

# County council set to address construction

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WALHALLA — Oconee County Council will begin back-to-back meetings in executive session tonight to discuss increased construction activity in Oconee County.

Action items on the 4:30 p.m. special meeting agenda include

discussion on building standards and the county's planning and response to increased construction. Oconee had 1,133 open residential building permits and 320 commercial permits as of Monday, according to the county website.

The 6 p.m. regular meeting includes the potential to approve

nearly \$400,000 in roads and bridges equipment, as well as allocating \$359,000 — 95 percent of which is grant money — to W.K. Dickson engineers for airport expansion projects. Oconee County entered a five-year contract with W.K. Dickson in November 2016 for engineering and consulting services at the county airport.

The two projects on the table tonight for the airport are the relocation of Nebo Church Road and site prep for the expansion of the west apron.

New ordinances on the table tonight are the adoption of the Oconee County 2020 Comprehensive Plan and a lease agreement on Crooks Road. The councilmen

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will also have the opportunity to sign a resolution with the school district to use some of its properties as emergency shelters.

Following an executive session to discuss two economic development projects, Oconee County Council will have a first reading of a fee-in-lieu-of-tax agreement with Project Aztec.