

June 5, 1975

The Oconee County Council meeting was opened by Vice-Chairman J. Harold Thomas in the absence of Chairman Lamar Bailes who was absent due to summer encampment. The prayer was offered by Buddy Herring.

Councilman Ramey moved to accept the minutes of the May 22nd meeting. This was seconded by Mr. Moore, all members voting in favor of accepting the minutes as printed.

Mr. Jack Scales who was on the agenda was not present.

Mrs. Edna Palmer requested help from the prisoners in cleaning the Neville Cemetary above Walhalla. Councilman Ramey told Council it was the opinion of the County Attorney that this type of work would fall in the same category as private work and would not be legal. Mrs. Palmer stated that her search of the records has shown that the cemetary does not belong to anyone. In light of this fact Council agreed to discuss it again with the County Attorney. It was referred to Mr. Moore's committee by Vice-Chairman Thomas.

Councilman Moore told Council he had checked on the boat ramp on Lake Hartwell, requested by Mr. Galloway at an earlier meeting. Mr. Galloway agreed to pour the ramp, asking the County only to shape the road. Mr. Moore recommended Council approve this, in the form of a motion which was seconded by Mr. Ramey. All voted in favor. There will be no cost to the users of the ramp and it will be conveniently located near the Duke Nuclear Plant.

Policy Resolution # 75-9 pertaining to paving existing County roads received 2nd reading and was adopted upon a motion by Mr. Ramey, seconded by Mr. Herring. All in favor.

Richard Laye reported that the grant for the dispatchers and records keeping clerks had been approved. The building on Long Mountain is now complete with the electrical lines being installed. Councilman Herring requested Council to set the salaries of these jobs at least by June 9th.

Councilman Moore read a letter from the Municipal Association requesting help on their streets. It was referred to Mr. Moore's Committee.

Councilman Ramey presented a deed and plat from James Campbell and Ernest Alexander developers, to Oconee County for acceptance of the street known as Curt Street in the Southern Meadows Subdivision. It was moved by Mr. Herring to refer this to Mr. Moore's Committee with formal action to be taken at the next meeting. This was seconded by Mr. Ramey, all votes were in favor.

Mr. Herring offered, as information, a letter from Mr. Murdock requesting the \$50.00 limit<sup>ON</sup> purchases be raised to \$500.00 for the Health Department. A recommendation on this to come later.

In Committee reports, Mr. Ramey told Council that the appointments to the Planning Commission are complete at present. He also gave a report of the Municipal Association meeting he attended this week and also on his trip to the Regional Associates meeting in Boston.

Mr. Thomas told Council of a gift from the late Mrs. Eloise Wiley of \$2,000.00 for capital improvements at Lakeview Rest Home. Unanimous approval was given to authorize Mr. Thomas to send a letter to Attorney J. Pat Miley to forward the money to the County Treasurer. Council also agreed to write a letter of thanks.

Tri-County Tec has requested Council to submit a letter to Dr. Don Garrison committing \$28,500.00 for the fiscal year 1976-77 for proposed animal industry, veterinary assistance and automotive buildings, and \$40,000.00 for 1977-78 for perimeter road and parking.

This commitment to enable Tri-County Tec to secure a grant. It was moved by Mr. Herring to do this, it was seconded by Mr. Moore and unanimously approved.

Mr. Laye has been informed that funds could be obtained for capital improvements for Rural Fire Control. The County would be required to furnish matching funds.

Mr. Moore made a motion to allow Mr. Laye to request these funds. Mr. Ramey seconded this motion and all members voted yes.

The request for 2 crusher jaws from the Supervisor was referred to committee.

A request from Fairplay School for surface treating their parking area was referred to Mr. Moores committee.

Mr. Thomas reported the County had collected \$45,000.00 in back taxes.

Councilman Herring moved to go into executive session. This received a second from Mr. Ramey. All members voted yes.