

# AGENDA

# OCONEE COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING February 3, 2015 ~ ~ 6:00 PM

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

Call to Order

**Public Comment Session** 

[Limited to a total of forty (40) minutes, four (4) minutes per person.]

**Council Member Comments** 

Moment of Silence

**Invocation by County Council Chaplain / Mr. Tom Martin** 

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America

**Approval of Minutes** 

January 20, 2015 Regular Meeting

Presentation to Council by Outside Organizations [2/mtg.; 10 min. max./presentation]

• **Humane Society / SNAC** [Spay, Neuter Assistance Coalition] **Program**Ms. Lindsey Addis, Humane Society Board Member & Oconee County Sheriff Mike Crenshaw

## **Administrator Report & Agenda Summary**

## **Public Hearing for the Following Ordinances**

**Ordinance 2015-04** "AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE TRANSFER OF CERTAIN OCONEE COUNTY REAL PROPERTY; AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF A REAL PROPERTY DEED; AND OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO."

# Third & Final Reading of the Following Ordinances

**Ordinance 2015-04** [caption see page #1]

This ordinance relates to the transfer, as approved at the December 16, 2014 Council meeting, related to the old Coroner building/property located on Short Street, Walhalla, to the Cherokee Museum.

It is the staff's recommendation that Council [1] approve Ordinance 2015-04 on third and final reading, and [2] authorize the Administrator to execute all documents pertaining to this matter.

## **Second Reading of the Following Ordinances**

Ordinance 2015-05 "AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF AN AMENDMENT TO THE AMENDED FEE AGREEMENT BETWEEN OCONEE COUNTY AND GREENFIELD INDUSTRIES, INC., TO INCLUDE THE ADDITION OF TDC GREENFIELD PROPERTIES LLC, AS A CO-SPONSOR, AMENDING THE AMENDED FEE AGREEMENT DATED AS OF OCTOBER 1, 2013; AND OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO"

Ordinance 2015-05 is an amendment to the agreed upon "fee-in-lieu" (FILOT) tax agreement between the company and the County. This amendment adds an additional business unit to those listed in the document. As you will recall, TDC Cutting Tools, Inc. is in the process of establishing its overseas headquarters in Oconee County at the same site as its subsidiary, Greenfield Industries, resulting in an additional 38 new positions in Seneca. The company, which is based in China, will invest \$8.2 million in the construction of the new TDC Overseas campus, including a 32,000-square-foot office building and a 10,000-square-foot recycling center added to the existing 168,000-square-foot facility. Greenfield Industries recently consolidated its U.S. manufacturing operations and both its U.S. and Canadian headquarters at the Davis Creek Road site in Seneca.

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## First Reading of the Following Ordinances

Ordinance 2015-11 [Title Only] "AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF AN AMENDED AND RESTATED FEE IN LIEU OF TAX AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN OCONEE COUNTY AND BORG WARNER TORQ TRANSFER SYSTEMS, INC., WHEREBY OCONEE COUNTY AND BORG WARNER TORQ TRANSFER SYSTEMS, INC. WILL AGREE TO A MODIFICATION OF THE EXISTING FEE IN LIEU OF TAX AGREEMENT AND WILL INCORPORATE THE TERMS OF ADDITIONAL INVESTMENT AND OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO."

Ordinance 2015-11 puts into place an amended and restated version of the previously approved 2012 "fee-in-lieu" of tax (FILOT) agreement between BorgWarner and the County. Since 2012, there have been additional capital investments made into this facility and this clearly defines those projects in detail.

It is the staff's recommendation that Council approve Ordinance 2015-11 on first reading in title only.

## **Discussion Regarding Action Items**

### ITB 14-06 / Sale of House & Real Property / \$129,501

On October 14, 2014 we issued ITB 14-06 to sell the house and property located at 502 E. Main St, Walhalla. We advertised in SCBO, Daily Journal, Anderson Independent and on the County Website. We held four advertised open house dates for viewing of the property. Bids were opened on January 20, 2015, receiving one Bid in the amount of \$129,501.00 from Frances Dianne Wood.

It is the staff's recommendation that Council [1] approve the sale of the house & real property located at 502 E. Main St, Walhalla to Frances Dianne Wood in the amount of \$129,501, and [2] to authorize the Administrator to execute documents & take necessary actions to complete the sale of the property.

#### ITB 14-10 / Bridge Replacement - Land Bridge / \$498,864.09

Land Bridge is a single lane bridge on a rural two lane road in Mountain Rest. The bridge decking has to be repaired on a regular basis. The bridge is weight restricted and therefore emergency response is hindered in this area. The bridge replacement contract consists of the construction of a new single span Hollow Cored Slab bridge, 70 feet long and 27 feet wide. In general, this work consists of driving piles, building two reinforced concrete abutment caps, placing nine pre-stressed concrete hollow cored slab units and other work as shown on plans. Bid Additive One (road work surrounding bridge) will include all work outside the bridge work limits including clear and grub, undercut and borrow for unsuitable materials, roadway construction, gravel parking lot, erosion control, guardrail, grassing and other site improvements as indicated on plans.

On January 20, 2015, formal sealed bids were opened. Fifteen companies were originally notified of this bid opportunity. Two bids were received, with Palmetto Infrastructure, Inc., of Greenville, SC, submitting the lowest overall bid of \$453,512.81.

In July of 2012, Council gave approval for the County to enter into an agreement with the US Forest Service to obtain a \$96,000 grant from the Francis Marion Sumter Resource Advisory Committee (FMS RAC) to help fund the replacement of Land Bridge. This grant was subsequently increased to \$175,639 and approved by the US Forest Service on September 25, 2013.

Budget: \$ Project Cost: \$ Balance: \$

It is the staff's recommendation that Council approve the award of bid ITB 14-10, Bridge Replacement-Land Bridge Road to Palmetto Infrastructure, Inc., of Greenville, SC, in the amount of \$453,512.81 with a 10% contingency of \$45,351.28 for a total award of \$498,864.09 and authorize the County Administrator to approve any Change Orders within the contingency amount.

### Approval to Apply for Story Corp @ Your Library Grant

Story Corps is one of the largest oral history projects of its kind. The Story Corps @ Your Library Grant that the library would like to apply for is only given to ten [10] libraries each year and is a highly competitive.

OCPL in partnership with the Oconee Heritage Center is interested in implementing the StoryCorps @ your library program to help preserve the distinct history of Oconee County. Our main focus is to collect stories that relate to county history and memories of the changes that have taken place within the county in the past century as well as the people who have impacted the area. The overarching theme for this project will be titled, The Changing Face of Oconee County: How the people and places have changed over the past century. Our main program to be produced from this project would be a bi-weekly podcast series titled the Changing Faces of Oconee County.

There would be minimal financial impact as the initial funds for this project would come directly from the Stor Corps grant to cover training; use of Story Corps authorized equipment, and funds for programming. The main impact on the county would be the use of library employee time to run the programs associated with this grant.

It is the staff's recommendation that Council approve the Library applying for the Story Corps @ Your Library Grant as described.

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**Board & Commission Appointments** 

<b>Board of Zoning Appeals</b>	1 At Large Seat
Library Board	1 At Large Seat
Aeronautics Commission	1 At Large Seat
Conservation Bank Board	
Parks, Recreation & Tourism Commission	
[Appointments by Category - Current Board Roster and Code Membership Requesting Reappointment + 4 New Questionnaires  Scenic Highway Committee	uirements Provided]
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#### **Old Business**

[to include Vote and/or Action on matters brought up for discussion, if required]

• Transportation Committee Deferred Recommendation re: Moccasin Flower Road [Recommend Council support for closure and direct staff to prepare a Resolution for County Council to consent to the abandonment and closure of Moccasin Flower Road. This is needed for citizens to proceed with process.]

#### **New Business**

[None scheduled at this meeting.]

[to include Vote and/or Action on matters brought up for discussion, if required]

**Executive Session** [for the purpose of discussing several Economic Development matters, a personnel matter, a pending litigation matter and to discuss a potential litigation/personnel matters]

Vote and/or Action on matters discussed in Executive Session [if required]

# Adjourn

The <u>Real Estate, Facilities & Land Management Committee</u> meeting scheduled for February 10, 2015 has been cancelled.

The <u>Law Enforcement, Public Safety, Health & Welfare Committee</u> has scheduled a meeting for Tuesday, February 10, 2015 at 5:30 p.m.

The <u>Budget, Finance & Administration Committee</u> has a scheduled meeting for Tuesday, February 10, 2015 at 6:30 p.m.

Assisted Listening Devices [ALD] are available to accommodate the special needs of citizens attending meetings held in Council Chambers.

ALD requests should be made to the Clerk to Council at least 30 minutes prior to the meeting start time.

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