

MINUTES, OCONEE COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING

The regular meeting of the Oconee County Council was held Tuesday, September 15, 1987 at 3:00 PM in Council Chambers with Mr. Butts, Mr. Dyar, Mr. Harper, Mr. Williams and County Attorney, Mr. Brandt present.

Members of the press notified (by mail): Seneca Journal, Keowee Courier, Greenville News, Anderson Independent, The Oconee Leader, WGOG Radio, WSNW Radio, WYFF TV & WLOS TV.

Press

Members of the press present: Dave Partenheimer - WSNW Radio, Randall Holcombe - Greenville News, Sue Nolan - Seneca Journal & Ron Barrett - The Oconee Leader.

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

The invocation was given by Mr. Harper.

Invocation

Mr. Butts made a motion, seconded by Mr. Dyar, approved 4 - 0 (Dr. Earle absent) that the minutes of the September 1, 1987 meeting be adopted as printed.

Minutes

Mr. Larry Brandt, County Attorney and Mr. Chris Brogdon of Pace Consulting presented Resolution 87-13, "A Resolution Authorizing The Execution of An Assistance Agreement By & Between Oconee County and Log Cabin Acquisition Corporation, Inc. (Project)" not to exceed \$2,000,000 to Council. After discussion in which Mr. Brogdon informed Council the company planned to hire an additional thirty five to forty additional employees and a buyer for the bonds had already been obtained, Mr. Dyar made a motion, seconded Mr. Butts, approved 4 - 0 (Dr. Earle absent) that this resolution be adopted on first and final reading.

Res. 87-13

Ms. Marty Barwick of the James Company addressed Council concerning worker's compensation. Ms. Barwick stated the advantage to changing from state worker's compensation would be service and hopefully savings. Ms. Barwick is to send County Council Members a proposal concerning this.

Worker's Com

Mr. Mark Kirby of State Worker's Compensation also addressed Council on this matter. He stated the services of State Worker's Compensation were better than in the past and they now have a new director who welcomes input from clients.

Mr. Butts made a motion, seconded by Mr. Dyar, that Ordinance 87-8, "Oconee County Animal Control Act & Repeal of Ordinance 78-4" as presented to Council Members at the September 1, 1987 meeting be adopted on second reading with the addition of section 6.2 "Notwithstanding the above, the Animal Control Officer and/or Law Enforcement Officer, with written complaint, may impound animals not having a valid current rabies inoculation tag and found off the owner's property".

Ord. 87-8

After much discussion centering around a proposed preamble and a proposed section concerning a person operating a vehicle who hit a domestic animal stopping immediately to render aid to the animal, Mr. Harper made a motion to call for question on the motion, seconded by Mr. Butts, approved 4 - 0 (Dr. Earle absent).

Ordinance 87-8 was approved on second reading 4 - 0 (Dr. Earle absent) as presented by Mr. Butts.

Mr. Dyar made a motion, seconded by Mr. Butts, approved 4 - 0 (Dr. Earle absent) that Ordinance 87-9, "1987-88 Supplemental Appropriations Ordinance" be adopted on first reading in title only.

Ord. 87-9

Due to funds in this ordinance being revenue sharing funds it will be necessary to obligate these funds before the end of October. Council set a special meeting September 22, 1987 at 3:00 PM and September 29, 1987 at 3:00 PM for this purpose. There will also be a public hearing concerning these funds September 29, 1987 at 3:00 PM.

Mr. Williams made a motion, seconded by Mr. Butts, approved 4 - 0 (Dr. Earle absent) that Oconee County obtain a right of way from Lake Hartwell Enterprises (Corps of Engineers) on behalf of Mr. Sidney Moore & Mr. Jerry Meehan who are developing a subdivision in that area. Mr. Moore & Mr. Meehan will provide a \$5,000 cash security bond so that if anything should happen and the development does not materialize the county will be able to restore the area go its original state.

R-O-W from
Corps of
Engineers

Mr. Williams made a motion, seconded by Mr. Butts, approved 4 - 0 (Dr. Earle absent) that the bid for a computer for the Solicitor's Office be awarded to Radio Shack at \$31,511.12 including tax. (See attached bid sheet)

Computer for
Solicitor's
Office

Mr. Williams made a motion, seconded by Mr. Harper, approved 4 - 0 (Dr. Earle absent) that Edwards Auto be awarded the bid for a 1988 Ford truck for Emergency Preparedness at a cost of \$15,600 including tax. (See attached bid sheet)

EMS Vehicle

After considerable discussion concerning the phone services for the county offices, Mr. Dyar made a motion, seconded by Mr. Butts, approved 3 - 1 (Mr. Harper voting against, Dr. Earle absent) that the county go ahead with phone services for the county as previously approved, (ESSX service provided by Southern Bell and Southern Bell Advanced Systems set equipment).

Phone
Service

In response to a letter from Mr. Derrill Holcombe, Chairman of the Health & Sanitation Commission, Mr. Dyar made a motion, seconded by Mr. Butts approved 4 - 0 (Dr. Earle absent) that the Commission and Council meet together to discuss the numbering system of the green boxes and fee charges at the landfills. Council also requested that this meeting be around the middle of October, that a quorum of the Commission be present and they obtain a fee schedule from Pickens and Anderson Counties.

Landfill

Mr. Butts made a motion, seconded by Mr. Williams, approved 4 - 0 (Dr. Earle absent) to take \$10,000 from contingency and place it in line item number 10 009 00150 00861 to pay an invoice in the amount of \$50,000 for earth moving at the Oconee County Airport.

Contingency

Mr. Dyar made a motion, seconded by Mr. Butts, approved 4 - 0 (Dr. Earle absent) that an employee be hired as a permanent employee in the E 911 Office rather than a temporary position.

E 911
Position

Mr. Crain informed Council that a judge had ruled in a case that the defendant was to pay the county \$1,000 which would be placed in the Sheriff's Drug Fund.

Drug Money

Mr. Butts made a motion, seconded by Mr. Williams, approved 3 - 0 (Mr. Harper out of room, Dr. Earle absent) that a DHEC Grant in the amount of \$5,473 with local match of \$1,826 be approved for basic life support equipment on behalf of Oconee Memorial Hospital.

DHEC Grant

Mr. Williams made a motion, seconded by Mr. Butts, approved 3 - 0 (Mr. Harper out of room, Dr. Earle absent) that \$393 be taken from contingency to pay the county attorney for a fee charged during an appeal.

Attorney fee
For Appeal

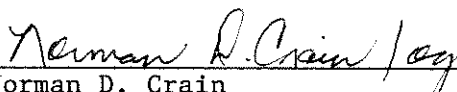
Mr. Dyar made a motion, seconded by Mr. Williams, approved 4 - 0 (Dr. Earle absent) that \$529.75 be taken from contingency to install carpet and repair a fan unit in the Calvitt House at the airport.

Contingency

Mr. Brandt, County Attorney, informed Council he had a request from LTV Steel that the \$2,322.52 owed Oconee County in property taxes be discounted 9%. He informed LTV Steel that only the South Carolina Tax Commission had the authority to discount taxes. Mr. Brandt requested Council think about this request and let him know their recommendation to the South Carolina Tax Commission.

LTV Steel

Adjourn: 5:45 PM



Norman D. Crain
Supervisor-Chairman
Oconee County Council