

June 1, 2010

The Walton County Board of Commissioners held its regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, June 1, 2010 at 6:00 p.m. in the Board Room of the Walton County Government Building, 303 South Hammond Drive, Suite 330, Monroe, Georgia. Those present included Chairman Kevin Little, Commissioners Clinton Ayers, Chuck Bagley, Vickie Gasaway, Lamar Palmer, Gerald Atha and Kirklyn Dixon, County Clerk Leta Talbird, County Attorney Kirby 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.

Earl Wise, James Jesse and Kenneth James spoke during the public comment segment of the meeting.

Fire Chief Mike Moore presented Battalion Chief Badges to David Jarrett and Craig League.

Morris Jordan of the Development Authority of Walton County and Executive Director of the Development Authority, Nancy Kinsey, presented the Board with commemorative plaques to honor the Board's efforts in bringing General Mills to Walton County.

Chairman Little called the meeting to order at 6:18 p.m. and led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance. Commissioner Gasaway opened the meeting in prayer.

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

Commissioner Gasaway made a motion to approve the minutes of the May 4, 2010 meeting. Commissioner Atha seconded the motion; voted and carried unanimously.

Commissioner Bagley made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Atha, to approve a contract with Online Utility Exchange for the Water Department. All voted in favor.

The Board considered a Planning Commission recommendation to approve OA10040002 – Amendments to the Walton County Land Development Ordinance amending the Soil & Erosion Control Ordinance as shown on Errata Sheet dated 4/1/2010. Commissioner Palmer made a motion to approve the amendments as presented. Commissioner Atha seconded the

motion; voted and carried unanimously.

Finance Officer Linda Hanna presented FY 2010 budget amendments and departmental transfers for the Board's consideration. Commissioner Bagley made a motion to approve the following: Departmental Budget Transfer for Central Communications from Equipment to Small Equipment in the amount of \$33,256.80; Budget Amendment for Public Works in the amount of \$396,570.50 for work on roads as a result of contractor bond forfeitures; Departmental Budget Transfer for Public Works in the amount of \$17,660.00 from various line accounts to Temporary Employees; Departmental Budget Amendment for Fire Department in the amount of \$1000.00 to increase revenue and expenditure budgets to reflect donation from Walton EMC Operation Roundup. Commissioner Gasaway seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

Commissioner Gasaway made a motion to approve contracts and budgeted purchases of \$5,000.00 or greater as presented. Commissioner Bagley seconded the motion; voted and carried unanimously.

Commissioner Gasaway made a motion to adopt a resolution to give the Chairman the authority to amend the FY 2010 budgets as part of the fiscal year closing process as actual figures for revenues and expenditures become available. Commissioner Ayers seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

Chairman Little and the Budget Committee presented the proposed FY 2011 Budget. After discussion, Commissioner Dixon made a motion to adopt the FY 2011 budget as presented with the stipulation that a committee will be appointed by the Chairman to look into recreation to include holding a public forum. Commissioner Gasaway seconded the motion; voted and carried unanimously.

Commissioner Dixon made a motion to declare certain property as surplus. Commissioner Gasaway seconded the motion. All voted in favor. *(A list of the property declared surplus is on file in the auxiliary file under this meeting date.)*

Commissioner Ayers made a motion to approve application for the USDA Grant. Commissioner Gasaway seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

Commissioner Atha made a motion to approve application for the FY 2011 HEAT Grant. Commissioner Ayers seconded the motion; voted and carried unanimously.

Commissioner Dixon made a motion to approve a Merchants Agreement with Athens First Bank & Trust to enable Animal Control to take credit card

payments. Commissioner Dixon further moved to approve the appropriate budget amendment. Commissioner Atha seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

Personnel Director Karen Fraser presented a resolution amending the Walton County Civil Service Policies & Procedures – Section 300 – Hours of Work. Commissioner Palmer made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Gasaway, to adopt the resolution as presented. All voted in favor.

Commissioner Dixon made a motion to adopt a resolution approving Holiday Observation based on Fiscal Year rather than Calendar Year. Commissioner Gasaway seconded the motion; voted and carried unanimously.

Commissioner Gasaway made a motion to adopt a resolution approving two ½-day unpaid holidays for FY 2011. Commissioner Ayers seconded the motion. All voted in favor. (*Unpaid holidays will fall on Wednesday, November 24, 2010 and Wednesday, December 22, 2010.*)

Commissioner Gasaway made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Ayers, to approve Personnel Actions for the period of 4/27/10 through 6/1/10 as presented, for the record. All voted in favor.

The Board considered a request from Traffic Operations to replace the vacant Office Assistant position. Commissioner Ayers asked Road Superintendent Steve Chandler if his office staff could assist Traffic Operations with clerical duties. Mr. Chandler stated that he would need to discuss the matter with Traffic Operations Director Ashley Cason to determine what type of duties would be involved. Commissioner Ayers made a motion to table a decision on the request. Commissioner Gasaway seconded the motion; voted and carried unanimously.

The Board considered a request from Keep Walton Beautiful/Recycling to fill two positions. Personnel Director Karen Fraser stated that the department is requesting to advertise internally for the Recycling Supervisor position and hopefully promote from within the department. She further stated that the department is requesting the maintenance worker position to be filled by two temporary workers. Commissioner Gasaway made a motion to approve the request as presented. Commissioner Bagley seconded the motion. Commissioners Bagley, Gasaway, Palmer, Atha & Dixon voted in favor of the motion. Commissioner Ayers opposed the motion. The motion carried 5-1.

Water Department Director Morris Jordan presented actions taken by the Walton County Water & Sewerage Authority at its meeting held on May 25, 2010. Commissioner Palmer made a motion to ratify the actions taken by the

Authority. Commissioner Dixon seconded the motion; voted and carried unanimously.

Commissioner Dixon made a motion to approve the FY 2011 Family Connection Program Contract. Commissioner Gasaway seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

Jimmy Parker of Precision Planning, Inc. presented a proposal from S&ME, Inc. for supplemental subsurface exploration and pavement coring as request by GDOT for the Charlotte Rowell Boulevard project. Mr. Parker explained that only two of the items contained in the proposal need to be approved: Retaining Wall Foundation Investigation and Pavement Coring in the amount of \$3,250.00. Commissioner Bagley made a motion to approve the proposal. Commissioner Palmer seconded the motion; voted and carried unanimously.

Commissioner Gasaway made a motion to approve a proposal from Geo Hydro Engineers to perform soil sub grade evaluation for the realignment of East Hightower Trail at its intersection with U.S. 278 in the amount of \$2,221.50. Commissioner Palmer seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

Water Department Director Morris Jordan presented a contract change order for Northeastern Underground, Inc. in the amount of \$5,468.40 for adjusted quantities on the Nicholasville Road/Glass Road Water System Improvement Project. Commissioner Atha made a motion to approve the change order. Commissioner Palmer seconded the motion; voted and carried unanimously.

Commissioner Dixon made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Gasaway, to reappoint Robert M. Hawk, Jr. to the Walton County Board of Tax Assessors for a 6-year term to expire June 30, 2016. All voted in favor.

Chairman Little read a proclamation designating Amateur Radio Operators Appreciation Week into the record.

Chairman Little read a Building Safety Month proclamation into the record.

Commissioner Ayers made a motion to name the parkway at the Between Drivers License Facility and Fire Station Heritage Parkway. Commissioner Gasaway seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

At 7:15 p.m., Commissioner Ayers made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Gasaway seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

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

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CLINTON AYERS, DISTRICT 1

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CHUCK BAGLEY, DISTRICT 2

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VICKIE M. GASAWAY, DIST. 3

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LAMAR PALMER, DISTRICT 4

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GERALD ATHA, DISTRICT 5

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KIRKLYN DIXON, DISTRICT 6