

March 3, 2015

The Walton County Board of Commissioners held its regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, March 3, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. at the Historic Walton County Courthouse, 111 South Broad Street, Monroe, Georgia. Those present included Chairman Kevin Little, Commissioners Clinton Ayers, Mark Banks, Timmy Shelnut, Lee Bradford, Jeremy Adams and Kirklyn Dixon, County Clerk Leta Talbird, County Attorney Chris Atkinson, Finance Director Linda Hanna, Human Resources Director Karen Fraser and Planning Director Mike Martin. A list of citizens and other employees in attendance at this meeting is on file in the auxiliary file under this meeting date.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Tim Morris and Hollis Reese, representing the residents of Merrimont Estates Subdivision, presented a power point presentation regarding emergency water availability for fire protection in the subdivision. They presented a petition to install fire hydrants and upgrade the water lines in Merrimont Estates Subdivision.

## **MEETING OPENING**

Chairman Little called the meeting to order at 6:33 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Commissioner Ayers gave the invocation.

## **ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

***Motion:** Commissioner Shelnut made a motion to adopt the agenda as presented. Commissioner Adams seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.*

## **PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATIONS**

Approval of Z15010001 - Rezone 15.459 acres from A-1 to M-1 for solar collection farm - Highway 78, Property Owner: Walton Energy Inc. - Map C178 Parcel 40C - District 4

Chairman Little opened the public hearing on the matter. Dan Bennett, representing the applicant, came before the Board in support of the rezone. There was no one present in opposition. Chairman Little closed the public hearing on the matter.

***Motion:** Commissioner Bradford made a motion to approve the rezone as presented. Commissioner Shelnut seconded the motion. All voted in favor.*

Approval of LU15010003 and Z15010004 - Change land use from neighborhood residential to highway corridor and rezone 5.83 acres from B-2 to B-3 for commercial business - Applicant - WH Britt - 173 H D Atha Road - Property Owner: New London Land - Map C75 Parcel 8A - District 1

Chairman Little opened the public hearing on the matter. Darren Britt, representing the applicant, came before the Board in support of the land use change and rezone. There was no one present in opposition. Chairman Little closed the public hearing on the matter.

***Motion:** Commissioner Ayers made a motion to approve the land use change and rezone with the following conditions: The 100 ft. non-disturb buffer will be left, the existing vegetative screen along Sardis Church Road will be left, the business hours will be from 7:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m., no additional access from Sardis Church Road, no outside storage and all automotive work must be done inside of the building. Commissioner Banks seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.*

## **ADMINISTRATIVE CONSENT AGENDA**

1. Approval of February 3, 2015 Meeting Minutes
2. Budget Amendments
  1. DA Office: Amendment to transfer allocations from Vehicles to Vehicle Equipment in the amount of \$1,395.00 to cover shortage in Vehicle Equipment account. No effect on fund balance in the General Fund.
  2. SPLOST III Fire Station: Housekeeping to update system to match the remaining project length budget for equipment and site improvements approved by the BOC in the project length budget.
  3. Finance: Amendment to transfer allocations from Consulting and Education to Equipment in the amount of \$8,909.00 for the purchase of a copier to replace the existing copier.
  4. Fire Department: Amendment to transfer allocation from Ice Machines and Building Materials to Small Equipment in the amount of \$10,000.00 to purchase new Defibrillators. No effect on fund balance in the General Fund.
  5. HR: Amendment to transfer allocation from Consulting to Equipment for the purchase of a copier in the amount of \$7,888.00. No effect on fund balance in the General Fund.
3. Contracts & Budgeted Purchases of \$2,500.00 or greater
4. Declaration of Surplus Property
5. Contract - Iron Data Solutions, Inc. - Case Management Software - Clerk of Superior Court
6. Closing Documents - Two South Walton County Park Parcels - Stream Easements - HLC Reservoir Project
7. Lease Amendment - Courthouse Annex III - USDA

***Motion:** Commissioner Bradford made a motion to approve the Administrative Consent Agenda as presented. Commissioner Dixon seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.*

## **PERSONNEL**

Staffing Request - Additional School Resource Officer for new Bay Creek School

**Motion:** Commissioner Ayers made a motion to approve the staffing request as presented. Commissioner Bradford seconded the motion; voted and carried unanimously.

**APPOINTMENTS**

Walton County Planning Commission - Commission District 2 Representative

**Motion:** Commissioner Banks made a motion to appoint Peter Myers. Commissioner Ayers seconded the motion; voted and carried unanimously.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**Motion:** At 6:35 p.m., Commissioner Adams made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Bradford, to enter into executive session to discuss pending litigation. Commissioners Ayers, Banks, Shelnett, Bradford, Adams & Dixon voted in favor of the motion.

**Motion:** At 7:03 p.m., Commissioner Adams made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Dixon, to resume regular session. Commissioners Ayers, Banks, Shelnett, Bradford, Adams and Dixon voted in favor.

No votes were taken while in Executive Session.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**Motion:** Commissioner Adams made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Dixon, to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 7:04 p.m.

All documents of record for this meeting are on file in either the addendum book or auxiliary file under this meeting date.

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KEVIN W. LITTLE, CHAIRMAN

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LETA P. TALBIRD, CLERK