

MINUTES OCONEE COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING DECEMBER 18, 1975

The regular meeting of the Oconee County Council was called to order by Chairman Bailes. Invocation was by Mr. Herring. Mr. Ramey was absent.

Mr. Thomas moved to accept the minutes of the December 8th meeting as printed. Mr. Moore seconded and all votes were in favor.

Mr. Herring reported that the small refrigerator and stove has been installed in the Communications Center as well as the heating and air conditioning systems. He also stated that the center needs painting and hopefully this can be done with manpower help the only cost then being the paint.

Mr. Moore presented the road priority list and it was discussed by Council. Mr. Thomas moved to start immediately to get a county map drawn showing county road numbers at a cost of approximately \$100.00. Mr. Moore seconded and it was approved.

So far five applicants for the County Purchasing Director's job have been interviewed, five are scheduled this date and the balance to be interviewed December 22nd.

In Committee reports Mr. Thomas announced that 16,000 tax notices have been mailed and it has not been necessary to borrow money this year. With taxes now being paid it is hoped that no money will have to be borrowed.

Mr. Thomas introduced a motion to allow up to \$50,000 for preliminary plans and architectural fees for the Westminster Middle School. Mr. Moore seconded Mr. Thomas motion and the vote was unanimously in favor. Mr. Thomas then moved to provide additional funds to enable the school board to accept bids for the addition and renovation projects for Oakway, Salem and Westminster schools. Mr. Moore seconded and the vote was unanimously in favor.

Mr. Herring seconded the motion by Mr. Moore to authorize the School Board to borrow up to one million dollars if needed. All votes were yes.

Chairman Bailes read a letter from Citizens for Better Schools in Seneca requesting capitol improvements for schools in the Seneca area.

Chairman Bailes requested a meeting with the Aeronautics Commission early in January. He also announced that due to New Years Holiday the next regular County Council meeting would be January 8th.

Mr. Thomas moved to implement the receipt-ledger procedures that has been discussed by Council with the County Auditors. This is for the four offices concerned with writing receipts. Mr. Moore seconded the motion and it was passed.

Chairman Bailes requested Mr. Thomas's Committee to meet early in January to recommend proposed salaries for elected officials who will be running for office in 1976.

Meeting adjourned at 9 P.M.