

August 2, 2016

The Walton County Board of Commissioners held its regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, August 2, 2016 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 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.

PRESENTATIONS

Walton County Local Emergency Planning Committee Chairman Dan Curry presented the LEPC Bylaws for the Board's review.

Hannah Rule announced that Walton County DFACS Social Services staff received a letter of commendation from Governor Nathan Deal.

MEETING OPENING

Chairman Little called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Commissioner Dixon gave the invocation.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

***Motion:** Commissioner Ayers made a motion to adopt the agenda, moving Executive Session to first item on the agenda. Commissioner Adams seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.*

EXECUTIVE SESSION

***Motion:** At 6:06 p.m., Commissioner Adams made a motion to enter into executive session to discuss personnel matters. Commissioner Dixon seconded the motion. Commissioners Ayers, Banks, Shelnut, Bradford, Adams & Dixon voted in favor of the motion.*

***Motion:** At 7:05 p.m., Commissioner Adams made a motion to return to regular session. Commissioner Dixon seconded the motion. Commissioners Ayers, Banks, Shelnut, Bradford, Adams & Dixon voted in favor.*

Chairman Little stated that no votes were taken during executive session.

PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATIONS

Approval of Z16050014 - Rezone 12.81 acres from A-1 to A to operate greenhouse for hydroponic produce - Applicant/Property Owner - Lawrence B. Parkin - Property located at 390 N Cross Lane Road - Map/Parcel C07100097 - District 5

Chairman Little opened the public hearing on the matter. Lawrence Parkin 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 Adams made a motion to approve the rezone with the stipulation that it will be for greenhouse hydroponic produce only. Commissioner Dixon seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.*

Approval of CU16050015 – Conditional Use for a guest house - Applicant/Property Owner: Thomas L Pickens - Property Located at 5454 McCullers Lane - Map/Parcel N028A0025– District 2

Chairman Little opened the public hearing on the matter. Thomas Pickens came before the Board in support of the Conditional Use. There was no one present in opposition. Chairman Little closed the public hearing on the matter.

***Motion:** Commissioner Banks made a motion to approve the Conditional Use as presented. Commissioner Ayers seconded the motion; voted and carried unanimously.*

ADMINISTRATIVE CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approval of July 12, 2016 Meeting Minutes
2. Contracts & Budgeted Purchases of \$5,000.00 or greater
3. Declaration of Surplus Property
4. Contract - Walton County Chamber of Commerce
5. Ambulance Fund Agreement - Walton County Hospital Authority
6. Public Comment Policy
7. Proposed 2016-2017 Holiday Schedule
8. Application - Renewal of VOCA Grant - Sheriff's Office

***Motion:** Commissioner Dixon made a motion to approve the Administrative Consent Agenda with the exception of the Public Comment Policy. Commissioner Bradford seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.*

Public Comment Policy

***Motion:** Commissioner Dixon made a motion to table a decision on the Public Comment Policy for 30 days. Commissioner Ayers seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.*

RESOLUTION

Adoption of 2016 Millage Rates

***Motion:** Commissioner Dixon made a motion to approve the resolution. Commissioner Shelnutt seconded the motion. Commissioners Ayers, Banks, Shelnutt, Adams and Dixon voted in favor of the motion. Commissioner Bradford opposed the motion. The motion carried 5-1.*

APPOINTMENTS

Walton County Board of Appeals - At Large

Motion: *Commissioner Ayers made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Adams, to appoint Penny Keener. All voted in favor.*

Walton County Personnel Advisory Board

Motion: *Commissioner Dixon made a motion to reappoint Jacqueline McClendon, Neal Byrd and Mickey Lankford. Commissioner Ayers seconded the motion; voted and carried unanimously.*

Walton County Board of Tax Assessors

Motion: *Commissioner Dixon made a motion to appoint Cynthia Baynes-Watkins. Commissioner Ayers seconded the motion. Commissioners Ayers, Banks, Shelnett, Adams and Dixon voted in favor of the motion. Commissioner Bradford opposed the motion. The motion carried 5-1.*

ADJOURNMENT

Motion: *Commissioner Dixon made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Banks, to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 7:23 p.m.*

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

KEVIN W. LITTLE, CHAIRMAN

LETA P. TALBIRD, CLERK