In compliance with the Freedom of Information Act, the news media and the public **were** *notified of the time, date, and place along with a copy of the agenda of this meeting and a notice was posted on the outdoor bulletin board at the Batesburg-Leesville Town Hall and the Town's website no later than twenty-four hours prior to the meeting.*

SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING **MAY 24, 2021**

The Special Council Meeting, which was held in Building B of the Town Hall Complex, was called to order by Mayor Shull at 6:00 P. M. Members present were Mayor Shull, Council Member Gambrell, Cain, Wise, Prouse, and Hall. Council Member Etheredge arrived at 6:05, Council Member Lemon and Mitchell were absent.

INVOCATION

The invocation was given by Council Member Prouse.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Council Member Gambrell led the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion was made by Council Member Gambrell with a second by Council Member Prouse to approve the agenda. With no discussion, a vote was taken.
VOTE: 6 Approved 0 Denied

NEW BUSINESS

A. First Reading – **Ordinance to Provide for the Issuance and Sale of a Revenue Bond Not to Exceed Four Million Dollars ($4,000,000) for Improvements Related to Water and Wastewater Systems and Facilities** was held. A motion was made by Council Member Gambrell with a second by Council Member Prouse to approve first reading. A lengthy discussion was held during which "Point of Order" was called two times. Council Member Gambrell called for a vote to end discussion.
VOTE: 5 Approved 2 Denied – Council Member Cain, Hall

***Council Member Etheredge arrived during the discussion.*

A vote was taken on first reading of the Ordinance.
VOTE: 5 Approved 2 Denied – Council Member Cain, Hall

NEW BUSINESS CONT'D.

B. Approval of Contractor for Two (2) Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvement Projects

A motion was made by Council Member Prouse with a second by Council Member Wise to award both projects to the low bidder, North American Construction Company, Inc. of Florence, S. C.; aeration basin #1, $371,450 and the head works, $2,271,650. With no discussion, a vote was taken.
VOTE: 6 Approved 1 Denied – Council Member Cain

C. First Reading – **Ordinance Adopting the Fiscal Year 2021/2022 Budget for the Town** was held. A motion was made by Council Member Prouse with a second by Council Member Gambrell to adopt the budget as presented in Council's packet. After discussion, a vote was taken.
VOTE: 5 Approved 2 Denied – Council Member Cain, Hall

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Council Member Prouse with a second by Council Member Wise to adjourn at 6:17 P. M. With no discussion, a vote was taken.
VOTE: 7 Approved 0 Denied

Approved this 14th day of June 2021.

Lancer D. Shull, Mayor

ATTEST:

Judy E. Edwards, Town Clerk