MINUTES BUDGET, FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE MEETING

June 14, 2011



Council Chambers, Oconee Administrative Offices 415 South Pine Street, Walhalla, South Carolina, 29691

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Mr. Reg Dexter, Chairman, District V
Mr. Paul Corbeil, District I
Mr. Wayne McCall, District II
Mr. Archie Barron, District III
Mr. Joel Thrift, District IV

The Budget, Finance & Administration Committee on Tuesday, June 14, 2011 at 5:30 P.M. in Council Chambers, 415 S. Pine Street, Walhalla, SC with all Council Members present, Mr. Scott Moulder, Administrator, Ms. Kendra Brown, Finance Director, Executive Administrative Assistant Ms. Amanda Brock and Ms. Elizabeth G. Hulse, Clerk to Council.

Press:

Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, notice of the meeting, date, time, place of meeting and agenda were posted on the bulletin board at the County Administrative Offices, 415 South Pine Street, Walhalla, SC, and the County Council website [www.oconcese.com/council]. In addition it was made available to the newspapers, radio stations, television stations and concerned citizens.

Members of the press present: Ray Chandler - Anderson Independent & Carlos Galarza - Daily Journal

Call to Order:

Chairman Dexter called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Approval of the Minutes:

Mr. Corbeil made a motion, seconded by Mr. Thrift, approved 5 – 0 that the minutes from the February 17, 2011 and April 24, 2011 meeting be approved as presented.

Mr. Barron made a motion, seconded by Mr. Thriff, approved 4 - 0 - 1 [Mr. McCall abstained as he was not present at the meeting] that the minutes from the March 30, 2011 meeting be approved as presented.

Council Discussion with the Administrator regarding Fund Balance Policy & Additional Funding Requests for FY 2012:

Mr. Moulder along with Ms. Brown addressed Council and reviewed a draft resolution [copy filed with these minutes] outlining a proposed fund balance policy for Oconec County, Discussion followed.

Mr. Moulder and Ms. Brown also provided Council with an evaluation of the general fund [copy filed with these minutes] outlining proposed uses for excess fund balance in the amount of \$802,236. Mr. Moulder addressed the reinstatement of two building code inspectors noting that they are a valuable resource and during slow times could be used to assist Facilities Maintenance with projects outside of their scope. Lengthy discussion followed.

Council also discussed the possibility of utilizing an outside charitable agency in the future for distribution of designated direct aid. No action was taken on this matter; it will be addressed again in a future meeting.

Lastly, Mr. Moulder and Ms. Brown addressed the Committee utilizing a handout [copy filed with these minutes] with suggested amendment to Ordinance 2011-01 to include amended numbers in Section 1, amending language in budget proviso #13 and the addition of a new proviso #15. Discussion followed. Council concurred with the recommendations as provided.

Mr. Corbeil made a motion, seconded by Mr. Thrift, approved 5-0 to amend the proposed uses of fund balance as follows:

\$ 27,500	Additional Direct Aid Requests
\$ 19,500	Worker's Compensation Increase/Other Personnel Changes
\$ 123,765	Reinstate Two Building Inspector Positions in Building Codes
\$ 250,000	Increase Health Care Reserve
<u>\$ 381,471</u>	Increase Council Contingency Account
\$ 803,236	- -

Old Business:

No Old Business was discussed at this meeting.

New Business:

No New Business was discussed at this meeting.

Public Comment:

Mr. Dexter opened the floor for public comment. No comments were received.

<u>Adjourn:</u>

Mr. Corbeil made a motion, unanimously approved to adjourn at 6:45 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Elizabeth G. Hulse
Clerk to Council