



MINUTES

OCONEE COUNTY COUNCIL

Special Meeting

October 24, 2025

MEMBERS, OCONEE COUNTY COUNCIL

Mr. John Elliott, District I
Mr. Matthew Durham, Chairman, District II
Mr. Don Mize, Vice Chairman, District III
Mr. Thomas James, District IV
Mr. Glenn Hart, Chairman Pro Tem, District V

Oconee County Council met at 3:00 PM in Council Chambers, 415 South Pine Street, Walhalla, SC with all Council Members, Interim County Administrator Phil Shirley, County Attorney David Root, & Jennifer C. Adams, 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.oconeesc.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: Dick Mangrum / 101.7 WGOG

Call to Order

Mr. Durham called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

Moment of Silence

Mr. Durham asked for a moment of silence prior to the Invocation.

Invocation by County Council Chaplain

Mr. Root, County Council Chaplain, gave the Invocation.

Pledge of Allegiance

Mr. Phil Shirley led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

Attorney's Comments

None at this meeting.

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Executive Session

Mr. Elliott made a motion, seconded by Mr. Hart, approved 5 – 0, to enter into Executive Session for the following purposes, as allowed for § 30-4-70(a) of the South Carolina Code of Laws:

- 1. Receive legal advice and discuss terms of engagement with respect to the interim County Administrator.*

Council entered into Executive Session at 3:01p.m.

Council returned from Executive Session at 3:59 p.m. on a motion made by Mr. Hart, seconded by Mr. James, approved 5 – 0.

As requested by County Attorney, Mr. David Root, Mr. Hart made a motion, seconded by Mr. James, approved 5 – 0, to approve a pay-rate increase of the interim County Administrator by \$2,000.00 per month until he returns to his role as the PRT Director.

As requested by County Attorney, Mr. David Root, Mr. Elliott made a motion, seconded by Mr. Hart, approved 5 – 0, to authorize the interim County Administrator to hire a supporting consultant at a rate not to exceed \$3,000.00 per week.

Adjourn:

Mr. Hart made a motion, approved unanimously, to adjourn at 4:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Jennifer C. Adams
Clerk to Council

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