



MINUTES

STRATEGIC PLANNING RETREAT MEETING

February 25, 2015

MEMBERS, OCONEE COUNTY COUNCIL

Mr. Wayne McCall, District II, Council Chairman
Mr. Paul Cain, District III, Vice Chairman
Ms. Edda Cammick, District I, Chairman Pro Tem
Mr. Joel Thrift, District IV
Mr. Reg Dexter, District V

Oconee County Council met on February 25, 2015 at 8:00 AM in Council Chambers, 415 South Pine Street, Walhalla, SC with all Council Members, County Administrator Scott Moulder; Public Information Officer Amanda Brock 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 [*upon request*] to the newspapers, radio stations, television stations and concerned citizens.

Member of the press present: Dick Mangrum – WGOG Radio

Call to Order:

Mr. McCall called the meeting to order at 8:04 a.m.

Discussion of Short Term Goals for Oconee County / Ms. Donna London

Mr. Moulder introduced Ms. Donna London, Jim Self Center on the Future at Clemson University's Strom Thurmond Institute; reading from a brief statement [copy filed with these minutes].

Ms. London led Council through discussions utilizing a PowerPoint presentation [copy filed with these minutes] highlighting the following key areas:

- Decision Making Process
- Oconee County's Vision & Mission Statements
- Principals
- 2014 Short Term Goals
- Goal Orientated Questions to include:
 - What is the one strength that sets Oconee County apart from other SC counties?
 - Are there Big Questions Oconee County must answer in order to be successful in the next year?
 - What does County Council need to do to make Oconee County successful?
 - In what areas does Oconee County have a competitive advantage?
 - What should people know about Oconee County?
 - WHAT ARE OUR PRIORITIES?

This process lasted approximately 3 ½ hours with lively discussion and various opinions offered. Mr. McCall along with other Council members thanked Ms. London for facilitating the strategic planning retreat. Ms. London's final report will be incorporated into these minutes as part of the permanent record of the meeting.

Breaks

Council took one break during the meeting at 10:20 a.m.

Adjourn:

Mr. McCall adjourned the meeting at 12:02 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Elizabeth G. Hulse
Clerk to Council