



MINUTES
OCONEE COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING
Special Meeting
April 30, 2013

MEMBERS, OCONEE COUNTY COUNCIL

Mr. Joel Thrift, District IV, Council Chairman
Mr. Paul Corbett, District I, Vice Chairman
Mr. Wayne McCall, District II, Chairman Pro Tem
Mr. Archie Barron, District III
Mr. Reg Dexter, District V

Oconee County Council met at 6:00 PM in Council Chambers, 415 South Pine Street, Walhalla, SC with all Council Members, Administrator Scott Moulder, Assistant Administrator Glenn Breed, Executive Assistant Amanda Brock, County Finance Director Mark Pulliam, County Attorney Thomas Martin and Clerk to Council, Elizabeth Hulse present.

SDOC Staff & Board Members Present: Dr. Michael Lucas, Superintendent; Dr. Michael Thorstland; Ms. Gloria Moore; and Board members Mr. Jerry Lee; Ms. Rosemary Bailes & Ms. Denise McCormick.

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 [*upon request*] to the newspapers, radio stations, television stations and concerned citizens.

Member of the press present: Ray Chandler – Anderson Independent, Dick Mangrum – WGOG Radio & Norman Cannada - Daily Journal.

Call to Order:

Mr. Thrift called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

School District of Oconee County [SDOC] FY 2013-2014 Budget Presentation to Council

Mr. Thrift turned the floor over to Dr. Lucas, Dr. Thorstland and Ms. Moore who utilizing a PowerPoint presentation and handouts [copies filed with these minutes] highlighted the following key areas:

- SDOC statistics
- Goals
- Anticipated Revenues, Expenditures & Fund Balance
- SDOC General Fund Revenue Budget Projection

The SDOC budget request for Fiscal Year 2013-2014 is \$42,006,424.

Discussion followed regarding several areas to include estimated insurance premium increases, fund balance, unfunded/underfunded state student cost allocations, etc.

Mr. Thrift thanked Dr. Lucas, his staff and the SDOC Board for their hard work on this budget presentation.

Break

Mr. Thrift announced a ten minute break at 6:24 p.m.
Council reconvened at 6:34 p.m.

Resolution R2013-12

Prior to the Administrator's Budget Presentation, Mr. Thrift noted for Council that Resolution R2013-12 "A RESOLUTION IN OPPOSITION TO HOUSE BILL 3290 AND SENATE BILL 203 CURRENTLY PENDING BEFORE THE SOUTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY" would on the May 7, 2013 agenda for action.

Mr. Thrift read the resolution into the record [copy filed with these minutes] emphasizing the impact passage of the H3290 or S203 would have on home rule and the citizens of Oconee County. Lastly, he encouraged council members and citizens to contact members of the Oconee County delegation [Senator Alexander, Representative Sandifer & Representative Whitmore] to ask them to vote against these bills.

County Administrator's FY 2013-2014 Budget Presentation to Council

Mr. Thrift turned the floor over to Mr. Moulder who provided each Council member with a budget book [copy filed with these minutes and on CD] and he addressed Council utilizing a PowerPoint presentation [copy filed with these minutes] reviewing with Council the following issues related to the FY2013-2014 proposed budget:

- Vision, Mission & Strategic Plan Goals
- FY 2014 Key Appropriations
- Interfund Transfers
- Special Revenue Funds, Rock Quarry Fund, Bridges & Culverts Fund, Emergency Services Fund, Economic Development Fund and the Capital Projects Fund
- General Fund - Detail Review to include:
 - Total Requests
 - Personnel Requests
 - Capital Outlay
 - General Fund [Beginning]
 - General Fund Summary
 - General Revenues & Expenditures
 - General Fund Other Financing Sources / Uses
 - General Fund [Closer]
 - General Fund Revenues & Expenditures [recommended 1.2 mil increase with vehicle fee / 3 mill increase without vehicle fee]
 - Road Maintenance Fee Fund [\$15/vehicle with funds dedicated for road paving]

Discussion followed regarding various aspects of the proposed budget to include: proposed millage increase, vehicle fee and implementation options, employee staffing levels and salaries, Local Government Fund, sewer funding, health insurance issues and fund balances.

Mr. Moulder reminded those present that Council has reduced Operating millage by 9 mills since 2006.

Mr. Moulder announced two Budget, Finance & Administration Committee meetings scheduled for Monday, May 13, 2013 and Tuesday, May 28, 2013 each at 6:00 p.m. in Chambers.

Adjourn:

Mr. McCall made a motion, approved unanimously to adjourn at 7:58 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:



Elizabeth G. Hulse
Clerk to Council