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REAL ESTATE, FACILITIES & LAND MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING August 9, 2016

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Ms. Edda Cammick, Chairman, District I Mr. Wayne McCall, District II Mr. Reg Dexter, District V

The Real Estate, Facilities & Land Management Committee met at 5:30 p.m. in Council Chambers, Oconee County Administrative Offices, 415 South Pine Street, Walhalla, SC with all members present, Administrator Scott Moulder & Clerk to Council Elizabeth G. Hulse present.

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.oconeese.com/council]. In addition it was made available to the newspapers, radio stations, television stations and concerned citizens.

Members of the press present: Dick Mangrum – WGOG Radio, Ray Chandler – Anderson Independent & Steven Bradley – Daily Journal.

Call to Order:

Ms. Cammick called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Approval of Minutes:

Mr. McCall made a motion, seconded by Mr. Dexter, approved 3 - 0 to accept the February 9, 2016 minutes as presented.

Discussion Items

Auction of 102 Lura Lane

Mr. Moulder addressed the Committee utilizing a handout [copy filed with these minutes] showing the location of the property in an aerial photograph and Assessor's Office parcel view. He noted that the County nor the Sheriff's Office have any further need for the property after using the house as the construction office during the new Detention Center construction. Discussion followed.

Mr. Dexter made a motion, seconded by Mr. McCall, approved 3-0 to recommend to full Council to authorize the County Administrator to proceed with auctioning 102 Lura Lane.

Potential Uses for Oakway Intermediate School

Mr. Moulder addressed the Committee utilizing a handout [copy filed with these minutes] showing the location of the property and the layout of the building. He noted that the County has not identified at present any specific use for the building and that he was seeking direction regarding accepting the building from the School District of Oconee [SDOC]. Discussion followed.

Several Council members noted interest from various civic groups [Sr. Solutions, Clemson Extension, Westminster & Fair Play Recreation Departments, Adult Education, etc.], the Sheriff's Office and Emergency Services nor the Sheriff's Office have any further need for the property after using the house as the construction office during the new Detention Center construction. Discussion followed.

Mr. Dexter questioned if any groups had provided written confirmation regarding their proposed use, financial contribution and intention to partner with the County. Mr. Moulder noted that the Extension office had written a letter requesting space but did not identify any funding contribution. The Committee concurred that written commitments would assist in identifying if the County wishes to accept the building from the SDOC.

Ms. Cammick asked Mr. Moulder if he had contact from the Westminster and Fair Play Recreation Departments. He stated he had not had contact but offered to reach out to both departments and report back.

The Committee took no further action regarding this matter at this meeting.

Library Maintenance / Upgrades Update: Mr. Philip Cheney, Library Director

Mr. Cheney addressed the Committee utilizing two handouts [copies filed with these minutes] showing ongoing work and upgrades to the Oconee County Libraries. He also noted that on the blog on the Library webpage that more detailed descriptions and photographs are posted.

Ms. Cammick thanked Mr. Cheney for his presentation. The Committee took no further action regarding this matter at this meeting.

Update re: Bountyland Fire Substation

Mr. Moulder addressed the Committee noting that after due diligence and review by engineering that the original location adjacent to the Hamilton Career Center on Keowee School Road was not appropriate for this substation. He noted that property on South Cove Road adjacent to the SDOC property is being looked at for a long term lease. Mr. Moulder noted that this location would require emergency vehicles to navigate through two traffic lights and they would be programed as other stations. Lastly, he stated that the County is doing due diligence regarding the property at present; noting he will report back at a future meeting regarding progress.

Other Business

None discussed at this meeting.

Adjourn:

Mr. Dexter made a motion approved unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 6:01 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:
Elizabeth G. Hulse
Clerk to Council