

MEMBERS, OCONEE COUNTY COUNCIL

Mrs. M. Fran Burrell, District I Mr. C. Samuel Donald, District II
Mr. Michael E. Harper, District III Mr. Roy B. Strickland, District IV
Mr. Johnny D. Stone, District V

MINUTES, OCONEE COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING

The regular meeting of the Oconee County Council was held Tuesday, May 19, 1992 at 3:00 PM in Council Chambers with all Council Members and the County Attorney present.

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

Press

Members of the press present: Carol Kreklar
- Anderson Independent, Dick Mangrum - WGOG Radio, Robin Boyle
- Journal/Tribune & Ron Barnett - Greenville News.

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

Call to Order

The invocation was given by Mr. Stone

Invocation

Mr. Stone made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Burrell, approved 5 - 0 that the minutes of the May 5, 1992 meeting be adopted as printed.

Minutes

Mr. Donald, Chairman of the Budget & Finance Committee, informed those present that any raise that he and his wife would receive as employees of the School District for the 1992-93 fiscal year would be given to charity. (See attached letter of explanation)

Budget

Mr. James B. Brown, Superintendent of Education, Mr. Jim Bridges & Mr. John Lay presented the attached proposed 1992-93 budget for Oconee County School District to Council.

School Budget

Mr. Brown informed Council the drop out rates in the Oconee Schools were dropping. He further informed Council that seventy-five percent (75%) of the expected \$6,000,000 wind-fall expected from the Bad Creek project would be assigned to non recurring projects. Mr. Brown also stated that there were 1244 employees in the school district at the beginning of the year and they were hoping to give them a 6% pay increase.

The teacher ratio in Oconee County is one (1) to nineteen (19), there are twenty-two (22) schools in the county and approximately 10,000 students.

Mr. Brown further informed Council the focus of the School District is on the classroom.

After discussion, Mr. Crain informed those present that the public hearing on the budget would be Thursday, May 26, 1992 at 7:00 PM in the courtroom.

At the request of Mr. Robert Winchester, Sewer Commission Director, Mr. Harper made a motion, seconded by Mr. Stone, approved 5 - 0 that \$10,000 paid into DHEC for environmental fines be transferred from general funds to the Sewer Commission. (See attached letter)

Mr. Harper made a motion, seconded by Mr. Doanld, approved 5 - 0 that the attached Oconee Tourism Commission Budget in the amount of \$21,009 be adopted.

At the request of Mrs. Barbara Waters, Health Department, Mr. Strickland made a motion, seconded by Mr. Stone, approved 5 - 0 that the attached contract for dental care for the migrants be adopted.

Also at the request of Mrs. Waters, Mr. Strickland made a motion, seconded by Mr. Stone, approved 5 - 0 that the attached transfer for the Health Department be adopted.

Mrs. Burrell made a motion, seconded by Mr. Strickland, approved 5 - 0 that the attached transfer for the Board of Registration be adopted.

Mr. Strickland made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Burrell, approved 5 - 0 that the attached transfer for \$6,452 from postage into computer tax center be adopted.

Mr. Strickland made a motion, seconded by Mr. Donald, approved 5 - 0 that the attached transfer for \$25.82 from schools/seminars/training into out of county travel be adopted.

Mr. Donald made a motion, seconded by Mr. Strickland, approved 5 - 0 that the attached transfer request for the Department of Social Services be adopted.

Mr. Strickland made a motion, seconded by Mr. Donald, approved 5 - 0 that \$176 be taken from contingency and placed in line item 10 018 00150 00032 to replace some personal items of the park rotator which had been destroyed through vandalism.

Mr. Alex James, PRT Director, also briefed Council on the drowning that had taken place just outside Chau Ram Park May 13, 1992.

Public
Hearing

Sewer
DHEC
Fines

Tourism
Budget

Dental
Contract

Health
(Transfer)

Bd. of Reg.
(Transfer)

Treasurer
(Transfers)

DSS
(Transfer)

PRT
(Cont.)

Drowning

Mr. Kenneth F. Williams, Auditor, asked Council to amend vacation and leaves of absence policies. (See attached letter)

Policy & Procedures

This request was referred to the Personnel & Intergovernmental Committee for a recommendation.

Mr. Harper made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Burrell, approved 5 - 0 that the attached transfer for Public Buildings be adopted.

Public Buildings (Transfer)

Mr. Stone made a motion, seconded by Mr. Strickland, approved 5 - 0 that the bid for the rebuilding of a Fiat Allis pan engine for the CCS Department be awarded to Van Lott, Inc. who was low bid at \$7,780.34.

Motor Pool

Upon recommendation of the Health & Sanitation Commission, Mr. Harper made a motion, seconded by Mr. Strickland, approved 5 - 0 that the attached closure/post closure plans be adopted and submitted to DHEC for approval. By adopting these plans Council is committing to \$2,361,400 for the closure/post closure.

CCS C/P/C

Mr. Strickland made a motion, seconded by Mr. Stone, approved 5 - 0 that the attached transfer designated as number one for the CCS Department be adopted.

(Transfers)

Mr. Donald made a motion, seconded by Mr. Harper, approved 5 - 0 that the attached transfer designated as number two for the CCS Department be adopted.

Mr. Strickland made a motion, seconded by Mr. Donald, approved 5 - 0 that the attached transfer designated as number three for the CCS Department be adopted.

Mr. Harper made a motion, seconded by Mr. Strickland, approved 5 - 0 that the attached transfer designated as number four for the CCS Department be adopted.

Mr. Strickland made a motion, seconded by Mr. Stone that the recommendation of the CCS Commission to award the bid for the feasibility study to HDR after the Purchasing Director has negotiated the cost.

Feasibility Study

Mr. Donald made a motion, seconded by Mr. Strickland, approved 5 - 0 that the motion be amended to show the justification of selecting HDR even though they were not low bid, the reasons for selecting HDR were: this firm has a great deal of experience working with SC DHEC, will work on intermediate matters such as yard waste and would put in approximately seven hundred (732) man hours and also they were the only firm that were familiar with possible grants for this project as well as

the largest staff of any firm that was interviewed.

The motion as amended was then adopted 5 - 0.

Mr. Strickland made a motion, seconded by Stone, approved 5 - 0 that Council enter into a lease agreement with Municipal contingent upon the appropriate number of leases being subscribed and the monies being collected prior to any construction being started to include option #2 - \$5,998.18 quarterly payments. (See attachment)

T Hanger

Mr. Strickland made a motion, seconded by Mr. Donald, approved 5 - 0 that the attached transfer for the Purchasing Department be adopted.

Purchasing
(Transfer)

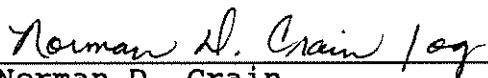
Mr. Strickland made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Burrell, approved 5 - 0 that the contract for health insurance for county employees be renewed with Benefit America at a cost of \$950,131.25. (See attachment)

Health
Insurance

Mr. Donald made a motion, seconded by Mr. Stone, approved 5 - 0 that Ordinance 92-2, "1992-93 Oconee County Budget" be adopted on first reading in title only.

Ord. 92-2

Adjourn: 6:55 PM


Norman D. Crain
Supervisor-Chairman
Oconee County Council