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Charlie Whiten, District 5  
Chris Talley, Ex-Officio

#### STAFF

Elise Dunaway  
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#### Minutes

6:00 PM, Monday, August 11, 2025  
Oconee County Council Chambers

1. Call to order – called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM by Mr. Blanton.
2. Moment of silence
3. Invocation – led by Mr. Whiten
4. Pledge of allegiance – led by Mr. Duncan
5. Minutes approval – Motion was made by Ms. Moxley to approve the minutes from July 14, 2025. Approved unanimously.
6. Public Comments – N/A
7. Discussion –

#### Land Trusts and conservation banks

Mr. McMahan highlights a weak point in the conservation trust. Provides an example of how a conservation easement was removed and proves that there is a way that a conservation bank can be rescinded, which proves its strength. This is not forfeiting the rules but abiding by the rules. This means that a land conservation trust is not forever and can be reversed.

Motion made by Mr. McMahan to invite a member of the Oconee conservation bank and an attorney to interpret legal information second by Mr. Whiten. Approved unanimously.

Motion made by Ms. Moxley to amend the motion prior motion to make the conservation make employee from the year 2023 second by Mrs. Alexander. Approved unanimously.

Motion made by Moxley for Mr. Blanton to send the 3 drafts for signs to Mr. Shirley PRTM second by Mrs. Alexander. Approved unanimously.

8. Adjourn - Motion made by Mrs. Alexander second by Mr. McMahan to adjourn.