

July 10, 2012

The Walton County Board of Commissioners held its regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, July 10, 2012 at 6:00 p.m. in the Commission Board Room, Walton County Government Building, 303 South Hammond Drive, Monroe, Georgia. Those present included Chairman Kevin Little, Commissioners Clinton Ayers, Chuck Bagley, Vickie Gasaway, Lamar Palmer 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.

The Board recognized the Walton County 6U and 18U Softball Teams for their performance in recent tournaments.

Chairman Little called the meeting to order at 6:13 p.m. and led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance. Commissioner Dixon opened the meeting in prayer.

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

Chairman Little stated that the applicant for CU12050003 - Conditional Use for a Crematory as an accessory use to existing funeral home for the Estate of Tom Wages c/o Sun Trust Bank - 1939 Georgia Highway 81 requested the application be withdrawn. Chairman Little opened the public hearing on the matter. There was no one present in opposition. Chairman Little closed the public hearing on the matter. Commissioner Gasaway made a motion to accept withdrawal of the Conditional Use application. Commissioner Ayers seconded the motion; voted and carried unanimously.

The Board considered a Planning Commission recommendation to approve Z12040004 - Rezone .91 acres from R-1 to O-I for office/professional use for Sheryl Turkia. The affected property is located at 1863 U.S. Highway 78 and is further identified on WC Tax Map C75, Parcel 123. Chairman Little opened the public hearing on the matter. Sheryl Turkia 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. Commissioner Ayers made a motion to approve the rezone with the following conditions: Approval of a variance to reduce the transitional buffer from 50 ft. to 25 ft. with the addition of a 6 ft. screening fence. Commissioner Bagley seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

The Board considered a Planning Commission recommendation to approve

Z12040013 - Rezone 2.239 acres from R-1 to M-1 for manufacturing and rebuilding parts for box forming machines for Mark George. The affected property is located at 589 Gene Bell Road and is further identified on WC Tax Map C 166, Parcel 3 Split. Chairman Little opened the public hearing on the matter. Mark George 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. Commissioner Palmer made a motion to approve the rezone. Commissioner Dixon seconded the motion; voted and carried unanimously.

The Board considered a Planning Commission recommendation to approve Z12040015 - Rezone .58 acres from B-1 to B-2 to allow the purchase of gold and scrap gold for Rajkumar & Madoo Chawla. The affected property is located at 2660 Georgia Highway 11 and is further identified on WC Tax Map C 85, Parcel 97. Chairman Little opened the public hearing on the matter. Rajkumar Chawla 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. Commissioner Dixon made a motion to approve the rezone. Commissioner Palmer seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

The Board considered a Planning Commission recommendation to approve Z12050001 - Rezone 26.042 acres from R-1 2400 to A-1 for livestock quarters and enclosures for James S. Bassett. The affected property is located at 5220 Emmett Still Road and is further identified on WC Tax Map C29, Parcels 23 & 24. Chairman Little opened the public hearing on the matter. James Bassett 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. Commissioner Gasaway made a motion to approve the rezone with the condition that a fence will be placed as discussed with the Planning Commission and the Traffic Operations Department will go out and determine what signage is needed. Commissioner Palmer seconded the motion; voted and carried unanimously.

The Board considered a Planning Commission recommendation to approve Z12050006 - Rezone 4.978 acres from B-2 & B-3 to M-2 to allow recycling for Rapid Services, Inc. The affected property is located at 1645 Georgia Highway 138 and is further identified on WC Tax Map C76, Parcel 51A. Chairman Little opened the public hearing on the matter. Robert Harrington 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. Commissioner Palmer made a motion to approve the rezone. Commissioner Dixon seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

Chairman Little stated that the applicant for Z12040014 - Rezone 14.67 acres from A-1 to A for dog training for Alan Steinle - 1480 Georgia Highway 81

requested the application be withdrawn. Commissioner Gasaway made a motion to accept the request for withdrawal of the rezone application. Commissioner Bagley seconded the motion; voted and carried unanimously.

The Board considered a Planning Commission recommendation to approve OA12050012 - Amendments to the Walton County Land Development Ordinance as per errata sheet dated 5-1-2012. Planning Director Mike Martin reviewed the amendments with the Board. There was no one present in opposition to the proposed amendments. Chairman Little closed the public hearing on the matter. Commissioner Palmer made a motion to approve the amendments as presented. Commissioner Bagley seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

Planning Director Mike Martin presented a Relocation Plan for the John-Louiza Stanton Cemetery. Chairman Little opened the public hearing on the matter. There was no one present in opposition. Chairman Little closed the public hearing on the matter. Commissioner Palmer made a motion to approve the relocation plan following the guidelines suggested. Commissioner Dixon seconded the motion; voted and carried unanimously.

Commissioner Ayers made a motion to approve the following items as presented on the Administrative Consent Agenda:

1. Approval of June 5, 2012 Meeting Minutes
2. Budget Amendments as follows:
 - Partnership for Families, Children and Youth: Budget amendment for increase in grant from State of Georgia Family Connection in the amount of \$1,000.00, in the Multiple Grant Fund 250. This is an amendment to both revenue and expenditure budgets with no effect on fund balance.
 - Inmate Phone/General Fund: Budget amendment for the purchase of a chiller for the jail. To be reimbursed from the Inmate Phone Fund in the amount of \$60,846.76. This is an amendment to both revenue and expenditures with no effect on fund balance.
 - Forfeited Drug Fund: Budget transfer cover purchase of a truck for Sheriff's Office using drug funds in the amount of \$25,378.00. This is a transfer from one expense line to another with no effect on Fund Balance.
 - Federal Forfeited Drug Fund: Budget transfer to cover purchase of a truck for Sheriff's Office using drug funds in

the amount of \$25,378.00. This is an amendment to both revenue and expenditure budgets with no effect on Fund Balance.

3. Contracts & Budgeted Purchases of \$2,500.00 or greater
4. Monthly EMS Bad Debt Write-offs
5. Acceptance of forfeited vehicle - Sheriff's Office
6. Acceptance of Tractor & Trailer from Georgia Department of Public Safety Excess Property Program - Sheriff's Office

Commissioner Gasaway seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

Commissioner Ayers made a motion to approve personnel actions for the period of 6/1/2012 through 6/28/2012 as present for the record. Commissioner Bagley seconded the motion; voted and carried unanimously.

Commissioner Ayers made a motion to approve the following staffing requests:

1. Grass Crew Workers (2) - Public Works. Temporary employees for the summer grass cutting season (June to October). To be advertised externally and internally. Salaries were approved in the FY-2012 and FY-2013 budgets.
2. Fleet Maintenance Supervisor - Public Works. Full-time replacement for employee who retired in June 2012. To be advertised externally and internally. Salary is approved in the FY-2012 and FY-2013 budgets.
3. Probate Clerk - Part time Probate Court. Part-time replacement for employee who resigned in June 2012. To be advertised externally and internally. Salary is approved in the FY-2012 and FY-2013 budgets.
4. Detention Officers (2) - Jail. Full-time replacements: One for employee who resigned in May, and one for employee who will be promoted due to resignation of a Corporal in June. To be advertised externally and internally. Salaries were approved in the FY-2012 and FY-2013 budgets.
5. Deputy Sheriff Corporal – Jail. Full-time replacement for employee who resigned in June 2012. To be advertised internally only. Salary is approved in the FY-2012 and FY-2013 budgets.
6. Deputy Sheriff Sergeant – Youth Investigations. Full-time replacement for employee who laterally transferred to CID. To be advertised internally only. Salary is approved in the FY-2012 and FY-2013 budgets.
7. Victim Witness Assistant – DA Office. Full-time replacement for employee who is resigning in July. To be advertised internally

- only. Salary is approved in the FY-2012 and FY-2013 budgets.
8. Legal Assistant – DA Office. Full-time replacement for employee who resigned in June. To be advertised externally and internally. Salary is approved in the FY-2012 and FY-2013 budgets.
 9. Office Assistant – DA Office. Full-time replacement for employee who will transfer to the Victim Witness Assistant position. To be advertised externally and internally. Salary is approved in the FY-2012 and FY-2013 budgets.
 10. Deputy Sheriff Senior – Court Services. Full-time replacement for employee who resigned in June 2012. To be advertised internally only. Salary is approved in the FY-2012 and FY-2013 budgets.

Commissioner Gasaway seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

Georgia Forestry Commission Community Wildfire Protection Specialist Carl Melear presented the Community Wildfire Protection Plan for Walton County. Commissioner Gasaway made a motion to approve the Plan. Commissioner Ayers seconded the motion; voted and carried unanimously.

Commissioner Bagley made a motion to approve a contract with CorrectHealth Walton, LLC for inmate medical services. Commissioner Ayers seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

Commissioner Palmer made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Dixon, to approve the annual contract with The Partnership for Families, Children & Youth. All voted in favor.

Commissioner Bagley made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Palmer, to approve a Water Purchase Contract with the City of Monroe. All voted in favor.

Commissioner Ayers made a motion to approve a refund for Betty Watts in the amount of \$30.60 for 2012 Ad Valorem taxes paid in error, as recommended by the Tax Commissioner's Office. Commissioner Dixon seconded the motion; voted and carried unanimously.

Commissioner Palmer made a motion to adopt a resolution amending Walton County's 2009 Service Delivery Strategy to incorporate the Intergovernmental Contract between Jasper County, Morgan County, Newton County and Walton County and the Joint Development Authority of Jasper County, Morgan County, Newton County and Walton County and thereby comply with the conditions of the Regional Assistance Program Grant. Commissioner Ayers seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

Commissioner Ayers made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Gasaway, to adopt a resolution approving the Walton County Capital Improvements Element for the Impact Fee Program. All voted in favor.

The Board discussed naming the New Hope Church Road bridge in honor of Mrs. Besse Cooper. It was decided that Commissioners Ayers and Palmer would work on this project as well as a project to recognize Walton County Veterans.

Chairman Little read into the record a resolution adopted by the Joint Development Authority of Jasper County, Morgan County, Newton County & Walton County recognizing Mr. Grady P. Lemonds.

At 6:44 p.m., Commissioner Ayers made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Palmer, to adjourn the meeting. 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.

KEVIN W. LITTLE, CHAIRMAN LETA P. TALBIRD, CLERK

CLINTON AYERS, DISTRICT 1 CHUCK BAGLEY, DISTRICT 2

VICKIE M. GASAWAY, DIST. 3 LAMAR PALMER, DISTRICT 4

KIRKLYN DIXON, DISTRICT 6