



MINUTES
OCONEE COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING
Regular Meeting
February 07, 2017

MEMBERS, OCONEE COUNTY COUNCIL

Mr. Paul Cain, District III
Mr. Wayne McCall, District II
Ms. Edda Cammack, Chairwoman, District I
Mr. Julian Davis III, Vice Chair, District IV
Mr. Glenn Hart, Chair Pro Tem, District V

Oconee County Council met at 6:00 PM in Council Chambers, 415 South Pine Street, Walhalla, SC with all Council Members, County Administrator Scott Moulder, County Attorney David Roof, and Public Information Officer Amanda Brock serving as 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: Ray Chandler / Anderson Independent, Dick Mangrum / WGOG & Stephen Bradley / Daily Journal.

Call to Order

Ms. Cammack called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.

Public Comment Session

Ms. Masceri addressed Council regarding litter in Oconee County, specifically on routes to Manned Convenience Center #1 on Strawberry Farm Road. Ms. Masceri displayed photographs and media articles to emphasize the litter problem in the County.

County Council Response to Public Comment

Mr. McCall responded to Ms. Masceri's concerns stating that litter has been an ongoing concern for him over the years. He further stated that the laws that limit the amount of money litterers can be fined should be reconsidered by the State.

Mr. Davis also responded to Ms. Masceri's concerns, and noted that tarps would help decrease the amount of litter flying out of vehicles that are transporting the garbage to the centers, and to the Solid Waste Facility on Wells Highway.

Mr. Cain addressed Ms. Masceri's concerns as well, stating that litter is a problem all over the entire county, and that he would ask the Sheriff's Office to increase litter control awareness in patrol units.

Moment of Silence

Ms. Cammack noted the recent passings of Mr. C.W. "Bozo" Richards, and Ms. Louise Bell, both of whom were very active in the community. A moment of silence was requested by Ms. Cammack prior to the Invocation in honor of these two citizens.

Invocation by County Council Chaplain:

Mr. Root, County Council Chaplain gave the invocation.

Pledge of Allegiance:

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

Approval of Minutes:

Ms. Cammick noted a Scribner's error on the January 17, 2017 minutes, which had been corrected prior to this meeting. Mr. Davis made a motion, seconded by Mr. Cain, approved 5 – 0 to approve the January 17, 2017 minutes.

Administrator's Report & Agenda Summary

Mr. Moulder briefly reviewed with Council and for the public's benefit specifics related to the following matters before Council at this meeting:

- Third and Final Reading of Ordinances: 2016-39; 2016-40
- Second Reading of Ordinance 2017-04
- Resolution R2017-01, for the purchase of property from the School District of Oconee County for the Bountyland Fire Substation
- Council consideration for approval of Engineering Services for the Solid Waste Department

Public Hearings for the Following Ordinances

Ordinance 2016-39 "AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 2, ARTICLE IV, DIVISION 8 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF OCONEE COUNTY PERTAINING TO THE CAPITAL PROJECTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE; AND OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO"

There were no written or oral comments received regarding Ordinance 2016-39.

Ordinance 2016-40 "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 38 OF THE OCONEE COUNTY CODE OF ORDINANCES, IN CERTAIN LIMITED REGARDS AND PARTICULARS ONLY, REGARDING SETBACKS; AND OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO"

There were no written or oral comments received regarding Ordinance 2016-40.

Third & Final Reading of the Following Ordinances

Ordinance 2016-39 [Captioned above]

Mr. Hart made a motion, seconded by Mr. Davis, approved 5 – 0, to approve Ordinance 2016-39.

Ordinance 2016-39 [Captioned above]

Mr. Davis made a motion, seconded by Mr. Hart, approved 5 – 0, to approve Ordinance 2016-40.

Second Reading of the Following Ordinances

Ordinance 2017-04 "AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR THE OCONEE COUNTY REGIONAL AIRPORT; AND OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO."

Mr. McCall made a motion, seconded by Mr. Cain, approved 5 -0, to approve Ordinance 2017-

First Reading of the Following Resolutions

Resolution 2017-01 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY IN OCONEE COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA, AND OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO.

Mr. Cain made a motion, seconded by Mr. Davis, approved 5 – 0, to approve Resolution 2017-01.

Board & Commission Appointments

Planning Commission

Mr. Davis made a nomination, approved 5 – 0, to appoint Mr. Mike Johnson as the At-Large representative on the Planning Commission.

Mr. Hart made a nomination, approved 5 – 0, to appoint Mr. Stacy Lyles as the District V representative on the Planning Commission.

Mr. McCall made a nomination, approved 5 – 0, to appoint Mr. Andrew Gramling as the District II representative on the Planning Commission.

No nominations were made for the District V or the At-Large seat during this meeting.

Board of Zoning Appeals

No nominations were made for the Board of Zoning Appeals seats for Districts II, IV or V at this meeting.

Aeronautics Commission

Mr. Davis made a nomination, approved 5 – 0, to appoint Mr. David Bryant as the District II representative on the Aeronautics Commission.

Mr. Hart made a nomination, approved 5 – 0, to appoint Mr. Marion Lyles as the District IV representative on the Aeronautics Commission.

Mr. McCall made a nomination, approved 5 – 0, to appoint Mr. Ronald Chiles as District V representative on the Aeronautics Commission.

Mr. Cain made a nomination, approved 5 – 0, to appoint Mr. Michael Gray as the At-Large representative on the Aeronautics Commission.

Arts & Historical Commission

Mr. Davis made a nomination, approved 4 – 0 [Mr. Cain abstained, copy of form filed with these Minutes], to appoint Ms. Libby Imbody as the District II representative on the Arts & Historical Commission.

Mr. Cain made a nomination, approved 5 – 0, to appoint Mr. Tony Adams as the District IV representative on the Arts & Historical Commission.

Mr. Davis made a nomination, approved 5 – 0, to appoint Ms. Janet Gorman as the At-Large representative on the Arts & Historical Commission.

Conservation Bank Board

Mr. Davis made a nomination, approved 5 – 0, to appoint Mr. Robert Jason Davis as the District II representative on the Conservation Bank Board.

Mr. Cain made a nomination, approved 5 – 0, to appoint Mr. Marvin Prater as the District IV representative on the Conservation Bank Board.

Ms. Camnick made a nomination, approved 5 – 0, to appoint Ms. Frances Rundlett as the At-

Large representative on the Conservation Bank Board.

Parks, Recreations, and Tourism Commission

Mr. Davis made a nomination, approved 5 – 0, to appoint Mr. Shane Smith as the District I representative on the Parks, Recreations, and Tourism Commission.

Ms. Cammick made a nomination, approved 5 – 0, to appoint Mr. Andrew Conkey as the District I representative on the Parks, Recreations, and Tourism Commission.

Mr. Cain made a nomination, approved 5 – 0, to appoint Mr. Kevin Evans as the District II representative on the Parks, Recreations, and Tourism Commission.

Old / Unfinished Business:

None discussed at this meeting.

New Business:

Mr. McCall stated that he had received a request for the County to install and maintain the monthly cost for a telephone and FAX line located in the former DHEC Health Department Building, being occupied by Clemson University's Joseph F. Sullivan Center. Mr. Davis asked that this item be placed on the February 21, 2017, Council agenda for council consideration.

Council Committee Reports:

Mr. McCall read from a prepared statement [copy filed with these minutes] outlining the discussions held at the January 24, 2017 Law Enforcement, Public Safety, Health & Welfare Committee Meeting.

Mr. Hart read from a prepared statement [copy filed with these minutes] outlining the discussions held at the January 24, 2017 Transportation Committee Meeting.

Executive Session:

Mr. Davis made a motion, seconded by Mr. Cain, 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:

[3] discussion regarding an Economic Development matter, Project Maxwell.

Council entered Executive Session at 6:45 p.m.

Council returned from Executive Session at 7:28 p.m. on a motion made by Mr. Davis, seconded by Mr. McCall, approved 5 – 0.

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

Ms. Cammick stated that no action would be required from Council resulting from the Executive Session.

Adjourn

Mr. Cain made a motion, approved unanimously 5 – 0, to adjourn at 7:29 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:



Amanda F. Brock
Interim Clerk to Council



NOTES

LAW ENFORCEMENT, PUBLIC SAFETY, HEALTH & WELFARE COMMITTEE MEETING

January 24, 2017

Documented Vessel Discussion

Officer Ray Lewis of the SCDNR spoke to the Committee regarding documented and undocumented vessels in the navigable waters of SC. Lewis noted that Oconee does not have a large number of documented vessels, as they are generally very large vessels and that Lakes Keowee and Jocassee aren't conducive for this type of vessel.

Officer Lewis also discussed registered and un-registered vessels in Oconee County, and noted that SC was in the top 10 for registered vessels in the US per capita.

The committee discussed various issues with un-registered vessels, specifically: registrations were out of date, incomplete documentation for vessel sales, especially those that were third-party sales, and the lack of tax payments for the un-registered vessels. Additionally, these vessels may not have had proper inspections, therefore could potentially be unsafe; and that the operators of the un-registered vessels may not have had the boater safety training courses as the only way to ensure the operators receive this required training is through the vessel registration process.

It was the consensus of the committee to conduct a Public Relations Campaign to remind vessel owners that their vessels must be registered and the proper taxes paid, and to promote boating safety as the summer months, and increased boating activities, are forthcoming.

Interagency Radio Issues Discussion

Sheriff Crenshaw, & Chief King addressed the committee regarding ongoing issues related to interagency radio challenges and their request to along with Council develop a long term strategy to address the challenges. Sheriff Crenshaw stated that the Communications Department has received one bid and needs to get two additional bids and that the scope of work is moving forward with what items were included in the approved budget.

No action was taken by the Committee on this matter.

Emergency Services 2016 Accomplishments / 2017 Goals

Chief King addressed the Committee and highlighted several noteworthy accomplishments for 2016, including, but not limited to:

- 396 Volunteers are in the system as well as 30 staff members
- Volunteers and staff responded to 5,980 calls in 2016
- A total of 52,527 hours of training for the entire division in 2016
- Partnership with GHS for EMT response

- Continued training for EMTs and DHEC Certification for EMTs
- Successful review from FEMA for the Bi-Annual Nuclear Facility Exercise
- Hazardous Mitigation Plan Update
- Tabletop training for Upcoming Active Shooter training

The committee stressed appreciation to the entire staff and each volunteer for the services provided to Oconee County.

Fall Creek Park Update

Sheriff Crenshaw stated that the increased coverage during last summer helped alleviate crowding and parking concerns at this park, and that he had every intention to continue this increased coverage through the summer months in 2017. He also noted that Duke Energy was pleased with the increased security, and that he hoped Duke would commit to funding to assist in overtime as was agreed upon last year. Additionally, he stated that the Sheriff's office has two (2) new boats, and that there would be an increased law enforcement presence on the County's lakes and rivers this summer. He also mentioned that the department's helicopter would be utilized in instances when needed. Lastly, he applauded the efforts of the County stating that no incidences were reported at Fall Creek Landing during the summer months of 2016, and that he hoped 2017 would be just as successful.



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TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE MEETING
January 24, 2017

Rudimentary Road Program / Snow Creek Forrest Road

The committee discussed the condition of Snow Creek Forrest Road. The Committee members noted the length of time it was taking for the County to take action on this matter, and the Chairman noted that the survey for the required rights-of-way was taking longer than anticipated.

No action was taken by the committee on this matter.

Department Activity Update

Mr. Kyle Reid provided the Committee with a Power Point Presentation regarding the Road Department's Budget, the departmental procedures outlining specific tasks the department conducts as well as an update on special projects.

No action was taken by the committee on this matter.

Other Business Discussed

Mr. Hart inquired about the C-Funds allotted to the County, and other matters related to the annual paving contract, the possibility of making a one-way drive at the Oconee County Administrative Office, near the Treasurer's Office and the funding for the relocation of water lines within the municipalities.

No action was taken by the committee on these matters.



OCONEE COUNTY COUNCIL
RECUSAL FORM

Council Member Name: PAUL A. CAIN, ESQ., DISTRICT III

(Please Print)

Council Member Signature: *Paul A. Cain*

Meeting Date: 2/7/2017

Item for Discussion/Vote: _____

Nomination of Ms.
Libby Imbody to Oconee Arts &
Historical Commission

Reason for Absention: _____ I was not present for original meeting/discussion

I have a personal/familial/ business interest in the issue.

PAC Other: _____

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