



**Clarendon County Council Regular Monthly Meeting
Agenda - Monday, July 13, 2026 - 6:00 pm
Clarendon County Council, Council Chamber
411 Sunset Drive, Manning, SC 29102**

1. Introductory Remarks

2. Invocation

3. Pledge of Allegiance

4. Approval of Agenda

July 13, 2026, Regular County Council Meeting Agenda.

5. Approval of Minutes

Approval of the Minutes for the Regular Council Meeting held on Monday, June 8, 2026.

6. Service Awards Recognition – Leonard Lowery, HR Director

7. Public Comments (Total of five (5) available speaking spots, three (3) minutes per speaker)

You must sign in with the Clerk before the meeting begins.

8. Board Appointments

Authorization to appoint and reappoint the following members to serve another term:

- **Authorization to appoint Betsy Rhodes Owens to the Disabilities and Special Needs Board.**
- **Authorization to reappoint Kathleen Gibson, Alan L. Gibbons, Connie Gamble, and Nelson Walker to the Disabilities and Special Needs Board.**
- **Authorization to reappoint Louis Griffith, Lannes Prothro, and Steven Carl Gamble, Jr. to the Planning Commission**
- **Authorization to reappoint Donald Bethume, Justin Bailey McArthur, Bon Gardner, and Julie Rickenbaker to the Assessment Appeals Board.**
- **Authorization to appoint Kyle Austin Merce to the Clarendon County Building Board of Appeals to serve one term representing District 2.**

9. Special Recognition

Recognizing the Recreation Department Clarendon County All Stars Baseball team for an outstanding season.

10. Presentation – Donna Prince, Clarendon County Assessor

Property Assessment

11. Hazard Mitigation Plan

A representative from the Santee Lynches Regional Council of Government (SLRCOG)

12. Easement

Authorization to execute the attached Duke Energy Progress, LLC Easement

13. Proclamation

A Proclamation proclaiming July 17th as Summerton Rotary Day in Clarendon County in observance of their 20th anniversary.

14. Ordinance 2026-09

Consideration of the Third and Final Reading of Ordinance 2026-09 – AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF A NOT EXCEEDING \$2,500,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND, IN ONE OR MORE SERIES, IN ONE OR MORE YEARS, WITH

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APPROPRIATE SERIES DESIGNATIONS, INCLUDING A TAX-EXEMPT SERIES AND A TAXABLE SERIES, IF APPROPRIATE, OF CLARENDON COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA; FIXING THE FORM AND DETAILS OF THE BOND; PROVIDING FOR THE PAYMENT OF THE BOND; AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR TO DETERMINE CERTAIN MATTERS RELATING TO THE BOND; PROVIDING FOR THE PAYMENT OF THE BOND AND THE DISPOSITION OF THE PROCEEDS THEREOF; AND OTHER MATTERS RELATING THERETO.

15. Public Hearing – Ordinance 2026-10

AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF CLARENDON COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA TO AMEND THE COUNTY'S OFFICIAL ZONING MAP DESIGNATION FOR TAX MAP PARCEL #239-00-05-003-00; FROM INDUSTRIAL II (IND II) TO AGRICULTURE II (AGII) AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

16. Ordinance 2026-10

Consideration of the Second Reading of Ordinance 2026-10 – AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF CLARENDON COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA TO AMEND THE COUNTY'S OFFICIAL ZONING MAP DESIGNATION FOR TAX MAP PARCEL #239-00-05-003-00; FROM INDUSTRIAL II (IND II) TO AGRICULTURE II (AGII) AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

17. Ordinance 2026-11

Consideration of the First Reading of Ordinance 2026-11 – AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING (1) A POLICY REGARDING REQUESTS FOR PUBLIC RECORDS UNDER THE SOUTH CAROLINA FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT; (2) A FEE SCHEDULE FOR RESPONDING TO REQUESTS UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT; AND (3) OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO.

18. Ordinance 2026-12

Consideration of the First Reading of Ordinance 2026-12 – AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND RESTATING CERTAIN TERMS OF ORDINANCE NO. 2026-02 TO CHANGE THE RATE OF CLARENDON COUNTY'S LOCAL HOSPITALITY TAX ON THE SALE OF PREPARED MEALS AND BEVERAGES SOLD IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF THE COUNTY AND OTHER MATTERS RELATING THERETO.

19. Ordinance 2026-13

Consideration of the First Reading of Ordinance 2026-13 - AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CLARENDON COUNTY ORDINANCE NO. 2025-07, WHICH APPROVED AND ADOPTED THE FISCAL YEAR 2025/2026 BUDGET FOR CLARENDON COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA.

20. Ordinance 2026-14

Consideration of the First Reading of Ordinance 2026-14 - AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION, EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2027, OF THE REDUCTION IN THE TAXABLE VALUE OF BOATS, WATERCRAFT, AND AFFIXED OUTBOARD MOTORS BY FORTY-TWO AND 86/100 PERCENT AS AUTHORIZED BY SECTION 12-37-220(B)(54) OF THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA 1976, AS AMENDED; AND OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO.

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21. Ordinance 2026-15

Consideration of the First Reading of Ordinance 2026-15 – AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE PROPERTY TAX MILLAGE RATES AS ADOPTED AS PART OF THE FY 2026/2027 BUDGET.

22. Finance Report – Nelson Gibbons, Finance Director

23. Administrator’s Report –Walt Ackerman, County Administrator

24. Chairman’s Report – Jay Johnson, Chairman of County Council

25. Executive Session

- Contractual Matter

26. Open Session

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27. Adjournment

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CERTIFICATION OF PUBLIC AND MEDIA NOTIFICATION

I, Dorothy M. Levy, Clerk to Clarendon County Council, Manning, South Carolina, do hereby certify that public and media notification of the Clarendon County Council Meeting for July 13, 2026, was given prior thereto by the following means:

PUBLIC NOTIFIED	MANNER NOTIFIED		DATE NOTIFIED
YES	Agenda posted at Clarendon County Administration Building, Public Library, and Clarendon County Website		July 10, 2026
MEDIA NOTIFIED	MANNER NOTIFIED		DATE NOTIFIED
YES	Agenda emailed to The MANNING TIMES, THE ITEM, AND THE FLORENCE MORNING NEWS		July 10, 2026
PUBLIC HEARING	ADVERTISED	MANNER NOTIFIED	DATE NOTIFIED
YES	YES	THE ITEM	June 20, 2026

Respectfully submitted,

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