

OCONEE COUNTY

AGRICULTURAL ADVISORY BOARD

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AGENDA

Monday, October 13, 2025 – 6:00 PM Oconee County Council Chambers

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Moment of Silence
- 3. Invocation
- 4. Pledge of Allegiance
- 5. Approval of Minutes: September 8, 2025
- 6. Public Comment for Non-Agenda Items (3 minutes per person)
- 7. Discussion
 - a. Farmland Protection
 - b. Farm Center
 - c. Agricultural Signage
 - d. District Reports and Comments
- 8. Adjourn



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STAFF Ed Halbig

Minutes

6:00 PM, Monday, September 8, 2025 Oconee County Council Chambers

- 1. Call to order called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.
- 2. Moment of silence
- 3. Invocation led by Mr. Whiten
- 4. Pledge of allegiance led by Mr. Talley
- 5. Minutes approval Motion made to accept as written by Mr. Whiten second by Mr. McMahan. Approve Unanimously.
- 6. Public Comments None
- 7. Discussion Signage

Mechanics of signage being worked out, nature of sign, location, and many other factors to produce a viable sign that will be approved by DOT.

Conservation Easements

Mr. Richard Carr - SC Farm Bureau

Ag is still the largest private economic section in SC. Conservation easements purely prevent development. It does not take ownership. Does not prevent construction of personal residences. This is a great way to plan the future of your land, as it's passed on from generation to generation it is a deviation protection. This is a deed of conservation easement that is recorded in the deed of the property.

Districts Reports -

District 3 – Ag simulator which previously came to JMB school going to the fair.

8. Adjourn – Motion made by Mr. Whiten seconded by Mr. Whiten. Approved Unanimously.