

MINUTES, OCONEE COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING

The regular meeting of the Oconee County Council was held Tuesday, April 19, 1988 at 3:00 PM in Council Chambers with all Council Members present. The County Attorney came in at 4:00 PM.

Members of the press notified (by mail): Seneca Journal, Keowee Courier, Greenville News, Anderson Independent, Westminster News, WGOG Radio, WSNW Radio, WCCP Radio, WLET/WZLI Radio, WYFF TV & WLOS TV.

Press

Members of the press present: Sue Nolan - Seneca Journal, Dick Mangrum - WGOG Radio, Ron Barnett - Anderson Independent, & Randall Holcombe - Greenville News.

All other persons who has asked to be notified of meetings were also notified by mail.

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

Meeting

The invocation was given by Mr. Harper.

Invocation

Mr. Dyar made a motion, seconded by Dr. Earle, approved 4 - 0 that the minutes of the April 5, 1988 meeting be adopted as printed.

Minutes

Mr. Williams made a motion, seconded by Dr. Earle, approved 4 - 0 that Resolution 88-12, "A Resolution of Appreciation to Mr. Larry A. Butts for his Service as Oconee County Council Member from District Four" be approved on first and final reading.

Res. 88-12

Mr. Jay Hayden, a computer professional and Mrs. Alice Knolte of the State Library Board, addressed Council concerning a computer for the Oconee County Library system. Mr. Hayden stated he had been studying library systems for about seven (7) years, he felt computerization would provide extra services for the community and the largest expense would be connecting the different branches to the main library.

Library

Mr. Hayden proposed placing terminals in the main library and the Seneca Branch and depending on the activities in the communication area installing terminals in the other branches within five (5) years.

Mr. Hayden also suggested an optical reference disk is a valuable tool to libraries in keeping tract of newspapers and/or statistics.

It was the consensus of Council that if any of the library branches are computerized, the smaller ones should be also as they are all a part of Oconee County.

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Mrs. Knolte informed Council there are thirty-nine (39) library systems in South Carolina and eight (8) of them are computerized or in the process of being computerized.

After considerable discussion, Dr. Earle made a motion, seconded by Mr. Dyar, approved 3 - 1 (Mr. Williams voting against) to include \$60,000 in the 1988-89 budget ordinance including an Automation Coordinator to begin the computerization of the Oconee County Library System.

Mr. Harper made a motion, seconded by Dr. Earle, approved 4 - 0 that Resolution 88-13, "A Resolution in Memorium of the Honorable J. W. Ballenger, Former Probate Judge" be approved on first and final reading.

Dr. Earle made a motion, seconded by Mr. Dyar, approved 4 - 0 that the attached list of Digital Computer Equipment be given to the school department as the county no longer has need of it.

Mr. Williams made a motion, seconded by Dr. Earle, approved 4 - 0 that Gary Concrete be awarded the bid for a bridge for CH 9, they were low bidder at \$20,312.25.

Mr. Williams made a motion, seconded by Dr. Earle, approved 4 - 0 that Oconee County extend the agreement with Morris Communications for radio maintenance from June 30, 1988 to June 30 1989 at \$1,217.50 which is the same cost as the previous year.

Mr. Harper made a motion, seconded by Dr. Earle, approved 4 - 0 that the attached eight (8) transfers be approved.

Dr. Earle made a motion, seconded by Mr. Dyar, approved 4 - 0 that Mrs. Linda L. Brune be appointed to the Library Board with her term commencing immediately and expiring June 30, 1989.

Dr. Earle made a motion, seconded by Mr. Williams, approved 4 - 0 that \$1,258.08 be taken from contingency for the purpose of paying the South Carolina Retirement System to establish membership for Robert E. Gaillard from January 1, 1980 through June 30, 1981.

Mr. Dyar made a motion, seconded by Dr. Earle approved 4 - 0 that Ordinance 88-4, "An Ordinance Amending Ordinance 87-8, Animal Control Ordinance" be adopted on first reading in title only.

Res. 88-13

Digital  
Equipment

CH 9  
Bridge

Radio  
Maintenance

Transfers

Library  
Appointment

Contingency

Ord. 88-4

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Dr. Earle made a motion, seconded by Mr. Harper, approved 3 - 0 (Mr. Williams out of room) that \$520 be taken from contingency to replace (temporarily) an employee in the Law Enforcement Center who is out due to surgery and \$520 be taken from contingency to replace (temporarily) an employee who is out on maternity leave. (See attached request)

LEC

Mr. Dyar made a motion, seconded by Dr. Earle, approved 3 - 0 (Mr. Williams out of room) that a JTPA Worker be approved for the PRT Department. (See attached request)

JTPA Worker

Council scheduled 1988-89 budget appeals Wednesday, April 20, 1988 at 8:30 AM in Council Chambers.

Budget

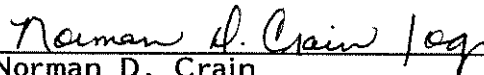
Mr. Crain announced that Mr. Roger Williams has been named acting Assessor until the reassessment is completed, Mr. Lay has been retained on an as needed basis. A permanent decision will be made after reassessment.

Assessor

At Mr. Brandt's request, Mr. Dyar made a motion, seconded by Mr. Williams, approved 4 - 0 that Council go into executive session to discuss legal matters.

Executive Session

It was 5:00 PM when Council went into executive session and they did not resume open session before adjourning.

  
Norman D. Crain  
Supervisor-Chairman  
Oconee County Council