

**CHARLTON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
MINUTES  
THURSDAY, MAY 6, 2021  
BOC CONFERENCE ROOM  
6:00 P.M.**

5/6/2021 - Minutes

1. CALL TO ORDER

Those present were: Chairman James Everett, along with Commissioners Alpha Benefield, Jesse Crews, Drew Jones, and Luke Gowen; County Administrator Hampton Raulerson; County Clerk Jenifer Nobles; HR Clerk Becky Harden; County Attorney John Adams; and visitors as recorded hereafter.

2. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

Chairman Everett led the Invocation and Pledge to the Flag.

3. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Commissioner Crews made motion to adopt May 6, 2021 Agenda, after removing item #8 (Consider Approval of Resolution to Submit Application - 2021 CDBG). Motion was seconded by Commissioner Benefield, Board voted; motion carried unanimously.

4. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF MINUTES - 04/01/2021 & 04/15/2021

Commissioner Crews made motion to approve April 1, 2021 and April 15, 2021 Minutes. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Gowen, Board voted; motion carried unanimously.

5. FINANCIAL REPORT (SECOND MEETING)

Commissioner Gowen made motion to approve Financial Report. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Benefield, Board voted; motion carried unanimously.

6. RATIFY CHARLTON COUNTY DAY OF PRAYER PROCLAMATION

Commissioner Crews made motion to ratify approval of Charlton County Day of Prayer Proclamation. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Gowen, Board voted; motion carried unanimously. Copy of Proclamation becomes integral part of Minutes.

7. RATIFY TENDER 50 REPAIR - VFD

Commissioner Gowen made motion to ratify approval of Tender 50 repair for the fire department for Fire Line, Inc. for \$5,804.00. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Jones, Board voted; motion carried unanimously.

8. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION TO SUBMIT APPLICATION (2021 CDBG)

Item removed from this Agenda.

9. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF THE FOLLOWING - CHARLTON COUNTY ENHANCED 911 RESOLUTIONS

The following Resolutions were approved as follows:

A. Commissioner Benefield made motion to approve Resolution Imposing E911 Charge on Prepaid Wireless Service. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Jones, Board voted; motion carried unanimously. Resolution becomes integral part of Minutes.

B. Commissioner Benefield made motion to approve Resolution Authorizing 911 Charges on Telephone Services and Wire Enhanced 911 Charges, Other Than Prepaid Wireless Services. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Gowen, Board voted; motion carried unanimously. Resolution becomes integral part of

Minutes.

C. Commissioner Crews made motion to approve Resolution to Authorize An Enhanced 911 Surcharge on Voice Over Internet Protocol Service. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Benefield, Board voted; motion carried unanimously. Resolution becomes integral part of Minutes.

D. Commissioner Benefield made motion to approve Resolution to Authorize A Wireless Enhanced 911 Charge on Wireless Telecommunications Connections. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Jones, Board voted; motion carried unanimously. Resolution becomes integral part of Minutes.

10. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF CONTRACT #AAA-2022-21

Commissioner Benefield made motion to approve Contract #AAA-2022-21 to Provide Operation of a Senior Center with Congregate and Home Delivered Meals. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Crews, Board voted; motion carried unanimously. Contract beomes integral part of Minutes.

11. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF EXHIBIT A - CLIENT SERVICES AGREEMENT (WELLNESS)

Commissioner Crews made motion to approve Exhibit A to the Client Services Agreement for the Wellness Program, annual fee \$35,640.00. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Benefield, Board voted; Commissioners Crews, Benefield, and Everett voted yes, and Commissioner Jones and Gowen voted no. Motion carried. Agreement becomes integral part of Minutes.

12. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF CULVERT PIPES BIDS

Culvert pipe bids were considered as follows:

Consolidated Pipe and Supply Co., Inc \$47,432.22

Lanier Municipal Supply Co., Inc. \$47,990.95

Ferguson Waterworks \$49,000.00

Commissioner Crews made motion to award bid to Consolidated Pipe and Supply Co., Inc. for \$47,432.22. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Benefield, Board voted; motion carried unanimously. Pipe will be paid from general account for \$30,000.00 and TSPLOST account for \$17,432.22.

13. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF LIMEROCK BIDS

Limerock Bids were considered as follows for 2600 tons.

Pritchett Trucking, Inc. \$22.23

Liberty Trucking - \$24.40

Commissioner Gowen made motion to award bid to Pritchett Trucking for \$22.23 for 2600 tons. Payment to be funded by general account for \$13,318.04, state grant LMIG \$34,650.43, and TSPLOST \$9,829.53. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Jones, Board voted; motion carried unanimously.

14. ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF MARCH, 2021 WELLNESS REPORT

The Board acknowledged receipt of March, 2021 Wellness Report.

15. PUBLIC COMMENTS: (PLEASE LIMIT TO 3 MINUTES)

Daniel Lloyd was present and asked the Board why recreation ball fields are locked up on weekends? The Board responded because of vandalism and theft, but the walk in gates will be unlocked.

Mr. Lloyd also asked about charge of adult softball field for benefit tournament. Commissioner Crews made motion to charge \$300.00 for benefit tournament to be held on Saturday, May 8, 2021 and the Recreation Director and County Administrator will provide a price structure for future rental of adult softball fields.

16. COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS

Sheriff Philips informed the Board that Road Superintendent Pollock will cut down three (3) trees near the Sheriff's Department complex that is causing the sidewalk to break.

Commissioner Everett asked about getting prices for restriping parking lot at the Annex and Courthouse.

Road Superintendent Pollock gave update of Camp Pinckney drainage project, waiting on GDOT concerning diversion of water.

Commissioner Benefield wished everyone a Happy Mother's Day.

17. EXECUTIVE SESSION (IF REQUIRED)

Commissioner Gowen made motion to enter executive session at 6:35 p.m. to discuss personnel and pending litigation. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Benefield, Board voted; motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Everett opened meeting at 6:45 p.m. and stated that personnel and pending litigation was discussed in executive session and no action was taken.

Commissioner Crews made motion to authorize Attorney Adams to submit Proposed ACCG Letter to Governor Kemp and Attorney General Carr, in reference to the pending National Opioid Litigation, on behalf of Charlton County Commissioners. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Benefield, Board voted; motion carried unanimously. Letter becomes integral part of Minutes.

18. NEXT BOC MEETING, THURSDAY, MAY 20, 2021 - BOC CONFERENCE ROOM, 6:00 P.M.

19. ADJOURN

Commissioner Gowen made motion that meeting be adjourned at 6:50 p.m. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Benefield, Board voted; motion carried unanimously.

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James E. Everett, Chairman

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Jenifer Nobles, County Clerk