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## COUNTY COUNCIL OF DORCHESTER COUNTY

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**MINUTES  
DORCHESTER COUNTY COUNCIL  
SPECIAL CALLED COUNCIL MEETING  
DORCHESTER COUNTY HUMAN SERVICES BUILDING  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, SUMMERVILLE  
JUNE 27, 2017  
5:00 P.M.**

Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, a notice was posted on the bulletin board 24 hours before the meeting, and the following media outlets were notified: The Eagle-Record, The Summerville Journal Scene, The Post and Courier, WCBD Channel 2, WCIV Channel 4 and WCSC Channel 5.

**PRESENT:** Mr. Jay Byars, Chairman  
Mr. George H. Bailey, Vice Chairman  
Mr. Con Chellis  
Mr. David Chinnis  
Mr. Willie R. Davis  
Mr. Larry S. Hargett  
Mr. William R. Hearn, Jr.  
Mr. Charlie Potts, Deputy Administrator/Community Services  
Mr. Daniel Prentice, Deputy Administrator/CFO  
Mr. John Frampton, County Attorney  
Ms. Tracey L. Langley, Clerk to Council

**ABSENT:** Mr. Jason L. Ward, County Administrator

Chairman Byars called the meeting of Dorchester County Council to order. He invited all to stand for the invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance by Councilman Hearn.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The County Attorney requested Council's consideration to enter into Executive Session to discuss the following:

- Contractual Matter, Agreement between Dorchester County and Old Fort Fire Department providing for the Merger and Incorporation of Old Fort into Dorchester County Fire Rescue

**RECONVENE FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION**

At approximately 5:09 p.m., Mr. Frampton reported that Council discussed the previously announced item, but no action was taken.

1. On the motion of Councilman Chinnis, seconded by Councilman Hearn, County Council voted unanimously, to authorize the Chairman to execute the Agreement between Dorchester County and Old Fort Fire Department providing for the merger and incorporation of Old Fort into Dorchester County Fire Rescue.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The County Attorney requested Council's consideration to entered into a second Executive Session to discuss the following:

- Contractual Matter, County Administrator's Contract
- Contractual Matter, Contract for Legal Services
- Personnel Matter, Deputy Administrator / Chief Financial Officer

**RECONVENE FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION**

At approximately 5:58 p.m., Mr. Frampton reported that Council discussed the previously announced items, but no action was taken.

2. On the motion of Councilman Hearn, seconded by Councilman Chellis, Council voted six in favor, with one absent (Hargett), to authorize Andrew Shepherd to serve as special legal counsel to Dorchester County to provide legal counsel and advice during any periods of unavailability of Mr. Frampton during his medical leave of absence.
3. On the motion of Councilman Chinnis, seconded by Councilman Hearn, Council voted six in favor, with one absent (Hargett), to increase the annual compensation of the County Administrator from \$150,800.00 to \$152,975.00 per year commencing August 1, 2017.
4. On the motion of Councilman Davis, seconded by Councilman Bailey, County Council voted six in favor, with one absent (Hargett), to increase the annual compensation of the Deputy Administrator / Chief Financial Officer by the sum of \$2,435.00 per year commencing the first pay period in July 2017.

**ADJOURNMENT**

5. On the motion of Councilman Davis, seconded by Councilman Chellis, Council voted unanimously to adjourn at approximately 6:00 p.m.

  
Tracey L. Langley, Clerk to Council