

MINUTES

OCONEE COUNTY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING March 30, 2010

MEMBERS, OCONEE COUNTY COUNCIL

Mr. Reg Dexter, District V, Council Chairman Mr. Joel Thrift, District IV, Vice Chairman Mr. Wayne McCall, District II, Chairman Pro Tem Mr. Paul Corbeil, District I Mr. Mario Suarez, District III

Oconee County Council met on Tuesday, March 30, 2010 at 5:30 PM in Council Chambers, 415 South Pine Street, Walhalla, SC with all Council Members [except Mr. Suarez], Interim Administrator Gene Klugh and Clerk to Council, Elizabeth G. Hulse present.

Press:

Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, notice of the meeting, date, time, place of meeting and agenda were posted on the bulletin board at the County Administrative Offices, 415 South Pine Street, Walhalla, SC, and the County Council website [www.oconeese.com/council]. In addition it was made available to the newspapers, radio stations, television stations and concerned citizens.

Member of the press present: Ray Chandler – Anderson Independent, Dick Mangrum – WGOG Radio & Carlos Galarza – Daily Journal

Public Comment:

Mr. Devoe Blackson addressed the Council in opposition to the expenditure of \$1.8 million for an external appraiser.

Mr. Gary Littlefield addressed the Council in opposition to the expenditure of \$1.8 million for an external appraiser.

Follow-up Discussion / Possible Action regarding Administrator Search Process:

Mr. Dexter stated that Council was satisfied with feedback provided by The Mercer Group.

Mr. Dexter made a motion, seconded by Mr. Thrift, approved 4-0 to schedule interviews the week of April 5, 2010 with four candidates; Mr. Mark Watson, Mr. Scott Moulder, Ms. Cynthia Coto and Mr. Patrick Howard.

Mr. Dexter asked the Clerk to post agendas with specific dates and times once confirmed.

Meeting Schedule Change:

Mr. Dexter stated that as Council will be interviewing the week of April 5th, he announced that the regular council meeting scheduled for Tuesday, April 6, 2010 will be cancelled and rescheduled to Tuesday, April 13, 2010.

Discussion & Possible Action Item:

RFP 09-20 / Re-appraisal Proposal Recommendation from Committee

Mr. David Johnson, President of Appraisal Services, addressed Council utilizing a PowerPoint presentation [filed with these minutes] outlining the goals and methodology they will use for property re-appraisal in Oconee County. Mr. Johnson addressed concerns voiced by citizens and answered questions from Council members.

Mr. McCall made a motion, seconded by Mr. Thrift, approved 4-0 to award RFP #09-20 to Tyler Technologies of Dayton, Ohio, in the amount of \$1,825,422 as outlined in the agenda item summary with transfers to be made to cover FY 09/10 as outlined in the agenda item summary.

Boy Scout Request from Council / Gravel / \$280

Mr. Dexter briefly outlined the request from the Boy Scouts.

Mr. Thrift made a motion, seconded by Mr. McCall, approved 4-0 to approve a donation of crusher run gravel in the amount of \$280 for Boy Scout Troop 45 as requested noting that the City of Walhalla has agreed to haul the gravel for the troop.

Meeting Schedule Change:

Mr. Dexter stated that as Council will be interviewing the week of April 5th and the April 6, 2010 council meeting has been cancelled there is a need to add a special meeting on Saturday, April 10, 2010 at 8:30 a.m. in order to have first reading in title only of the budget ordinances and to receive the recommended budget from the Administrator prior to the budget workshop meeting scheduled to being at 9:00 a.m. on the same day.

Adjourn:

Mr. Thrift made a motion approved unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 6:21 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Elizabeth G. Hulse
Clerk to Council