



A G E N D A

OCONEE COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING

Tuesday, October 18, 2011

6:00 PM

Council Chambers, Oconee County Administrative Offices
415 South Pine Street, Walhalla, SC 29691

1. **Call to Order**
2. **Extended Public Comment Session** *(Limited: 2 citizens per mg. for 5 minutes, prior scheduling required)*
 - None scheduled for this meeting.
3. **Public Comment Session/Agenda Items**
Agenda & Non Agenda Items: Combined both are limited to a total of forty (40) minutes, four (4) minutes per person.
4. **Public Comment Session/Non Agenda Items – time permitting**
Agenda & Non Agenda Items: Combined both are limited to a total of forty (40) minutes, four (4) minutes per person.
5. **Council Member Comments** *[Directly following Public Comment Sessions if applicable & time permits]*

Council may take a brief recess [time permitting] prior to the Business portion of the meeting scheduled to begin at 6:30 p.m. or after Public Comment [which ever occurs later]

6. **Moment of Silence**
7. **Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America**
8. **Approval of Minutes**

October 4, 2011: Regular Meeting

9. **Consideration of the Following Ordinances:**

Third & Final Reading Ordinance 2011-28 "AN ORDINANCE TO ADOPT A REDISTRICTING PLAN FOR OCONEE COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA; AND OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO"

Council held three public hearings regarding the Plan 1 Map contained in this ordinance on September 6, 2011, September 21, 2011 and October 4, 2011.

Council held a public hearing regarding this ordinance at their October 4, 2011 meeting.

The Plan 1 Map was originally presented to Council and the public at the August 18, 2011 Budget, Finance & Administration Committee. Citizens presented an alternate Plan 4 Map at the October 4, 2011 Council meeting. Council took no action regarding this map at that meeting; however, requested information from the South Carolina Budget & Control Board [SCBCB] and the Oconee County Registration & Elections Commission.

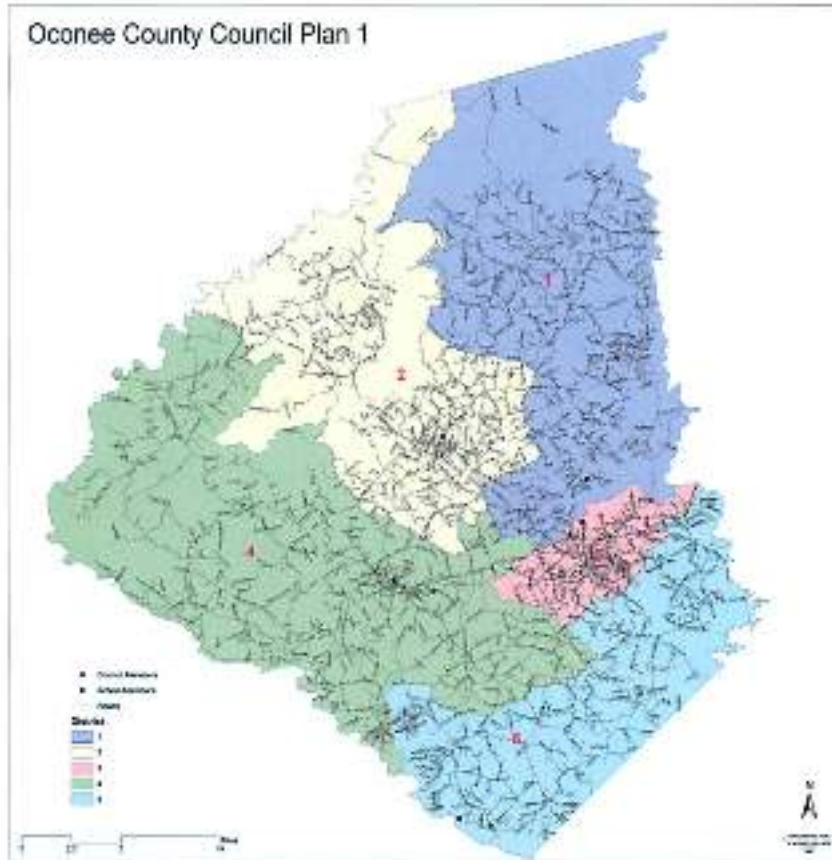
The Plan 1 and Plan 4 maps on page 2 of this agenda.

Council will review and discuss recommendations from both the SCBCB and the Oconee County Registration & Elections Commission regarding the alternate Plan 4 Map proposed by a group of citizens prior to action on this ordinance.

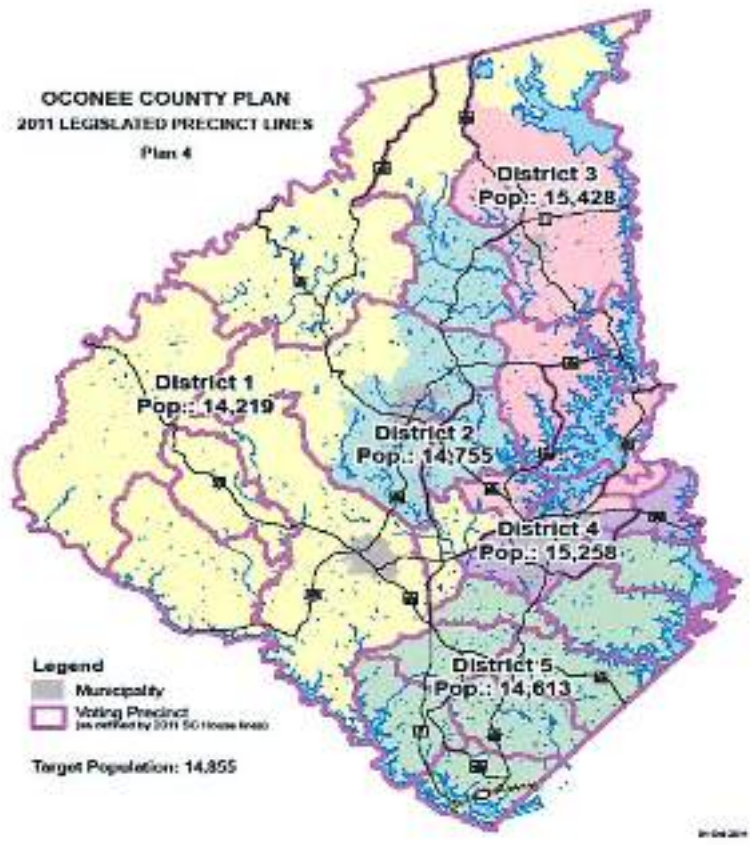
It is the staff's recommendation that Council identify the redistricting plan map as part of third & final reading of Ordinance 2011-28.

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Oconee County Council Plan 1



OCONEE COUNTY PLAN
 2011 LEGISLATED PRECINCT LINES
 Plan 4



Second Reading of Ordinance 2011-18 “AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE OCONEE COUNTY ZONING ENABLING ORDINANCE, ORDINANCE 2007-18, IN CERTAIN LIMITED REGARDS AND PARTICULARS, ONLY, AS TO REZONE A SERIES OF PARCELS SPECIFIED HEREIN, AND TO RATIFY AND AFFIRM ALL OTHER PROVISIONS OF ORDINANCE 2007-18 NOT AMENDED OR MODIFIED HEREBY; AND OTHER MATTERS RELATING THERETO”

Neville Request

Council took first reading in caption only on September 6, 2011 and sent the issue to the Planning Commission for review. The Commission heard the matter at their regularly scheduled meeting on September 19, 2011. After receiving public comment and staff's presentation; the Commission voted to recommend all parcels be zoned into the Traditional Rural District.

It is the staff's recommendation that Council take second reading of Ordinance 2011-18 and schedule the required public hearing on or after November 15, 2011.

Second Reading of Ordinance 2011-20 “AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE OCONEE COUNTY ZONING ENABLING ORDINANCE, ORDINANCE 2007-18, IN CERTAIN LIMITED REGARDS AND PARTICULARS, ONLY, AS TO REZONE A SERIES OF PARCELS SPECIFIED HEREIN, AND TO RATIFY AND AFFIRM ALL OTHER PROVISIONS OF ORDINANCE 2007-18 NOT AMENDED OR MODIFIED HEREBY; AND OTHER MATTERS RELATING THERETO”

Moonlight Bay Request

Council took first reading of 2011-20 on September 6, 2011, and sent the matter to the Planning Commission for review. The Commission heard the matter at their regularly scheduled meeting on September 19, 2011. The Commission considered the staff's presentation of the matter. The Commission voted to recommend 1 parcel into the Community Commercial District and the remaining parcels into the Lake Residential District.

It is the staff's recommendation that Council take second reading of Ordinance 2011-20 and schedule the required public hearing on or after November 15, 2011.

Second Reading of Ordinance 2011-22 “AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE OCONEE COUNTY ZONING ENABLING ORDINANCE, ORDINANCE 2007-18, IN CERTAIN LIMITED REGARDS AND PARTICULARS, ONLY, AS TO REZONE A SERIES OF PARCELS SPECIFIED HEREIN, AND TO RATIFY AND AFFIRM ALL OTHER PROVISIONS OF ORDINANCE 2007-18 NOT AMENDED OR MODIFIED HEREBY; AND OTHER MATTERS RELATING THERETO”

Southern Hartwell Request

Council took 1st reading of Ordinance 2011-22 on September 6, 2011 and sent the issue to the Planning Commission for review. The Commission heard the matter at their regularly scheduled meeting on September 19, 2011. At this meeting the Commission considered public input received through the Planning office and public comment; along with the staff's presentation of the matter. The Commission voted to recommend 5 parcels be zoned into the Traditional Rural District, and 217 parcels be zoned into the Lake Residential District.

It is the staff's recommendation that Council take second reading of Ordinance 2011-22 and schedule the required public hearing on or after November 15, 2011.

Second Reading of Ordinance 2011-29 “AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE OCONEE COUNTY ZONING ENABLING ORDINANCE, ORDINANCE 2007-18, IN CERTAIN LIMITED REGARDS AND PARTICULARS, ONLY, AS TO REZONE A SERIES OF PARCELS SPECIFIED HEREIN, AND TO RATIFY AND AFFIRM ALL OTHER PROVISIONS OF ORDINANCE 2007-18 NOT AMENDED OR MODIFIED HEREBY; AND OTHER MATTERS RELATING THERETO”

Council Initiated - Industrial Property

Council took first reading in caption only on September 6, 2011 and sent the issue to the Planning Commission for review. The Commission is scheduled to review the ordinance on October 17, 2011. The ordinance would zone all county owned industrial parks into the industrial district.

It is the staff's recommendation that Council take second reading of Ordinance 2011-29 and schedule the required public hearing on or after December 1, 2011.

First Reading [in title only] of Ordinance 2011-32 “AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE LEASING OF CERTAIN OCONEE COUNTY SPACE; AND OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO”

The County leases space to the South Carolina Vocation Rehabilitation Department [Voc Rehab] for storage. The previous lease has expired and the State has requested that a new lease be executed.

It is the staff's recommendation that Council approve Ordinance 2011-32 on first reading.

10. Discussion & Possible Action Items

[5 min. per Action Item]

Road Department / Caterpillar Multi Terrain Loader / \$59,772.34 / State Contract

The Multi Terrain Loader would make working on slopes safer for the operator. It can also be used on paved roads without damaging the pavement. This will be replacing a 1998 Bobcat which has a blown motor, electrical and transmission issues. This Bobcat will be evaluated and either used for parts or sold on GovDeals. This is for an item being purchase from the lease funds.

It is the staff's recommendation that Council award the purchase of one Caterpillar Multi Terrain Loader, model 287C for the Road Department in the amount of \$59,772.34, to Blanchard Machinery Company, Columbia, SC, per State Contract number 08-S7683-A13743.

Road Department / Two John Deere Tractors / \$74,214.84 / State Contract

Road Department / Two Side Mowers / \$36,883.34 / State Contract

The two John Deere Tractors will be used to mow the right-of-way on County Roads and will replace existing equipment. Meters on both existing tractors have been replaced several times, therefore, the true hours are unknown. Vehicle Maintenance has requested that tractor 210.13 be replaced because of the numerous mechanical and electrical issues and it will be sold on GovDeals. The other existing tractor may be used as a backup or used for spare parts. This is for items being purchase from the lease funds.

It is the staff's recommendation that Council [a] award the purchase of two John Deere Tractors, model 5093E, for the Road Department in the amount of \$74,214.84, to John Deere Company, Cary, NC, per State Contract number 4400002459, and [2] award the purchase of two side mowers, model VM-60, in the amount of \$36,883.34, to Alamo Industrial, Seguin TX, per State Contract number 440002453. The total amount of this purchase for two tractors with side mowers is \$111,098.18.

Road Department / Tri-Axle 6x4 Truck w/ Gravel Spreader / \$143,884.40 / State Contract

Tri-Axle 6x4 Truck with Gravel Spreader will be used on the gravel road maintenance operation, where it is considered to be unsafe to spread with a standard dump truck. Spreading gravel on steep grades or in sharp curves is an overturn hazard, low lying limbs and power line areas are both "catch" hazards. This truck will also be safer on roads with limited site distance. It will also be used during winter weather events to spread sand on the bridges and paved roads with steep hills. This will be replacing a 1991 Tri-Axle Dump Truck (800.05) which has become expensive to maintain due to its age and will be sold on GovDeals. This is for an item being purchase from the lease funds.

It is the staff's recommendation that Council award the purchase of one Tri-Axle 6x4 Truck with Gravel Spreader for the Road Department in the amount of \$143,884.40, to Carolina International Trucks, Inc., of Greer, SC, per State Contract number 4400002976.

RFP 11-03 / Professional Services / Airport Engineer & Consultant

A Request for Qualifications, RFQ 10-22, for Professional Services, Airport Engineer & Consultant was issued on May 11, 2011 and sent to 16 firms. Six proposals were received on June 9, 2011. An Evaluation Committee consisting of Kevin Short, Airport Director, Kendra Brown, Finance Director, and Cookie Fitch, Randy Renz and Dan Suddeth, Airport Commissioners, reviewed and scored the proposals and recommended three firms: Delta Airport Consultants, LPA Group and WK Dickson to be short-listed to continue on with Phase Two.

On July 15, 2011, RFP 11-03, Professional Services-Airport Engineer & Consultant, Phase Two, was issued to the three short listed firms and on August 4, 2011, three proposals were received. The same evaluation committee met and reviewed and scored these proposals and recommended that all three firms continue on to the interview process. Interviews were held on August 31, 2011 and W K Dickson & Company, Inc. was recommended for award. Contract and fee negotiations were held and W K Dickson agreed to the County's contract terms and their hourly fee schedule was acceptable.

It is the staff's recommendation that Council award RFP 11-03, Professional Services-Airport Engineer & Consultant, Phase Two, to W. K. Dickson & Company, Inc. of Columbia, SC for a five year term for services as needed.

RFP 11-08 / Drilling & Blasting / Quarry

Drilling and Blasting is a necessity to produce the 500,000 tons of stone needed to reach the annual production goal for the Quarry. In June of 2010, County Council approved the award of ITB 09-32 for Drilling & Blasting services to Powderman Products. This contract was renewed in July of 2011 for the first year renewal period and on August 18, 2011, Powderman Products advised the County that they would no longer be in business and unable to fulfill the remainder of their contract. Council approved the use of Austin Powder Southeast, LLC for the interim period of Sept 1, 2011 through October 31, 2011 to give Procurement time to issue a new bid for these services. Because of the importance of safety issues and the qualifications and experience required for drilling and blasting, it was decided to issue an RFP to procure these services.

RFP 11-08 for Drilling and Blasting Services was issued on August 25, 2011 and opened on September 20, 2011. Eleven companies were originally notified of this opportunity and proposals were received from two firms. An Evaluation Committee consisting of Rick Martin, Quarry Manager, Pam McCall, Quarry Office Manager, Charles M. Kerr, Quarry Foreman, Swain Still, Director of Solid Waste and Lake Julian, Director of Facilities and Construction

reviewed and scored the proposals and Austin Powder Southeast, LLC, was recommended for award.

It is the staff's recommendation that Council [1] award RFP 11-08, Drilling and Blasting Services for the Oconee County Quarry to Austin Powder Southeast, LLC of Clinton, SC, for an estimated amount of \$400,000.00, for a one year period, with the option to renew for four additional one-year periods, and [2] authorize the County Administrator to renew this contract for up to four one-year periods, provided their work is satisfactory.

ITB 11-09 / Tellabs Switching Equipment / Broadband Project FOCUS

On August 18, 2010, Oconee County received \$9.6M in Federal ARRA funding to construct a 270 mile (approximate) broadband network in the County. This project will provide critical broadband infrastructure that will benefit the County through connection of 164 Anchor Institutions and by providing much needed high speed data. The total number of households that will be passed by the project is 25,200, total businesses passed by is 2,230. The Project will be involved with approximately 75 public facilities including hospitals, schools, libraries, health care facilities and emergency shelters.

This bid was for a detailed list of switching equipment, along with installation, engineering, testing and training to be provided by the selected vendor. This equipment will be located in the three Network Operations Centers and the anchor institutions for Project FOCUS.

On October 5, 2011, formal sealed bids were opened for Tellabs Switching Equipment. Three authorized dealers were originally notified of this bid opportunity. Three dealers submitted bids, and AFL Network Services of Duncan, SC, submitted the lowest bid of \$2,389,690.79.

All bidders responding to this bid must be Authorized Dealers for Tellabs equipment as specified by Tellabs Manufacturing. This bid is to be considered a "NO SUBSTITUTE" for the brand name "TELLABS" as the County has determined that this is the only brand of optical switching equipment that meets all of our needs "End to End." This bid contained several items with no listed quantities. Vendor provided pricing for these items and we have included a contingency amount on this bid in case some of these items are required. The exact quantities cannot be determined until the installation is in progress.

It is the staff's recommendation that Council award ITB 11-09, Tellabs Switching Equipment for Broadband Project FOCUS to AFL Network Services, of Duncan, SC, for \$2,628,659.79. This amount includes a contingency of 10% for additional items priced in the bid or for any required changes in quantities.

RFP 11-11 / System Operator / Broadband Project FOCUS

On August 18, 2010, Oconee County received \$9.6M in Federal ARRA funding to construct a 270 mile (approximate) broadband network in the County. This project will provide critical broadband infrastructure that will benefit the County through connection of 164 Anchor Institutions and by providing much needed high speed data. The total number of households that will be passed by the project is 25,200, total businesses passed by is 2,230. The Project will be involved with approximately 75 public facilities including hospitals, schools, libraries, health care facilities and emergency shelters.

The System Operator selected by this RFP will provide the following services: Broadband (DSL or higher) Internet Service Provider, monitoring of equipment with 24/7 on-call support, carrier grade equipment, layer 2 and 3 engineering and design experience. They will provide 15 minute response time to the Seneca Network Operations Center (NOC). They will be responsible for installing the equipment located in the anchor institutions and bringing the fiber into these facilities to make them operational.

On October 4, 2011, formal sealed proposals were opened for this project. Fourteen firms were originally notified of this opportunity and one firm submitted a proposal. The RFP Evaluation Committee consisting of Mike Powell, IT Director, Kim Wilbanks, FOCUS Project Manager, John Michael Cox, IT Systems Administrator, and Lisa Simmering, GIS Analyst, evaluated the proposal, found that it met all the requirements of the RFP, and unanimously recommended award to Technology Solutions of SC, Inc.

It is the staff's recommendation that Council award RFP 11-11, System Operator for Broadband Project FOCUS to Technology Solutions of South Carolina, Inc., of Seneca, SC, for a not to exceed amount of \$622,500.00 over a two year period until the construction phase is completed by August 18, 2013.

Emergency Services / Two Ford F-350 trucks / State Contract

These two trucks are new additions to the fleet and will be used as Emergency Response Vehicles for Station 21. They will be used to carry fire fighting equipment, medical supplies and special rescue response equipment. Both trucks will be outfitted with camper covers and slide out trays to hold this special equipment. These additional items will be purchased separately by the County and installed on the trucks after they are delivered.

It is the staff's recommendation that Council award the purchase of two (2) 2012 Ford F350 Cab and Chassis trucks in the amount of \$64,754.00 to Magic City Ford of Roanoke, VA, per State Contract #4400002971 for Oconee County Emergency Services Department.

2011-12 Mountain Lakes Convention Visitor's Bureau [CVB]

The PRT Commission and PRT staff recommends \$87,400 from State and Local ATAX for a portion of the 2011-12 Mountain Lakes CVB funding.

CVB is starting its fourth year in operation after a successful three year development campaign. County Council approved \$160,000/year for the initial three year period through local ATAX funds. The continuance of the Mountain Lakes CVB will be an annual request from this point forward. The 2011-12 budget requests show an increase of \$26,200 over the previous budgets of \$160,000 for a total of \$186,200. Through the year, Oconee County Council has approved marketing campaigns from the PRT dept that were split costs with the CVB. These marketing campaigns included advertising in AAA magazine, Discover Upcountry magazine, South Carolina National Heritage Corridor, South Carolina State Visitors Guide and Mountain Lakes Visitors Guide. It is staff's recommendation to include these marketing efforts into the annual marketing budget of the CVB instead of requesting on an individual basis throughout the year.

It is the staff's recommendation that Council approval of \$87,500 from State and Local ATAX funds to partially fund the 2011-2012 Mountain Lakes CVB as outlined above.

11. Board & Commission Appointments

Oconee County Conservation Bank Board [7 members to be appointed / applicants listed below] Ordinance 2011-16 established the Oconee County Conservation Bank Board. A matrix outlining each candidate's qualifications is provided in the backup material for this meeting.

Mr. Julian R. Abbott	Mr. Bob F. Hill
Mr. Shea B. Airey	Mr. Edward A. Land
Mr. Glenn Buddin, Jr.	Mr. Luther L. Lyle
Mr. Richard D. Cain	Ms. Lynne R. Martin
Mr. Keith G. Denny	Mr. Marvin L. Prater
Mr. Richard L. Hartwell	Mr. Robert "Kyle" Stephens
Mr. David E. Hedden	

Oconee County Library Board [1 member to be appointed - applicants listed below]

Ordinance 79-8 Established the Library System for Oconee County which shall be managed & directed by a Board of Trustees consisting of nine (9) members appointed by Council for four year terms, as much as possible representing all geographical areas of county. A current listing of the Board is provided in the backup material for this meeting.

Mr. Walter A. Caster	[District V]	Ms. Sally H. Long	[District I]
Ms. Alisa M. Champion	[District I]	Ms. Priscilla H. Taylor	[District III]

12. **Commission / Board Reports to Council** *[ten minute maximum]* *None scheduled for this meeting*
13. **Council Committee Reports** *None scheduled for this meeting*
14. **Administrator Report**
15. **Old Business**
16. **New Business**
17. **Executive Session** *[[for the purpose of receiving legal advise regarding a contractual matter]*
 - **Vote / Action** on matters discussed in Executive Session [if required]
18. **Adjourn**

[This agenda is not inclusive of all issues which Council may bring up for discussion at this meeting.]

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