

DILLON COUNTY COUNCIL
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SPECIAL CALLED MEETING
JULY 7, 2023 10:00 AM

The Dillon County Council held a special called meeting on July 7, 2023 at 5:00 pm in the Dillon County Council Chambers. Present were Jamal Campbell, Robbie Coward, Dennis Townsend, Buzzy Finklea. Present by phone was Detrice Dawkins and Kenny Cook Jr. Also present were Tim Harper, County Administrator, Druscilla Blakely, Interim Clerk to Council, Betsy Finklea (Dillon Herald). Absent from the meeting was Stevie Grice.

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

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CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Councilwoman Detrice Dawkins, vice-chair. The administrator asked that before the meeting began she make a motion to temporarily name someone to chair the meeting since she nor the chair was present in the meeting. She named Dennis Townsend to chair the meeting. She was seconded by Robbie Coward. All were in favor.

Councilman Dennis Townsend thanked Councilwoman Dawkins and then presided over the meeting.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilman Dennis Townsend led the Pledge of Allegiance.

INVOCATION

Councilman Jamal Campbell gave the invocation.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Councilman Jamal Campbell made a motion to amend the Agenda to add Council Recreation Request and Councilman Dennis wanted added to the agenda, that he read a letter of correspondence on behalf of Council as a thank you note. He was seconded by Robbie Coward. All were in favor.

ALL STAR TEAMS DONATION

Councilman Buzzy Finklea made a motion to donate \$600.00 to the Latta Boys All-star Team. He was seconded by Robbie Coward. All were in favor.

COUNCIL RECREATION REQUEST

The Pernel Community Center request donations for their 2nd Annual College Back to School Event. Councilman Jamal Campbell donated 200.00 and Councilwoman Detrice Dawkins donated 100.00. Robbie Coward gave a personal donation of 100.00.

Councilwoman Detrice Dawkins made a motion to make a change on a donation of 150.00 from last month's meeting because she was unable to make an individual donation to a young man who played for the Kiwanis because it has to go to the whole team, so she instead donated 150.00 to the Dillon Middle School Band.

Robbie Coward made a motion to accept the Council Recreation Request and was seconded by Jamal Campbell. All were in favor.

ORDINANCE NO. – 23-07 – SECOND READING

An ordinance by Dillon County Council changing the zoning map classification of property located at Tax Map No. 102-00-00-130 consisting of 2.00 acres (Proposed Location: 2061 Highway 917 West, Latta, SC) from Rural (RU) to General Commercial (GC)

A motion to approve Ordinance Reading No. 23-07 was made by Robbie Coward and seconded by Buzzy Finklea. All were in favor.

APPROVAL FOR USE OF COURHOUSE GROUNDS

Empowerment in Action /Pastor Tommy Pittman Date: July 27, 2023 Time: 5-8 PM
A motion was made by Councilman Jamal Campbell to approve Empowerment in Action for

Pastor Tommy Pittman to be held on July 27, 2023 from 5-8 PM. He was seconded by Councilman Robbie Coward. All were in favor.

Councilman Jamal Campbell stated that in the past, once the use of the Courthouse Grounds was approved by the Clerk of Court, it did not have to come before council so he wanted to request that in the future the county administrator be given the authority to approve these request instead of having them go before council. The administrator stated that they would bring that up in a later meeting.

Councilman Dennis Townsend read a correspondence that he received which was a thank you note from Mr. Edison Arnette who is the principal at Lake View High School to County Council which stated that he wanted to personally thank council for their contribution in helping sponsor his surprised retirement luncheon that he had. There were no words to express how touched he was to learn that council was a major part of his celebration in his honor. There was no more noble and important mission than the one that they have at Lake View High School. In his letter he thanked them for their commitment and kindness.

ADJOURN

A motion to adjourn was made by Robbie Coward and seconded by Jamal Campbell. All were in favor.

Stevie Grice, Chairman

Druscilla Blakely, Interim Clerk to Council

Date Approved