

MINUTES OCONEE COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING MARCH 4, 1980

The regular meeting of County Council was opened by Chairman Phinney with the invocation by Mr. Crain. Mrs. Jennings was the only Member of Council absent.

Minutes of the February 5th meeting were adopted as furnished. Motion by Mr. Crain second by Dr. Earle.

Ordinance 80-1 "Concerning the Ratification and Authorization of Conveyance of a lot (located at Mauldin, South College and S. Catherine Streets, Walhalla S.C.) for Charitable purposes ", was adopted on 3rd and final reading. Motion by Mr. Frady second by Dr. Earle. The vote 4 yes and 0 no.

Dr. Earle moved to adopt on 1st reading Ordinance 80-2 "County Personnel Policies and Procedures". He stated ~~there were a few changes, one of which is a 40 hour work week for all County Employees. He further stated other changes can be made by amendment before final reading.~~ Mr. Ables seconded and the vote was 4 yes and 0 no.

Dr. Earle then introduced by title for First Reading Ordinance 80-3, "An Ordinance to prohibit the consuming of beer, wine, whiskey or other alcoholic beverages upon the public streets, highways, roadways, parks, boat landings and other places of Oconee County, to prohibit the possession of opened containers of beer, wine, whiskey or other alcoholic beverages by any person in any vehicle upon or traveling the public roads, streets, highways, parks and boat landings of Oconee County".

He stated he desired input from Law Enforcement Officers, Forestry Personnel, and other citizens and further stated a public hearing, might be necessary. Mr. Crain seconded the motion which was passed by a 4 yes and 0 no vote.

Resolution 80-1 Pertaining to the Transfer of Associate Degree Nursing Program from Clemson University to Tri-County Technical College was passed by a 4 Yes and 0 No vote. Motion by Dr. Earle second by Mr. Ables.

In old business Mr. Frady discussed the renovation of the Brown Building to meet DSS standards. As it now stands, according to Mr. Frady the renovation costs will be approximately \$140,000. It is anticipated that fifty percent will be reimbursed by State DSS.

Council approved the sale of approximately 50 Acres of land located in Westminster by the Superintendent of Education and Board of Trustees. Motion by Dr. Earle, second by Mr. Crain and unanimously carried.

Mr. Ables moved to approve the budget of \$871,962 for a 15 month period for the Sewer Commission (no local funds included in this budget). Dr. Earle seconded and it was approved by a 4 Yes and 0 No vote.

Mr. Crain presented a new formula for Road Paving Priorities. There was discussion/comparison to the new formula and the one presently in use. After discussion he moved for its adoption. Mr. Ables seconded, the vote was 4 Yes and 0 No.

In Mr. Crain's update on gasoline allocation, he said the County would be receiving 82% of the amount used for March 1979. He further reported on the Energy Crisis Program stating a total of \$144,392 has been received for fuel

(Administration costs are separate) 67% of this allocation has been received by elderly/handicapped citizens.

Council gave authorization to Mr. Phinney as Chairman to sign legal documents as it pertains to the CETA Programs. Motion by Dr. Earle second by Mr. Frady with all votes in favor.

A letter pertaining to the activities of the Planning Commission from Mr. Bob Gaillard was discussed. It identified several industries that were interested in locating in the County. The request Mr. Gaillard made to Council with regard to funding for sewer hook up was also discussed.

Dr. Earle presented each Council Member present with a copy of the "Criteria for Preparation and Evaluation of Radiological Emergency Response Plans and Preparedness in support of Nuclear Power Plants" for their review.

It was announced the next meeting of County Council will be March 25, at 3:00 P.M. and a special meeting March 28th for Second Reading of Supplemental Budget Ordinance.

Council agreed to go into executive session at 8:05 P.M.

The Council re-convened into open session at 8:45 P.M. During the closed session, Mrs. Roddy Stoudemire, Chairman, Oconee Library Board, briefed the Council on applications received to fill the position of County Librarian. She presented the Council with two resume's for their information and review. The Council provided Mrs. Stoudemire with salary guidelines for planning.

Dr. Earle introduced Ordinance 80-4 for First Reading pertaining to the abolishment of the office of Tax Collector of Oconee County effective December 31, 1980 and for the designation of County appointed officials to assure the duties of such office. Mr. Ables seconded and motion was carried by a vote of 3 to 1 (Mr. Crain voted against).

Mr. Crain nominated Mr. C. Lee Barnett, Route 2 Westminster to replace Mr. Molgro England as a member of the CCS Commission. He also nominated Mrs. Doris V. Grant, Route 5, Westminster, S.C. to serve on the Humane Resources Board. The Council unanimously approved these two nominations.