

**ABBEVILLE COUNTY COUNCIL
BUDGET WORKSHOP
APRIL 4, 2016
MINUTES**

PRESENT: Chairman McClain, Vice Chairman Stone, Councilmen Campbell, Calhoun, Norris and McCord.

ABSENT: Councilman Thomas

CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman McClain called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

INVOCATION:

Councilman Norris gave the invocation.

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT:

Chairman McClain stated for the record that the agenda has been posted and notice has been provided to the local news media as required by the Freedom of Information Act.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Councilman Norris made a motion to go into executive session to obtain legal advice on the budget. Councilman McCord seconded the motion. The motion carried 6-0-0.

ACTION ON EXECUTIVE SESSION ITEMS:

Chairman McClain reconvened the meeting following executive session and announced that no issue discussed in Executive Session required action to be taken by Council.

BUDGET WORKSHOP:

County Director David Porter began the workshop going over the scenarios that are proposed for this coming budget year. Councilman Norris questioned the request for body cameras for the Coroners; Director Porter replied he believed these could be purchased by a grant. Chairman McClain stated the on-line bill pay option has already been nipped in the bud. He also stated maybe we should not do anything this year, just let it ride. Councilman McCord questioned do we have the million for the Landfill closure; Director Porter stated this needed to be taken into consideration. Councilman Campbell questioned if the roof on the Admin. Complex could go another year. Chairman McClain stated get it done now and all agreed that the Director should solicit bids. Councilman Campbell in favor of 2% pay increase and on-line bill pay. Councilmen McCord and Norris in favor of 2/3% pay increase for employees. Chairman McClain adamant on confidence of the County Director and Finance Director to meet payroll increase and was told yes.

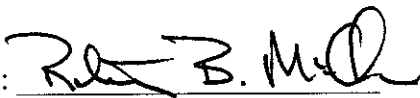
ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further items of discussion Councilman Norris made a motion to adjourn the workshop. Councilman McCord seconded the motion. The motion carried 6-0-0.

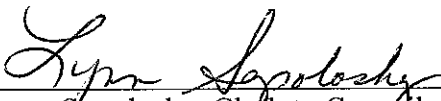
The workshop adjourned at 8:41 p.m.

Done this 11th day of April, 2016

Abbeville County Council

By: 
Robert B. McClain, Chairman

ATTEST:

By: 
Lynn Sopolosky, Clerk to Council