



MINUTES

LAW ENFORCEMENT, PUBLIC SAFETY, HEALTH & WELFARE COMMITTEE MEETING

September 17, 2024

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Mr. Don Mize, Chair, District III

Mr. Matthew Durham, District II

Mr. Glen Hart, District V

The Law Enforcement, Public Safety, Health & Welfare Committee met at 4:30 p.m. in Council Chambers, 415 South Pine Street, Walhalla, SC with all Committee Members present [Mr. Durham absent], County Administrator Amanda F. Brock, County Attorney David Root, & Jennifer C. Adams, Clerk to Council, present.

Members of staff present: Mr. Swain Still / Solid Waste Director, Ms. Amy Walters / Solid Waste Assistant Director

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 to the newspapers, radio stations, television stations and concerned citizens.

Members of the press present: None

Call to Order

Mr. Mize called the meeting to order at 4:31 p.m.

Moment of Silence

Mr. Mize asked for a moment of silence.

Pledge of Allegiance

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

Invocation

Mr. David Root, County Attorney, gave the invocation.

Approval of Minutes

Mr. Hart made a motion, seconded by Mr. Mize, approved 2 – 0, to approve the February 20, 2024 regular meeting minutes as presented.

Discussion Items

Discussion regarding Solid Waste Capital Equipment

Mr. Swain Still, Oconee County Solid Waste Director, addressed the Committee utilizing a power point presentation entitled, “Solid Waste Update on Equipment and Operations” and provided updates regarding the following topics:

1. New Scale House and Road Update at the Strawberry Farm Recycling Center
2. Updates related to the new Brown Goods Compactor at the Five Forks Recycling Center
3. Current Landfill Operation and Conditions

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4. Updates regarding current equipment utilized at the Landfill
5. Safety awareness and procedures

Following Mr. Still's presentation, a lengthy discussion followed by the Committee, Ms. Brock and Mr. Still related to solid waste equipment and repairs, dumping requirements and safety measures at the landfill, creating a Solid Waste action plan and priority list, updates at the Strawberry Farm Recycling Center and the feasibility of glass and tire recycling.

Ms. Brock asked the Committee for permission and direction to move forward with the purchasing of a Compactor for the Landfill, which is the highest priority matter at this time.

Mr. Mize made a motion, seconded by Mr. Hart, approved 2 – 0, to authorize staff to start the process of procuring a Compactor for the landfill and to bring this request to full Council for consideration and approval.

Ms. Brock added comments related to tire recycling within the County and the State.

Adjourn:

Mr. Hart made a motion, approved unanimously, to adjourn the meeting at 5:26 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Jennifer C. Adams
Clerk to Council