

MINUTES, OCONEE COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING

The regular meeting of the Oconee County Council was held Tuesday, January 20, 1987 at 3:00 PM in Council Chambers with all Council Members and the County Attorney present.

Members of the press notified (by mail): Seneca Journal, Keowee Courier, Greenville News, Anderson Independent, The Oconee Leader, WGOG Radio, WCCP Radio, WSNW Radio, WYFF TV & WLOS TV.

Press

Members of the press present: Sue Nolan - Seneca Journal, Dave Partenheimer - WSNW Radio, Dick Mangrum - WGOG Radio, & Dave Givens - The Oconee Leader.

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor-Chairman Crain who welcomed the guests and media.

The invocation was given by Mr. Dyar.

Invocation.

Mr. Williams made a motion, seconded by Mr. Dyar, approved 5 - 0 that the minutes of the January 6, 1987 meeting be adopted as printed.

Minutes

First on the agenda was a public hearing concerning designating the land around the Coneross Reservoir as a Wildlife Sanctuary.

Public
Hearing
(Wildlife
Sanctuary)

Mr. John Ed Smith told Council he had nothing against the development of Hunter's Run Subdivision, but he felt like the sanctuary would be for Mr. Moss's benefit.

Mr. Glen Moore wanted to know how much land was involved, how much county land was involved, how much lake frontage was involved, what would happen if we needed another landfill, if Mr. Moss wanted to sell the property what would the cost be to the county and would there be any picnic shelters, nature trails or picnic areas, if so who would pay for them.

Mr. Alvin Freeman of the Soil & Water Commission stated there were twenty (20) acres in water which is county owned and a total of fifty-seven (57) acres in the lake. (See attached copy of permit, plat and easement)

Mr. Corky Moss stated he would like to have the land on the left side of the lake, the acreage leased as pasture and the field leased by an individual declared as a wildlife sanctuary.

Mr. Lee Davis stated he was against the wildlife sanctuary.

Mr. Bobby Whitten stated he would hate to see the land made into a sanctuary, but if it is done he would like to have the road where he lives blocked off.

Mr. Luke Cantrell stated he did not think it was the hunters that were killing the fowl.

Mrs. Dale Underwood, a resident of Hunter's Run Subdivision stated she felt the fact that an accident could happen should be taken into consideration.

Mr. Moss stated he was concerned about safety and also the wildlife.

Mr. L. L. Gaddy stated a possible solution would be to declare the open water area and a small area around the lake, perhaps seventy-five (75) to two hundred (200) yards as a wildlife sanctuary.

Mr. Williams stated several people had contacted him and requested the property be left as is.

Mr. Crain referred this to the Building & Grounds Committee and asked them to make a recommendation at the next Council Meeting if possible.

The Building & Grounds Committee set a meeting Tuesday, January 27, 1987 at 5:00 PM at the property site to view the property.

At the request of Ms. Nancy Page of McNair Law Firm Mr. Dyar made a motion, seconded by Mr. Butts, approved 5 - 0 that Resolution 87-1, "A Resolution Making Application To The State Budget & Control Board of South Carolina For Approval Of The Issuance By Oconee County, South Carolina, Of Its Pollution Control Revenue Bonds, Consisting of (1) Not Exceeding \$25,000,000 Annual Tender Pollution Control Revenue Bonds, Series 1987A (Duke Power Company Project, and (2) Not Exceeding \$28,000,000 Annual Tender Pollution Control Revenue Bonds, Series 1987B (Duke Power Company Project), Pursuant To The Provisions Of Title 48, Chapter 3, Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, As Amended" be adopted on first and final reading.

Res. 87-1

Mr. Dyar made a motion, seconded by Mr. Butts, approved 5 - 0 that Ordinance 87-1, "An Ordinance Authorizing Pollution Control Bonds In The Amount Not To Exceed \$25,000,000 (Series 1987A) and Authorizing Pollution Control Bonds In The Amount Not To Exceed \$28,000,000 (Series 1987B)" be approved on first reading.

Ord. 87-1

Mr. Crain read a letter from Mr. Dewey Rochester stating his opposition to the wildlife sanctuary and he also informed Council that one of the secretaries had received a call from Mr. W. P. Lay stating his opposition to the sanctuary.

Sanctuary

Mr. Williams made a motion, seconded by Mr. Dyar, approved 5 - 0 that Dixie Fire & Safety be awarded the bid for a fire truck at \$95,433, they were the only bid to meet specifications.

Fire Truck

Mr. Butts made a motion, seconded by Mr. Harper, approved 5 - 0 that the attached contract between Oconee County and the Corps of Engineers for the lake patrol be approved.

Corps of
Engineers

Mr. Robert Hosey addressed Council concerning a request from Quarles Cable TV Co. for a non exclusive franchise in Oconee County. After discussion Mr. Crain request Mr. Hosey compile the needed information concerning this request and let Mr. Brandt, County Attorney review it. Council would then schedule a public hearing and second reading of the ordinance. We also need new copies of the proposed ordinance.

TV Franchise

At the request of Mr. Tommy Crumpton, Rock Crusher Director, Mr. Williams made a motion, seconded by Mr. Dyar, approved 5 - 0 that the contract for drilling and blasting at the Rock Crusher be amended. The funds for this amendment, \$6,000 will come from contingency.

Rock Crusher
Contract
Amendment

Mr. Williams made a motion, seconded by Mr. Dyar, approved 5 - 0 that three (3) truck engines be sold to Blanchard Machinery Co., Oconee County will receive credit on our account in lieu of cash. (See attached letter)

Truck Engines

The Building & Grounds Committee set a meeting for Wednesday, January 29, 1987 at 10:00 AM at the Vocational School to review plans for the Probation Office.

Bldg. & Grnds

At the recommendation of Mrs. Marianne Dillard, Purchasing Director, Mr. Harper made a motion, seconded by Mr. Williams, approved 5 - 0 that Oconee County purchase vehicle insurance from Palmetto Insurance Co. at a cost of \$91,376. They were low bid and this is for a one (1) year period beginning February 1, 1987 going to February 1, 1988.

Insurance

Mr. Dyar informed Council that it was his understanding that Governor Campbell was in favor of keeping aid to subdivisions as a top priority.

Info

Mr. Harper made a motion, seconded by Mr. Butts, approved 5 - 0 that the attached transfers (no new monies) be approved.

Transfers

Dr. Earle informed Council that Governor Campbell had stated that his first priority was economic development, aid to subdivisions will be kept as a top priority and if there is any reduction in aid to subdivisions it will be made in reduction of EIA.

Info

Mr. Williams made a motion, seconded by Dr. Earle, approved 3 - 2 (Mr. Butts & Mr. Dyar voting against) to give the National Guard Twelve (12) loads of gravel. (See attached letter)

Gravel for
National Guar

Mr. Williams made a motion, seconded by Mr. Harper, approved 4 - 0 (Dr. Earle abstaining) that Dr. Earle be reappointed to the Appalachian Council of Governments Board. The term is for two (2) years and expires January 1989.

COG Appt.

Mr. Crain referred the request of the Library for a JTPA Worker and the request for part time/temporary personnel be made permanent employees to the Personnel Committee.

Library
Request

Mr. Butts made a motion, seconded by Mr. Dyar, approved 5 - 0 that Council go into executive session for a legal briefing.

Executive
Session

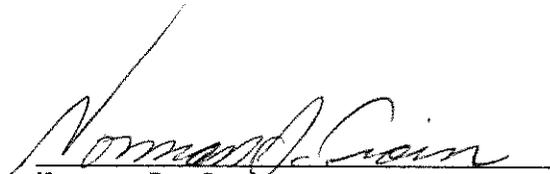
When open session resumed Mr. Dyar made a motion, seconded by Dr. Earle, approved 5 - 0 that the agreement as stated by the order of the Common Pleas involving Case Numbers 86-CP-37-198, 86-CP-37-199, 86-CP-37-200, 86-CP-37-201 & 86-CP-37-202 involving Country Acres Subdivision be approved by Council and a copy of the order by attached to the minutes.

Open
Session

Dr. Earle informed Council that the Coalition of County Councils is meeting February 10, 1987 at 10:00 AM at the Holiday Inn in Columbia and he would like to encourage Council Members to attend.

Info

Adjourn: 5:30 PM



Norman D. Crain
Supervisor-Chairman
Oconee County Council