

MINUTES, OCONEE COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING

A special meeting of the Oconee County Council was held Tuesday, June 27, 1989 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, Westminster News, Greenville News, Anderson Independent, WGOG Radio, WSNW Radio, WBES Radio, WZLI/WLET Radio, WYFF TV & WLOS TV.

Press

Members of the press present: Dick Mangrum - WGOG Radio, Randall Holcombe - Greenville News, Ashton Hester - Keowee Courier & Ron Barnett - Anderson Independent.

All other persons who have asked to be notified of meetings were also notified by mail.

Other Persons

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

Meeting

The invocation was given by Mr. Harper.

Invocation

Dr. Earle made a motion, seconded by Mr. Stone, approved 5 - 0 that the minutes of the June 20, 1989 meeting be adopted as printed.

Minutes

At the request of Mrs. Sallie Smith, Clerk of Court, Dr. Earle made a motion, seconded by Mr. Stone, approved 5 - 0 that Mrs. Smith be allowed to use \$8,000 in line item number 10 019 00150 00026, court expense, and that \$2,549 be taken from contingency and placed in this same line item for the purchase of a computer program to select jurors from the registered voters listing as well as the driver's license listing.

Jury Selectio
Program

At the request of Mr. Robert Davidson, Mr. Dyar made a motion, seconded by Dr. Earle, approved 5 - 0 that Foothills Cable TV franchise be transferred to Cencom Associates, Inc., 14522 South Outer 40 Road, Suite 300, Chesterfield, Mo. 63017. (See attachment)

Cable TV

Mr. Dyar made a motion, seconded by Dr. Earle, that Ordinance 89-3, "1989-90 Oconee County Budget Ordinance" be amended be adopted on third and final reading.

Ord. 89-3

Dr. Earle made a motion, seconded by Mr. Strickland, approved 5 - 0 that Section 22 of the budget be amended to read as follows:

The classification and compensation plan as prepared by South Carolina Appalachian Council of Governments and approved by the Personnel Committee of Oconee County Council, effective July 1, 1989, is hereby adopted and made a part of this ordinance as if restated verbatim.

Section 23 now refers to holidays, Section 24 now refers to prisoners clothing and Section 25 reads as follows:

On July 1, 1989, a one-time longevity salary adjustment for eligible employees shall be given figured on a base rate or Step "A" of the employee pay grade based on the following years of service step increase:

Three (3) - Six (6) years of service - one (1) step
Seven (7) and over years of service - two (2) steps

Example: On July 1, 1989, an employee in pay grade three who has three through six years of service and currently at step "A" (\$11,313.00) will be advanced to step "B" (\$11,642.00).

However an employee in pay grade three who has three through six years of service and currently at step "B" (\$11, 642.00) or above would not receive a salary adjustment.

Years of service for elected officials shall be figured on time served in the current elected position.

Years of service from last date of employment shall mean continuous years of service from last date of employment, to include CETA employment through Oconee County, to July 1, 1989.

Dr. Earle's motion further included that all specific line item appropriations throughout the text of Ordinance 89-3 as previously proposed shall be amended to read consistently with and in conformity to the classification and compensation plan and the longevity salary adjustments as required by amended Sections 22 and 25.

Dr. Earle's motion further included that the position currently held by Melvin Towe in the Rock Crusher be amended from a Medium Equipment Operator to a Heavy Equipment Operator at an additional cost of \$920.

Dr. Earle made a motion, seconded by Mr. Strickland, approved 5 - 0 that the county's portion of state retirement be amended by \$15,416 as per attached letter and \$16,000 be carried forward in the Public Building Budget for repairing the roof on one of the buildings at the road department.

The budget ordinance as amended was then adopted 4 - 1 (Mr. Harper voting against).

Mr. Crain informed Council that Mr. M. C. Sheriff had contacted Mr. Strickland about the county purchasing twenty one (21) acres adjacent to the Welcome Center which allegedly contains graves of pioneer settlers and making it into a park.

Mr. Dyar made a motion, seconded by Dr. Earle, approved 5 - 0 that Mr. Stan Capiollo be appointed to replace Ms. Melinda Makasymowicz on the Arts & Historical Commission.

Dr. Earle made a motion, seconded by Mr. Stone, approved 5 - 0 that \$1,005 be taken from Supervisor's part time help for clerical help in the Seneca Magistrate's Office while the secretary is on maternity leave.

Graves

Arts &
Historical
Appt.

Magistrate

Dr. Earle made a motion, seconded by Mr. Strickland, approved 5 - 0 that County Council reaffirm its intent of January 17, 1989 that interest in the amount of \$18,589 which had accrued from Engelhard's \$228,000 contribution to the Perkins Creek Project be applied to that project and that interest from Engelhard's contribution in the amount of \$8,700 which has accrued since January 17, 1989 also be applied to that project.

Sewer

Dr. Earle made a motion, seconded by Mr. Strickland, approved 5 - 0 that the bid of Mr. John Norton of \$200 be accepted for a horse at the animal shelter.

Horse at
Animal Shelter

Dr. Earle made a motion, seconded by Mr. Strickland, approved 5 - 0 that \$466.13 be taken from contingency and placed in line item 10 009 00150 09860 to complete payment of moving a utility line at the airport.

Aeronautics
(Contingency)

Dr. Earle made a motion, seconded by Mr. Strickland, approved 5 - 0 that the bid for grading and paving at Bull Sluice be awarded to the low bidder, Harold Pickens at \$57,017. However a purchase order number is not to be issued unless additional funds are obtained. (See attached bid)

Bull Sluice

Mr. Kevin Ewbank, PRT Director, informed Council that the area for the miniature golf course had been leveled, they planned to start moving it on Thursday and set up on Friday.

PRT

Mr. Harper made a motion, seconded by Dr. Earle, approved 5 - 0 that \$1,545.60 be taken from contingency and placed in line item number 10 026 00220 02226 for vinyl mini blinds for the Public Service Building.

Contingency

Dr. Earle made a motion, seconded by Mr. Strickland, approved 5 - 0 that two (2) E-911 Technicians be hired at \$18,372 each including fringe for up to one year to get the E-911 program on line.

E-911

Mr. Harper made a motion, seconded by Dr. Earle, approved 5 - 0 that Council go into executive session for a personnel matter and a legal matter.

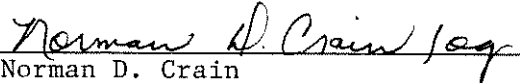
Executive
Session

When open session resumed, Dr. Earle made a motion, seconded by Mr. Strickland, approved 5 - 0 that we offer to go into arbitration on the Lakeview Rest Home heating and cooling system as soon as possible.

Open Session

Mr. Harper asked for a copy of the DHEC regulations regarding green boxes.

Adjourn: 5:30 PM


Norman D. Crain
Supervisor-Chairman
Oconee County Council