

The Agenda Setting Meeting of the Oconee County Board of Commissioners was held on Tuesday, July 29, 2008, at 7:00 p.m. in the Commission Meeting Chambers at the Oconee County Courthouse.

Members Present:	Chairman Melvin Davis Commissioner Jim Luke Commissioner Donald H. Norris Commissioner Margaret Hale Commissioner Chuck Horton
Staff Present:	Administrative Officer Alan Theriault County Attorney Daniel Haygood County Clerk Gina M. Lindsey Jeff Benko, Finance Director BR White, Planning Director Rusty Haygood, Econ Development Director John Gentry, Parks and Recreation Director William White, Project Coordinator Emil Beshara, Public Works Director Steve Hansford, Code Enforcement Director
Media Present:	Vinnie Williams, The Oconee Enterprise Adam Thompson, Athens Banner Herald

Chairman Davis began the meeting with a Moment of Silence. Commissioner Hale led the Pledge of Allegiance.

2008 Tax Millage Levy – Schools: On motion by Commissioner Horton and second by Commissioner Hale, the Board unanimously confirmed the 2008 tax millage levy for county schools maintenance and operations of 16.50 and the school bond rate of 1.00 for a total of 17.50 mils. This was the amount levied by the Board of Education.

2008 Tax Millage Levy - County: On motion by Commissioner Hale and second by Commissioner Horton, the Board unanimously approved setting the 2008 net millage rate of 6.686 mils for unincorporated areas and 7.426 mils for incorporated areas.

The gross millage rate for county government maintenance and operations for unincorporated areas is 10.346; less 2.92 for sales tax rollback and .740 for insurance premium rollback. The 2008 gross millage rate for county government maintenance and operations for incorporated areas is 10.346; less 2.92 for sales tax rollback. ***See Documentation in Ordinances and Resolutions Book No. 18.***

Cultural Affairs and Tourism Committee: The Board interviewed Pamela Lohr Hendrix, Billy Lacy, Ramona Lord, Kyle Martin, Vicky Moody and John Morrison for appointment to the Oconee County Cultural Affairs and Tourism Committee to fill three expiring 2-year terms. The Board will take action on these appointments at the August 5, 2008 meeting.

Land Use & Transportation Planning Committee: The Board interviewed Abe Abouhamdan, Pamela Lohr Hendrix, Robert A. Isaac, Billy Lacy, Kyle Martin, Bill Mayberry, James Morris, Bob Sanders and Frank Watson for appointment to the Oconee County Citizens Advisory Committee on Land Use and Transportation Planning to fill six expiring 2-year terms. The Board will take action on these appointments at the August 5, 2008 meeting.

Library Advisory Board: The Board interviewed Pamela Lohr Hendrix for appointment to the Oconee County Library Advisory Board to fill an unexpired term, expiring December 31, 2009. The Board will take action on this appointment at the August 5, 2008 meeting.

Planning Commission: The Board interviewed Melba Cooper, Pamela Lohr Hendrix, Billy Lacy, Kyle Martin, Bill Mayberry, Bill Ramsey and Hoyt Watson for appointment to the Oconee County Planning Commission to fill two expiring 4-year terms. Applicants Dan Matthews and Mike Maxey were unable to attend. The Board will take action on these appointments at the August 5, 2008 meeting.

Recreational Affairs Committee: The Board interviewed Kyle Martin, Mike Streetman and J.R. Whitfield for appointment to the Oconee County Recreational Affairs Committee to fill four expiring 2-year terms. Applicants Terri Ash, Anthony Glenn, Ryan House and Leslie Hunsinger were unable to attend. The Board will take action on these appointments at the August 5, 2008 meeting.

FY 2008 Budget – Amend and Revise: Finance Director Jeff Benko requested approval to amend and revise the FY 2008 Budget in preparation for the fiscal year closeout and commencement of the County's comprehensive audit.

On motion by Commissioner Luke and second by Commissioner Horton, the Board unanimously authorized the Chairman and Finance Director to amend and revise the FY 2008 Budget in the amount of \$571,984 as required in accordance with changing governmental conditions and in accordance with all applicable regulations.

August 5, 2008 Agenda: The agenda for the August 5, 2008 meeting was read by County Clerk Gina M. Lindsey.

Rezone Request #5462 – Fred Gunter Property, LLC: On motion by Commissioner Horton and second by Commissioner Hale, the Board voted unanimously to postpone action on Rezone Request #5462 by Fred Gunter Property, LLC, ±13.43 acres, located on U.S. Hwy. 441, LaVista Road and Chaddwyck Drive to the September 2, 2008 meeting, as recommended by the County Attorney.

Citizen Remarks: Abe Abouhamdan expressed his appreciation to staff for their assistance to the Oconee County Citizens Advisory Committee on Land Use and Transportation Planning.

Executive Session: On motion by Commissioner Luke and second by Commissioner Norris, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn into Executive Session to discuss personnel matters and potential litigation. No action was taken.

On motion by Commissioner Horton and second by Commissioner Luke, the Board adjourned Executive Session.

On motion by Commissioner Luke and second by Commissioner Norris, the Board adjourned back into Regular Session.

There being no further business, on motion by Commissioner Horton and second by Commissioner Hale, the meeting was adjourned.

County Clerk

Chairman

Date