

MEMBERS OF OCONEE COUNTY COUNCIL

Dr. J. R. Earle, District I Mr. Jerry Dyar, District II
Mr. Michael E. Harper, District III, Mr. Roy Strickland, District IV
Mr. Johnny Stone, District V

MINUTES, OCONEE COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING

The regular meeting of the Oconee County Council was held Tuesday, February 20, 1990 at 3:00 PM in Council Chambers with all Council Members and Mr. Jerry Fedder, Attorney, present.

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

Press

Members of the press present: Robin Boyle - Seneca Journal.

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.

Call to Order

The invocation was given by Mr. Strickland.

Invocation

Dr. Earle made a motion, seconded by Mr. Stone, approved 4 - 0 (Mr. Harper had not come in at this time) that the minutes of the February 6, 1990 meeting be adopted as printed.

Minutes

Mr. Strickland made a motion, seconded by Dr. Earle, approved 4 - 0 (Mr. Harper abstaining) that funds from the \$.47 per month charge on the phone bills be used to purchase an alarm for the 911 printer in the Communications Department. (See attached letter)

Alarm for 911 Printer

Mr. Strickland made a motion, seconded by Mr. Stone, approved 5 - 0 that a private phone line be installed in the Sheriff's Department for the child abuse investigator. There will be a one time charge of \$130.00 and the line will cost \$16.55 per month.

Private Line for Child Abuse Investigator

Dr. Norman T. Robertson, Executive Director of the Anderson-Oconee-Pickens Mental Health Center presented the attached report to Council. Dr. Robertson informed Council the clinic is seeing approximately ninety (90) new cases per month and in their report they are asking for \$60,000 in funds. (See attached)

Mental Health Report

Mr. Strickland made a motion, seconded by Dr. Earle, approved 5 - 0 that the attached transfer for \$32.50 from professional into operational: ind. directly for the Planning & Development Commission be approved.

Planning Commission Transfers

Mr. Strickland made a motion, seconded by Mr. Stone, approved 5 - 0 that the attached transfer for \$5.00 from professional into materials for the Planning & Development Commission be approved.

Mr. Strickland made a motion, seconded by Dr. Earle, approved 5 - 0 that the purchase or lease of a smoke alarm for the Walhalla Library be delayed until the Purchasing Director can get the underwriter for the next Council Meeting.

Smoke Alarm
for Library

Mr. Dyar made a motion, seconded by Mr. Strickland, that the bid of Kern's Corporation be accepted to place a copier in the Walhalla Library & Seneca Library with Kern's receiving the proceeds.

Copier for
Walhalla
& Seneca
Libraries

After considerable discussion in which Mrs. Dillard, Purchasing Director, informed Council there were two (2) bids received, they were the same per copy, however the person submitting the bid on behalf of Holcomb's Office Supply is a member of the Library Board and the Purchasing Director recommended Kern's because they came to the county first with the concept.

Mr. Harper made a motion, seconded by Dr. Earle, approved 5 - 0 to call for question.

The original motion was then defeated 4 - 1 with Mr. Dyar voting for the motion.

Dr. Earle made a motion, seconded by Mr. Harper, approved 4 - 0 that Resolution 90-3, " A Resolution Authorizing an Assistance Contract Between Oconee County and Sherwood Health Foundation, Inc. to Provide for the Issuance of Oconee County Hospital Facility Revenue Bonds (Sherwood Health Foundation Facility), the Proceeds of Which will be Loaned to Sherwood Health Foundation, Inc., to Provide for Hospital Facilities in Oconee County" be adoped on first and final reading.

Res. 90-3

Mr. Strickland abstained from voting on this issue as he has a daughter that works there.

Recess: 4:45 PM

When the regular Council Meeting resumed, the Purchasing Department requested funds to be transferred from Telephone and Out of County Travel into Equipment Expenditures and Equipment Maintenance for the purchase and maintenance of a fax machine. The request died for lack of a motion.

Purchasing
Transfers

Mr. Strickland made a motion, seconded by Mr. Stone, approved 5 - 0 that the transfer from out of county travel into in county travel for the Purchasing Department in the amount of \$70.00 be approved.

Mr. Crain assigned the attached request from the City of Westminster to use part of the governmental building in Westminster to the Purchasing, Contracting, Real Estate, Building & Grounds Committee for a recommendation.

REA Bldg.

Dr. Earle made a motion, seconded by Mr. Strickland, approved 4 - 1 (Mr. Harper voting against) that the request of the Oconee Theatre for the CCS Department to service a dumpster at the rear of Utica School be denied.

Oconee
Theatre
Request

Dr. Earle made a motion, seconded by Mr. Stone, approved 5 - 0 that the attached Law Enforcement Center Agreement with the South Carolina Department of Corrections be approved.

LEC

Dr. Earle made a motion, seconded by Mr. Strickland, approved 5 - 0 that Resolution 90-2, "A Resolution of Appreciation to Mr. Fant J. Honea for his Years of Service as an Employee of Oconee County" be adopted on first and final reading.

Res. 90-2

A Public Hearing had been advertised to take written and/or oral comments regarding Ordinance 90-1, "Oconee County 1989-90 Supplemental Ordinance". There was no one present with either written and/or oral comments.

Ord. 90-1

Mr. Harper made a motion, seconded by Mr. Strickland, approved 5 - 0 that Ordinance 90-1 be adopted on second reading.

Dr. Earle made a motion, seconded by Mr. Strickland, approved 5 - 0 that Ordinance 90-2, "An Ordinance to Amend Ordinance 80-2, Oconee County Personnel Policies & Procedures Allowing Employees Sixty (60) Days to take Compensation Time" be approved on second reading.

Ord. 90-2

Mr. Strickland made a motion, seconded by Mr. Stone, approved 5 - 0 that the county accept the insurance company's offer for the totaled Emergency Preparedness car at \$1,742.50.

Emergency
Preparedness

Dr. Earle made a motion, seconded by Mr. Stone, approved 4 - 1 (Mr. Harper voting against) to purchase a Chevrolet Caprice for the Emergency Preparedness Director to use from line item 10 053 00150 53840 which had originally been budgeted for a four wheel vehicle.

Dr. Earle made a motion, seconded by Mr. Strickland, approved 5 - 0 that the attached transfer for \$1,000 from capital expenditures into operational for PRT be approved.

PRT Transfer

After considerable discussion regarding the safety of camping at the parks with the electrical lines being so close to the top of the ground, Mr. Dyar made a motion, seconded by Mr. Strickland, defeated 3 - 2 (Mr. Stone, Dr. Earle & Mr. Harper voting against) to prohibit all camping at the parks until the electrical problems could be corrected.

PRT

However, Mr. Walker is to give all campers a statement that there can be no stakes put in the ground as well as post notice of same in all the parks until the problem is corrected.

Mr. Walker is also to secure someone from Duke Power Co. to identify and recommend a solution for High Falls and South Cove Parks.

Mr. Strickland made a motion, seconded by Dr. Earle, approved 5 - 0 that the attached camping fees be approved going into effect April 1, 1990.

Fees

Mr. Strickland made a motion, seconded by Dr. Earle, that Mrs. Patsy Morgan's resignation from the Library Board be regretfully accepted and she be sent a letter of appreciation.

Library
Bd. Res.

Mr. Dyar made a recommendation on behalf of the Purchasing, Contracting, Real Estate, Building & Grounds Committee, approved 5 - 0 that the attached proposal from Metro Engineering Consultants, Inc. for a facility space study be put out for bids as is with the changing of the dates and adding the Purchasing Director to key personnel.

Metro Eng.

Dr. Earle made a motion, seconded by Mr. Stone, approved 4 - 1 (Mr. Dyar voting against) that TBI Engineers be awarded the bid as consultant for the airport with the contract subject to the approval of the County Attorney.

Airport

Mr. Dyar made a motion, seconded by Dr. Earle, approved 5 - 0 that the county grant the City of Walhalla Recreation Department's request for one hundred, ten (110) tons of crusher run gravel for a walking tract.

Gravel for
City of
Walhalla

Dr. Earle informed Council the bill for solid waste that gives all the authority to DHEC regarding the management of solid waste has been sent to the legislature and something will probably be done this year. A copy of the analysis will be placed in the Council Members' boxes.

Solid Waste

Mr. Crain presented the attached letter from Oconee Memorial Hospital be meet in executive session to Council. Mr. Strickland made a motion, seconded by Mr. Dyar, approved 5 - 0 to meet with the Hospital Board in open session.

Hospital
Request

Mr. Strickland made a motion, seconded by Mr. Stone, approved 5 - 0 that the meeting take place in the Oconee County Council Chambers.

The meeting was scheduled for March 6, 1990.

Mr. Strickland made a motion, seconded by Dr. Earle, approved 5 - 0 that Cascade Corporation be fined a total of \$2,800 (\$200 per offense) for dumping hazardous waste in the Oconee County landfill.

Cascade

Mr. Crain also informed Council that he had met with Waste Management and told them the same thing and if they did not agree to the \$2,800 he would seek the \$200 fine for each of the (54) trips they had admitted to making through the court system.

Mr. Dyar made a motion, seconded by Dr. Earle, approved 5 - 0 that the consent order because of the Cascade incident be approved.

Consent

Mr. Brandt, County Attorney, stated he would like to talk with DHEC representatives and see if they would add three (3) points.

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- (1) Findings: Violations were unintentional and unknowing
- (2) Take some of the violations out
- (3) Negotiate about some of the language in the consent order

Adjourn: 8:45 PM

Norman D. Crain /sq

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Supervisor-Chairman
Oconee County Council