

September 1, 2005

The Walton County Board of Commissioners held a called meeting on Thursday, September 1, 2005 at 6:00 p.m. in the Board Room of the Walton County Government Building, 303 South Hammond Drive, Suite 330, Monroe, Ga. Those present included Chairman Kevin Little, Commissioners Clinton Ayers, Michael Turner, Vickie Gasaway, Lamar Palmer, Gerald Atha and John Robinson, County Clerk Leta Talbird, County Attorney Ken Lander, Personnel Director Janice Holland, Financial Officer Christie Pickens and Charna Parker of the Planning & Development Office. A list of citizens and other employees in attendance at this meeting is on file in the auxiliary file under this meeting date.

Walton County Hospital Authority Chairman Troy Preston gave an overview of the responsibilities of the Hospital Authority and presented a slate of nominees for appointment to the Authority.

Devon Dartnell of the Georgia Forestry Commission presented the Commission's Annual Report.

Chairman Little called the meeting to order at 6:43 p.m., led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance and opened the meeting in prayer.

Commissioner Palmer made a motion to adopt the agenda as presented. Commissioner Atha seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

Commissioner Turner made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Gasaway, to approve the minutes of the July 28, 2005 meeting. All voted in favor.

Commissioner Ayers made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Atha, to approve the minutes of the August 2, 2005 and August 22, 2005 meetings. All voted in favor.

Personnel Director Janice Holland presented new hires, promotions and a voluntary demotion for approval, for the record. Commissioner Gasaway made a motion to approve new hires, promotions and a voluntary demotion as presented. Commissioner Turner seconded the motion; voted and carried unanimously.

Ms. Holland presented a resolution to amend the Third Party Restated Plan to retroactively bring it into compliance with certain deferral laws regarding the Defined Benefit Pension Program. Commissioner Ayers made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Gasaway to adopt the resolution and to give the Chairman the authority to execute it. All voted in favor.

Financial Officer Christi Pickens presented contracts and budgeted purchases of \$2,500.00 or greater for the Board's consideration. Commissioner Turner made a motion,

seconded by Commissioner Palmer, to approve contracts and purchases as presented. All voted in favor.

Ms. Pickens presented County Attorney Ken Landers' bill for the month of August 2005. Commissioner Turner made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Gasaway, to approve payment of the bill. All voted in favor.

The Board considered a request from the Sheriff's Office to purchase a 1999 E450 with proceeds from the Forfeited Drug Fund. Commissioner Robinson made motion to approve the purchase. Commissioner Turner seconded the motion; voted and carried unanimously.

The Board considered a request from the Sheriff's Office to purchase a vehicle with proceeds from the Forfeited Drug Fund. Commissioner Robinson made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Atha, to approve the purchase. All voted in favor.

The Board considered a request from the Roads & Bridges Department to purchase a GPS System. Commissioner Turner made a motion to approve the purchase and the appropriate budget amendment. Commissioner Gasaway seconded the motion; voted and carried unanimously.

The Board considered a request from Elaine Oakes for reimbursement for the purchase of gasoline. The Board also reviewed a proposed reimbursement policy. Commissioner Gasaway made a motion to reimburse Elaine Oakes for the expenditure for gasoline on the particular trip as requested. She further moved to have the Finance Department refine the proposed reimbursement policy and bring it back for the Board's consideration at a later date. Commissioner Turner seconded the motion; voted and carried unanimously.

Road Superintendent Steve Chandler presented an FY 06 road resurfacing list for the Board's consideration. Commissioner Turner made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Palmer, to approve the list as presented. All voted in favor.

The Board considered bids received for the West Walton Stadium Project grading. Commissioner Robinson made a motion to table a decision on the bids until the specifications for the project are made available for the Board to review. Commissioner Turner seconded the motion; voted and carried unanimously.

The Board considered a Tax Assessors Office recommendation to approve refunds for the following persons: Wayne N. Watson - \$47.52 and Kay C. Jowers - \$495.63. Commissioner Robinson made a motion to approve the refunds. Commissioner Gasaway seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

Commissioner Gasaway made a motion to appoint Betty Alexander to the Walton County Planning Commission representing Commission District 3. Commissioner Turner seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

The Board considered a slate of nominees for appointment to the Walton County Hospital Authority. Commissioner Atha made a motion to appoint Troy Preston, Henry Wall, Bobby Boss and Dr. Mark Shaffer to the Authority. Commissioner Palmer seconded the motion. Commissioners Ayers, Gasaway, Palmer, Atha and Robinson voted in favor of the motion. Commissioner Turner opposed the motion. The motion carried 5-1. (Mr. Preston, Dr. Wall and Mr. Boss' 5-year terms will expire on June 30, 2010. Dr. Shaffer is filling the unexpired term of Dr. Kyle Morris, which will expire on June 30, 2007.)

Commissioner Gasaway made a motion to appoint Chairman Kevin Little as voting delegate for the ACCG Fall Policy Conference. Commissioner Palmer seconded the motion; voted and carried unanimously.

Commissioner Turner made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Atha, to accept the donation of a school bus for the Juvenile Court from the Walton County Board of Education in exchange for payment of \$1.00. All voted in favor.

Commissioner Robinson made a motion to approve Department of Juvenile Justice Purchase of Services Contracts for the following individuals: Tracy Hanson & Angle Muniz. Commissioner Gasaway seconded the motion; voted and carried unanimously.

Commissioner Gasaway made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Turner, to approve a Personal Property Verification Contract with Traylor Business Services, Inc. All voted in favor.

The Board considered GDOT Contract for Project # CSSTP-0007-00 (103) – SR 138 Extension, SR10/US 78/Monroe City Limits. Chairman Little explained that part of the engineering for the project has already been completed and that the necessary right of way will be donated. Commissioner Turner made a motion to approve the contract contingent upon the cost of the remainder of the engineering for the project does not exceed \$100,000.00. Commissioner Palmer seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

County Attorney Ken Lander presented a lease with Maxie Price for use of property for sports practices and recreation. Commissioner Turner made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Ayers, to approve the lease. All voted in favor.

Commissioner Turner made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Gasaway, to approve a lease with U.S.D.A. for office use in a portion of Courthouse Annex 3. All voted in favor.

County Attorney Ken Lander presented a contract with the Loganville American Legion regarding the construction and use of a baseball stadium at West Walton Park. Commissioner Turner made a motion to approve the contract with attachments suggested by the County Attorney. Commissioner Ayers seconded the motion. After further discussion, Commissioner Turner amended his motion to include changes suggested by

Commissioner Robinson. Commissioner Ayers seconded the amended motion. All voted in favor.

Fire Chief Steve Couch presented an Automatic & Mutual Assistance Agreement for Fire Department Services with the City of Loganville. Commissioner Turner made a motion to approve the agreement with Facilities Manager Joyce Chambers adding the City of Loganville driver to the County insurance policy. Commissioner Ayers seconded the motion; voted and carried unanimously.

Chief Couch discussed the Fire Protection Contract with the City of Social Circle with the Board. No action was taken on the matter.

Chief Couch presented a National Incident Management System Ordinance for the Board's consideration. Commissioner Turner made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Ayers, to adopt the ordinance. All voted in favor.

Chief Couch presented a National Preparedness Month proclamation for the Board's consideration. Commissioner Ayers made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Gasaway, to proclaim September 2005 National Preparedness Month in Walton County. All voted in favor.

Chairman Little presented conceptual layouts for the realignment of H.D. Atha Road and Youth Monroe Road. Commissioner Ayers made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Turner, to send both conceptual layouts to GDOT for review and consideration of participation in the project. All voted in favor.

The Board considered ratification of actions taken by the Walton County Water & Sewerage Authority at its meeting on August 30, 2005. Commissioner Ayers made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Turner, to ratify all actions taken by the Authority at its August 30, 2005 meeting, based on the summary provided. All voted in favor.

Chairman Little spoke during the public comment segment of the meeting.

At 8:10 p.m., Commissioner Turner made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Ayers, to enter into executive session to discuss litigation. Commissioners Ayers, Turner, Gasaway, Palmer, Atha and Robinson voted in favor.

At 8:50 p.m., Commissioner Palmer made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Gasaway, to return to regular session. Commissioners Ayers, Turner, Gasaway, Palmer, Atha and Robinson voted in favor. No votes were taken while in executive session.

At 8:51 p.m., Commissioner Gasaway made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Palmer seconded the motion; voted and carried unanimously.

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

CLINTON AYERS, DISTRICT 1

MICHAEL TURNER, DISTRICT 2

VICKIE M. GASAWAY, DISTRICT 3

LAMAR PALMER, DISTRICT 4

GERALD ATHA, DISTRICT 5

JOHN ROBINSON, DISTRICT 6