



MINUTES
OCONEE COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING
Regular Meeting
March 3, 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 at 6:00 PM in Council Chambers, 415 South Pine Street, Walhalla, SC with all Council Members, County Administrator Scott Moulder, County Attorney Thomas Martin and Elizabeth Hulse, Clerk to Council 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.

Members of the press present: Ray Chandler/Anderson Independent & Steven Bradley/The Daily Journal.

Call to Order

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

Public Comment Session

Ms. Susie Cornelius addressed Council in opposition to use of tax money for sewer expansion in the southern end of Oconee County.

Mr. Berry Nichols addressed Council requesting installation of handicapped access doors at the Pine Street offices and other matters not for consideration at this meeting.

County Council Response to Public Comment

None at this meeting.

Moment of Silence

Mr. McCall asked for a moment of silence prior the Invocation by the County Chaplain.

Invocation by County Council Chaplain:

Mr. Tom Martin, County Council Chaplain, gave the invocation.

Pledge of Allegiance:

Ms. Cammick led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

Approval of Minutes:

Mr. Thrift made a motion, seconded by Ms. Cammick, approved 5 – 0 to approve the February 24, 2014 regular meeting as presented.

Presentations to Council by Outside Organizations

Appalachian Council of Governments [ACOG] / Mr. Steve Pelissier

Mr. Pelissier, ACOG Executive Director, addressed Council utilizing two handouts “ACOG Services to Oconee County 2014” and “ACOG Annual Report 2014” [copies filed with these minutes] highlighting key areas of service and upcoming goals for 2015.

Discussion followed. Council thanked Mr. Pelissier for his presentation.

Administrator’s Report & Agenda Summary

Mr. Moulder briefly reviewed with Council and for the public’s benefit specifics related to the following matters before Council at this meeting:

- Second Reading for Ordinances: 2015-09, 2015-11, 2015-13
- First Reading of Ordinances: 2015-14
- First & Final Reading of Resolutions: R2015-04n
- Executive Session noting that the Economic Development matter is not needed at this meeting.

Second Reading of the Following Ordinances

Ordinance 2015-09 “AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 12-34 OF ARTICLE II OF CHAPTER 12 OF THE OCONEE COUNTY CODE OF ORDINANCES, IN CERTAIN LIMITED REGARDS AND PARTICULARS ONLY, REGARDING NOISE REGULATIONS OF THE COUNTY; AND OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO”

Mr. Thrift made a motion, seconded by Mr. Cain, approved 4 – 1 [Ms. Cammick opposed] to approve **Ordinance 2015-09** on second reading.

Ordinance 2015-11 11 “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.”

Ms. Cammick made a motion, seconded by Mr. Thrift, approved 5 – 0 to approve **Ordinance 2015-11** on second reading.

Ordinance 2015-13 “AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF A FEE IN LIEU OF TAX AGREEMENT BETWEEN OCONEE COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA AND **PROJECT MOLD** AND INCLUDING, WITHOUT LIMITATION, PAYMENT OF A FEE IN LIEU OF TAXES RELATED TO THE PROJECT; EXTENDING THE TERM OF THE JOINT COUNTY INDUSTRIAL AND BUSINESS PARK FOR THE PROJECT UNTIL DECEMBER 31, 2023; AND OTHER MATTERS RELATING THERETO”

Ms. Cammick made a motion, seconded by Mr. Cain, approved 5 – 0 to approve **Ordinance 2015-13** on second reading.

First Reading of the Following Ordinances

Ordinance 2015-14 "AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 38 "ZONING" OF THE OCONEE COUNTY CODE OF ORDINANCES, INCLUDING ALL ZONING MAPS INCORPORATED THEREIN AND THEREBY, IN CERTAIN LIMITED REGARDS AND PARTICULARS, ONLY; AND OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO"

[2015 SUB01]

Mr. Dexter made a motion, seconded by Mr. Cain, approved 5 – 0 to approve **Ordinance 2015-14** on first reading and to refer the matter to the Planning Commission for their required review.

First & Final Reading of the Following Resolutions

Resolution R2015-04 "A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF AN INDUCEMENT AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN OCONEE COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA AND **PROJECT MOLD**, WHEREBY, UNDER CERTAIN CONDITIONS, OCONEE COUNTY WILL EXECUTE A FEE IN LIEU OF TAX AGREEMENT FOR A PROJECT INVOLVING NOT LESS THAN FIVE MILLION DOLLARS (\$5,000,000) INVESTMENT" & Inducement Agreement

Mr. Thrift made a motion, seconded by Mr. Dexter, approved 5 – 0 to approve **Resolution R2015-04** on first & final reading.

Discussion Regarding Action Items:

[None scheduled at this meeting.]

Old Business:

[None scheduled at this meeting.]

New Business:

[None scheduled at this meeting.]

Executive Session:

Mr. Cain made a motion, seconded by Mr. Thrift, approved 5 – 0 to enter Executive Session for the purpose of discussing a personnel matter.

Council entered Executive Session at 6:34 p.m.

Council returned from Executive Session at 7:32 p.m. on a motion by Mr. Dexter, seconded by Mr. Thrift, approved 5 – 0.

Mr. McCall stated that no action was taken in Executive Session.

Adjourn

Mr. Thrift made a motion, approved unanimously 5 – 0, to adjourn at 7:33 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Elizabeth G. Hulse
Clerk to Council