



UPDATED A G E N D A
OCONEE COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING
August 20, 2024
6:00 PM

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

Call to Order

Moment of Silence

Invocation

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

Approval of Minutes

July 16, 2024 Regular Meeting Minutes

County Attorney Comments

County Administrator Comments

Public Comment Session

[Limited to a total of fifty (50) minutes, five (5) minutes per person]

If you are not able to attend in person and you have a comment, you may submit it by emailing jennifercadams@oconeesc.com or calling 864-718-1023, so that your comment may be read it into the record.

Council Member Comments

Public Hearing for the Following Ordinances *If you would like to be heard during either of the public hearings, please contact Clerk to Council Jennifer C. Adams at jennifercadams@oconeesc.com or 864-718-1023 so that your participation by may be coordinated.*

ORDINANCE 2024-19 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CONVEYANCE OF EASEMENT RIGHTS TO DUKE ENERGY CAROLINAS, LLC FOR THE PURPOSE OF UTILITY INFRASTRUCTURE CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE AT PROPERTY OWNED BY OCONEE COUNTY IN WALHALLA, SOUTH CAROLINA, CURRENTLY DESIGNATED BY OCONEE COUNTY TAX MAP NUMBER 500-19-01-006; AND OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO.

Third Reading of the Following Ordinances

ORDINANCE 2024-19 *[see caption above]*

Second Reading of the Following Ordinances

None for this meeting.

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First Reading of the Following Ordinances

ORDINANCE 2024-20 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING OCONEE COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA TO FINANCE AND ACQUIRE CERTAIN TANKER TRUCKS AND RELATED EQUIPMENT IN AN AMOUNT NOT EXCEEDING \$3,380,000; TO EXECUTE AND DELIVER ALL DOCUMENTS NECESSARY TO CARRY OUT THE FINANCING AND ACQUISITION; AND OTHER RELATED MATTERS.

~~ORDINANCE 2024-21 AN ORDINANCE MODIFYING THE FEE IN LIEU OF TAX CALCULATION AND DISTRIBUTION WITH RESPECT TO THE PROPERTY OF BOOKS FOR LESS, LLC AND MILES 302 PALMER, LLC (“COMPANIES”) THAT IS SUBJECT TO THAT CERTAIN AGREEMENT FOR DEVELOPMENT OF A JOINT COUNTY INDUSTRIAL AND BUSINESS PARK (PROJECT GALT), DATED AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2023, SUCH THAT THE CITY OF WESTMINSTER WILL RECEIVE CERTAIN FEE IN LIEU OF TAX REVENUE UPON ANNEXATION OF COMPANIES’ SUBJECT PROPERTY; AND OTHER RELATED MATTERS.~~

First & Final Reading for the Following Resolutions

None for this meeting.

Discussion Regarding Action Item

Request for Council’s approval for the submission of the second round of 2024/2025 Oconee County Opioid Recovery Fund Applications to the South Carolina Opioid Recovery Fund (SCORF) Board.

- The Opioid Recovery Fund is settlement funding through a yearly requisition process to the State of South Carolina Opioid Recovery Fund (SCORF) Board.
- The abatement strategies, or, proposed projects are approved by the SCORF Board after requests for funding and yearly strategies have been submitted to them.
- Once abatement strategies and funding are approved by SCORF, awarded funds are sent back to Oconee County for program implementation(s).
- These funds do not require a match and are guaranteed political subfunds designated for Oconee County.
- The County’s current available amount is \$2,232,473.57.

These applications have been reviewed and approved by the Oconee County Task Force for Council consideration.

There is no match requirement for this grant.

It is staff’s recommendation that Council approve the second application to the SCORF Board for additional abatement strategies under the Oconee County Opioid Recovery Fund.

Title: Batteries for Voting Equipment

Department: Voter Registration & Elections

Amount: 60,315.63

Procurement was approved by Council in Fiscal Year 2023-2024 budget process.

**Funds for these services will come from unutilized funding in the
FY 2023-2024 Administration Department budget.**

Oconee County purchased ES&S Equipment in 2019 and ES&S/Print Elect recommends replacing the batteries every 4-5 years, as that is the average battery lifespan. It is important to note that all ES&S Equipment, certified at both the federal and state level, require the replacement of the same certified component parts included in the ES&S Equipment at the time such ES&S Equipment was certified. By purchasing the ES&S battery and utilizing ES&S for the performance of preventative and repair maintenance and support services, the County will be assured that all component parts installed in the ES&S Equipment will be in compliance with both federal and state-certified equipment configuration. Only a certified ES&S/Print Elect technician can replace the battery in the equipment.

Election Systems & Software, Inc. currently provides service, licenses, and software for voting equipment for Oconee County in accordance with SC State Contract No. 4400021704.

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The batteries were sent from the vendor and received without proper Procurement or Council authorization; thus, Council approval is requested for the disbursement of funds.

Procurement reviewed the invoice and SC State Contract, after the fact, and it is in accordance with SC State Contract.

Election Systems & Software, Inc. (ES&S) holds SC State Contract, 4400021704, Voting System Solutions for the SC State Election Commission. This contract is for a turn-key solution to the State Election Commission and the forty-six (46) Counties of South Carolina. Procurement issued Purchase Order Number 56157 to Election Systems & Software, Inc. for annual service, licenses, and software for voting equipment for Oconee County under SC State Contract No. 4400021704. Print Elect is a vendor partner with ES&S. Proprietary parts, maintenance, and installation of ES&S equipment can only be obtained directly from ES&S or Print Elect.

It is the staff's recommendation that Council approve:

- 1. Approve the payment of invoice # 33411 for the purchase of the batteries for voting equipment to Print Elect of New Bern, NC, in the amount of \$56,901.54.***
- 2. Approve the payment of sales/use tax directly to the SC DOR in the amount of \$3,414.09.***

Title: NIST Manager Upgrade / Expansion

Department(s): Detention Center

Amount: \$103,570.00

Contingency (10%): \$10,357.00

Total: \$113,927.00

Procurement was approved by Council in Fiscal Year FY 2024-2025 Budget process.

Budget: \$113,927.00 Project Cost \$113,927.00 Balance: \$0.00

(Funding from the SC Department of Public Safety & Encartele Commissions)

The Oconee County Detention Center utilizes Dataworks Plus NIST Manager Express to obtain, store and transmit fingerprint cards and information to SLED. The current NIST Manager Express system is designed to store 50,000 fingerprint records but is currently storing 78,000 records, which far exceeds its capacity. The system slows down and is vulnerable to crashing because it was not designed for over 50,000 records. Additionally, the current NIST Manager system is at its end-of-life. If this system fails, the department will face unknown time and cost to restore system functionality, which would severely impact daily booking operations at the Detention Center.

Dataworks Plus, LLC recommends a server storage solution that will convert all current records and provide unlimited storage moving forward. Their recommendation is to upgrade / expand to NIST Manager Enterprise. By proceeding with this upgrade/expansion the Detention Center will have a storage solution that converts all current records to server storage and ensures unlimited future storage while maintaining uninterrupted daily operations for processing inmates.

Staff is requesting a 10% contingency, in the amount of \$113,927.00, to cover any unforeseen items that may arise during this project.

If this system fails, the department will face unknown time and cost to restore system functionality, which would severely impact daily booking operations at the Detention Center.

It is the staff's recommendation that the Council:

- 1. Approve the Upgrade of the NIST Manager System to DataWorks Plus, LLC. of Greenville, SC in the amount of \$103,570.00.***
- 2. Approve a 10% Contingency in the amount of \$ 10,357.00.***
- 3. Authorize the County Administrator to execute documents for this project and sign any change orders within the contingency amount.***

Council Committee Reports

None for this meeting.

Board & Commission Appointments

The Board & Commission seats listed below are co-terminus with Council District seats and will require [in the 1st quarter of 2023] appointment and/or reappointment as follows:

None for this meeting.

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Executive Session

[upon reconvening Council may take a Vote and/or take Action on matters brought up for discussion in Executive Session, if required]

- 1. Receive legal advice and discuss litigation related to expenditure of general obligation bond.*

Adjourn

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