

**Council Members**

District 1: Terry Graham  
District 2: Charlene McGriff  
District 3: Billy Mosteller  
District 4: Jose Luis  
District 5: Steve Harper  
District 6: Allen Blackmon  
District 7: Brian Carnes

**County Administrator**

Dennis E. Marstall

**County Attorney**

Ginny L. Merck-Dupont

**Clerk to Council**

Sherrie Simpson

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January 13, 2023

6:45 AM

101 North Main Street  
Lancaster, SC 29720

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**LANCASTER COUNTY COUNCIL**  
**County Council Conference Room, County**  
**Administration Building, 101 North Main Street,**  
**Lancaster, SC 29720**

**WORKSHOP MINUTES**

Council Members present: Allen Blackmon, Brian Carnes, Steve Harper (*who joined the meeting once the group arrived at the Horry County Detention Center for the tour and who left the meeting immediately following the tour and lunch*), Jose Luis

Council Members absent: Terry Graham, Charlene McGriff and Billy Mosteller

Staff Members/Others present: Dennis Marstall, County Administrator; Sheriff Barry Faile, Lancaster County Sheriff's Office; and Captain Larry Deason, Jail Director

A quorum of Lancaster County Council was present for the tour and lunch only; however, there was *not a quorum of Lancaster County Council for the opening and adjournment of the meeting and for the ride to and from Horry County*. The following press were notified of the meeting by e-mail in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act: *The Lancaster News, Kershaw News Era, The Rock Hill Herald*, Cable News 2, Channel 9 and the local government channel. The agenda was posted in the lobby of the County Administration Building and also on the County website the required length of time.

**Call to Order - Vice-Chair Brian Carnes**

Vice-Chair Brian Carnes opening the meeting at approximately 6:45 a.m.

**Approval of the Agenda**

There was no quorum during the Approval of the Agenda and, so, there was not a vote regarding the Approval of the Agenda.

**Discussion and Action Items**

**Council Members Depart for Tour from the Administration Building, 101 North Main Street, Lancaster, SC 29720**

Allen Blackmon, Brian Carnes, Jose Luis and staff boarded the bus at approximately 7:00 a.m. and drove to Horry County, J. Reuben Long Detention Center for the tour of the facility. There was *not* a quorum of Council present during the ride to the Detention Center.

**Site Visit - Horry County, J Reuben Long Detention Center**

- Address: 4150 J Reuben Long Avenue, Conway, South Carolina 29526

Allen Blackmon, Brian Carnes, Jose Luis, and staff arrived at the Horry County, J. Reuben Long Detention Center at approximately 9:30 a.m. They were joined by Steve Harper. During this time, there was a quorum of County Council present.

At approximately 10:00 a.m., Council and staff received an overview of the Detention Center's classification process, had a question and answer session with the Detention Center's leadership staff, and held discussions on operations and lessons learned regarding the Detention Center. They then toured the facility, including the various jail pods, medical and dental pods, kitchen pod, and magistrate facilities.

After the lunch that was provided by Horry County, Steve Harper left the group at approximately 2:00 p.m. and did not return with them to Lancaster County. Also, at that time, the remaining group members, Allen Blackmon, Brian Carnes, Jose Luis, and staff, boarded the bus and returned to the Lancaster County Administration building. During the ride back to Lancaster County, there was *not* a quorum of County Council present.

**Return to County Administration Building, 101 North Main Street, Lancaster, SC 29720**

The group arrived back at the Lancaster County Administration building at approximately 4:40 p.m.

**Adjournment**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at approximately 4:40 p.m.