

AMENDED - Only change see footnote

MINUTES OCONEE COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING SEPTEMBER 16, 1980

The regular meeting of County Council was opened by Chairman Phinney with all Members present. Invocation was given by Mr. Henry Cater.

Minutes of the September 2nd meeting were approved as furnished. Motion by Dr. Earle, second by Mr. Ables.

County Treasurer, Henry Cater, along with Mr. Walter Kay, of Smith Data Processing Company, discussed with Council a proposed contract for Smith Data to prepare vehicle tax notices beginning October 15th. This contract is required due to the new vehicle taxing law passed earlier this year. After discussion, Mr. Ables moved to approve from the contingency account the amount called for in the contract for this service (\$14,597.40) - second by Mrs. Jennings - the vote 5-0.

~~Mr. Fred Ensley of the American Family Life Insurance Company dis-~~cussed an insurance program he would like to offer county employees (at no cost to the county). Mrs. Jennings moved to give Mr. Ensley permission to discuss this with the Personnel Department and the Department Heads after January 1st or when the new payroll system is able to handle extra deductions - second by Mr. Ables - the vote 5-0.

Motion by Mr. Frady second by Mr. Ables and unanimously passed to give permission to the Golden Corner Credit Union to allow County Employees to join their Organization after January 1st or when the payroll system is able to handle the payroll deduction.

The renovation project at the Law Enforcement Center to comply with regulations for housing women and juveniles was discussed. Mrs. Jennings moved to accept the low bid of \$40,790 from the Vector Corp. and to negotiate with Vector to determine if a cost reduction can be made and still comply with the standards - second by Mr. Frady - the vote 4-0. (Dr. Earle was absent at the time of the vote).*

Mrs. Jennings summarized the status of Resources Recovery Study that Oconee County had previously agreed to participate in. Already, the County has agreed, by Resolution, to provide \$4,100 toward this study. She stated that a Mr. Prister had a study underway which could result in an incenerator being located somewhere in the Anderson-Oconee-Pickens area so that these three counties could use the incenerator to dispose of putrusible refuge/garbage. Should this become a reality, it could alter our concept for land-fills as well as modify our current methods of garbage pick-up and disposal. She presented this to Council as information only.

Mr. Crain moved to allow the Council Chairman to sign the contract with the State Highway Department to do the survey for the Middle School Road at a cost of \$1,500 to \$2,000. Dr. Earle seconded the motion which passed by a 4-1 vote (voting against - Mrs. Jennings).

Dr. Earle reported the personnel study is progressing well and it is hoped Council will have the recommendations from Mr. Jerry Borwn who is conducting this study in a few weeks. He also reported the CETA audits through 1979 have been completed and he will have more information on this later.

* It was agreed for the difference of \$13,040 to come from the contingency account
\$ 40,790 Bid (less \$1,000 work by county) plus \$ 2,750 for architects total \$42,540
Amt in Budget \$29,500 - Bal \$13,040

Council made no recommendation at this time on the mandated higher insurance rates totaling \$1,212.30 to cover tornados, water, sonic boom etc. on county buildings constructed with federal funds.

A request has been received for office space for the Youth Services Bureau. An office was furnished them last year at the Planning Commission and that office is still available. It was approved to allow Youth Services to use their same office. They also requested a telephone (no long distance calls), however Council agreed to request them to furnish their own telephone.

Since insurnace for the Brown Building was not included in the 80-81 budget, Mr. Ables moved to pay the premium amounting to \$273.75 from the contingency account. Dr. Earle seconded - The vote 5-0.

Council Members agreed to furnish a beef for use at the Childrens Home.

Dr. Earle recommended Mr. Jesse C. Neville, Walhalla to the Rural Fire Board - It was agreed.

Dr. Earle moved to request the State Tax Commission to make a determination to see if our tax reassessment program is progressing on schedule as required, second by Mr. Crain - The vote 5-0.

It was announced by Dr. Earle that the COG meeting will be held September 26th at Keowee Key and all Council Members are invited.

Meeting adjourned at 4:45 P.M.