

**DILLON COUNTY COUNCIL SPECIAL CALLED MEETING  
109 SOUTH THIRD AVENUE  
DILLON SC 29536  
JANUARY 31, 2025 10:00 AM**

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The Dillon County Council held a meeting on January 31, 2025 at 10:00 AM in the County Council Chambers. Present were Detrice Dawkins, Robbie Coward, Dennis Townsend, Kenny Cook Jr., Stevie Grice, Brad Coward and James Washington . Also present were Tim Harper, County Administrator, John Dubose and Matthew Elvington, Deputy Administrator.

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

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**CALL TO ORDER**

Councilman Stevie Grice called the meeting to order and presided over the meeting.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Councilman Stevie Grice led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**INVOCATION**

Councilman Dennis Townsend gave the invocation.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

A motion was made by Dennis Townsend to approve the Agenda. He was seconded by Robbie Coward. All were in favor

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES – DECEMBER 18, 2024 & JANUARY 3, 2025**

A motion was made by Kenny Cook Jr to approve the minutes from December 18, 2024 and January 3, 2025. He was seconded by Detrice Dawkins. All were in favor.

### **COUNCIL RECREATION REQUEST**

Dillon High School Class of 1983 Scholarship Foundation was given a donation of \$50.00 by Detrice Dawkins and Robbie Coward donated \$50.00 personally.

Seventh Episcopal District Church was given a donation from Detrice Dawkins, Stevie Grice and Kenny Cook Jr. of \$50.00 each.

**Detrice Dawkins made a motion to approve the Council Recreation Request. She was seconded by Kenny Cook Jr. All were in favor.**

### **APPROVAL OF APPLICATION FOR USE OF COURTHOUSE GROUNDS – DETRICE DAWKINS**

**Women Empowerment Program**

**Date Of Use - May 10, 2025**

**Hours of Use: 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM**

**A motion was made by Robbie Coward for the Approval of Application For Use Of Courthouse Grounds for Detrice Dawkins Women Empowerment Program to be held on May 10, 2025. He was seconded by Dennis Townsend. All were in favor.**

**Juneteenth Celebration**

**Date Of Use – June 19, 2025**

**Hours of Use: 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM**

**A motion was made by James Washington for the Approval of Application For Use Of Courthouse Grounds for Detrice Dawkins Juneteenth Program to be held on June 19, 2025. He was seconded by Brad Coward. All were in favor.**

### **UPDATE ON NEW EOC CENTER**

**Tim Harper, Administrator spoke to County Council members and gave them an update on the New EOC Center.**

### **UPDATE ON OPIOID GRANT**

**Tim Harper, Administrator spoke to County Council members and gave them an Update on the Opioid Grant**

### **APPROVAL OF TRANSFER STATION BID**

**A motion was made by Dennis Townsend for the approval of the Transfer Station Bid with the stipulation to have a third-party inspection, schedule of values and a provision of 6 weeks with liquidated damages. He was seconded by Kenny Cook Jr. All were in favor.**

### **COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS**

**James Washington made a motion to appoint David K. Bethea to the Public Private Economic Development Board and also appoint Gary Hannah to the Planning Commission.**

**Robbie Coward appointed Keith Coward to the Public Private Economic Development Board.**

**Stevie Grice appointed Rodney Rogers to the Public Private Economic Development Board.**

**A motion was made by James Washington to approve the Committee Appointments and he seconded by Robbie Coward. All were in favor.**

**Dennis Townsend made a request to have a Building Committee Meeting on February 12, 2025. A motion to have the Building Committee Meeting was made by Robbie Coward and seconded by Dennis Townsend. All were in favor.**

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

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

- A. Executive Session**
- B. Personnel Matter**

**A motion to come out of Executive Session was made by Detrice Dawkins. She was seconded by Dennis Townsend.**

**NO ACTION WAS TAKEN IN EXECUTIVE SESSION**

#### **ADJOURN**

**A motion to adjourn was made by Detrice Dawkins and seconded by James Washington. All were in favor.**

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**Stevie Grice, Chairman**

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**Druscilla Blakely, Clerk to Council**

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**Date Approved**