



# MINUTES

## BUDGET, FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE

### May 4, 2021

#### MEMBERS, ALL OCONEE COUNTY COUNCIL

Mr. John Elliott, District I, Chairman  
Mr. Matthew Durham, 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, May 4, 2021 at 5:00 PM in Council Chambers, Oconee County Administrative Offices, 415 South Pine Street, Walhalla, SC with all Committee members present, as well as County Administrator Amanda F. Brock, County Attorney David Root, and Clerk to Council Katie D. Smith 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](http://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: Riley Morningstar / The Journal

#### **Call to Order:**

Mr. Elliott called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

#### **Approval of Minutes**

Mr. Hart made a motion, seconded by Mr. Cain, approved 5 – 0, to approve the April 13, 2021 Budget minutes as presented.

#### **Discussion Items**

##### FY2021-2022 School District of Oconee [SDOC] Budget Presentation

Dr. Michael Thorsland, SDOC Superintendent, opened the discussion noting the School Board approved their budget on first reading, the State changed the teacher salary schedule, fixed budget, CARES Act funds from COVID-19, and millage.

Ms. Gloria Moore, SDOC Chief Financial Officer, addressed the Committee utilizing a handout entitled “SDOC FY2021-2022 Budget Presentation” [copy filed with backup materials] and gave a brief overview.

##### Continued FY 2021-2022 Oconee County Budget Discussion

Ms. Brock opened the discussion asking if there were any questions from the Committee.

A question was asked about the greenway study. Ms. Brock noted this would be part of the feasibility study. She further noted there are plenty of places in the County that could utilize either former utility easements, current utility easements, abandoned railroad easements, etc. Additionally, she noted this would be the first step in identifying where the trail should be, how many

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phases the trail would take to implement and build, what the cost would be, and if it would be an interconnected trail with other local trails to lessen the impact on the cost of the study itself but to also create increased accessibility for users.

Ms. Brock addressed the Committee utilizing a handout entitled “Oconee County Budget Workshop 1<sup>st</sup> Draft, April 12, 2021, Fiscal Year 2021-2022” [copy filed with backup materials] and gave a brief presentation.

Discussion continued between Committee members and Ms. Brock.

Ms. Brock wrapped up the meeting noting the first reading of the budget is on Tuesday, May 18, 2021 and further noted, if no objection, the information provided on the yellow sheets in the budget document [copy filed with backup materials] will be incorporated into a new budget book so that is will be clear and easier for the public to read.

### **Adjourn**

Mr. Hart made a motion, approved unanimously, to adjourn the meeting at 5:37 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

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Katie D. Smith  
Clerk to Council

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