The Dillon County Council held a Special Called Meeting on August 11, 2023 at 12:00 pm in the County Council Chambers. Present were Kenny Cook Jr, Jamal Campbell, Buzzy Finklea, Dennis Townsend and Robbie Coward and Stevie Grice. Detrice Dawkins was present by phone. Also present were Tim Harper, County Administrator, Druscilla Blakely, Interim Clerk To Council and Betsey Finklea (Dillon Herald).

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 Jamal Campbell gave the invocation.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA
A motion was made by Robbie Coward to approve the agenda. It was seconded Jamal Campbell. All were in favor.

RESOLUTION NO. 23 – 11 – TO HONOR THE MEMORY OF DILLON COUNTY SHERIFF DOUGLAS “HUMBUNNY” PERNELL
Resolution No. 23-11 - To Honor the Memory of Dillon County Sheriff Douglas “Humbunny” Pernell was read as follows by Councilman Stevie Grice:

A RESOLUTION BY DILLON COUNTY COUNCIL HONORING THE MEMORY OF DILLON COUNTY SHERIFF DOUGLAS “HUMBUNNY” PERNELL

WHEREAS, the members of the Dillon County Council were saddened to learn of the passing of Sheriff Douglas “Humbunny” Pernell, a dedicated public servant; and

WHEREAS, Sheriff Pernell was committed to the protection of the people of Dillon County, spending his life serving the community as a law enforcement officer; and

WHEREAS, he dedicated much of his career to Dillon County, serving for thirty-nine years as a public servant and professional who worked to improve the quality of life for every citizen; and

WHEREAS, Sheriff Pernell performed his duties as a credit to both his community and his profession and Dillon County was made a better and safer place to live through his service; and

WHEREAS, he served as sheriff at the time of his passing; and

WHEREAS, Sheriff Pernell was a concerned citizen of the Dillon community, where he is remembered for organizing the “Are You Okay?” for senior citizens, implementing a program that would allow law enforcement officers to know when an autistic person was driving a vehicle; and

WHEREAS, Sheriff Pernell enjoyed the loving companionship of his wife Cynthia and was the proud father of Douglas and Kobe and his grandson Douglas (DJ) III; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of Dillon County have felt the sorrow produced by this loss of one of our long serving and dedicated law enforcement officers and sheriff.

BE IT SO RESOLVED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF DILLON COUNTY

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that County Council expresses sympathy and condolences to the family of Sheriff Pernell.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution be provided to the family of Sheriff Pernell.

DULY RESOLVED this 11th day of August, 2023 by Dillon County Council.

A motion to pass the Resolution No. 23-11 in memory of Sheriff Pernell was made by Councilman Buzzy Finklea. He was seconded by Kenny Cook Jr. All were in favor.
ADJOURN
A motion to adjourn was made by Robbie Coward and seconded by Kenny Cook Jr. All were in favor.

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Stevie Grice, Chairman

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Druscilla Blakely, Interim Clerk to Council

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Date Approved