

**DILLON COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**  
**109 SOUTH THIRD AVENUE**  
**DILLON SC 29536**  
**NOVEMBER 16, 2022**  
**5:00 PM**

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The Dillon County Council held a meeting on November 16, 2022 at 5:00 pm in the County Council chambers. Present were Stevie Grice, Gerome McLeod, Detrice Dawkins, Harold Moody, Dennis Townsend and Buzzy Finklea. Jamal Campbell was not present for the meeting. Also present were Claude Graham, Druscilla Blakely, Cassie Goins-Kinney, Jon Robinson and Betsy Finklea (Dillon Herald).

**The following were notified of the meeting and provided an agenda by email:**

DillonCountyAdministrator<dcaadministrator@dilloncountysc.org>,dccbuzzyfinklea@gmail.com,dennistownsend@bellsouth.net,Harold Moody <Harmick@aol.com>,McLeod<ironman3744@gmail.com>, Stevie Grice <gricecube@hotmail.com>,Detrice Dawkins <tricedawkins@yahoo.com>, County Council <countycouncil@dilloncountysc.org>,Ken DuBose <ken@smithrobinsonlaw.com>, JonRobinson<jon@smithrobinsonlaw.com>,MatthewElvington<melvington@dilloncountysc.org><[dctaxassessor@dilloncountysc.org](mailto:dctaxassessor@dilloncountysc.org)>ROBBIECOWARD <robbiecoward@aol.com>ChrisNeely<cneelytrainer@gmail.com>

**Chairman Buzzy Finklea presided over the meeting.**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Chairman Finklea led the pledge of allegiance.

**INVOCATION**

Gerome McLeod gave the invocation.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

A motion was made by Stevie Grice to approve the agenda. He was seconded by Harold Moody. All were in favor.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES October 26, 2022**

A motion to approve the minutes was made by Harold Moody and seconded by Gerome McLeod. All were in favor.

**HOLIDAY AND COUNCIL MEETING SCHEDULE**

Claude\_Graham, Administrator read out the 2023 Holiday and Council Meeting Schedule. Dennis Townsend stated that on the list, Confederate Memorial Day should be changed to Wednesday, May 10, 2023. Detrice Dawkins made a motion to add the Juneteenth holiday to the scheduled holiday list which is Tuesday, June 19, 2022. Gerome McLeod seconded. All were in favor.

**ORDINANCE READINGS**

**Third Reading No. 22-08 - AN ORDINANCE TO CHANGE ZONING MAP CLASSIFICATION FROM RESIDENTIAL 2 (RS2) TO RURAL (RU) FOR THE PURPOSE**

OF AN RV PARK. TAX MAP NO. 118-00-00-004 CONSISTING OF 5.38 ACRES,  
PROPERTY OWNER(S): WEST CANAL PROPERTIES, LOCATION: WEST CANAL  
ROAD, SELLERS SC 29592

**Dennis Townsend made a motion to pass Ordinance Reading No..22-08 and was seconded  
by Detrice Dawkins. All were in favor.**

**Third Reading No. 22-09** – AN ORDINANCE TO CHANGE ZONING MAP  
CLASSIFICATION FROM RESIDENTIAL 2 (RS2) TO RURAL (RU) FOR THE PURPOSE  
OF AN RV PARK. TAX MAP NO. 118-00-00-433 CONSISTING OF 40.72 ACRES,  
PROPERTY OWNER(S): CATFISH CANAL, LLC: WEST CANAL ROAD, SELLERS SC  
29592

**Dennis Townsend made a motion to pass Ordinance Reading No. 22-09 and was seconded  
by Gerome McLeod. All were in favor.**

**Second Reading No. 22-10** - AN ORDINANCE BY DILLON COUNTY COUNCIL  
AUTHORIZING AND RATIFYING A LEASE AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN DILLON  
COUNTY AND THE CITY OF DILLON LEASING RECREATIONAL PROPERTY OWNED  
BY DILLON COUNTY TO THE CITY OF DILLON FOR RECREATIONAL PURPOSES  
**Stevie Grice made a motion to pass Ordinance No.22-10 and was seconded by Detrice  
Dawkins. All were in favor.**

**Second Reading -No. 22-07** An Ordinance by Dillon County Council authorizing the sell and  
conveyance of approximately two acres of land owned by Dillon County as depicted on Exhibit  
A and ratifying and authorizing a Contract of Sale and related documents authorizing the  
execution of the Contract of Sale and related documents and performance of acts as set forth in  
the Contract of Sale and related documents, and other matters provided herein  
**Stevie Grice made a motion to pass Ordinance No. 22-07 and was seconded by Detrice  
Dawkins. All were in favor.**

### **COUNCIL REQUEST**

Donations were made to Dillon High School Softball Program. Stevie Grice donated 500.00,  
Buzzy Finklea, donated 100.00, Detrice Dawkins donated 100.00, Harold Moody donated 200.00  
and Gerome McLeod donated 100.00.

Donations were also made to Dillon Kiwanis Club. Stevie Grice donated 100.00 and Harold  
Moody donated 100.00.

Detrice Dawkins made a motion to pass the Council Request and was seconded by Harold  
Moody. All were in favor.

### **APPROVAL OF EMPLOYEE COMPENSATION CHECKS**

A motion to approve Employee Compensation Checks by paying full time employees 700.00 and  
part time employees 350.00 was made by Detrice Dawkins and seconded by Stevie Grice. All  
were in favor.

### **ADMINISTRATIVE REQUEST**

**Donation of Ambulance to Vocational School**

A motion was made by Gerome McLeod to donate an ambulance to the Vocational School to be used for student training. It was seconded by Detrice Dawkins. All were in favor.

#### **Purchase Of a Roll Off Container Truck**

A motion to purchase a Roll Off Container Truck was made by Stevie Grice and seconded by Harold Moody. All were in favor.

#### **ADMINISTRATIVE BRIEFING**

##### **Magistrate Judges: Payment and Setting Hours of Part-Time Judges**

Attorney Jon Robinson stated that he attended a meeting several months ago and there was a discussion regarding compensation and hours being set for Magistrate Judges and at that meeting the County Administrator and County Council asked him to meet with the interested parties and try to report back as to what he found out. He said that he met with Judge Williams and spoke with her on several occasions. He also said that he let Judge Williams know that he would be doing a presentation and invited her to attend this meeting. He said that Judge Williams requested that Council set the hours for all Magistrate Judges and she suggested that all part time Magistrate Judges work 28 hours per week and all full time Magistrate work 40 hours per week. Because Stevie Grice was not comfortable discussing employee salaries in public, he made a motion to go into executive session and was seconded by Detrice Dawkins. All were in favor. Gerome McLeod made a motion to amend the agenda and go into Executive Session to discuss Magistrate Judges salaries. He was seconded by Detrice Dawkins. All were in favor.

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

A motion to come out of Executive Session was made by Gerome McLeod and was seconded by Harold Moody. All were in favor.

#### **No action was taken in Executive Session**

A motion was made by Dennis Townsend to set the hours to concur with the Chief Magistrates recommendation on 28 hours and it be funded such as the budget allows now and anything different than that will be addressed at that time. The motion was seconded by Detrice Dawkins. All were in favor.

**A motion was made to go back into Executive Session by Detrice Dawkins and was seconded by Dennis Townsend. All were in favor.**

#### **Executive Session**

Economic Development Land Sale

A motion to come out of Executive Session was made by Stevie Grice and seconded by Harold Moody. All were in favor.

**No action was taken in Executive Session.**

#### **ADJOURN**

Stevie Grice made a motion to adjourn. He was seconded by Harold Moody. All were in favor.

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T. F. Finklea, Chairman

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Druscilla Blakely, Interim Clerk to Council

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Date Approved