



MINUTES DESTINATION OCONEE ACTION COMMITTEE

May 19, 2016

Oconee County Administrative Offices, Council Chambers
415 S. Pine Street, Walhalla, SC 29691



MEMBERS

Ms. Jennifer Barnhart, DX III
Mr. Bob Hill, DX V
Mr. Luther Lyle, DX II
Mr. Robert Moore, At Large

Ms. Katie Smith, DX IV
Mr. David Washburn, DX I
Mr. Hal Welch, At Large
Ms. Janet Hartman, Destination Oconee Manager

The Destination Oconee Action Committee met at 6:00 p.m. in Council Chambers, 415 South Pine Street, Walhalla, SC with all Members present [except Mr. Hill, Mr. Washburn and Ms. Barnhart].

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.

No members of the press were present.

Call to Order:

Ms. Hartman called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Approval of Minutes:

Katie Smith motioned to approve the minutes.
Hal Welch seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Discussion/Prioritization of Recommendations within the Destination Oconee Plan:

Ms. Hartman presented a spreadsheet listing the 12 key recommendations from the plan and a 2016 Calendar of meeting topics [copies filed with these minutes]. She reinforced the role of the committee, as charged by the County Council, is to prioritize the recommendations within the plan, identify funding sources and directing staff on where to spend time and resources. The calendar presented lists the recommendations that will be covered in more detail each month.

Discussion followed regarding the current status of each of the recommendations, who the partners are for each of the tasks and a time line of implementation. Ms. Hartman explained the spreadsheet will be a working document that will be updated frequently. Additional information will be incorporated as it becomes available.

Ms. Hartman suggested the committee be open to additional meetings, if necessary, to give the members an opportunity to become more familiar with the specific area of discussion, i.e. touring the downtowns, visiting areas identified for signage improvements, and viewing the condition of public access areas.

Hal Welch made a motion the Destination Oconee Committee meet on June 10, 2016, at 11:30 a.m. at the Steak House Cafeteria in Walhalla. Luther Lyle seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

New Business:

Luther Lyle made a motion the Destination Oconee Committee write a letter of support for the Oconee Town Project. Hal Welch seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Ms. Hartman was given the direction to write the letter.

Ms. Hartman notified the committee of Jen Barnhart's resignation from the committee. Ms. Barnhart has taken a new position and will be moving out of the area. She has submitted a letter of resignation to the County Council.

Old Business:

No old business was presented or discussed.

Adjourn:

Katie Smith made a motion, seconded by Luther Lyle, approved unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 6:45 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Janet Hartman
Manager, Destination Oconee