



MINUTES
BUDGET, FINANCE, & ADMINISTRATION
COMMITTEE
Special Meeting
March 11, 2026

MEMBERS, ALL OCONEE COUNTY COUNCIL

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

The Oconee County Budget, Finance & Administration Committee met Wednesday, March 11, 2026 at 9:00 AM in Council Chambers, Oconee County Administrative Offices, 415 South Pine Street, Walhalla, SC with all Committee members present [Mr. James absent], as well as County Administrator Stewart Jones, Deputy Administrator Phil Shirley [absent], County Attorney David Root [absent], 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]. In addition, it was made available *[upon request]* to the newspapers, radio stations, television stations and concerned citizens.

Members of the press present: None

Call to Order:

Mr. Durham called the meeting to order at 9:09 a.m.

Moment of Silence

Mr. Durham asked for a moment of silence.

Invocation

Mr. Hart gave the invocation.

Pledge of Allegiance

Sheriff Crenshaw led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

Approval of Minutes

Mr. Elliott made a motion, seconded by Mr. Hart, approved 4 - 0, to approve the March 3, 2026 regular meeting minutes as presented.

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Discussion Items

FY 26/27 Budget Discussion and Review

Mr. Jones, County administrator provided the Committee with a financial progress update.

Sheriff Mike Crenshaw provided the Committee with details related to the following proposed FY 26/27 departmental budgets:

1. Animal Control
2. 911 Communications
3. Detention Center
4. Sheriff's Office

Sheriff Crenshaw, along with staff members Lieutenant John Crum, Captin Justin Ward and Captin Jeremy Chapman provided answeres to all questions brought forth by Committee members.

Mr. Elliott exited the meeting at 11:01 a.m.

Mr. Hart made a motion, seconded by Mr. Durham, approved 3 – 0, to adjourn for a 5-minute break at 11:01 a.m.

The Committee reconveined at 11:13 a.m. on a motion made by Mr. Hart, seconded by Mr. Mize, approved 3 – 0.

Judge Danny Singleton provided the Committee with details related to the proposed FY 26/27 Probate Court departmental budget and included justifications related to requested budget increases.

Solicitor Micah Black addressed the Committee utilizing a PowerPoint presentation entitled, “Tenth Circuit Solicitor’s Office 2026-2027 Budget Workshop Oconee County” [copy filed in backup] with details regarding their proposed FY 26/27 departmental budget and answered all questions presented by Committee members.

Mr. Hart made a motion seconded by Mr. Mize, approved 3 – 0, to recess for lunch at 12:14 p.m.

The Committee reconveine at 1:19 p.m. on a motion made by Mr. Hart, seconded by Mr. Mize, approved 3 – 0.

Mr. Jim Bryant, Facilities Maintenance Office/Operations Supervisor, provided a review of the FY 26/27 proposed departmental budget for Facilities Maintenance.

Mr. Bryant and Mr. Jason Neal, Director of Facilities Maintenance, answered all questions brought forth by the Committee related to their FY 26/27 proposed departmental budget request.

Mr. Jeremy Foster, Director of Vehicle Maintenance, provided the Committee with an overview of the FY 26-27 Vehicle Maintenance proposed departmental budget and provided answeres to all questions brought forth by the Committee.

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Mr. John Cox, IT Director, provided the Committee with an overview of the FY 26/27 proposed departmental budget for IT and included justifications related to requested budget increases.

Mr. Cox and Mr. George Adams, IT Systems Manager, provided answers to all questions brought forth by Committee members.

(Copies of all FY 26/27 proposed departmental budgets presented at this meeting are included in the backup materials.)

Mr. Jones, County Administrator, noted the Budget, Finance and Administration Committee will meet again at 4:30 p.m. on April 7, 2026 and April 21, 2026.

Adjourn

Mr. Hart made a motion, approved unanimously, to adjourn the meeting at 1:47 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Jennifer C. Adams
Clerk to Council

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