



# PUBLIC HEARING

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## Oconee County Council Meeting

DATE: June 14, 2016 ~ ~ 6:00 p.m.

**Ordinance 2016-01** "AN ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH THE BUDGET FOR OCONEE COUNTY AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE LEVY OF TAXES FOR ORDINARY COUNTY PURPOSES, FOR THE TRI-COUNTY TECHNICAL COLLEGE SPECIAL REVENUE FUND, FOR THE EMERGENCY SERVICES PROTECTION SPECIAL REVENUE FUND, FOR THE ROAD MAINTENANCE SPECIAL REVENUE FUND, FOR THE VICTIM SERVICES SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS, FOR THE BRIDGE AND CULVERT CAPITAL PROJECT FUND, GENERAL CAPITAL PROJECT FUND, AND FOR THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CAPITAL PROJECT FUND, ALL IN OCONEE COUNTY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2016 AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2017"

**Ordinance 2016-02** "AN ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH THE BUDGET FOR THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF OCONEE COUNTY (the "School District") AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE LEVY OF TAXES FOR THE OPERATIONS OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF OCONEE COUNTY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2016 AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2017"

**Ordinance 2016-03** "AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE FOR THE LEVY OF TAXES FOR THE KEOWEE FIRE SPECIAL TAX DISTRICT AND TO ESTABLISH THE BUDGET FOR THE KEOWEE FIRE SPECIAL TAX DISTRICT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2016 AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2017"

Everyone speaking before Council will be required to do so in a civil manner.

Council will not tolerate personal attacks on individual council members, county staff or any person or group. Racial slurs will not be permitted. Council's number one priority is to conduct business for the citizens of this county. All citizens who wish to address Council and all Boards and Commission appointed by Council should do so in an appropriate manner.

Written comments may be submitted at any time prior to the hearing for inclusion in the official record of the meeting.

### PRINT Your Name & Check Ordinance[s] You Wish to Address

NAME	ORDINANCE			NAME	ORDINANCE		
	2016-01	2016-02	2016-03		2016-01	2016-02	2016-03
*1 Todd Simmons X	X						
1. PAUL CORBELL X	X						17.
2. STEVE MORSE X		X					18.
3 Wayne Thomas X	X						19.
4. Todd Simmons X	X						20.
5. FRANKIE BARN X	X						21.
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Oconee County 2009-2015 Millage Rate Comparison

Sources: 2015 Audited Financial Statements/County Auditor;

Annual Inflation: Bureau of Labor Statistics

Millage Purpose	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	Comments/Notes
Annual Inflation	-0.34%	1.64	3.16	2.07	1.47	1.62	0.12	Cumulative 9.74% x 64.1 mils = 70.3mils
Operating-Actual	64.1	63.9	61.1	58.9	58.9	56.6	57.6	10.1% decrease, \$26 for \$100k home or, 19.8% below inflation
Investments:								
Debt Service	4.1	1.4	1.9	6	6	6	6	New Detention Ctr.
Economic Devel.	1	1	1	1	1	2.2	2.2	See results Inv. \$ and new jobs
Bridges & Culverts	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Road Maintenance	0	0	0	0	0	2.1	2.1	1st time dedicated source
TCTC	2.1	2.7	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.1	Workforce dev. partnership w/ SDOC, Clemson, local business
Subtotal Investment	8.2	6.1	6	10.1	10.1	13.4	13.4	63% greater investment
Total County Millage	72.3	70	67.1	69	69	71	71	Overall decr. 1.8 %, \$4 for \$100k home

\*\*\*Note: All percentage changes calculated on comparative millage rates.

The Journal Editorial, Saturday, June 11... "What do you, the taxpayer, have to show for It?" Let's respond to that with a few starters.

1. We've seen critical service level improvements in Assessor, Building Permits, IT and other services
2. We're one of the few counties/municipalities to effectively address the retiree health care unfunded liability
3. Salaries increased \$4.4 million, clear improvement employee morale, lower negative turnover
4. Widespread support for improved rural fire, result new ISO 4, in many communities from a 9
5. We've added 19 new public safety employees
6. Investment in our future has increased from 11.3% to 18.9% of overall millage in 7 years

Let's sum it up. If Council approves Vers. 4's recommended 1.5 mil, means these results accomplished with no tax increase over 8 years. No apologies are necessary. We ask you to stay the course!

Agenda: Townville Town Hall Meeting On Crime, 6/2/16, VFD

- 1) Welcome and Opening Remarks, Guidelines for Panel Discussion
- 2) Introduction and appreciation for officials present (see attached)
- 3) Mention officials invited who could not attend (see attachment)
- 4) To get things kicked off, I am going to ask all those present who have been burglarized 18-24 months ago to please stand and remain standing.

Now those who have been burglarized 12-18 months ago please stand and remain standing. Now those who have been burglarized within the last 12 months please stand and remain standing.

Anyone who has been burglarized more than once, please raise your hand. Comments!!!!

- 5) To the sheriff's representatives- please provide us the status on the most recent burglaries and arrests within the last month. Specifically, we would like to know about the Hughes brothers and any other repeat offenders.
- 6) To the assistant solicitors- would you please explain the bonding issue and what determines the dollars set for specific crimes, repeat offenders, etc. Also, please advise the benefits of victims showing up at bond hearings.
- 7) Open questions from the floor-all
- 8) Comments or questions from the panel
- 9) Tips on establishing a neighborhood crime watch program- Lloyd Robinson
- 10) Closing comments and thanks to all

**Townville Town Hall Meeting On Crime**  
**June 2, 2016 @Volunteer Fire Department**  
*Minutes submitted by Mary Jo McKenna*

<b>Meeting attended by:</b>	<b>CO-ORDINATOR &amp; FACILITATOR:</b> Wayne Thompson, <b>SUPPORT :</b> Sally Thompson, Pat & Butch West , Jo McKenna, and others from the neighborhood. <b>PANEL MEMBERS:</b> <u>Anderson County</u> – Sheriff Dept: Captain Derek Roland, Deputy Lloyd Robison, Austin McLain, Investigator; <i>Solicitors:</i> Catherine Huey, Asst. Tim Jones. Asst. <u>Oconee County</u> – Sheriff Dept: Sergeant Mike McGowan, Nina McKee, Investigator; <i>Solicitors:</i> Blair Stoudenmire, Asst. <b>TOWNVILLE RESIDENTS – Anderson &amp; Oconee Counties: 159 Attendees</b>
<b>Absent from meeting: Invited but declined for various reasons</b>	<i>SC Senators:</i> Thomas Alexander & Kevin Bryant, SC Rep Jonathan Hill, Chief Magistrate (Anderson), Nancy Devine, Chief Magistrate (Oconee), Todd Simmons, Anderson Sheriff, J. Skipper and Oconee Sheriff Mike Crenshaw
<b>Date:</b>	June 2, 2016
<b>Time:</b>	6:30 – 8:30 PM
<b>Comments:</b>	Wayne read an email from both state senators offering their review/investigation of the situation and their pledge to help correct the bonding issues. Senator Bryant went so far as to suggest legislation for next year to help correct this issue.
<b>Agenda Topic #1: Identification of Burglarized Victims</b>	
<b>Notes:</b> All residents who had been victimized 24 months to the present were asked to identify themselves by standing. At least 50% of the Residents stood and identified themselves as victims of the same group of criminals. Some had multiple crimes committed against them.	
<b>Action Items:</b> N/A	
<b>Agenda Topic #2: Status of the current burglaries and arrest records addressed to the Sheriff Departments of each county.</b>	
<b>Notes:</b> The arrest and imprisonment of Jeffery Hughes, the 'ringleader' and repeat criminal, is current. His bond is at \$136,000 and he is still incarcerated. A female accomplice has also been arrested	
<b>Action Items:</b> The sheriff departments of both counties had no statistics to offer about the rest of the 'gang' regarding their current status.	
<b>Agenda Topic #3: Explanation of Bonding Procedure and subsequent criminal status following arrest.</b>	
<b>Notes:</b> Catherine Huey, Assistant Solicitor explained that the bonding amount is determined by the seriousness of the crime and/or the number of repeats. The Magistrate determines the amount of bond to assign to each case by reviewing the crime committed and the perpetrator's 'rap sheet' if one exists. This information must be submitted to the magistrate by the arresting law enforcement agency at the time of the bond hearing. If this information is not available, the Magistrate will set whatever amount he/she wants. This bond can be also set as "on the perp's own recognizance". Bond can be paid and then perp can be free until the trial date. She also explained that a trial can take as long as 15-18 months to go to court due to the huge backlog of cases awaiting trial.	
<b>Action Items:</b> When the case reaches circuit court, the opportunity to change the bond amount is presented. The bond amount may be increased or decreased based on the evidence presented at this time. See Attachment titled: <u>Title 17 - Criminal Procedures/ Bail and Recognizances</u> which clearly explains the circumstances related to this issue.	

**Agenda Topic #4: Open Questions from the Floor**

Notes: Several topics were addressed by the Residents, the concerns voiced by the majority were:

- The slow response time from the Anderson Sheriff Department and subsequent lack of follow-up of criminal activity.
- The lack of safety level felt by various subdivision residents;
- The propagation of 'meth labs' in various neighborhoods
- The bonding procedure and subsequent quick release of criminals from jail prior to trial dates.
- Consequences of protection of personal property and life especially using a weapon.

**Action Items:**

- The Anderson Sheriff's departments shared their cell phone number and email address to enable residents to contact them directly and were directed to call anytime when concerns arise. (See Contact information at end of report.)
- Manpower is a problem and there are not enough responders available to stake out every neighborhood when a crime has been committed or is in progress. Each officer is responsible for 2,772 residents; this represents a 33% shortage of officers needed. Residents were encouraged to attend the Council meetings as a means to request the hiring of more police personnel. **Next meeting in Walhalla June 14, 2016 at 6:00 PM in the County Council Chambers located at 415 South Pine Street, Walhalla, S.C.**
- The failure to set higher bonds sometimes lies in the hands of the arresting law enforcement agency who brings the perpetrator to the bond hearing. The arresting officer is suppose to provide the judge the previous criminal arrests and convictions of the suspect. Apparently the judges do not always receive this information at the time of the bond hearing which often results in the judge setting a low bond, allowing the suspect to get back out on the street quicker. Suggestions to have this data available in an electronic data base would hopefully fix this issue.
- Personal protection of self and property should be through use of motion detectors, alarm systems, 'no trespassing' signs, automatic light timers, 'fake' TV devices and the home security devices displayed by Mike McGowan. Keep records and pictures of all electronic devices making sure to record serial numbers; these should be put in a safe place as safety deposit box or personal secured safe.
- Consequences of defense using a weapon: if your life and/or property is in imminent danger, a victim having a CWP may shoot the trespassing criminal in self-defense with no consequences.  
NOTE: First make every attempt to call 911 and have the officers handle the situation then call the personal cell phone number of the county sheriff to report the incident. Only use personal defense weapon as a last resort.

**Agenda Topic #5: Home Security and Safety Recommendations**

Notes: Mike McGowan GPS door locks, Ring Brand Door Bell, Boat Lock System

Action Items: Contact Oconee Sheriff Department for complete product information

**Agenda Topic #6: Neighborhood Watch facilitated by Lloyd Robison**

Notes: The following suggestions were given to residents for successful neighborhood surveillance by residents

- Make the home look occupied – light timers, motion detector lights, mail and newspaper stop, 'fake' TV device
- Be prepared for surveillance details – notebook for details, camera/smart phone for pictures and videos; NOTE: 'strange car' – make, model, color, # doors, bodily damage, license plate#, driver, passenger; NOTE: Criminal ID – race, height/weight, hair color, clothes, shoes tattoos, scars or any unusual characteristic (i.e. gait)

Action Items: Neighborhood Watch signs are useless after about a week's exposure, it is more effective to use your eyes and ears to keep safe. The Community Service Director of Anderson County under the "Crime Prevention Specialties" Program will check out individual security systems, evaluate safety status and help residents to fix or improve what needs to be done. (See Lloyd Robison Contact information at end of report.)

**Agenda Topic #7: Contact Information for Sheriff Departments other than 911**

**Notes:** Anderson County: Non-Emergency Main Desk: 864-260-4400  
Captain Derek Roland Desk: 864-222-3951  
Captain Derek Roland Cell: 864-844-3074  
\* Email: droland@andersonsheriff.com  
Deputy Lloyd Robison Cell: 864-222-3937  
\* Email: lrobison@andersonsheriff.com  
Oconee County: Non-Emergency Main Desk: 864-638-4111  
\*www.tipsubmit.com

**Action Items:** Before placing a call, determine if it is a life-threatening situation. If so immediately call 911 and calmly give the dispatcher all necessary information: Name, address of incident, explanation of incident. Secondly, you may call Captain Roland, Anderson County, on his cell so that he may be able to dispatch a unit who is already in the vicinity of the crime. As for Oconee County, I have no cell number to call for a back-up report.

**Next Meeting:** To be determined

South Carolina Code of Laws  
Unannotated

Title 17 - Criminal Procedures

CHAPTER 15

Bail and Recognizances

**SECTION 17-15-10.** Person charged with noncapital offense may be released on his own recognizance; conditions of release; bond hearing for burglary charges.

(A) A person charged with a noncapital offense triable in either the magistrates, county or circuit court, shall, at his appearance before any of such courts, be ordered released pending trial on his own recognizance without surety in an amount specified by the court, unless the court determines in its discretion that such a release will not reasonably assure the appearance of the person as required, or unreasonable danger to the community or an individual will result. If such a determination is made by the court, it may impose any one or more of the following conditions of release:

- (1) require the execution of an appearance bond in a specified amount with good and sufficient surety or sureties approved by the court;
- (2) place the person in the custody of a designated person or organization agreeing to supervise him;
- (3) place restrictions on the travel, association, or place of abode of the person during the period of release;
- (4) impose any other conditions deemed reasonably necessary to assure appearance as required, including a condition that the person return to custody after specified hours.

(B) A person charged with the offense of burglary in the first degree pursuant to Section 16-11-311 may have his bond hearing for that charge in summary court unless the solicitor objects.

**HISTORY:** 1962 Code Section 17-300; 1969 (56) 383; 2012 Act No. 288, Section 3, eff June 29, 2012; 2015 Act No. 58 (S.3), Pt III, Section 12, eff June 4, 2015.

**Effect of Amendment**

2015 Act No. 58, Section 12, in (A), inserted "or an individual", and in (B), substituted "A person" for "Any person".

**SECTION 17-15-15.** Deposit of cash percentage in lieu of bond; assignment of deposit; restitution to victim.

(A) In lieu of requiring actual posting of bond as provided in subsection (A) of Section 17-15-10, the court setting bond may permit the defendant to deposit in cash with the clerk of court an amount not to exceed ten percent of the amount of bond set, which amount, when the defendant fulfills the condition of the bond, shall be returned to the defendant by the clerk except as provided in subsection (C).

(B) The cash deposit provided for in subsection (A) shall be assignable at any time after it is posted with the clerk of court by written assignment executed by the defendant and delivered to the clerk. After assignment and after the defendant fulfills the condition of his bond, the clerk shall return the cash deposit to the assignee thereof.

(C) In the event the cash deposit is not assigned but the defendant is required by the court to make restitution to the victim of his crime, such deposit may be used for the purpose of such restitution.

**HISTORY:** 1980 Act No. 393, Section 2A

**SECTION 17-15-20. Conditions of appearance recognizance or appearance bond; discharge, validity, relief of surety.**

(A) An appearance recognizance or appearance bond must be conditioned on the person charged personally appearing before the court specified to answer the charge or indictment and to do and receive what is enjoined by the court, and not to leave the State, and be of good behavior toward all the citizens of the State, or especially toward a person or persons specified by the court.

(B) Unless a bench warrant is issued, an appearance recognizance or an appearance bond is discharged upon adjudication, a finding of guilt, a deferred disposition, or as otherwise provided by law. An appearance bond is valid for a period of three years from the date the bond is executed for a charge triable in circuit court and eighteen months from the date the bond is executed for a charge triable in magistrates or municipal court. In order for the surety to be relieved of liability on the appearance bond when the time period has run, the surety must provide sixty days written notice to the solicitor, when appropriate, and the respective clerk of court, chief magistrate, or municipal court judge with jurisdiction over the offense of the surety's intent to assert that the person is no longer subject to a valid appearance bond. If the appropriate court determines the person has substantially complied with his court obligations and the solicitor does not object within the required sixty days by demanding a hearing, the court shall order the appearance bond converted to a personal recognizance bond and the surety relieved of liability.

HISTORY: 1962 Code Section 17-300.1; 1969 (56) 383; 2012 Act No. 115, Section 1, eff February 1, 2012.

**Editor's Note**

2012 Act No. 286, Sections 4, 5, provide as follows:

"SECTION 4. The provisions of Section 1 of Act 115 of 2012 which amended Section 17-15-20 of the 1976 Code and allow sureties to be relieved of an appearance bond under certain designated circumstances are retroactive and apply to all existing and future appearance bonds.

"SECTION 5. Except as provided in SECTION 4, the repeal or amendment by this act of any law, whether temporary or permanent or civil or criminal, does not affect pending actions, rights, duties, or liabilities founded thereon, or alter, discharge, release or extinguish any penalty, forfeiture, or liability incurred under the repealed or amended law, unless the repealed or amended provision shall so expressly provide. After the effective date of this act, all laws repealed or amended by this act must be taken and treated as remaining in full force and effect for the purpose of sustaining any pending or vested right, civil action, special proceeding, criminal prosecution, or appeal existing as of the effective date of this act, and for the enforcement of rights, duties, penalties, forfeitures, and liabilities as they stood under the repealed or amended laws."

**SECTION 17-15-30. Matters to be considered in determining conditions of release; contempt.**

(A) In determining conditions of release that will reasonably assure appearance, or if release would constitute an unreasonable danger to the community or an individual, a court may, on the basis of the following information, consider the nature and circumstances of an offense charged and the charged person's:

- (1) family ties;
- (2) employment;
- (3) financial resources;
- (4) character and mental condition;
- (5) length of residence in the community;



(6) record of convictions; and

(7) record of flight to avoid prosecution or failure to appear at other court proceedings.

(B) A court shall consider:

(1) a person's criminal record;

(2) any charges pending against a person at the time release is requested;

(3) all incident reports generated as a result of an offense charged;

(4) whether a person is an alien unlawfully present in the United States, and poses a substantial flight risk due to this status; and

(5) whether the charged person appears in the state gang database maintained at the State Law Enforcement Division.

(C)(1) Prior to or at the time of a hearing, the arresting law enforcement agency shall provide the court with the following information:

(a) a person's criminal record;

(b) any charges pending against a person at the time release is requested;

(c) all incident reports generated as a result of the offense charged; and

(d) any other information that will assist the court in determining conditions of release.

(2) The arresting law enforcement agency shall inform the court if any of the information is not available at the time of the hearing and the reason the information is not available. Failure on the part of the law enforcement agency to provide the court with the information does not constitute grounds for the postponement or delay of the person's hearing. Notwithstanding the provisions of this item, when a person is charged with a violation of Chapter 25, Title 16, the bond hearing may not proceed without the person's criminal record and incident report or the presence of the arresting officer. The bond hearing for a violation of Chapter 25, Title 16 must occur within twenty-four hours after the arrest.

(D) A court hearing these matters has contempt powers to enforce the provisions of this section.

HISTORY: 1962 Code Section 17-300.2; 1969 (56) 383; 2005 Act No. 106, Section 8, eff January 1, 2006; 2008 Act No. 280, Section 16, eff June 4, 2008; 2010 Act No. 273, Section 9, eff June 2, 2010; 2012 Act No. 286, Section 1, eff June 29, 2012; 2014 Act No. 144 (S.19), Section 2, eff April 7, 2014; 2015 Act No. 58 (S.3), Pt III, Section 10, eff June 4, 2015.

#### Effect of Amendment

2014 Act No. 144, Section 2, substituted "person" for "accused" throughout; in subsection (A), substituted "the following information" for "available information"; in subsection (B), deleted ", if available" following "shall consider"; added subsection (B)(5), relating to the state gang database; in subsection (C)(1), deleted ", if available" following "following information"; and made other nonsubstantive changes.

2015 Act No. 58, Section 10, in (A), inserted "or an individual"; and in (C)(2), added the last two sentences relating to Chapter 25, Title 16.

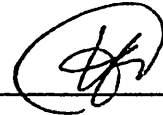
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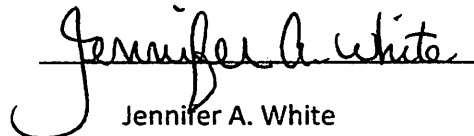
**IN RE: PUBLIC HEARING ON COUNTY BUDGET FOR 2016/2017 FISCAL YEAR**

BEFORE ME the undersigned, a Notary Public for the State and County above named, This day personally came before me, Hal Welch, who being first duly sworn according to law, says that he is the General Manager of **THE JOURNAL** , a newspaper published Tuesday through Saturday in Seneca, SC and distributed in **OCONEE COUNTY, PICKENS COUNTY and the PENDLETON area of ANDERSON COUNTY** and the notice (of which the annexed is a true copy) was inserted in said papers on 05/28/2016 and the rate charged therefore is not in excess of the regular rates charged private individuals for similar insertions.

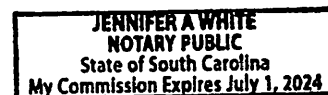


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**Notice of Public Hearing**  
**State of South Carolina**  
**County Of Oconee**  
**Before the Oconee County Council**

Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to law, a hearing will be held in the Board Room of the School District of Oconee County, at 414 South Pine Street, Walhalla, SC, commencing at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, June 24, 2015 on the following matter:

The Fiscal Year 2016-2017 County Budget Ordinance No. 2016-01, School District 2016-02, and Known Key Tax District 2015-03 for Oconee County, South Carolina.

The following budget is proposed:

	Current Estimated Year 2015-2015		Proposed Year 2016-2017		Percent Change
	Expenditures	Revenues	Expenditures	Revenues	
County General Operations	\$ 42,412,327	\$ 43,412,317	\$ 44,271,154	\$ 44,271,154	2%
Capital Lease Purchase	4,711,001	4,711,001	-	-	0%
Economic Development Capital Projects Fund	2,012,000	2,111,000	1,132,000	1,132,000	45%
Social Services Funds	708,333	700,333	1,234,666	1,234,666	75%
Tx County Tax Operations	1,044,531	1,044,532	1,064,300	1,064,300	2%
County Debt Service Fund	2,048,170	2,048,079	2,055,213	2,055,213	-1%
Emergency Services Protection Fund	1,723,000	1,723,000	1,437,300	1,437,300	-18%
Bridge and Culvert Capital Project Fund	1,723,000	1,775,000	480,000	480,000	-74%
Road Maintenance Fund	1,222,500	1,280,000	1,727,493	1,727,493	30%
Emergency Funds	6,522,273	6,585,936	7,277,862	7,277,862	11%
<b>Total County</b>	<b>\$ 66,329,264</b>	<b>\$ 67,429,287</b>	<b>\$ 62,329,112</b>	<b>\$ 62,329,112</b>	<b>-6%</b>
School District Operations	\$ 51,717,302	\$ 51,071,023	\$ 52,763,211	\$ 52,763,211	2%
School District Debt Service	17,142,474	17,142,474	16,310,300	16,112,266	5%
<b>Total School District</b>	<b>\$ 78,274,281</b>	<b>\$ 78,113,581</b>	<b>\$ 78,796,471</b>	<b>\$ 78,025,477</b>	<b>1%</b>
Social Purpose Tax District					
Known Key Tax District	\$ 69,358	\$ 69,200	\$ 69,200	\$ 69,200	0%
<b>Total Social Purpose Tax District</b>	<b>\$ 69,358</b>	<b>\$ 69,200</b>	<b>\$ 69,200</b>	<b>\$ 69,200</b>	<b>0%</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 144,672,903</b>	<b>\$ 145,612,148</b>	<b>\$ 143,924,793</b>	<b>\$ 143,424,793</b>	<b>-1%</b>

	Current Year 2015-2015		Proposed Year 2016-2017	
	Millage Rate In Dollars	Millage Rate	Millage Rate In Dollars	Millage Rate
County Operations	\$ 21,124,200	37.6	\$ 21,140,302	35.1
Economic Development Fund	\$ 1,114,527	2.0	\$ 1,139,966	2.2
Emergency Services Protection Fund	\$ 1,222,173	2.1	\$ 1,368,437	2.3
Bridge and Culvert Capital Project Fund	\$ 509,943	1	\$ 614,221	1
Road Maintenance Fund	\$ 1,360,668	2.4	\$ 1,684,220	2.7
<b>Total County</b>	<b>\$ 25,329,511</b>	<b>35.2</b>	<b>\$ 25,347,146</b>	<b>35.1</b>
County Bonds	\$ 2,229,618	4	\$ 2,101,200	3
<b>Total County</b>	<b>\$ 27,559,129</b>	<b>37.8</b>	<b>\$ 27,448,346</b>	<b>38.1</b>
School District Operations	\$ 52,546,222	11.1	\$ 52,763,211	11.1
School District Bonds	\$ 18,272,221	3.7	\$ 16,663,724	3.1
Known School District	\$ 70,221,244	14.1	\$ 70,446,936	14.1
Tx County Tax Operations	\$ 1,022,586	2.1	\$ 1,064,300	2.1
<b>Total Tx County Tax</b>	<b>\$ 1,064,300</b>	<b>2.1</b>	<b>\$ 1,064,300</b>	<b>2.1</b>
Social Purpose Tax District				
Known Key Tax District	\$ 69,358	14.5	\$ 69,200	14.5
<b>Total Social Purpose Tax District</b>	<b>\$ 69,358</b>	<b>14.5</b>	<b>\$ 69,200</b>	<b>14.4</b>
<b>Grand Total Mill</b>	<b>\$ 117,664,917</b>	<b>22.5</b>	<b>\$ 122,138,603</b>	<b>23.1</b>

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**Notice of Public Hearing**  
 State of South Carolina  
 County Of Oconee  
 Before the Oconee County Council

Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to law, a hearing will be held in the Board Room of the School District of Oconee County, at 414 South Pine Street, Walhalla, SC, commencing at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, June 14, 2016 on the following matter:

The Fiscal Year 2016-2017 County Budget Ordinance No. 2016-01, School District 2016-02, and Kowee Key Fire District 2016-03 for Oconee County, South Carolina.

The following budget is proposed:

	Current Amended Year 2015-2016		Proposed Year 2016-2017		Percent Change
	Expenditures	Revenues	Expenditures	Revenues	
County General Operations	\$ 43,412,257	\$ 42,412,357	\$ 44,377,764	\$ 44,377,764	2%
Capital Lease Purchase	4,111,881	4,111,881			0%
Economic Development/Capital Projects Fund	2,872,000	2,872,000	1,100,000	1,100,000	-60%
Special Revenue Funds	706,200	706,200	1,258,668	1,258,668	76%
Tri-County Tax Operations	1,544,408	1,614,833	1,268,000	1,663,000	2%
County Child Support Fund	2,046,878	2,046,878	2,095,210	2,095,210	-31%
Emergency Services Protection Fund	1,700,000	1,700,000	1,491,000	1,491,000	-12%
Bridge and Current Capital Project Fund	1,700,000	1,700,000	400,000	400,000	-74%
Road Maintenance Fund	1,200,000	1,200,000	1,700,000	1,700,000	33%
Enterprise Funds	4,846,818	4,846,818	7,217,980	7,217,980	17%
<b>Total County</b>	<b>\$ 68,420,281</b>	<b>\$ 68,420,281</b>	<b>\$ 69,871,112</b>	<b>\$ 69,871,112</b>	-4%
School District Operations	\$ 31,171,000	\$ 31,171,000	\$ 32,733,211	\$ 32,733,211	3%
General District Fire Revenue	17,142,478	17,142,478	16,212,200	16,212,200	-5%
<b>Total School District</b>	<b>\$ 48,313,478</b>	<b>\$ 48,313,478</b>	<b>\$ 48,945,411</b>	<b>\$ 48,945,411</b>	1%
Special Purpose Tax District - Kowee Key Fire District	\$ 890,200	\$ 890,200	\$ 890,200	\$ 890,200	1%
<b>Total Special Purpose Tax District</b>	<b>\$ 890,200</b>	<b>\$ 890,200</b>	<b>\$ 890,200</b>	<b>\$ 890,200</b>	1%
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 145,431,642</b>	<b>\$ 145,431,642</b>	<b>\$ 149,824,789</b>	<b>\$ 149,824,789</b>	-1%

	Current Year 2015-2016		Proposed Year 2016-2017	
	Millage Rate in Dollars	Millage Rate	Millage Rate in Dollars	Millage Rate
County Operations	\$ 31,554,092	47.5	\$ 33,190,362	49.1
Economic Development Fund	\$ 1,114,007	2.2	\$ 1,100,000	2.2
Emergency Services Protection Fund	\$ 1,325,717	2.9	\$ 1,389,607	2.9
Bridge and Current Capital Project Fund	\$ 200,000	1	\$ 150,000	1
Road Maintenance Fund	\$ 1,053,866	2.1	\$ 1,094,390	2.1
<b>County Millage</b>	<b>\$ 35,247,682</b>	<b>55.8</b>	<b>\$ 36,824,359</b>	<b>57.3</b>
County Bond	\$ 3,075,816	0	\$ 3,737,200	0
<b>Total County</b>	<b>\$ 38,323,498</b>	<b>55.8</b>	<b>\$ 40,561,559</b>	<b>57.3</b>
School District Operations	\$ 60,541,260	110.1	\$ 62,783,211	112.1
School District Bonds	\$ 2,270,891	27	\$ 2,502,000	27
<b>Total School District</b>	<b>\$ 62,812,151</b>	<b>147.1</b>	<b>\$ 65,285,211</b>	<b>149.1</b>
Tri-County Tax Operations	\$ 1,083,800	2.1	\$ 1,094,390	2.1
<b>Total Tri-County Tax</b>	<b>\$ 1,083,800</b>	<b>2.1</b>	<b>\$ 1,094,390</b>	<b>2.1</b>
Special Purpose Tax District - Kowee Key Fire District	\$ 884,100	14.0	\$ 875,200	14.0
<b>Total Special Purpose Tax District</b>	<b>\$ 884,100</b>	<b>14.0</b>	<b>\$ 875,200</b>	<b>14.0</b>
<b>Grand Total Millage</b>	<b>\$ 117,588,947</b>	<b>229.5</b>	<b>\$ 122,196,843</b>	<b>231</b>

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