



**MINUTES
DESTINATION OCONEE
ACTION COMMITTEE
September 15, 2016**

**Oconee County Administrative Offices, Council Chambers
415 S. Pine Street, Walhalla, SC 29691**



MEMBERS

Mr. Al Shadwick, DX III

Mr. Bob Hill, DX V

Mr. Luther Lyle, DX II

Mr. Robert Moore, At Large

Ms. Katie Smith, DX IV

Mr. David Washburn, DX I

Mr. Hal Welch, At Large

Ms. Janet Hartman, Destination Oconee Manager

The Destination Oconee Action Committee met at 6:00 p.m. in Council Chambers, 415 South Pine Street, Walhalla, SC with all Members present [except Mr. Hill and Ms. Smith].

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.

No members of the press were present.

Call to Order:

Ms. Hartman called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Approval of Minutes:

Al Shadwick motioned to approve the August 18, 2016 minutes.

Hal Welch seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Discussion of Key Recommendations #7, #8, #9 and #10:

Josh Stephens, Deputy Director of Community Development for Oconee County, presented a Power Point presentation; *Coding for Tomorrow: Developing a Framework for Growth*, specifically discussing the four recommendations: "Creating a 3-year Action Plan for Managing Growth", "Adopting a Scenic Overlay Ordinance for Cherokee Foothills National Scenic Byway", "Passing a Design Review Committee Ordinance" and "Adopting a more detailed County and City Signage Ordinance"(copy filed with these minutes). Mr. Stephens discussed the importance of collaboration and communication among the various partners to determine the vision and type of growth wanted in the county. He explained the different policy examples that can shape growth and the steps that are needed to move in that direction. Lastly, Mr. Stephens discussed how overlay ordinances, combined with design standards and sign ordinances in the cities and the county are necessary tools to manage growth and plan for the future.

Old Business:

Ms. Hartman presented an update of the Destination Oconee recommendations spreadsheet (copy filed with these minutes).

New Business:

Ms. Hartman distributed a revised 2016 meeting calendar (copy filed with these minutes).

Ms. Hartman notified the committee of Katie Smith's resignation. Due to issues of a personal matter, Ms. Smith can no longer commit time to the Destination Oconee initiative. She has submitted a letter of resignation to County Council.

Adjourn:

Hall Welch made a motion, seconded by Al Shadwick and approved unanimously, to adjourn the meeting at 7:45p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:



Janet Hartman
Manager, Destination Oconee