

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF OCONEE
ORDINANCE 2009-06

AN ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH THE BUDGET FOR OCONEE COUNTY AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE LEVY OF TAXES FOR ORDINARY COUNTY PURPOSES IN OCONEE COUNTY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2009 AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2010.

BE IT ORDAINED by the County Council for Oconee County, South Carolina:

SECTION 1.

Pursuant to Section 4-9-140 of the South Carolina Code of Laws, 1976, as amended, the following amounts are hereby appropriated for the 2009-2010 fiscal year for Oconee County:

General Fund:	\$ 42,658,420
Capital Projects Fund:	200,000
Special Revenue Fund:	1,367,790
Emergency Services Fund:	1,611,610
Enterprise Fund:	3,235,300
Debt Service Fund:	<u>1,665,026</u>
 TOTAL:	 \$ 50,738,146

Appropriations for each department have been detailed by the County Council into a line-item budget. The line-item budget and the budget provisos are hereby incorporated herein, by reference, as fully as if set forth verbatim herein, and adopted as part of this Ordinance.

SECTION 2.

A tax of sufficient millage to fund the aforesated appropriations for the Oconee County Budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2009 and ending June 30, 2010, after crediting against such appropriations all other unrestricted revenue anticipated to accrue to Oconee County and any fund balance budgeted to be used during said fiscal year, is hereby directed to be levied upon all taxable property, eligible to be lawfully taxed for such purposes, in Oconee County.

SECTION 3.

A tax of sufficient millage to provide approximately \$972,117 to Tri-County Technical College is hereby levied on all taxable property, eligible to be lawfully taxed for such purposes, in Oconee County.

SECTION 4.

The Auditor of Oconee County is hereby directed to recommend to the Oconee County Council a sufficient millage levy and the Treasurer of Oconee County is herein directed

to collect sufficient millage on taxable property in Oconee County to provide for the aforesated appropriations and direct expenditures of the County for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2009 and ending June 30, 2010. The Auditor and Treasurer of Oconee County are hereby directed to fund such bond repayment sinking fund(s) as are necessary to provide for an orderly and timely payment of the debt service of Oconee County and to satisfy any debt covenants. The balance of such fund(s) shall never exceed the total amount necessary to reasonably meet eighteen months of expected debt service requirements.

SECTION 5.

All appropriations made by prior year budget ordinances for which the respective monies have been obligated or encumbered are hereby carried forward and reappropriated, as of July 1, 2009, as a part of the budget authorized by this Ordinance.

SECTION 6.

The County Council is authorized to carry forward unexpended funds in accounts existing at the end of June 30, 2009 to complete the purpose of the original appropriation approved by County Council for fiscal year 2009. These funds are hereby carried forward and reappropriated, as of July 1, 2009, as a part of the budget authorized by this Ordinance. The Schedule of Rollovers in the budget provisos details the funds so authorized by County Council to be carried forward to fiscal year 2010 and is hereby incorporated herein by reference and adopted as part of this ordinance. Capital projects are budgeted on a project basis instead of an annual basis and as such, unexpended appropriations for uncompleted capital projects are carried forward as a part of the budget authorized by this ordinance.

SECTION 7.

Oconee County receives federal, state and local grants for specified purposes. These grants, including any local match, are deemed budgeted for the specified purposes upon acceptance of such grants. These grants are budgeted for on a project basis in accordance with the grantor's terms and conditions instead of an annual basis and as such, unexpended appropriations for uncompleted grant projects are carried forward as a part of the budget authorized by this ordinance.

SECTION 8.

All unexpended appropriations as of June 30, 2009, except for those noted in Section 5, Section 6 and Section 7 of this ordinance shall lapse and expire and the monies involved shall revert to the fund balance of the fund from which the appropriation originated.

SECTION 9.

The County Administrator, as required by state law, shall oversee and supervise the day-to-day implementation of this budget ordinance, including the execution and delivery, on behalf of the County, of all contractual documents necessary or required for the expenditure of funds authorized by this budget ordinance, for the purposes for which such funds are so authorized.

SECTION 10.

There is a need for the County to finance the acquisition of certain equipment for the use of the County by means of one or more lease purchase transactions. In order to accomplish such acquisition, the Chairman of County Council and the County Administrator are hereby empowered, on behalf of the County, to enter into one or more Lease Purchase Agreements with banks or other financial institutions in an aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$750,000. The Lease Purchase Agreements may be entered into during the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2009 and ending June 30, 2010 pursuant to a Resolution or Resolutions duly adopted by County Council.

SECTION 11.

If any clause, phrase, sentence, paragraph, appropriation, or section of this Ordinance shall be held invalid for any reason, it shall not affect the validity of this Ordinance as a whole or the remaining clauses, phrases, sentences, paragraphs, appropriations, or sections hereof, which are hereby declared separable.

Adopted in meeting duly assembled this ** day of June, 2009.

OCONEE COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA

Reginald T. Dexter
Chairman, Oconee County Council

ATTEST

Elizabeth G. Hulse
Clerk to County Council

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Second Reading: June 2, 2009
Public Hearing: June 9, 2009
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OCONEE COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA
BUDGET PROVISOS FISCAL YEAR 2009-2010
ORDINANCE 2009-06

Section 1

The appropriations made herein shall not be exceeded without proper authority or amendment by County Council. Any officer incurring indebtedness on the part of the County in excess of the appropriations herein made shall be liable upon his official bond.

Section 2

The Finance Director and Treasurer of Oconee County shall prepare such separate records and books of account as may be required by the United States Government or any of its agencies or by the State of South Carolina or any of its agencies, reflecting the receipt and disposition of all funds.

Section 3

All purchasing and contracting for the acquisition of goods and services for County purposes shall be in accordance with procedures outlined in the County Procurement Ordinance. Subject to the provisions of Oconee County policies, whenever possible and practical, goods and services shall be purchased from firms and individuals located in Oconee County whenever goods and services of equal quality and specifications are available from local suppliers at prices less than or equal to prices submitted by nonresident suppliers.

Section 4

No bills or claims against Oconee County shall be approved for payment and no check will be issued for same unless such bills or claims are properly itemized showing the goods purchased or services rendered, dated as of the date of delivery of said goods and/or services and signed by the person receiving said goods or services.

Section 5

No officer, elected official or employee of Oconee County shall furnish any services or sell any materials or supplies to the County for pay, except upon open bid in accordance with the County Procurement Ordinance.

Section 6

Petty Cash Funds are hereby authorized if such are necessary to effectively conduct County business. Such funds must be approved by and periodically audited under the direction of the Finance Director.

Section 7

The County Council may transfer funds within any fund, department, activity or purpose or among funds by normal Council action, subject to all other applicable legal requirements. The County Administrator shall be authorized to transfer appropriations between object classifications within departmental budgets. All transfers authorized by this section are subject to the overall appropriation limits of this Ordinance.

Section 8

Neither the Administrator, nor any Department Head, may establish or fund a new position without the consent of the County Council.

Section 9

For any equipment, vehicle or any other item that is approved in the budget as a replacement for existing items, the item being replaced will be relinquished to the Procurement Director for disposal or reassignment.

Section 10

The following types of purchases shall be exempt from the competitive bid process:

Repairs to equipment performed by the authorized dealer

Additional purchases of equipment to replace or upgrade part of a “system” that is covered under a maintenance agreement.

Equipment maintenance or service contracts which are made with the manufacturer or authorized service/agent.

Equipment or services purchased through South Carolina State Contracts, South Carolina State or Federal Surplus Property or from any other governmental entities.

Purchase of used equipment. When County staff have inspected used equipment and found it to be in good condition and competitively/fairly priced, and when “time is of the essence” in order to secure said equipment, the Procurement Director or County Administrator shall have authority to approve this purchase.