

MINUTES, OCONEE COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING

JULY 7, 1981

The regular Oconee County Council Meeting was held July 7, 1981 with all members present.

Members of the press present were: Linda Jennings - Anderson Independent, Jim Lucas - Seneca Journal, Steve Matthews - Greenville News & Ashton Hester - Keowee Courier.

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor - Chairman Crain who welcomed the guests and media.

The invocation was given by Mr. Williams.

Mr. Brandt made a motion, seconded by Mr. Williams, approved 5 - 0 to approve the minutes of the June 16, 1981 meeting.

Mr. Fowler, Delinquent Tax Collector presented an update on tax collection to the Council. In his presentation he reported the reason for the raise in price of computer services was more work done for his office by Smith Data. He also said he budgeted to have his books updated twice a year. Mr. Fowler stated the increase in penalty did not reduce the number of delinquent notices turned over to him by the Treasurer's Office, he had several thousand notices turned over to his office this year. He appreciated the extra penalty and he did think it would help in the future.

Mr. Williams presented Ordinance 81 - 9, the sale of \$1,000,000 in bonds for the following items: \$66,000 Tri County Tec, \$432,000 Rock Crusher Note, \$203,000 Brown Building, \$229,000 Renovation of Brown Building for DSS, 70,000 for Rural Fire Truck. He then made a motion that Ordinance 81 - 9 be accepted on the first reading, seconded by Mr. Butts, approved 5 - 0.

Dr. Earle made a motion that a PRT Grant in the amount of \$14,300 for the Summer Youth Program be accepted and put in the budget. This motion was seconded by Mr. Butts, approved 5 - 0.

Mr. Butts made a motion the the county purchase a motor grader at the cost of \$40,000, seconded by Mr. Harper. After discussion with Mr. Arthur Garner of Mitchell Distribution Company as to why the county did not purchase their equipment and assurance they would be allowed to bid on equipment in the future, Council accepted the motion 5 - 0.

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Mr. Brandt made a motion that \$15.00 be taken from Contingency to repay a man who had paid his fine twice at J. J. Hemphill's Office. This motion was seconded by Mr. Williams and approved 5 - 0.

Mr. Crain announced there would be a Public Hearing July 28 at 2:30 P.M. prior to the Council Meeting concerning the sale of \$1,000,000 in bonds.

Mr. Crain announced a special meeting July 10, 1981 for the second reading of Ordinance 81 - 9.

Ajdourn 7:45 P.M.