

MINUTES OCONEE COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING

The regular Oconee County Council Meeting was held March 3, 1981 with all members present.

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor-Chairman Crain.

The invocation was given by Mr. Butts.

Mr. Crain welcomed the guests and media.

Mr. Butts made a motion, seconded by Mr. Williams, approved 4 - 0 to approve the minutes of the February 17, 1981 meeting.

Mr. Ken Williams, County Auditor presented to the Council a contract with Smith Data Processing Co. Mr. Butts made a motion, seconded by Mr. Williams, approved 4 - 0 that this contract be accepted for fiscal year 1981 - 82.

Mr. Walt Purcell gave an update on the evacuation exercise of Emergency Preparedness. In the briefing he stated that everything went according to plan until they received a real bomb threat. He also expressed his appreciation to the Council and media for their cooperation. There will be another exercise in April 1982.

Mr. D. E. Medford, Assessor gave an update on the reassessment program in the county. He used a county map to point out the areas in which all field visits have been completed. He also stated that the Assessor's Office had completed 50% of the commercial property in Seneca and 90 to 92% of the commercial property in Walhalla that they are responsible for. He also pointed out that all building permits have to have both the 1975 and the 1980 values placed on them.

Mr. Tom Burnett of Southern Bell Telephone Co. presented Council with a 911 Emergency Number Service Plan.

The enhanced 911 plan would be data based with alternate routing of lines. The basic 911 plan would replace the seven digit number with a three digit number.

Mr. Brandt made a motion, seconded by Mr. Butts, approved 4 - 0 that the County purchase a tractor, the Case 2090 from Oconee Implement Co. at a cost of \$21,441.33 plus tax.

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Mr. Butts made a motion that the County purchase a front end loader from Van Lock Co. at a cost of \$176,800 including tax. Payment would not be due until July 15, 1981. This motion was seconded by Mr. Williams, approved 4 - 0.

Mr. Williams made a motion, seconded by Dr. Earle, approved 4 - 0 to pay \$215.00 from contingency fund to Dunn & Bradstreet for books used by the Planning Commission.

Dr. Earle made a motion, seconded by Mr. Butts, approved 4 - 0 that Mr. Homer Hardy, P. O. Box 621, Westminster, S. C. replace Duke Cleveland on the PRT Commission.

Dr. Earle made a motion, seconded by Mr. Butts, approved 4 - 0 that Mrs. Theodore Shuler replace Mr. Ben Sullivan as PRT Director.

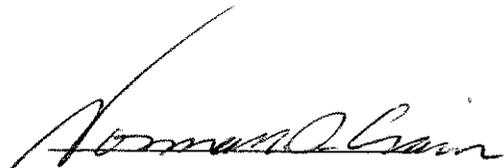
Mr. Crain read a request from Law Enforcement for Fire Equipment at a cost of \$15,535.00. He then asked Mr. Brandt to look into this matter and report back to Council.

Mr. Crain read a letter from Senator Hollings in which he states possible reductions in President Reagan's economic package would almost certainly eliminate the ARC funding for Oconee County.

Mr. Crain read a request from Mr. Fred Hamilton, Superintendent of Education in which he asked for \$50,000.00 to rennovate the old Walhalla Middle School and \$27,000.00 for janitorial and utility services. He then asked Mr. Williams & Dr. Earle to look into the matter and report back to Council.

Mr. Crain read a letter from the U. S. Forestry in which they purposed exchanging certain tracts of land for the purpose of maintaining certain roads.

Adjourn: 8:05 P.M.



Norman D. Crain, Supervisor