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April 15, 1976

MINUTES OF OCONEE COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING APRIL 15, 1976

The Oconee County Council meeting was opened by Chairman Bailes. Invocation by Mr. Frank Barrett.

It was moved by Mr. Ramey and passed unanimously to accept minutes of April 1 meeting as printed.

Dr. H. H. Wells told Council of his needs for a new high school in Seneca.

Mr. C.G. Dalton requested a new Elementary School for Salem and Mr. Frank Barrett spoke in behalf of the Citizens of Westminster citing the need of a new Middle School there.

Council agreed that these projects should be seen as one project and they reaffirmed their previous commitment to build these schools. Council told the interested Citizens for the three areas they would ask County Attorney W. J. Fedder to prepare a resolution that will allow the sale of Bonds needed for the three schools at an approximate cost of (9) nine million dollars.

Mr. Thomas announced that total tax collection stands at \$6,496,265.00. He announced that there would be no penalty on taxes until May 1, 1976. The walkie talkie for Litter Officer has been ordered from General Electric.

In Committee reports Mr. Moore announced that the road program was progressing. State Highway crews have finished with the engineering of two roads and are presently working on others. Mr. Moore recommended the hiring of a man to work in connection with the road construction program such as checking on the contractors, right-of-ways, etc.

Mr. Ramey asked that a resolution be prepared wishing a speedy recovery for Mrs. "Mountain Bessie" Smith of Mt. Rest.

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In Committee reports Mr. Herring requested Council's approval for the acceptance of bids for the Rural Fire truck Chassis form Auto Sales Company, Walhalla for \$8,370.00 and the bid from The Howe Co. for the apparatus at \$32,954.00 (tax incl) Mr. Herring moved, Mr. Moore seconded and approval was granted.

Mr. Herring stated he felt a budget of between 70,000.00 and 80,000.00 would be necessary for the drug squad. This was discussed but no action was taken.

Mr. Thomas moved and Mr. Herring seconded they adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 10:00 P M.

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TO: MOUNTAIN BESSIE, HONORABLE GOVERNOR OF MOUNTAIN REST, S.C.

WE ARE VERY SORRY TO HEAR OF YOUR ILLNESS AND ARE PULLING
FOR YOUR SPEEDY AND COMPLETE RECOVERY.

SINCERELY,

OCONEE COUNTY COUNCIL

Lamar Bailes

Hercial Moore

J. Harold Thomas

Robert L. Ramey

Buddy D. Herring