



MINUTES

BUDGET, FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE

February 13, 2018

MEMBERS, ALL OCONEE COUNTY COUNCIL

Ms. Edda Cammick District I, Chairwoman
Mr. Wayne McCall, District II Mr. Paul Cain, District III
Mr. Julian Davis, District IV Mr. Glenn Hart, District V

The Oconee County Budget, Finance & Administration Committee met Tuesday, February 13, 2018 at 5:30 PM [immediately preceded the Real Estate, Facilities, & Land Management Committee meeting, which is also scheduled at 5:30 pm] in Council Chambers, Oconee County Administrative Offices, 415 South Pine Street, Walhalla, SC with Committee members Ms. Cammick; Mr. McCall; Mr. Hart, Mr. Cain and Mr. Davis, as well as Administrator Scott Moulder, County Attorney David Root, and Katie D. Smith, 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 / WGOG.

Call to Order:

Ms. Cammick called meeting to order at 5:29 p.m.

Approval of Minutes

Mr. Davis made a motion, seconded by Mr. Hart, approved 5 – 0, to approve the November 14, 2017 minutes as presented.

Motion to Amend Agenda

Mr. McCall made a motion, seconded by Mr. Hart, approved 5 – 0, to add a Public Comment session to the agenda.

Public Comment Session

Mr. David Hubbard, Hubbard Paving, addressed Council in opposition of a lease for the Oconee County Rock Quarry.

Danny Hutchinson, Hutchinson Construction, addressed Council in opposition of a lease for the Oconee County Rock Quarry and regarding the Mission Statement of Oconee County.

Robbie Lee, Lee's Groundcovers, addressed Council in opposition of a lease for the Oconee County Rock Quarry.

Development of Priorities for Inclusion of Strategic Plan

Law Enforcement, Public Safety, Health & Welfare and Transportation Committees have met regarding the development of Priorities. The Real Estate, Facilities, & Land Management

Committee meeting is following this meeting and the Planning & Economic Development Committee meeting is scheduled for March 6, 2018. There were goals that were identified from the following Committee meetings:

Transportation Committee

- Crosswalk in front of Lakeview Assisted Living
 - Met with director of Lakeview last week
 - Plan for crosswalk and also lighting improvements
 - Gravel improvements
 - Parking lot
 - Community garden

- Scanning of plats
 - Funding
 - Vocational Rehabilitation employment programs

- Road approval and acceptance
 - Modified road approval and acceptance ordinance
 - Update to subdivision road design ordinance

- Sewer South
 - Construction drawings
 - Grant application
 - Cost estimates
 - Cost to serve analysis and study

The road by the Treasurer's office was for this year's goals and are waiting on DOT's encroachment permit. Discussion continued.

Law Enforcement, Public Safety, Health & Welfare

- Recycling Center Improvements
 - Increased marketing budget and increased marketing plan
 - Next year's budget
 - Hauling fees vs. recycling

- Ambulance Service Expansion to other areas of the County
 - More difficult to achieve financially until plan is formed
 - EMS improvement plan

- Deputy / Investigators
 - Backlog of investigations
 - Number of investigations vs investigators
 - Additional investigators in next year's budget?

- Expansion of Youth Activities with the Sheriff
 - Mentoring programs to identify at-risk
 - Youth mentor program through volunteer action
 - Long term goal rather than short term goal

Agicultural Advisory Commission

- Provide as much assistance to the FARM Center for roadside signage and to create and post signs along corridors in the County that speak to the economic impact of Agiculture
- Create and execute a marketing and public education campaign that focuses on Agiculture with the intent on garnering interest and support for Agiculture and possibly encouraging people to create new farms
- Attend and present to the County Council meetings the impact economically about Agiculture and refine goals and attempt to attain a budget to the Agboard activities from the County

Discussion Items

Lengthy discussion followed regarding the topics indicated below, with various opinions expressed, to include but not limited to:

Budget Calendar Approval

Mr. Moulder provided Council with a draft calendar [copy filed with these minutes] and coordinated these dates with County Council meetings. Discussion continued to include:

- Conflict with March 16, 2018 for the strategic planning meeting
- Possible meeting for March 2, 2018 for the strategic planning meeting
- Planning & Economic Development Committee meeting scheduled for March 6, 2018 has been cancelled and rescheduled to February 27, 2018
- Strategic Planning Retreat is scheduled for Friday, March 2, 2018 beginning at 9am
- School District of Oconee County [SDOC] to present budget on April 17, 2018
- Discussion with SDOC prior to their budget presentation

Mr. Davis made a motion, seconded by Mr. Hart, approved 5 – 0, to approve the budget calendar with the changes of meetings as stated.

FY 2019 Budget Discussion

Mr. Moulder noted they are still working on the capital needs and a number of the other goals that have been discussed in the past that have been unfunded and will be ready at a later date to present these numbers.

Lengthy discussion continued to include but not limited to:

- One more hangar at the airport to make it self-sufficient
- Adding additional hangars at the airport and add the capital cost it would go in the other direction to be self sufficient
- At the moment, right at net zero gain
- Rental of hangars, rental of field space, fuel sales, special events fees, long term parking fees, etc.
- Revenue bond for the airport but not going to generate enough surplus revenue to pay the bond back
- Expand the length of the runway and would need to relocate Shiloh Road
- FAA
- Lease land and let a corporate company build a hangar
- Capital Improvement Plan

- Competitive in prices
- Mr. Jeff Garrison, Airport Director & Aeronatics Commission to discuss to see if the rates need to be increased

Discussion regarding Impact Fees

- Developers and builders against it
- Outsourced
- Captial Improvement Plan
- Impact fees levied before the development
- Facilities not operational
- Sheriff
- Student housing / apartment complex
- Security officers
- Taxes
- Infrastructure

Other Business

None at this meeting.

Motion to Amenda Agenda

Mr. Davis made a motion, seconded by Mr. Hart, approved 5 – 0, to amend the agenda to add “to receive legal advice and discuss an economic development matter: Lakeside Lodge” to Executive Session.

Mr. Davis made a motion, seconded by Mr. Cain, approved 5 – 0, to amend the agenda to add an Executive Session item “discussion of the annexation with Lakeside Lodge, Lot 8 in Hartwell Village.”

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

[1] “Discussion of the annexation with Lakeside Lodge, Lot 8 in Hartwell Village.”

Council entered Executive Session at 6:27 p.m.

Council returned from Executive Session at 7:06 p.m. on a motion made by Mr. Davis, seconded by Mr. Hart, approved 5 – 0.

Ms. Cammick stated that no action was taken in Executive Session.

Adjourn

Mr. Davis made a motion, approved unanimously, to adjourn the meeting at 7:07 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Katie D. Smith
Clerk to Council