

MEMBERS, OCONEE COUNTY COUNCIL

Mr. Steven R. Moore, District I Mr. Kenneth E. Johns, Jr., District II
Mr. Harry R. Hamilton, District III Mr. Marion E. Lyles, District IV
Mr. H. Frank Ables, Jr., District V

MINUTES, OCONEE COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING

The Oconee County Council met Tuesday, August 6, 2002 at 7:00 PM in Council Chambers, 415 South Pine Street, Walhalla, SC with all Council Members and the County Attorney present.

Press:

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

Members of the press present: Amanda Rylander - Daily Journal, Dick Mangrum – WGOG Radio, Ashton Hester – Keowee Courier & Dave Williams - Anderson Independent.

Other Organizations Notified:

Also notified were the Oconee County Tax Payers Association and the Oconee County Democratic Party.

Call to Order:

Supervisor-Chair Hughes, who welcomed those present, called the meeting to order.

Invocation:

Mr. Hamilton gave the invocation.

Minutes:

Mr. Lyles made a motion, seconded by Mr. Hamilton, approved 4 – 0 (Mr. Ables abstaining) that the minutes of the regular meeting held July 16, 2002 be adopted as printed.

Public Information Committee:

Mr. John Hostetler of the Public Information Committee presented the attached information to Council, which is a summary of their findings. Mr. Hostetler informed Council the committee would like for this summary sheet to be placed throughout the county, put in the local papers and placed on the Internet.

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Committee Appointment:

Mrs. Hughes made a motion, seconded by Mr. Ables, approved 5 – 0 that Mr. John Isler be appointed as the at large member of the Emergency Management Commission.

Solid Waste:

Ms. Melissa Grant, Solid Waste Director & Summer Intern Blake Landford presented the attached landscape rehabilitation plan for the Solid Waste Department to Council. Council did not take any action regarding the proposed plan.

Upon recommendation of Ms. Grant, Mr. Hamilton made a motion, seconded by Mr. Johns, approved 5 – 0 that Solid Waste apply for a grant in the amount of \$7,500 which does not require a county match.

Ordinance 2002-12:

Upon recommendation of Mr. Brad Norton, County Attorney, Mr. Johns made a motion, seconded by Mr. Ables, approved 5 – 0 that Ordinance 2002-12, "AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE 2001-15, AN ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH CENTRALIZED PROCUREMENT REGULATIONS AND REPLACING ORDINANCE 85-12" be adopted on first reading in title only.

Walhalla/Lake Jocassee Project:

Mr. Moore presented the Supervisor information regarding the Walhalla/Lake Jocassee water project for her review.

Commission Appointments:

Mr. Johns made a motion, seconded by Mr. Lyles, approved 5 – 0 that Mr. Randy Abbott be reappointed to represent District II on the Planning Commission, Mr. Luther Lyle be appointed to represent District II on the Arts & Historical Commission & Mr. Robert Owens be reappointed to represent District II on the Library Board.

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Roads & Transportation Committee Recommendations:

Council unanimously adopted the following recommendations of the Roads & Transportation Committee:

- (1) The County request the City of Westminster to accept responsibility for water lines under the paving of Westwood Drive and if the city will not move the valve without charge, the county pay \$900 for the moving of the valve.
- (2) Pioneer Water be paid for \$1,576.59 for moving the water line on Eva Frank Lane and \$1,784.06 for moving the water line on Rabbit Ridge Road and Pioneer accept responsibility for the water lines on these roadways
- (3) An exception on the right-of-way be made for a portion of Rocky Gap Roadway in order that it may be paved due to the fact that the county would lose the federal grant funds for the paving of this roadway which could possibly affect future grants
- (4) The attached \$14,678.26 change order for Cooper Roadway be approved.

Public Comment Session:

No one spoke during the public comments session

Adjourn:

Adjourn: 7:45 PM

Respectfully Submitted:

Opal O. Green
Council Clerk