

MINUTES, OCONEE COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING, JANUARY 5, 1981

The regular Oconee County Council Meeting was held January 5, 1982 at 7:00 P.M. with all members present.

Members of the press present: Steve Matthews - Greenville News, Cobb Oxford - Seneca Journal, George Allgood - WGOG Radio & Ashton Hester - Keowee Courier.

The invocation was given by Mr. Williams.

Mr. Butts made a motion, seconded by Dr. Earle, approved 5 - 0 to adopt the minutes of the December 15, 1981 meeting.

Mr. Doyle Kay of the Anderson-Oconee Alcohol & Drug Abuse Center addressed Council on the possibility of that agency making their own annual progress reports to the South Carolina Commission on Alcohol & Drug Abuse as referred to in Section 61-5-360 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina.

Mr. Butts made a motion to allow the Anderson-Oconee Alcohol & Drug Abuse Center to make the annual progress reports. This motion was seconded by Mr. Brandt. Dr. Earle asked that the motion be amended to read that they would furnish County Council with copies of these reports. There were no objections to this amendment. The motion was adopted 4 - 1 with Mr. Harper voting against the motion.

Mr. Crain informed Council that although the revenue realized on mini-bottles is not a budgeted item the county attorney informed him that this money had to be passed on to the Commission. Dr. Earle made a motion, seconded by Mr. Brandt that this money be sent to the Anderson-Oconee Alcohol Drug Abuse Commission. The motion was adopted 4 - 0 with Mr. Harper abstaining.

Mr. Crain asked that Mr. Kay attend at least one Council Meeting quarterly to brief Council on the operation of the Anderson-Oconee Alcohol-Drug Abuse Commission.

Dr. Earle made a motion that Mr. Cater be allowed to keep his temporary personnel until January 31, 1982. This motion was seconded by Mr. Williams, approved 5 - 0.

Sheriff Earl Holcombe addressed Council on funds for the following accounts: \$500 deposited in General Funds from calendar sales and \$700 deposited in General Funds from drug fines be transferred into Account Number 04 32 00 1, Operational, \$1500 be transferred into Account Number 04 18 01 1, Out of County Travel, \$900 be transferred into Account Number 04 35 00 1, Materials, \$6000 be transferred into Account Number 04 25 00 1, Professional, \$450 be transferred into Account Number 31 31 00 1, Office Supplies.

Mr. Brandt made a motion, seconded by Mr. Williams, approved 5 - 0 that \$1200 be transferred from contingency into Account Number 04 32 00 1.

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Mr. Brandt made a motion, seconded by Mr. Butts, approved 5 - 0 that \$1500 be transferred from contingency into Account Number 04 18 01 1.

Mr. Brandt made a motion, seconded by Mr. Butts, approved 5 - 0 that \$900 be transferred from contingency into Account Number 04 35 00 1.

Mr. Brandt made a motion, seconded by Mr. Butts, approved 5 - 0 that \$450 be transferred from contingency into Account Number 31 31 00 1.

Mr. Brandt made a motion, seconded by Mr. Harper, approved 5 - 0 that \$3000 be transferred from contingency into Account Number 04 25 00 1.

Mr. Walt Purcell, Emergency Preparedness Director & Mr. Joe Woodruff of Champion Map Co. addressed the Council on the possibility of that Company preparing maps of the county with no cost involved in the preparation of the maps and no commitment from the county to purchase these maps. The maps are \$59.50, \$69.50 with wooden rails and \$79.50 for the ones that roll up and down.

Mr. Harper made a motion, seconded by Mr. Brandt, approved 5 - 0 to allow Champion Map Co. be allowed to make these maps with no commitment from the county and at no cost to the county.

Mr. Richard LaBarre of the Governor's Office addressed Council on adopting the ECIP Program for this year. This program is designed to help families overcome a temporary crisis situation with \$5807 for heating \$1450 for cooling and \$362 for administrative costs. The program would have the same guidelines as the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program. It will serve approximately eighty homes with each household receiving around \$72.00.

After considerable discussion Mr. Harper made a motion, seconded by Mr. Williams, approved 3 - 2 to accept this program. Mr. Brandt & Mr. Butts voted against the motion.

Mr. Gregg Bennett of COG asked for a submission letter to the Justice Department on the reapportionment plan for Oconee County. He asked that in this letter we ask for expedition due to the March filing deadline to run for office.

Dr. Earle made a motion, seconded by Mr. Butts, approved 5 - 0 to accept Mr. Bennett's proposal.

Mr. Williams made a motion, seconded by Dr. Earle, approved 5 - 0 to pay Thrift Bros. \$22,200 from contingency for completion of Sewer Lagoons for the cities. These lagoons have been approved by DHEC.

Mr. Williams made a motion, seconded by Dr. Earle, approved 5 - 0 to refund Mr. C. D. Perry \$44.55 on a property tax notice that should have been classified as agricultural property and was not.

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Mr. Crain informed Council that on December 29, 1981 & January 4, 1982 the two defendants in the missing gas case paid the county a combined total of \$16,200.

Mr. Crain informed Council that SHARE had signed a contract with the state to administer the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program and had asked County Council to appoint an advisory committee. They suggested the committee be made up of nine members - one-third elected officials, one-third business persons and one-third to represent poor people. He then asked the Intergovernmental Committee to make recommendations for these committee members.

Mr. Crain announced that the Rock Crusher had projected an income of \$120,000 for twelve months and at the end of six months they had already taken in \$133,104.21.

Mr. Crain referred to Ordinance 75-7 (Acceptance of New Roads in Subdivisions) whereby the owner of a subdivision would grade a road, pay for the gravel and with the owner paying for the material to pave the road with the county furnishing the labor and to Ordinance 79-9 which amends Ordinance 75-7 which amends Ordinance 75-7 by requiring the subdivider to pave the road before the county accepts it for any work.

There are approximately twenty (20) subdivision roads conditionally accepted under Ordinance 75-7 where the subdivider had not payed for the materials to cause these roads to be paved.

Also, there are several roads that the county has maintained for a number of years but have never been added to the county map and there are several roads that citizens have asked to be taken over by the county.

He then asked the Roads & Transportation Committee to make a recommendation to Council concerning these matters at the next Council meeting if possible.

On motion made by Mr. Williams, seconded by Dr. Earle, approved 5 - 0 the following Board Members were appointed for a four year term:

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| PRT Commission | Ernest Riley |
| CCS Commission | Jerry Arrington |
| Rural Fire Commission | Dewitt Mize |

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Council agreed to lease the Food Service Building from the School Department for \$1.00 per year for twenty-five (25) years. Since the School Department is already leasing the Old Discount Mart from the County for \$1.00 per year it was agreed that no checks be written.

Mr. Brandt made a motion, seconded by Mr. Williams, approved 5 - 0 that LEC be allowed to purchase a washer & dryer at \$625 plus tax and be paid for from contingency.

Adjourn: 8:55 P.M.



Norman D. Cain