



MINUTES

OCONEE COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING

Regular Meeting

January 3, 2017

MEMBERS, OCONEE COUNTY COUNCIL

Mr. Paul Cain, District III
Mr. Wayne McCall, District II
Ms. Edda Cammick, District I
Mr. Julian Davis III, District IV
Mr. Glenn Hart, District V

Oconee County Council met at 6:00 PM in Council Chambers, 415 South Pine Street, Walhalla, SC with all Council Members, County Administrator Scott Moulder, County Attorney David Root, and Public Information Officer Amanda Brock serving as Clerk to Council 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 [upon request] to the newspapers, radio stations, television stations and concerned citizens.

Members of the press present: Ray Chandler / Anderson Independent & Stephen Bradley / Daily Journal.

Call to Order

Mr. Root called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Mr. Root presided over the meeting pending the election of a new chairperson.

Public Comment Session

Mr. Bill Caster addressed Council regarding the Sheriff's Citizen Alumni Association, the Oconee County Public Library Board and the benefit to both volunteers and Oconee County regarding citizen volunteerism.

County Council Response to Public Comment

Mr. Cain welcomed Mr. Davis and Mr. Hart to the Oconee County Council, stating that he looked forward to working with both of the new members to County Council.

Moment of Silence

Mr. Root asked for a moment of silence prior the Invocation by the County Chaplain.

Invocation by County Council Chaplain:

Mr. Root, County Council Chaplain gave the first part of a two-part invocation. Mr. Hart's Grandson, Joel Smith, Associate Pastor of Cross Point Church in Clemson, SC, completed the invocation.

Pledge of Allegiance:

Mr. Moulder led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

Approval of Minutes:

Mr. McCall made a motion, seconded by Mr. Cain, approved 3 – 0 to approve the December 6, 2016 meeting minutes as presented. [Neither Mr. Davis nor Mr. Hart presented actionable votes as they were not Oconee County Council members for the December 20, 2016, meeting.]

Election of Officers

- Council Chairperson
Mr. McCall nominated Ms. Cammick, approved 5 – 0, as Chairperson. The meeting was then turned over to Ms. Cammick to preside as chair.
- Council Vice Chairperson
Mr. McCall nominated Mr. Davis, approved 5 – 0, as Vice-Chairperson.
- Council Chairperson Pro Tem
Mr. Davis nominated Mr. Hart, approved 5 – 0, as Chairperson Pro Tem.

Appointment/Re-Appointment of the following Appointed Officials

- Clerk to Council
Ms. Cammick appointed Ms. Amanda Brock, approved 5 – 0, as the temporary Clerk to Council until the position has been filled.
- County Chaplain
Ms. Cammick re-appointed Mr. Root, approved 5 – 0, as the County Chaplin.

Appointment of Council Committees for 2017 by Chairman

Mr. Cain made a motion, seconded by Mr. Davis, approved 5 – 0, to approve the following County Council Committee appointments as made by Ms. Cammick.

- Budget, Finance & Administration
Ms. Cammick as Chairperson; committee consists of all Council members.
- Law Enforcement, Public Safety, Health & Welfare
Mr. McCall as Chairperson; Mr. Davis and Mr. Hart as committee members.
- Planning & Economic Development
Mr. Cain as Chairperson; Mr. Davis and Mr. Hart as committee members.
- Real Estate, Facilities & Land Management
Mr. Davis as Chairperson; Mr. McCall and Ms. Cammick as committee members.
- Transportation
Mr. Hart as Chairperson; Mr. Davis and Ms. Cammick as committee members.

Appointment of 2017 Council Representatives by Chairman

Mr. Cain made a motion, seconded by Mr. McCall, approved 5 – 0, to approve the following Council Representative appointments as made by Ms. Cammick.

- SC Appalachian Council of Government Board of Directors – Ms. Cammick
- Oconee Business Education – Mr. Davis
- Ten At The Top [TATT] Board of Directors – Mr. Eldridge [re-appointment]

2017 Meeting Schedule Establishment for Council / Committees

- County Council

Mr. Davis made a motion, seconded by Mr. Cain, approved 5 – 0, to approve the 2017 County Council meeting schedule as submitted. [Copy filed with these minutes.]

- Council Committees

Mr. Davis made a motion, seconded by Mr. McCall, approved 5 – 0, to approve the Council Committee meeting schedule as submitted. [Copy filed with these minutes.]

Administrator’s Report & Agenda Summary

Mr. Moulder welcomed Mr. Davis and Mr. Hart to Oconee County Council.

He also asked Council Chairwoman Ms. Cammick to consider potential dates for the Annual Strategic Planning Retreat.

Old / Unfinished Business:

None discussed at this meeting.

New Business:

None discussed at this meeting.

Executive Session:

Mr. McCall made a motion, seconded by Mr. Davis, approved 5 – 0 to enter into Executive Session as allowed for in §30-4-70 (a) of the Code of Laws of South Carolina, as amended, 1976 for the purpose of :

As allowed for in §30-4-70 (a) of the Code of Laws of South Carolina, as amended, 1976 for the purpose of discussion of a personnel matter related to the Clerk to Council position

Council entered Executive Session at 6:17 p.m.

Council returned from Executive Session at 6:37 p.m. on a motion by Mr. Cain, seconded by Mr. Davis, approved 5 – 0.

Ms. Cammick stated that no action was taken in Executive Session.

Mr. Davis made a motion, seconded by Mr. McCall, approved 5 – 0, to form an ad hoc committee, consisting of council members Ms. Cammick and Mr. Davis, for purposes of screening qualified applicants for the Clerk to Council position and forwarding them on to full Council, as appropriate.

Adjourn Mr. Davis made a motion, approved unanimously 5 – 0, to adjourn at 6:40 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Amanda F. Brock
Interim Clerk to Council