



OCCONEE COUNTY COUNCIL ABSTENTION FORM

Council Member Name: _____

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Wayne McCall

Council Member Signature: _____

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Meeting Date: _____

4/9/13

Item for Discussion/Vote: _____

Minutes : 3/28/13

Reason for Absention: _____


I was not present for original meeting/discussion.

I have a personal/familial interest in the issue.

Other: _____

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Elizabeth G. Huise
Clerk to Council

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**PARKER'S
POINT OF
VIEW**

**KATHLEEN
PARKER**

can baseball legend Larry Doby and Jewish financier and presidential adviser Bernard Baruch.

The two men, an unlikely two-some not so long ago, both transcended racial and ethnic challenges that provided inspiration for subsequent generations.

Baruch, born in 1870, urged racial and religious understanding and counseled six presidents across party lines, setting an example few today seem willing to follow. Doby,

born in 1923, conquered racial barriers by becoming the first black baseball player in the American League (for the Cleveland Indians) and the second African-American manager in baseball history (for the Chicago White Sox).

The sculpture featuring the two statues, brilliantly crafted by local artist Maria Kirby-Smith, is aptly titled "Reconciliation."

The ceremony was a feast of ironies, cognitive surprises and the sort of historic gestures that permit respite from the political cynicism that dominates our day. The lineup of native-born speakers was its own commentary on the status of South Carolina's evolution and quest for reconciliation, including businesswoman Darla Moore. Real leadership, said Moore, doesn't happen in Washington or the state capital but in communities such as Camden where citizens embrace diversity "as a force to improve quality of life for all citizens."

It wasn't always so, of course - and some would argue that it isn't yet - but art often expresses what we aspire to, and symbolic gestures count for something. Legislated correctives can do only so much in the service of racial equilibrium without the voluntary assent of willing neighbors.

The two statues, commissioned by local benefactors John and Anne Rainey, are such a gesture. Strategically placed along the town's main drag, they depict Doby standing behind home plate autographing a baseball for Baruch, who is seated a few feet away on a park bench, his favorite perch for contemplation.

John Rainey began his own remarks with none other than Robert E. Lee. Oh dear. Must we Southerners always invoke the leader of the Confederacy's army? But Lee had something to say about the future and reconciliation, and these were on Rainey's mind.

Rainey recounted that after the Civil War, while president of Washington College (now Washington & Lee University), Lee urged one Southerner: "Madson, don't bring up your sons to defest the United States government. Recollect that we form one country now. Abandon all these local animosities, and make your sons Americans."

OUR VIEW

Perception everything to business

Scott Moulder and Richard Blackwell were left shaking their heads, probably asking themselves: "What more could we have done?"

The answer is nothing. Blackwell, executive director of the Oconee County Economic Development Commission, and Moulder, Oconee County administrator, worked for a year to try to hold on to TaylorMade Golf Company, which announced Wednesday that it was moving operations to Pickens County. Moulder offered the sun and the moon and made the golf company think twice before finally deciding an industrial park in Pickens County was the best location to expand and grow.

Moulder confided that the offer he made to TaylorMade was worth about \$500,000 more in incentives than what the company received in Pickens County.

But, in the end, TaylorMade wanted to be where other businesses were already established. That was one of the key reasons it abandoned its leased facility in Westminster and decided to build a \$13 million factory down the road.

Officials with TaylorMade made it known they did not want to be the first tenant in Echo Hills - which likely means they don't trust Oconee County to follow through on developing and drawing other businesses to the site.

So, what can Oconee County do better. We believe the County Council has to take the lead and change the perception that some businesses may have. For years its members have said economic development and jobs are the

number one priority.

But the message they are sending to businesses does not say that.

They raised the school tax last year - a move that will not affect most homeowners but does fall on the shoulders of businesses.

They are now considering a one cent sales tax.

Its members, most of them anyway, want to put \$15 million or more into a new jail instead of libraries or recreation facilities.

We do not believe council members, as a whole, really have a grasp on how to make Oconee County more attractive to businesses.

Incentives, of course, are always a key. That is the name of the game nowadays. Cut their taxes, give them land offer more than the other guys and you get jobs in return.

Oconee County is strapped for cash to offer those incentives.

The other equally important part of the equation is quality of life.

Big companies are keen on moving to locations where their employees will be happy. That means recreational opportunities and cultural opportunities along with good weather, good roads and good people.

We have moderate weather and lots of good people.

We fall short in the other categories.

Council needs to rethink its priorities and really consider what attracts people - and in turn businesses - to Oconee County. Perception is everything.

their ministry of the word.

Should we pay our employees to bring shame on us by squandering our taxes and resources with this oppressive and un-American activity? Do we need these employees of ours intruding into our personal and private lives, interfering in our places of worship, and running up the cost of living and doing business in Oconee County?

Their salary, plus squandered resources, plus lawsuits, and attorney fees, would go a long way toward fixing roads and bridges. Maybe build another spec building to give away while some of our citizens are taxed out of their homes. Maybe we could hire another president of a special interest NGO to ride the county payroll while tending personal agenda on the taxpayer's dime.

So get ready fellow victims, hold your nose, open wide so your Pine Street employees can cram a double dose of Pine Street down your throat. Then they will ride you piggyback before another dose of Pine Street. The after taste is even worse, then of course there will be side effects of violated rights and higher taxes.

W. J. Barnett
Westminster

My memories of Leon Fayonsky and the 13 Club

After having major surgery, my life was in slow motion and immobility. Two rods and eight screws in the lower lumbar will do that. Frequent daily prayers and the remote control for TV propped in a recliner and limited movement was likened to a body of decay trying to heal.

I do not remember ever missing a game when the Chicopee Chix or the Walhalla, South Carolina Razorback high school team had a home game at the mill village field.

Charlie Leopard's solid play at third base and the crafty Lefty Golden at first anchored the two corners of the infield for the Chix, but on

"Walhalla." In the late '70s, Walter Cronkite, an iconic CBS news reporter, was ending his show with a story about Walhalla and a man named Harry Fayonsky, the last man standing as part of the "13 Club" after J.B. Todd had died.

I was so proud to hear Harry's name mentioned and a few weeks later thought, "There's one, another

Almost a century and a half later, these words sound freshly reborn and aimed at a state where the secession party thrives. Lee the conciliator likely would be disappointed by today's rancorous rhetoric, which Rainey placed at the feet of "most of our leaders in the South since the end of the war, and you know who they are."

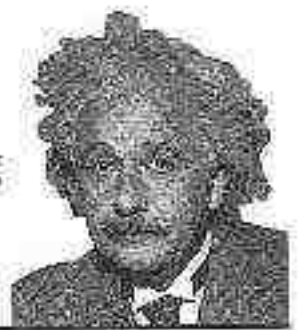
"They have not adhered to Lee's warning or followed his example, but instead have based their politics on division and disrespect. ... They have misled us."

Rainey, a Vietnam vet, attorney and Republican activist, who once marched to protest the Confederate battle flag atop the state's capitol dome, has the same fides to speak of Lee's legacy. A great-grandson of two Confederate soldiers who surrendered at

OPINION

'Everybody is a genius. But if you judge a fish by its ability to climb a tree, it will live its whole life believing that it is stupid.'

Albert Einstein | Scientist



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A monument to reconciliation

It isn't often that one gets to hear both the strains of "Dixie" and an African drum concert in the same public square. Nor, usually, are statue unveilings the riveting stuff of storytelling.

That is, unless one happens to be in the oldest inland city, population 7,000, of one of the oddest little states in a nation of oddness.

The unlikely combo of a brass band invoking the rebel anthem and a couple of dreadlocked musicians pounding drums provided the soundtrack for an Easter weekend unveiling of life-sized, bronze statues celebrating two Garden-born



YOUR VIEW

**Open wide!
Down the hatch!**
EDITOR:

We're paying our employees at "Pine Street" to attack a House of Worship in Fair Play ("The Village") cramming a double dose of "Pine Street" down the people's throat, by infringing on a church's right to install a sign of their choice on their own sovereign church grounds that

BUDGET, FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE

3/20/2013										\$ 100,000	\$ 100,000	\$ 100,000
County	Mf Value (Wcch) Sec Note 1	County Millage (Net) (Sec Note 2)	School District Millage (High) (Sec Note 3)	Unincorporated Millage (Sec Note 4) Below for Description (Sec Note 5)	Flat Fees Added to Tax Bill (See Below for Description) (Sec Note 6)	Vehicle Road Maintenance Fee (Sec Note 7)	County Industrial Add on Fees (Fire, Sewer, etc.)	School Bonds	Legal Residence (Does not include Homestead Exemption if Qualified) (See Note 8) (May Amount Above)	5% Second Home/ Investment Property Delimitor (May Amount Above)	10-5 % Manufacturing and Business Property Eximitor (May Amount Above)	
Abbeville	\$ 50,900	58.30	256.00	6.20	\$100.00			46.80	\$730.10	\$2,168.30	\$1,618.20	
Aiken	\$ 500,000	69.50	187.30		\$120.94		1,158.85	51.50	\$235.74	\$1,583.14	\$3,644.45	
Allendale	\$ 19,340	222.00	288.00					18.00	\$90.00	\$5,050.00	\$5,355.00	
Anderson	\$ 988,880	84.40	256.30	6.00	\$150.00			80.00	\$851.50	\$2,230.20	\$9,640.35	
Bamberg	\$ 28,727	128.70	373.80	14.70				109.00	\$1,009.50	\$5,103.20	\$5,480.60	
Barrow	\$ 54,140	235.00	224.20	38.00				57.00	\$920.00	\$2,383.20	\$4,170.60	
Beaufort	\$ 1,833,440	48.52	119.20	35.64	\$30.00			28.00	\$458.64	\$1,230.52	\$3,135.91	
Berkeley	\$ 202,000	50.00	190.40		\$147.00			52.50	\$557.00	\$1,588.40	\$2,924.20	
Calhoun	\$ 58,900	107.00	145.00		\$50.00		170.50	16.00	\$542.00	\$1,562.00	\$2,822.50	
Charleston	\$ 3,014,408	58.00	126.50	10.50	\$98.00			79.00	\$672.00	\$1,739.00	\$2,520.00	
Cherokee	\$ 153,480	83.10	216.60	10.90				46.30	\$477.00	\$1,977.60	\$3,466.00	
Chester	\$ 82,124	139.70	225.50	15.00				40.50	\$770.30	\$2,380.20	\$3,071.10	
Chesterfield	\$ 300,000	95.77	200.56	17.00	\$54.00	30.00		32.50	\$635.08	\$1,980.98	\$3,300.47	
Clarendon	\$ 90,300	148.80	271.80	40.20		25.00		37.80	\$907.20	\$2,765.40	\$4,839.45	
Colleton	\$ 178,368	115.06	150.90	30.50	\$60.00	25.00		46.30	\$671.00	\$1,843.30	\$3,130.70	
Darlington	\$ 175,427	76.74	51.42	13.00	\$47.00	30.00		22.70	\$490.30	\$894.00	\$5,402.29	
Dillon	\$ 61,587	183.30	178.20		\$128.00			5.30	\$881.00	\$1,566.20	\$3,272.35	
Dorchester	\$ 489,000	76.90	257.30	15.00	\$75.00			28.00	\$554.60	\$2,170.20	\$3,666.60	
Edgefield	\$ 71,328	95.49	219.70	10.00	\$80.00	30.00		26.00	\$609.56	\$2,049.32	\$3,446.31	
Fairfield	\$ 227,068	187.30	213.00					9.90	\$768.30	\$2,371.30	\$4,190.60	
Florence	\$ 438,541	84.80	266.10	23.24	\$77.85	30.00		26.50	\$624.00	\$2,302.60	\$4,328.47	
Georgetown	\$ 545,424	52.90	133.40	13.00	\$96.50	30.00		28.30	\$473.60	\$1,201.80	\$2,882.68	
Greenville	\$ 1,878,888	67.20	306.00	54.20		15.00		42.50	\$631.60	\$2,581.40	\$4,428.95	
Greenwood	\$ 164,000	67.30	298.40	15.54	\$75.00			7.80	\$416.76	\$2,081.24	\$3,423.42	
Hampton	\$ 47,872	194.00	325.00	25.00				29.00	\$990.00	\$5,364.00	\$5,712.00	
Horry	\$ 1,905,000	49.30	130.30	10.00				10.00	\$480.30	\$1,132.40	\$3,946.20	
Jasper	\$ 66,000	143.00	172.00	31.00					\$704.00	\$2,064.00	\$3,054.00	
Kershaw	\$ 208,656	73.40	212.60	11.50	\$55.00			64.30	\$651.40	\$1,870.00	\$3,140.25	
Lancaster	\$ 252,748	86.30	190.80		\$90.00	30.00		47.00	\$678.40	\$1,745.40	\$2,886.95	
Laurie	\$ 167,750	83.50	288.50	21.70	\$60.00	15.00		74.00	\$781.30	\$2,134.20	\$3,629.85	
Lee	\$ 34,075	170.50	178.50		\$10.00	10.00		42.50	\$867.00	\$2,104.00	\$3,664.50	
Lexington	\$ 1,074,619	80.43	378.18	32.23				85.30	\$735.44	\$2,944.97	\$5,155.61	
Marion	\$ 55,499	133.00	175.00		\$85.30	35.00		10.00	\$671.00	\$1,760.00	\$3,034.50	
Marlboro	\$ 90,300	96.47	218.28	10.35		30.00		53.00	\$671.00	\$1,988.18	\$3,444.32	
McCormick	\$ 40,400	126.00	159.70					33.00	\$636.00	\$1,714.20	\$2,989.85	
Newberry	\$ 113,283	142.20	289.80					53.00	\$780.60	\$2,292.00	\$4,011.00	
Oconee	\$ 496,627	68.60	141.10	2.90				31.00	\$471.60	\$1,278.00	\$2,236.50	
Orangeburg	\$ 248,550	130.35	109.30					67.00	\$788.20	\$1,437.60	\$2,515.80	
Pickens	\$ 444,177	57.10	109.00	1.90	\$70.79			42.50	\$616.78	\$1,438.78	\$2,384.00	
Richland	\$ 1,430,000	108.10	397.30	18.00	\$249.00	30.00		88.00	\$1,067.40	\$3,206.60	\$5,193.30	
Saluda	\$ 51,205	136.18	285.52					37.50	\$674.40	\$2,529.72	\$4,427.01	
Spartanburg	\$ 905,211	80.10	306.50	12.00	\$47.00			72.00	\$709.40	\$2,438.60	\$4,185.30	
Sumter	\$ 288,000	179.10	211.00	22.45	\$87.70			60.00	\$1,109.90	\$2,533.00	\$4,331.78	
Union	\$ 61,500	132.90	167.90	15.17				48.00	\$784.28	\$1,895.82	\$3,347.69	
Williamsburg	\$ 85,702	167.10	166.50	23.88	\$125.00	30.00		14.50	\$1,026.59	\$2,269.88	\$3,758.54	
York	\$ 1,075,000	62.50	278.60	3.00				78.00	\$556.40	\$2,088.20	\$3,621.05	

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Note 1: Mill Value is County value of a mill which includes Industrial Abatement.

Note 2: County millage is base millage without additional millage for items listed in Note 5 but includes bonds.

Note 3: School District millage is operational and debt and if more than one district in the county the millage is the millage for the highest district.

Note 4: If multiple districts, the School District low column lists the lowest millage in that county and the Multiple School District column lists the number of districts.

Note 5: Unincorporated Millage: Various counties have many different fees that are added on base millage and could include city millage, county sewer, fire fees, road fees, career centers, area developments. (The so figures are somewhat average for the respective countywide fees and are not all inclusive. Orange County adds 2.8 mills for unincorporated fire.)

Note 6: Flat Fees provides a somewhat average countywide flat add-on fee that is applied to all property owners. Flat Fee examples include Solid Waste, Road Maintenance, Safety, Fire, Lighting, etc.

Note 7: Vehicle Road Maintenance Fee is a per vehicle add on fee for these counties. This list may not be all inclusive as the ones indicated are for the counties that provided that data.

Note 8: This is an estimate for legal Resident's taxes, which includes unincorporated millage and flat fees if indicated by the respective county less the School Tax Credit. Homestead Exemption is not calculated in this example.

Note 9: Second Home/ Investment Property at 6% Rate - County millage, school millage (high), unincorporated millage, and flat fees with a value of \$200,000.

Source: SC Assoc. of Counties - SC Property Tax Rates by County 2012

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SALES TAXES IMPOSED AT THE COUNTY LEVEL (IN ADDITION TO THE 6% STATEWIDE SALES TAX)

County	Local Option	Capital Projects	School District	Transportation	Educational Capital Improvement
Abbeville	1.0%				
Aiken		1.0%			
Allendale	1.0%	1.0%			
Anderson					
Bamberg	1.0%				
Barnwell	1.0%				
Beaufort				1.0%	
Berkeley	1.0%			1.0%	
Calhoun	1.0%				
Charleston	1.0%			0.5%	1.0%
Cherokee	1.0%		1.0%		
Chester	1.0%	1.0%			
Chesterfield	1.0%		1.0%		
Clarendon	1.0%		1.0%		
Colleton	1.0%				
Darlington	1.0%		1.0%		
Dillon	1.0%	Ended 9-08	1.0%		
Dorchester				1.0%	
Edgefield	1.0%				
Fairfield	1.0%				
Florence	1.0%	1.0%			
Georgetown					
Greenville					
Greenwood		1.0%			
Hampton	1.0%	Ended 12-08			
Horry		1.0%			1.0%
Jasper	1.0%	Ended 11-02	1.0%		
Kershaw	1.0%				
Lancaster	1.0%	1.0%			
Laurens	1.0%				
Lee	1.0%		1.0%		
Lexington			1.0%		
Marion	1.0%				
Marlboro	1.0%				
McCormick	1.0%				
Newberry		1.0%			
Oconee					
Orangeburg		1.0%			
Pickens	1.0%				
Richland	1.0%				
Saluda	1.0%				
Spartanburg					
Sumter	1.0%	1.0%			
Union					
Williamsburg	1.0%				
York		1.0%			

Source: South Carolina Department of Revenue 2009-2010 Annual Report, www.sctax.org/Publications/default.htm

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LOCAL OPTION SALES AND USE TAX COLLECTIONS

Sorted Alphabetically

Sorted by County Total Collections

County	FY 2010 Unincorporated	FY 2010 County Total	Percent of State Total	County	FY 2010 County Total	Percent of State Total
1. Abbeville	\$ 826,357.3	1,666,562	0.66 %	1. Charleston	\$ 73,128,672	29.95 %
2. Aiken	NA	NA	NA	2. Richland	49,754,604	20.38
3. Allendale	236,173	536,616	0.22	3. Florence	19,911,197	8.15
4. Anderson	NA	NA	NA	4. Berkeley	16,292,446	7.49
5. Bamberg	296,353	1,031,126	0.42	5. Pickens	10,694,180	4.38
6. Barnwell	360,276	1,764,587	0.72	6. Sumter	10,234,277	4.19
7. Beaufort	NA	NA	NA	7. Lancaster	5,664,640	2.32
8. Berkeley	7,039,436	18,292,446	7.49	8. Darlington	5,372,247	2.20
9. Calhoun	536,058	791,650	0.32	9. Cherokee	5,235,341	2.14
10. Charleston	13,584,229	73,128,672	29.95	10. Kershaw	5,235,874	2.14
11. Cherokee	2,658,101	5,235,341	2.14	11. Laurens	4,637,397	1.90
12. Chester	1,353,912	2,169,534	0.89	12. Colleton	4,115,634	1.69
13. Chesterfield	1,122,146	3,204,222	1.31	13. Chesterfield	3,204,222	1.31
14. Clarendon	839,007	2,462,231	1.01	14. Jasper	2,805,951	1.18
15. Colleton	1,276,713	4,115,634	1.69	15. Dillon	2,546,600	1.04
16. Darlington	1,956,102	5,372,247	2.20	16. Clarendon	2,462,231	1.01
17. Dillon	923,719	2,546,600	1.04	17. Marion	2,384,538	0.98
18. Dorchester	NA	NA	NA	18. Chester	2,169,534	0.89
19. Edgefield	598,916	1,161,364	0.49	19. Williamsburg	2,015,061	0.83
20. Fairfield	1,174,576	1,808,729	0.74	20. Fairfield	1,808,729	0.74
21. Florence	6,219,146	19,911,197	8.15	21. Barnwell	1,764,587	0.72
22. Georgetown	NA	NA	NA	22. Abbeville	1,666,562	0.68
23. Greenville	NA	NA	NA	23. Marlboro	1,539,294	0.63
24. Greenwood	NA	NA	NA	24. Hampton	1,501,308	0.61
25. Hampton	381,693	1,501,308	0.61	25. Edgefield	1,161,364	0.49
26. Horry	NA	NA	NA	26. Lee	1,047,883	0.43
27. Jasper	1,610,246	2,885,951	1.18	27. Bamberg	1,031,126	0.42
28. Kershaw	2,395,632	5,235,874	2.14	28. Saluda	890,992	0.36
29. Lancaster	2,647,201	5,664,640	2.32	29. Calhoun	791,650	0.32
30. Laurens	1,976,893	4,637,397	1.90	30. Allendale	536,616	0.22
31. Lee	674,851	1,047,883	0.43	31. McCormick	503,340	0.21
32. Lexington	NA	NA	NA			
33. Marion	813,993	2,384,538	0.98			
34. Marlboro	670,683	1,539,294	0.63			
35. McCormick	294,862	503,340	0.21			
36. Newberry	NA	NA	NA			
37. Oconee	NA	NA	NA			
38. Orangeburg	NA	NA	NA			
39. Pickens	2,698,775	10,694,180	4.38			
40. Richland	23,515,712	49,754,604	20.38			
41. Saluda	492,329	890,992	0.36			
42. Spartanburg	NA	NA	NA			
43. Sumter	3,110,936	10,234,277	4.19			
44. Union	NA	NA	NA			
45. Williamsburg	844,971	2,015,061	0.83			
46. York	NA	NA	NA			
Total			244,179,726 100.00			

Source: South Carolina Department of Revenue 2009-2010 Annual Report, www.scdax.org/Publications/default.htm

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SPECIAL LOCAL OPTION SALES TAX COLLECTIONS

County	Sorted Alphabetically					
	Capital Projects		Transportation		School District	
	Collections FY 2010	Percent of State Total	Collections FY 2010	Percent of State Total	Collections FY 2010	Percent of State Total
1. Abbeville						
2. Aiken	\$ 16,861,191	10.80 %				
3. Allendale	501,270	0.32 %				
4. Anderson						
5. Bamberg						
6. Barnwell						
7. Beaufort			\$ 28,137,814	31.14 %		
8. Berkeley			16,746,374	18.53 %		
9. Calhoun						
10. Charleston			36,049,027	39.89 %		
11. Cherokee					\$ 5,017,810	4.84 %
12. Chester	2,057,784	1.32 %				
13. Chesterfield					2,745,508	2.65 %
14. Clarendon					2,436,094	2.35 %
15. Colleton						
16. Darlington					4,548,776	4.35 %
17. Dillon					2,163,650	2.09 %
18. Dorchester			9,437,670	10.44 %		
19. Edgefield						
20. Fairfield						
21. Florence	19,439,647	12.45 %				
22. Georgetown						
23. Greenville						
24. Greenwood	8,293,877	5.31 %				
25. Hampton						
26. Horry	57,703,503	36.95 %			50,117,027	
27. Jasper					2,745,508	2.65 %
28. Kershaw						
29. Lancaster	5,409,702	3.46 %				
30. Laurens						
31. Lee					860,857	0.83 %
32. Lexington					33,010,785	31.82 %
33. Marion						
34. Marlboro						
35. McCormick						
36. Newberry	3,442,591	2.20 %				
37. Oconee						
38. Orangeburg	9,098,629	5.83 %				
39. Pickens						
40. Richland						
41. Saluda						
42. Spartanburg						
43. Sumter	9,518,700	6.10 %				
44. Union						
45. Williamsburg						
46. York	23,835,218	15.26 %				
Total	158,162,212	100.00 %	90,370,685	100.00 %	103,746,155	100.00 %

Source: South Carolina Department of Revenue 2009-2010 Annual Report, www.scolax.org/Publications/default.htm

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ACCOMMODATIONS TAX COLLECTIONS

Sorted Alphabetically

Sorted by Collections

County	Collections FY 2009	Percent of State Total	Collections FY 2010	Percent of State Total	County	Collections FY 2010	Percent of State Total
1. Abbeville	\$ 11,430	0.03 %	***	*** %	1. Horry	\$ 13,625,556	34.24 %
2. Aiken	389,495	0.98	426,085	1.08	2. Charleston	8,672,336	21.79
3. Allendale	5,440	0.01	4,446	0.01	3. Beaufort	4,846,595	12.18
4. Anderson	361,123	0.91	326,935	0.82	4. Richland	2,281,266	5.68
5. Bamberg	9,172	0.02	***	***	5. Greenville	2,005,649	5.04
6. Barnwell	20,101	0.05	21,966	0.06	6. Georgetown	1,258,390	3.16
7. Beaufort	5,347,111	15.44	4,846,595	12.18	7. Florence	858,714	2.16
8. Berkeley	429,971	1.09	364,767	0.92	8. Spartanburg	659,444	1.66
9. Calhoun	***	***	***	***	9. Lexington	658,695	1.66
10. Charleston	8,594,828	22.60	8,672,336	21.79	10. Colleton	528,734	1.33
11. Cherokee	99,411	0.25	195,809	0.27	11. York	522,623	1.31
12. Chester	61,156	0.15	53,369	0.15	12. Orangeburg	483,172	1.21
13. Chesterfield	43,298	0.11	44,613	0.11	13. Aiken	426,085	1.08
14. Clarendon	110,453	0.28	117,861	0.30	14. Berkeley	364,767	0.92
15. Colleton	539,911	1.36	528,734	1.33	15. Anderson	326,935	0.82
16. Darlington	65,285	0.16	65,571	0.16	16. Pickens	286,115	0.72
17. Dillon	102,594	0.26	105,175	0.26	17. Sumter	250,310	0.63
18. Dorchester	116,586	0.30	108,099	0.27	18. Jasper	219,232	0.55
19. Edgefield	***	***	***	***	19. Greenwood	156,136	0.40
20. Fairfield	23,781	0.06	27,404	0.07	20. Clarendon	117,651	0.30
21. Florence	838,636	2.11	858,714	2.16	21. Oconee	108,114	0.27
22. Georgetown	1,372,364	3.45	1,258,390	3.16	22. Cherokee	108,609	0.27
23. Greenville	2,128,248	5.35	2,005,649	5.04	23. Dorchester	106,099	0.27
24. Greenwood	155,439	0.39	156,136	0.40	24. Dillon	105,175	0.26
25. Hampton	25,872	0.06	24,891	0.06	25. Kershaw	103,497	0.26
26. Horry	14,407,623	36.21	13,625,556	34.24	26. Newberry	91,787	0.23
27. Jasper	227,008	0.57	219,232	0.55	27. Laurens	82,516	0.21
28. Kershaw	130,172	0.33	103,497	0.26	28. Darlington	65,571	0.16
29. Lancaster	41,727	0.10	33,965	0.09	29. Chester	59,399	0.15
30. Laurens	80,162	0.23	82,516	0.21	30. Chesterfield	44,613	0.11
31. Lee	***	***	***	***	31. Lancaster	33,965	0.09
32. Lexington	764,070	1.92	658,695	1.66	32. McCormick	31,930	0.08
33. Marion	24,039	0.06	19,998	0.05	33. Fairfield	27,404	0.07
34. Marlboro	21,536	0.05	20,878	0.05	34. Hampton	24,891	0.06
35. McCormick	35,898	0.09	31,930	0.08	35. Barnwell	21,966	0.06
36. Newberry	85,572	0.21	91,787	0.23	36. Union	21,854	0.05
37. Oconee	119,409	0.30	108,114	0.27	37. Marlboro	20,878	0.05
38. Orangeburg	508,964	1.28	483,172	1.21	38. Marion	19,998	0.05
39. Pickens	276,626	0.70	286,115	0.72	39. Allendale	4,446	0.01
40. Richland	2,234,627	5.62	2,281,266	5.68			
41. Saluda	***	***	***	***			
42. Spartanburg	684,557	1.72	659,444	1.66			
43. Sumter	282,663	0.63	250,310	0.63			
44. Union	***	***	21,854	0.05			
45. Williamsburg	***	***	***	***			
46. York	555,106	1.40	522,623	1.31			
Unallocated	150,967	0.38	108,716	0.28			
South Carolina	41,941,268	100.00	39,792,457	100.00			

***This symbol is used in place of the amount to protect the confidentiality of the entity, however, the figures are included in the total.
Source: South Carolina Department of Revenue 2009-2010 Annual Report, www.scdor.org/Publications/Default.htm

Revenue Alternatives

- ❑ Road Maintenance Fee
 - ❑ Resurfacing and safety improvements
- ❑ Hospitality Tax
 - ❑ Prepared meals and beverages
 - ❑ Use of revenue on PRT related projects
 - ❑ Projected revenue estimate is \$900,000/Yr.
Budget and Control Board
- ❑ Capital Project Sales Tax
 - ❑ Funds large capital projects with sunset (7 years)

Revenue Alternatives

- ❑ Road Maintenance Program
 - ❑ Dedicated funding source for a county's largest asset
 - ❑ Enterprise fund separate from GF solely funding all road maintenance functions
- ❑ Funds can be used for:
 - ❑ Resurfacing
 - ❑ Improving intersections for safety purposes,
 - ❑ ROW acquisitions, etc.
- ❑ Implemented by ordinance stipulating use of funds

Revenue Alternatives

- Oconee County Road Inventory
 - Maintain 652 miles of roads (482 paved, 170 unpaved)
 - Resurfacing, gravel, shoulder work, arbor crew, signs, storm water systems, inspection program
 - Maintain 25 Bridges/Culverts
 - Maintain 7 public boat ramps
 - Maintain landscape of 8 welcome signs

Revenue Alternatives

for Local Governments

- Estimated 75,000 vehicles registered in the county
- Potential Revenue Generated

Proposed Annual Fee/Vehicle	Potential Annual Revenue Yield
\$40	\$ 3,000,000
\$35	\$ 2,625,000
\$30	\$ 2,250,000
\$25	\$ 1,875,000
\$20	\$ 1,500,000
\$15	\$ 1,125,000

Road Maintenance Program

- ▣ Annual Resurfacing Program - Recurring annual costs utilizing a 25 year paving cycle
 - ▣ 1320 lanes miles maintained (assuming everything is paved)
 - ▣ Annual cost \$3,194,400 to fully fund (25 lane miles per year)
- ▣ Capital Improvement Program – one-time high cost projects which include safety improvements, road widening's, and intersection improvements

Road Maintenance Program

- ▣ Road Resurfacing Examples – Westlake Drive, Lakefront Rd, Lake Terrace, Jade Lane, Topaz Ct
- ▣ In-House Paving Examples – Lynx Ln, RC Drive, E Capewood Ave, Dobson Cove Rd, Brown Farm Rd
- ▣ Intersection Improvement Examples – Hitec Rd, Duck Pond Rd, Pruitt Rd, Sugar Valley, Megee Rd
- ▣ Road Widening Examples – Hitec Rd, Bayshore Subd, Cherokee Gardens Subd, Enchanted Hills Subd, Oconee Estates Subd

Hospitality Tax

- ❑ Prepared meals and beverages – Use of revenue on PRT related projects – Projected revenue generated estimated at \$900,000 annually (SC Budget and Control Board 2019)
- ❑ Established by Ordinance
- ❑ Revenue generated must be used exclusively for:
 - ❑ Tourism related buildings
 - ❑ Tourism related cultural, recreational, or historic facilities
 - ❑ Highways, road, streets and bridges providing access to tourist destinations
 - ❑ Water and sewer infrastructure to serve tourism related demand

Hospitality Tax

- ❑ Qualifying projects:
 - ❑ Chau Ram, High Falls, and South Cove Park upgrades and improvements
 - ❑ YMCA facility, aquatics area and related infrastructure (roads, water and sewer)
 - ❑ Destination mountain bike trails
 - ❑ Seneca Creek (Hartwell) and Fall Creek Access (Keowee) development
 - ❑ Water and Sewer Infrastructure for hotels and tourist related development

Capital Projects Sales Tax

- ❑ Pursuant to the Capital Project Sales Tax Act council may adopted a Resolution calling for a Referendum to impose a one-cent sales tax.
 - ❑ Council establishes a joint County/Municipal Advisory Commission charged with reviewing proposed projects
 - ❑ Commission creates a project list
 - ❑ Council reviews the list of projects and accepts or rejects the list by adopting an enabling ordinance to initiate the referendum process
 - ❑ If approved, the new tax is implemented the May 2014

Capital Projects Sales Tax

- ❑ Qualifying Projects:
 - ❑ Libraries
 - ❑ Road and Bridge Improvements
 - ❑ Civic/Conference Center Facilities
 - ❑ Park Upgrades
 - ❑ Water and Sewer Projects

Capital Projects Sales Tax

□ Timeline for Capital Projects Referendum:





Oconee County, SC

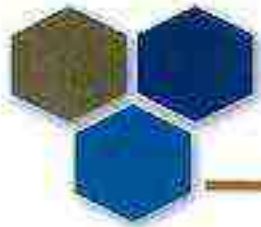
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GASB 45 Impact of Proposed Retiree Medical Plan Changes

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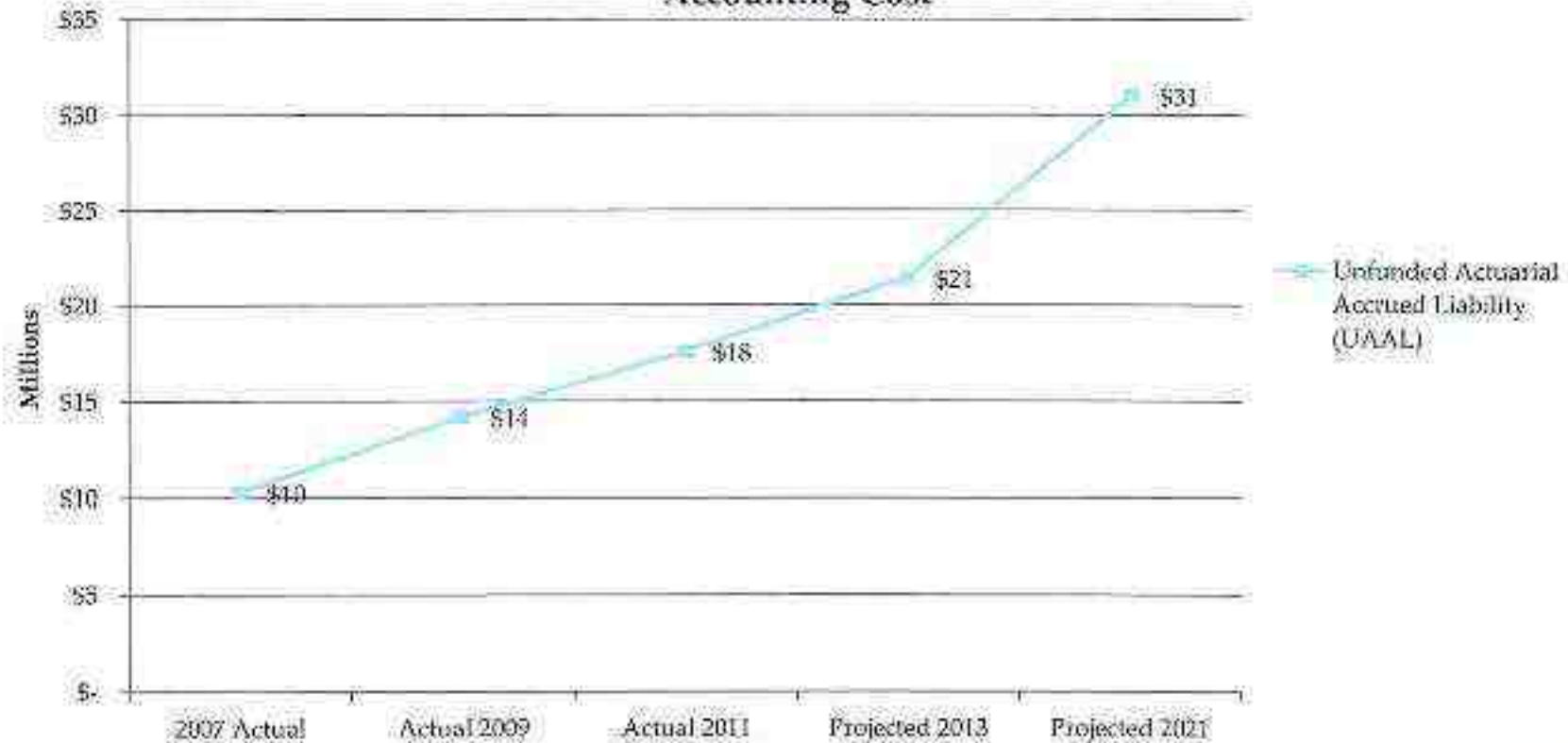
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Projected Impact of OPEB

Oconee County OPEB Plan
Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability (UAAL)
Accounting Cost





Current Plan

- Eligibility for Retiree Health Care:
 - ▶ 20 years of service with Oconee County
- Current Retiree Premiums:
 - ▶ Pre-65: \$158/mo. (\$329/mo. retiree plus spouse)
 - ▶ Post-65: \$137/mo. (\$291/mo. retiree plus spouse)
 - ▶ Additional \$20/mo. for smokers



Hypothetical Example for Pre-65 Premium Increases

Plan Year Ending	Trend	Average cost	County's Explicit Subsidy	Retiree Premium
2013		\$694	\$536	\$158
2014	8.0%	\$750	\$550	\$200
2015	7.0%	\$803	\$567	\$236
2016	6.0%	\$851	\$583	\$268
2017	5.0%	\$893	\$601	\$292
2018	4.5%	\$933	\$619	\$314
...	4.5%
2025	4.5%	\$1,269	\$761	\$508

- Increases to the overall costs will be shared by the County and the retirees
- Increases to retiree premiums will depend on actual medical trend
- Spouses are eligible for the same level of County subsidy



Impact on GASB 45 ARC and Liabilities

	Current Plan	Proposed Plan
GASB 45 ARC (accounting expense)	\$1,749,000	\$830,000
<i>% Change</i>		<i>-53%</i>
Actuarial Accrued Liability	\$17,581,000	\$9,382,000
<i>% Change</i>		<i>-47%</i>

The County can reflect the plan savings in its FYE 2013 audit if the plan changes are adopted and communicated to plan participants prior to June 30, 2013. The ARCs shown above are for FYE 2013.



(Updated 3/26/13)

County Council Decision Memorandum

Oconee County, South Carolina

Date: April 9, 2013

From: Scott Moulder, County Administrator

Cleared By: Mark Pullium, Finance Director,

Ladale Price, Budget Analyst

Kay Olbon, Human Resources Director

Sheila Wald, Risk Manager

Re: **Retiree Health Benefit Plan**

ISSUE:

Retiree Health Benefit Plan updated for recent modifications.

BACKGROUND:

On January 1, 1985, County Council voted to allow County Retirees to participate in the County's Health Benefit Plan. In order to be eligible for the plan, retirees were required to have at least ten (10) years of service or be disabled with at least five (5) years of service. With an effective date of May 1, 2007, the plan's eligibility requirements were amended. Under the provisions of this amendment, individuals retiring from Oconee County on or after May 1, 2007 were required to have been employed with Oconee County for at least twenty (20) years. If disabled (as determined by Social Security and/or the SC State Retirement System) an employee may qualify with (10) ten years of County employment. The Retiree Health Benefit Plan has been modified numerous times with plan amendments since its inception. Oconee County offers retiree health benefits to employees who were hired before July 1, 2010 and have been employed with the County for 20 years or longer. However, rising costs and legislative changes have resulted in changes to this plan, such as the discontinuance of the plan for employees hired subsequent to June 30, 2010. This plan as presented is subject to change, and the County's ability to continue funding of this benefit can be impacted by budget challenges. **"DUE TO THE RISK OF UNKNOWN CIRCUMSTANCES, THIS PLAN AS DESCRIBED HEREIN MAY BE DEEMED NON-SUSTAINABLE AT SOME FUTURE TIME. THE RETIREE HEALTH INSURANCE GUIDELINES DO NOT CREATE ANY EXPRESS OR IMPLIED CONTRACT OF THIS BENEFIT BEING PROVIDED IN THE FUTURE. NO PAST PRACTICES OR PROCEDURES, PROMISES OR ASSURANCES, WHETHER WRITTEN OR ORAL, FORM ANY EXPRESS OR IMPLIED AGREEMENT TO CONTINUE SUCH PRACTICES OR PROCEDURES."**

A proposed Resolution is attached, which describes the current retiree health benefits as well as the proposed changes to the existing retiree health benefit plan. This document is presented to help clarify the changes being proposed by this resolution.

RECOMMENDATION:

- 1) The Budget & Finance Committee reviewed the attached resolution (including attached documents) and recommends them for Council's approval.

- 2) **Thirty-six (36) active employees will be in grandfathered status as eligible for the Retiree Health Benefit Plan.**
- 3) **All active Retirees are grandfathered.**
- 4) **Increases to the overall costs of providing the Retiree Health Benefit Plan will be shared by the County employees and retirees.**
- 5) **Cost increases to retiree health benefits will depend on actual medical trend and will be based upon prevailing COBRA rates.**

COUNTY OF OCONEE)

)

RESOLUTION No. _____

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE MODIFICATIONS TO THE HEALTH INSURANCE PLAN AND ADOPT RETIREE HEALTH INSURANCE GUIDELINES

WHEREAS, as set forth in Resolution No. R-_____, Oconee County currently pays a percentage of the total cost of health benefits for current retirees of Oconee County Government and desires to share the cost increases with current and future retirees who are qualified by years of consecutive full time service of 20 or more years for Oconee County Government and

WHEREAS, all current retirees are grandfathered as eligible for the retiree health benefit plan; and

WHEREAS, all employees with 20 or more years of consecutive full-time service to Oconee County as of December 31, 2013 are grandfathered as eligible for the retiree health benefit plan; and

WHEREAS, the county desires to contribute a monthly subsidy to all grandfathered retirees who reach 65 years of age and future employees who are grandfathered and become retirees beyond the age of 65 or attain eligibility for Medicare; and

WHEREAS, increases to retiree health benefits will depend upon actual costs and will be based upon prevailing COBRA rates; and

WHEREAS, due to the increasing financial burden Oconee County approved Plan Amendment 4-2012 which discontinued all participation in the Retiree Health Benefit Plan for employees whose date of hire is on or after July 1, 2010; and

WHEREAS, these changes will be effective on January 1, 2014; and

WHEREAS, due to current and projected budget constraints these Plan modifications are necessary to keep this important retiree benefit fiscally manageable; **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Oconee County Council resolves to adopt retiree health benefit guidelines as set forth below.

AND IT IS SO RESOLVED

Dated this _____ of June, 2013

OCONEE COUNTY COUNCIL

Paul Corbeil, District 1

Joel Thrift, District 4

Wayne McCall, District 2

Reg Dexter, District 5

Archie Barron, District 3

ATTEST: _____

Elizabeth Hulse, Clerk to Council

ATTACHMENT TO RESOLUTION NO. _____
MODIFICATIONS TO RETIREE HEALTH BENEFIT PLAN
EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2014

1. County paid health benefit coverage under the 'Oconee County Employee Health Plan' ceases when the retiree or spouse becomes Medicare eligible. This change becomes effective January 1, 2014, at which time the County will begin to contribute \$150 (\$300 monthly, if married) on the first banking day of each month in to a Health Reimbursement Account for the retiree to purchase a Medicare supplemental insurance plan, or to use for payment of out-of-pocket qualifying medical expenses. This monthly subsidy will increase annually by the lower of CPI-U (Consumer Price Index All Urban Consumers) on a September over September basis or 3% per year. This change applies to current retirees and Grandfathered Employees Only.
2. Grandfathered Employees are defined as current employees who have over 20 consecutive years of Oconee County service as of December 31, 2013. Grandfathered employees who retire prior to age 62 would be eligible for the \$550 per month indexed subsidy to be adjusted by the lessor of 3 % or the COBRA rate increase up to age 65. Spouses are eligible for same level of subsidy as the employee provided the spouse is on the employees plan at the time of retirement and all applicable retiree health benefit plan contributions are paid on a timely basis.
3. Upon retirement, Grandfathered Employees will be eligible for the same retiree health benefits as described in this plan under items 1 and 2 as of January 1, 2014.
4. Non – Medicare Retirees over the age of 62:
 - a. County's explicit subsidy would partially offset the average cost of single-person coverage.
 - b. County's explicit subsidy would equal \$550/month in 2014, and would increase by the lessor of 3.0% or the COBRA rate increase each year.
 - c. Change applies to current and future retirees effective 1/1/2014.
5. Non Grandfathered Employees are defined as current employees hired before July 1, 2010, who complete 20 years of consecutive service for Oconee County.
 - a. Non grandfathered employees will not be eligible for the spousal subsidy upon retirement.
 - b. Non-grandfathered employees who retiree prior to age 62 would be eligible for a \$300 per month indexed subsidy up to age 62. This monthly subsidy will increase annually by the lower of CPI – U (Consumer Price Index All Urban Consumers) on a September over September basis or 3% per year.
 - c. Non-grandfathered employees who retire and have attained the age of 62 would be eligible for the \$550 per month indexed subsidy to be adjusted by the lessor of 3% or the COBRA rate increase up to age 65.
 - d. County paid health insurance coverage ceases when the retiree becomes Medicare eligible.
6. Prior to attaining age 65 or becoming Medicare eligible, any retiree who has 20 consecutive years of Oconee County service and declined coverage may re-enroll in the plan at any time in the future at an open enrollment period provided they maintained continuous coverage with a break in coverage no longer than 63 days at any given time under another health benefit plan or health insurance plan.

**Oconee County Government
Retiree Health Plan Guidelines
Attachment A**

Oconee County Government began contributing to retiree health benefits on the behalf of employees on January 1, 1985. Several health plan amendments to the County's guidelines have occurred since that time; however nothing in these plan amendments permits or affords grandfathering for any individual other than those outlined explicitly in these current guidelines. For all groups identified in these guidelines only actual Oconee County service is considered for the purposes of determining contribution percentages by Oconee County. **No purchased service time of any kind will be considered for any group.**

Oconee County offers certain retiree health insurance benefits to those retirees with a hire date prior to 7-1-2010, and who meet the criteria specified below. This plan as presented is subject to change and the County's ability to fund this benefit can be impacted by fiscal challenges and legislative changes. **DUE TO THE RISK OF UNKNOWN CIRCUMSTANCES, THIS PLAN AS DESCRIBED HEREIN MAY BE DEEMED NON-SUSTAINABLE AT SOME FUTURE TIME. THE RETIREE HEALTH INSURANCE GUIDELINES DO NOT CREATE ANY EXPRESS OR IMPLIED CONTRACT OF THIS BENEFIT BEING PROVIDED IN THE FUTURE. NO PAST PRACTICES OR PROCEDURES, PROMISES OR ASSURANCES, WHETHER WRITTEN OR ORAL, FORM ANY EXPRESS OR IMPLIED AGREEMENT TO CONTINUE SUCH PRACTICES OR PROCEDURES.**

Employees hired after 6-30-2010, will not be eligible to participate in the retiree health benefit plan upon their retirement; the County will **not** pay any portion of their retiree health benefits and they will **not** be eligible to receive any County subsidy for the purposes of retiree health costs.

The following changes apply to current retirees and grandfathered employees who become retirees on or after the effective date of 1/1/14.

Section 1: Covered Grandfathered Retirees; Current; and Past Employees who have 20 Continuous Years of Service as of 12/31/2013 with Oconee County – Medicare Eligible (Post 65)

Retiree Medicare Eligible (Post 65 years old)	Amount of Subsidy
Applies to current and future retirees w/20 years of service as of 12/31/13**	\$150/monthly (\$300 monthly if married) (annual increase in subsidy would increase at the lesser of 3.0% or CPI- the Consumer Price Index All Urban Consumers increase each year (soft cap)***

****Retiree will be removed from County insurance plan and offered a subsidy once the retiree reaches age 65 or otherwise becomes Medicare eligible. ****

***** Spouses with coverage in effect as of January 1, 2014 may continue to be covered as long as the retiree is eligible under the Plan and all applicable retiree contributions are paid on a timely basis. The spouse will no longer be eligible for participation in the retiree health benefit plan once they become Medicare eligible.**

However, they would be eligible for the monthly subsidy as long as they have been continuously covered under the plan and all applicable retiree contributions have been paid on a timely basis. Should coverage on the spouse be terminated at any time after the date of retirement of the retired employee, the spouse will not be eligible for re-enrollment; however, COBRA continuation coverage **may be available.**

Section 2: Covered Grandfathered Retirees; Current; and Past Grandfathered Employees who have 20 Continuous Years of Service with Oconee County as of December 31, 2013 who are not 65 years old:

Retiree Non-Medicare Eligible (Younger than 65)	Amount of Subsidy
Applies to current and future retirees w/20 years of service as of 12/31/13**	\$550/monthly (\$1,100 monthly if married) (annual increase in subsidy would increase at the lesser of 3.0% or the prevailing COBRA rate increase each year***

****Retiree will be removed from County insurance plan and provided with a subsidy once the retiree reaches age 65 or otherwise becomes Medicare eligible. Retiree will share in the cost of future benefit plan cost increases. ****

***** Spouses with coverage in effect as of January 1, 2014 may continue to be covered as long as the retiree is eligible under the Plan and all applicable retiree contributions are paid. The spouse will no longer be eligible for participation in the health insurance plan once they become Medicare eligible. However, they would be eligible for the monthly subsidy as long as they have been continuously covered under the plan and all applicable premiums or retiree contributions have been paid on a timely basis. Should coverage on the spouse be terminated at any time after the date of retirement of the retired employee, the spouse will not be eligible for re-enrollment; however, COBRA continuation coverage may be available.**

Section 3: Non-Grandfathered Retirees who otherwise qualify for retiree benefits under the eligibility provisions of this Plan with 20 Continuous Years of Service with Oconee County and who are 65 years of age and are Medicare Eligible (Post 65) will not be eligible to participate in County's Health Plan and will not receive a monthly subsidy.

Section 4: Non-Grandfathered Retirees who otherwise qualify for retiree benefits under the eligibility provisions of this Plan with 20 Continuous Years of Service with Oconee County and who are 62 years of age but not yet 65 will be eligible to participate in Oconee's Health Plan as follows:

Retiree Non-Medicare Eligible who are at least 62 years of age (Pre - 65)	Amount of Subsidy
Applies to current and future retirees who were employed before July 1, 2010 who also have at least 20 years of service with Oconee County.**	\$550/monthly (annual increase in subsidy would increase at the lesser of 3.0% or the prevailing COBRA rate increase each year ***

****Retiree will be removed from County insurance plan once the retiree reaches age 65 or otherwise becomes Medicare eligible. Retirees will share in the cost of future benefit plan increases. ****

*****Only employees who retire may participate in the health plan upon retirement. A spouse will not be eligible for the health insurance plan; however, COBRA continuation coverage may be available.*****

Section 5: Non-Grandfathered Retirees who otherwise qualify for retiree benefits under the eligibility provisions of this Plan who retire prior to age 62 with 20 years of service will be eligible for the following benefits:

Retiree who is younger than 62 years of age	Amount of Subsidy
Applies to current and future retirees who were employed before July 1, 2010 who also have at least 20 consecutive years of service with Oconee County.**	\$300/monthly (annual increase in subsidy would increase at the lesser of 3.0% or CPI- U (the Consumer Price Index All Urban Consumers)increase each year)***

****Retiree will be removed from County insurance plan once the retiree reaches age 65 or otherwise becomes Medicare eligible. Retirees will share in the cost of future benefit plan increases. ****

*****Only employees who retire may participate in the health plan upon retirement. A spouse will not be eligible for the health insurance plan or retirement benefit plan; however, COBRA continuation coverage may be available. *****

PLAN SUSTAINABILITY

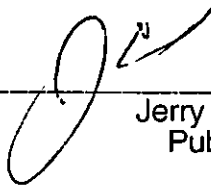
Oconee County offers retiree health benefits to employees who were hired prior to 7-1-2010 and have been employed with Oconee County for twenty (20) continuance years of service. However, rising costs and legislative changes have resulted in changes to this plan, such as the discontinuance of the plan for employees hired subsequent to 6/30/2010, and may in the future affect the County's ability to continue this benefit. This plan as presented is subject to change and the County's ability to fund this benefit can be impacted by budget challenges. **DUE TO THE RISK OF UNKNOWN CIRCUMSTANCES, THIS PLAN AS DESCRIBED HEREIN MAY BE DEEMED NON-SUSTAINABLE AT SOME FUTURE TIME. THE RETIREE HEALTH INSURANCE GUIDELINES DO NOT CREATE ANY EXPRESS OR IMPLIED CONTRACT OF THIS BENEFIT BEING PROVIDED IN THE FUTURE. NO PAST PRACTICES OR PROCEDURES, PROMISES OR ASSURANCES, WHETHER WRITTEN OR ORAL, FORM ANY EXPRESS OR IMPLIED AGREEMENT TO CONTINUE SUCH PRACTICES OR PROCEDURES.**

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**STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF OCONEE**


**IN RE: Oconee County Council
 Budget & Administration Committee
 Workshop - April 9, 2013**

BEFORE ME the undersigned, a Notary Public for the State and County above named, this day personally came before me, Jerry Edwards, who being first duly sworn according to law, says that he is the Publisher of **THE JOURNAL**, a newspaper published Tuesday through Saturday in Seneca, SC and distributed in **Oconee County, Pickens County** and the Pendleton area of **Anderson County** and the notice (of which the annexed is a true copy) was inserted in said paper on March 15, 2013 and the rate charged therefore is not in excess of the regular rates charged private individuals for similar insertions.



Jerry Edwards
Publisher

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15th day of March A.D. 2013



Jennifer A. White
Notary Public for South Carolina
My Commission Expires: 05/18/2014

LEGLALS

ALL SAFE STORAGE
SENECA

Public Auction Notice of the following storage units containing personal and household items:
UNIT 18 DENISE BROOKS; UNIT 24 MARK MCCAULEY; UNIT 33 JOAN SWANEY; UNIT 70 LINDA CLARK; UNIT 112 RICKY AND CRYSTAL MAYES; UNIT 148 SARA HEFNER; UNIT 163 RENEA MAYES; UNIT 179 WILLIAM ORREN; UNIT 206 STEPHANIE SCOTT.

The entire contents of these units will be sold via public auction on Thursday, MARCH 23, 2013 at 9:00 a.m. at All Safe Storage-Seneca located at 800 Shiloh Road, In Seneca, SC 29878 unless paid in full.

The Oconee County Budget, Finance & Administration Committee will hold a workshop meeting with County Administration & Finance staff on Tuesday, April 9, 2013 at 6:30 p.m. in County Council Chambers, Oconee Administrative Offices, 415 South Pine Street, Walhalla, SC 29691 to discuss potential alternate revenue sources. There will not be an opportunity for public comment at this meeting.

Clerk of Court's
NOTICE OF SALE
2012-CP-37-00546

BY VIRTUE of a decree heretofore granted in the case of: The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A. v. The Bank of New York Trust Company, N.A., as trustee for Chase Mortgage Finance Trust Series 2006-03 to The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A. v. The Bank of New York Trust Company, N.A., as trustee for Chase Mortgage Finance Trust Multi-Class Pass-Through Certificates Series 2006-03 vs. Melodie A. Wekelfield, I, the undersigned Beverly

Wick of the above titled bidder. No personal or delinquency judgment being demanded, the bidding will not remain open after the date of sale, but compliance with the bid may be made immediately.

Purchaser to pay for documentary stamps on Clerk of Court's Deed. The successful bidder will be required to pay interest on the amount of the bid from the date of sale to date of compliance with the bid at the rate of 5.0% per annum. The Plaintiff may waive any of its rights, including its right to a deficiency judgment, prior to sale.

The sale shall be subject to taxes and assessments, existing easements and restrictions of record.

The sale or any resale will not be held unless the Plaintiff or its attorney's bidding agent is present and enters the Plaintiff's bid at the sale or has advised the Clerk of Court's office of its bidding instructions. In the event a sale is held without the Plaintiff or its Attorney's bidding agent entering its bid, the sale shall be null and void.

This sale is subject to all title matters of record and any interested party should consider performing an independent title examination of the subject property as no warranty is given.

Neither the Plaintiff nor its counsel make representations as to the integrity of the title or the fair market value of the property offered for sale. Prior to bidding you may wish to review the current state law or seek the advice of any attorney licensed in South Carolina.

Beverly H. Whitfield
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NOTICE OF CLERK OF
COURT SALE
CASE NO.
2012-CP-37-099

BY VIRTUE OF A DECREE of the Court of Common Pleas for Oconee County, South Carolina, heretofore issued in the case of South Carolina State Housing Finance and Development Authority, against Darlene H. Crooks et al., the Clerk

compliance with the bid may be made immediately.

The property will be sold subject to any past due or accruing property taxes, assessments, existing easements and restrictions of record and any other senior encumbrances.

The successful bidder will be required to pay interest on the amount of the bid from the date of sale to date of compliance with the bid at the interest rate of 5.62% per annum.

The Plaintiff does not warrant its title search to purchases at foreclosure sale or other third parties, who should have their own title search performed on the subject property.

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Clerk of Court's
NOTICE OF SALE
2012-CP-37-00809

BY VIRTUE of a decree heretofore granted in the case of: Deutsche Bank National Trust Company as Trustee for J.P. Morgan Mortgage Acquisition Trust 2007-CH2 Asset Backed Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2007-CH2 vs. Harold T. Crews, et al., I, the undersigned Beverly H. Whitfield, Clerk of Court for Oconee County, will set on Monday, April 1, 2013, at 11:00 a.m., at the County Courthouse, 211 West Main Street, Walhalla, SC 29691, to the highest bidder.

ALL THOSE CERTAIN PIECES, PARCELS OR LOTS OF LAND, TOGETHER WITH ANY AND ALL IMPROVEMENTS LOCATED THEREON LYING AND BEING SITUATE IN THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, COUNTY OF OCONEE, CITY OF SENECA, ON THE EAST SIDE OF SCARLETT STREET, BEING THE SOUTHERN PORTION OF LOT NUMBER FORTY-EIGHT (48) AND THE NORTHERN

will remain open for period of thirty (30) d after the sale date. Plaintiff may waive right to a deficiency judgment prior to sale which case the bid will not remain open after the date of sale. Compliance with the bid may be made immediately.

Purchaser to pay documentary stamps. Clerk of Court's Deed. The successful bid will be required to pay interest on the amount of the bid from the date of sale to date of compliance with the bid at the rate of 5.75% per annum.

The Plaintiff may waive any of its rights, including its right to a deficiency judgment, prior to sale.

The sale shall be subject to taxes and assessments, existing easements and restrictions of record.

The sale or any resale will not be held unless the Plaintiff or its attorney's bidding agent is present and enters the Plaintiff's bid at the sale or has advised the Clerk of Court's office of its bidding instructions. In the event a sale is held without the Plaintiff or Attorney's bidding agent entering its bid, the sale shall be null and void.


This sale is subject to title matters of record and any interested party should consider performing an independent title examination of the subject property as no warranty is given.

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