



# MINUTES BUDGET, FINANCE, & ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE May 07, 2024

## MEMBERS, ALL OCONEE COUNTY COUNCIL

Mr. John Elliott, District I, Chairman  
Matthew Durham, District II  
Mr. Don Mize, District III  
Mr. Julian Davis, District IV  
Mr. Glenn Hart, District V

The Oconee County Budget, Finance & Administration Committee met Tuesday, May 7, 2024 at 4:30 PM in Council Chambers, Oconee County Administrative Offices, 415 South Pine Street, Walhalla, SC with all Committee members present [Mr. Durham absent], as well as County Administrator Amanda F. Brock, County Attorney David Root, and Clerk to Council Jennifer C. Adams 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: Andrea Kelley / The Journal

Members of the staff present: Ladale Price / Finance Director, Letitia Marcengill / Payroll Manager

### **Call to Order:**

Mr. Elliott called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

### **Moment of Silence**

Mr. Elliott asked for a moment of silence.

### **Invocation**

Mr. Root, County Attorney, gave the invocation.

### **Pledge of Allegiance**

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

### **Approval of Minutes**

Mr. Davis made a motion, seconded by Mr. Hart, approved 4 - 0, to approve the April 16, 2024 regular meeting minutes as presented.

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## **Discussion Items**

### *FY 2024-2025 Budget Discussion and Review*

Ms. Brock, County Administrator, addressed the Committee utilizing three documents entitled, “Oconee County 2024-2025 Administrator’s Recommended Annual Budget”, “FY 2025 Budget Value of a Mill”, and “Budget Comparison FY 2024 to FY 2025” [copies of all documents in backup] and provided the Committee with an overview of the following updates to the FY2024-2025 budget document:

1. Planning Department Fee Scheduled on page 25.
2. Tipping Fee increases on page 27.

Mr. Davis noted that he believes the tipping fees should have an increase of more than \$10.00 for out-of-county haulers, since the fee for the County to haul to Homer, GA. has increased by \$11.00 per ton.

Mr. Davis made a motion, seconded by Mr. Mize, approved 4 – 0, to approve increasing the MSW Transfer Station Tipping Fees for out-of-county residential and commercial haulers to \$85.00 per ton and to increase the C and D Landfill Tipping Fees for commercial out-of-county to \$65.00 per ton.

3. Rock Quarry Fees and implementation of a decal system to identify in-county and out-of-county buyers.

Ms. Brock then continued to provide an overview of the “FY 2025 Budget Value of a Mill” document to the Committee, noting that all County expenditures brought forth in the budget do include grant funds.

Ms. Brock moved on to show the Committee the document entitled “Budget Comparison FY 2024 to FY 2025”, noting this document was created to provide clarity to not only the Committee, but the general public as well, of the differences between the current budget and the FY 2025 proposed budget.

Lengthy discussion followed by the Committee and Ms. Brock related to the current operating budget and the proposed FY 2025 budget.

Mr. Davis offered comments related to the OJRSA funds provided by the County.

Ms. Brock noted that on page 89 of the budget document, there is a line item for sewer and operation maintainance, and provided details related to this line item.

## **Adjourn**

Mr. Hart made a motion, approved unanimously, to adjourn the meeting at 5:29 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

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Jennifer C. Adams  
Clerk to Council

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