And Other Related Matters.**

Chairman Wright entertained a motion to pass the ordinance for first reading only. Councilman Joseph Garvin made the motion. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Deloris Frazier. Motion carried. (6-0-0)

Roll Call Vote

Chairman Johnnie Wright, Sr – Yay
Councilman Johnny Ravenell - Yay
Councilman Kenneth McCaster – Yay
Councilman Joseph Garvin - Yay
Vice-Chair Janie Cooper-Smith-Yay
Councilwoman Deloris Frazier– Yay

RESOLUTIONS

- 2. Resolution Honoring National Women's History Month 2021**

Chairman Wright entertained a motion to pass the resolution. Vice-Chair Janie Cooper-Smith made the motion. Councilman Joseph Garvin seconded the motion. Motion carried. (6-0-0)

Roll Call Vote

Chairman Johnnie Wright, Sr – Yay
Councilman Johnny Ravenell - Yay
Councilman Kenneth McCaster – Yay
Councilman Joseph Garvin - Yay
Vice-Chair Janie Cooper-Smith-Yay
Councilwoman Deloris Frazier– Yay

- 3. A Resolution of The Orangeburg County Council Authorizing Issuance and Enforcement of A Revised Orangeburg County Employee Handbook**

Chairman Wright entertained a motion to pass the resolution. Vice-Chair Janie Cooper-Smith made the motion. Councilwoman Deloris Frazier seconded the motion. Motion carried. (6-0-0)

Roll Call Vote

Chairman Johnnie Wright, Sr – Yay
Councilman Johnny Ravenell - Yay
Councilman Kenneth McCaster – Yay
Councilman Joseph Garvin - Yay
Vice-Chair Janie Cooper-Smith-Yay
Councilwoman Deloris Frazier– Yay

RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE TAX AND TOURISM COMMITTEE

Chairman Wright entertained a motion to pass the recommendation of the Tax & Tourism Advisory Committee. Councilwoman Deloris Frazier made the motion to accept all the recommendations. Councilman Joseph Garvin seconded the motion. Motion carried. (6-0-0)

Roll Call Vote

- Chairman Johnnie Wright, Sr – Yay
- Councilman Johnny Ravenell - Yay
- Councilman Kenneth McCaster – Yay
- Councilman Joseph Garvin - Yay
- Vice-Chair Janie Cooper-Smith-Yay
- Councilwoman Deloris Frazier– Yay

APPOINTMENT - BOARDS, COMMISSIONS, & COMMITTEES

a. Appointment to the Santee Fire Service District

Chairman Wright entertained a motion to approve the appointment to the Santee Fire Service District. Councilman Johnny Ravenell made the motion to appoint James L. Gordon. The motion was seconded by Councilman Kenneth McCaster. Motion carried. (6-0-0)

Roll Call Vote

- Chairman Johnnie Wright, Sr – Yay
- Councilman Johnny Ravenell – Yay
- Councilman Kenneth McCaster – Yay
- Councilman Joseph Garvin - Yay
- Vice-Chair Janie Cooper-Smith-Yay
- Councilwoman Deloris Frazier– Yay

b. Appointments to the Orangeburg County Employee Grievance Committee

Chairman Wright entertained a motion to approve the appointments to the Employee Grievance Committee. Councilwoman Deloris Frazier made the motion. Vice-Chair Janie Cooper-Smith seconded the motion. Motion carried. (6-0-0)

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| ✓ Antonio Williams | 1-year tenure | Alternate-Yes |
| ✓ William Billy Staley | 1-year tenure | |
| ✓ Martha Pickens | 2-year tenure | Alternate-Yes |
| ✓ Andrea Washington | 2-year tenure | |
| ✓ Braxton Fanning | 3-year tenure | Alternate-Yes |
| ✓ Stephen Oeffinger | 3-year tenure | |

Roll Call Vote

- Chairman Johnnie Wright, Sr – Yay
- Councilman Johnny Ravenell – Yay
- Councilman Kenneth McCaster – Yay
- Councilman Joseph Garvin -Yay
- Vice-Chair Janie Cooper-Smith - Yay

Councilwoman Deloris Frazier – Yay

VOTE FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION

Chairman Wright read the executive session items and entertained a motion. Councilwoman Deloris Frazier made the motion. Councilman Kenneth McCaster seconded the motion. Motion carried. (6-0-0)

Roll Call Vote

**Chairman Johnnie Wright, Sr – Yay
Councilman Johnny Ravenell - Yay
Councilman Kenneth McCaster – Yay
Councilman Joseph Garvin - Yay
Vice-Chair Janie Cooper-Smith-Yay
Councilwoman Deloris Frazier– Yay**

EXECUTIVE SESSION

1) Economic Development Update

S.C. Code §30-4-70(A)(5)(Discussion Of Matters Relating To The Proposed Location, Expansion, Or The Provision Of Services Encouraging Location Or Expansion Of Industries Or Other Businesses In The Area Served By The Public Body)

- a. Project Eagle**
- b. Project Shamrock**
- c. Project Diego**
- d. Product Update**
 - US 21/Orangeburg County Power Site**
 - Western Orangeburg County Industrial Park**

2) tRMC-Employment

FOIA Exemption S.C. CODE §30-4-70(a)(1)(Discussion Of Employment Of An Employee) And (2)(Discussion Of Negotiations Incident To Propose Contractual Arrangements)

VOTE FOR ADJOURNMENT

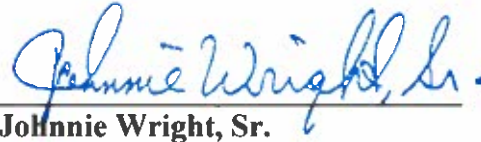
Chairman Wright entertained a motion for adjournment. Councilwoman Deloris Frazier motioned that the regular session of the Orangeburg County Council of March 1, 2021 stands adjourned. Councilman Joseph Garvin seconded the motion. Motion carried. (6-0-0)

Roll Call Vote

**Chairman Johnnie Wright, Sr – Yay
Councilman Johnny Ravenell - Yay
Councilman Kenneth McCaster – Yay
Councilman Joseph Garvin - Yay
Vice-Chair Janie Cooper-Smith-Yay
Councilwoman Deloris Frazier– Yay**

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 6:18 p.m.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Johnnie Wright, Sr." written in a cursive style.

**Johnnie Wright, Sr.
Chairman
Orangeburg County Council**

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Connie N. Portee" written in a cursive style.

**Connie N. Portee
Clerk to Council
Orangeburg County Council**