

August 7, 2012

The Walton County Board of Commissioners held its regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, August 7, 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 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.

Nancy Kinsey introduced the 2011-2012 Leadership Walton Class. Adam Vannest spoke with the Board about their class project, which was cleaning up the cemetery located behind B & B Small Engine on Alcovy Street. Chairman Little stated he would contact Probate Judge Greg Adams about having community service workers help keep the cemetery clean.

The Board recognized the Walton Waves Swim Team.

Chairman Little called the meeting to order at 6:17 p.m. and led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance. Commissioner Bagley opened the meeting in prayer.

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

Commissioner Ayers made a motion to name the New Hope Church Road bridge in honor of Besse Brown Cooper. He further moved to name the future park at Between in memory of fallen WWII soldiers Emmett Holder and Floyd Cook and that the families of both men should be contacted to confirm their full names. Commissioner Palmer seconded the motion; voted and carried unanimously.

The Board considered a Planning Commission recommendation to approve, with conditions, CU12060003 – Conditional Use for an outdoor commercial recreation facility for radio control racetrack for Charles & Joe Young. The affected property is located on Robertson Road and is further identified on WC Tax Map C 52, Parcels 52 & 54. Chairman Little opened the public hearing on the matter. Charles Young came before the Board in support of the Conditional Use. There was no one present in opposition. Commissioner Gasaway made a motion to approve the Conditional Use with the following stipulations: Leyland Cypress trees on 8 ft. centers will be planted to buffer

the noise along the portion of the property that is not already buffered with growth, applicant will work with the P.A. system so that all sound is directed inward and will not exceed 100 decibels, races will only be held twice per month on Saturdays and will be completed by 10:00 p.m. and on Sundays until 6:00 p.m. in case of weather delays on Saturday. Commissioner Palmer seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

The Board considered a Planning Commission recommendation to approve LU 12050015 – Change land use from neighborhood residential to suburban and Z12050014 – Rezone 7.39 acres from A-1 to A to allow vegetable and fruit farming for Malcolm R. Knight. The affected property is located at 3560 Claude Brewer Road and is further identified on WC Tax Map C 24, Parcel 51. Chairman Little opened the public hearing on the matter. Cathie Knight came before the Board in support of the application. There was no one present in opposition. Commissioner Bagley made a motion to approve the Land Use Change and Rezone with the conditions recommended by the Planning & Development Department: Blueberry/vegetable farming with public picking by appointment only and any signage will be limited to 6 square feet and 4 feet high. Commissioner Gasaway seconded the motion; voted and carried unanimously.

Commissioner Gasaway made a motion to approve the following items as presented on the administrative consent agenda:

1. Approval of July 10, 2012 Meeting Minutes
2. Budget Amendments:
 - Animal Control: Two budget amendments for Animal Control to accept twelve donations. Total amendment is \$1,185.00. This is an amendment to both revenue and expenditure budgets with no effect on fund balance
 - Sheriff Office: Fund 212 – Inmate Fund to move funds to cover purchase of pickup truck for Inmate Services. This is a transfer from one expense line to another with no effect on fund balance.
 - Human Resources: Budget amendment to accept grant from ACCG-LGRMS Wellness to assist in costs of Employee Health Fair. The amount of the amendment is \$2,500.00. This is an amendment to both revenue and expenditure budgets with no effect on fund balance.
 - Impact Fee Fund: Budget amendment to move funds to cover the cost of the Good Hope passive park. This is a transfer from one expense line to another with no effect on fund balance.
 - Tax Commissioner's Office: Budget amendment to cover the cost of

the computers and employee to train prior to retirements in the office. These expenditures will be reimbursed from the Tax Commissioner's special revenue funds. This is an amendment to both revenue and expenditure budgets with no effect on fund balance.

3. Contracts and budgeted purchases of \$2,500.00 or greater as presented
4. Monthly EMS bad debt write-offs
5. Acceptance of forfeited vehicles to be sold by Sheriff's Office
6. Renewal of VOCA Grant – Sheriff's Office
7. Renewal of VOCA Grant – District Attorney's Office
8. Acceptance of ACCG Health Promotion & Wellness Incentive Grant
9. FY 2012 Emergency Management Preparedness Grant
10. Depository Pledge Agreement – Wells Fargo Bank – Sheriff's Office
11. Ratification of actions taken by the Walton County Water & Sewerage Authority at its meeting held on July 31, 2012
12. Declaration of surplus property (list is on file in the auxiliary file under this meeting date)

Commissioner Dixon seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

Commissioner Bagley made a motion to approve personnel actions for the period of 7/1/2012 through 7/30/2012 as presented, for the record. Commissioner Ayers seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

Commissioner Bagley made a motion to approve the following staffing requests and to table a staffing request for the Tax Commissioner's Office until the September 11, 2012 meeting:

1. Deputy Sheriff Sergeant – Jail: Full-time replacement for employee who will be promoted to Lieutenant's position in the Jail. The Lieutenant vacancy will occur due to a retirement in July. To be advertised internally only. Salary is approved in the FY-2012 and FY-2013 budgets.
2. Deputy Sheriff Lieutenant – Jail: Full time replacement for employee retiring in July 2012. To be advertised internally only. Salary is approved in the FY-2012 and FY-2013 budgets.
3. Deputy Sheriff – Uniform Patrol: Full-time replacement for employee who was transferred to Youth Investigations. To be advertised internally only. Salary is approved in the FY-2012 and FY-2013 budgets. For the record.
4. Deputy Sheriff – Corporal – Sheriff's Office Administration: Full time replacement for a Captain who resigned in June. The Captain had the responsibility for training. Sheriff Chapman has determined that he wants to reclassify the position to that of a Corporal rank. To be advertised internally only. Salary is approved in the FY-2012 and FY-2013 budgets. For the

record.

5. Records Clerk – TEMP – Sheriff’s Office Administration: Temporary replacement for employee who is resigning in July. To be advertised externally and internally. Salary is approved in the FY-2012 and FY-2013 budgets. For the record.

6. Deputy Sheriff Corporal – Uniform Patrol: Fulltime replacement for employee who is transferring to Youth Investigations in July 2012. To be advertised internally only. Salary is approved in the FY-2012 and FY-2013 budgets. For the record.

7. Deputy Sheriff Senior – Youth Investigations: Full time replacement for employee who is transferring to Administration to assume the supervisory role in training. To be advertised externally and internally. Salary is approved in the FY-2012 and FY-2013 budgets. For the record.

8. Deputy Clerk – Juvenile Court: Full-time replacement for employee who was promoted to Intake Clerk in March. To be advertised externally and internally. Salary is approved in the FY-2012 and FY-2013 budgets. For the record.

9. Scale House Operator – KWB/Recycling: Full-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. For the record.

10. Maintenance Worker – TEMP – KWB/Recycling: TEMP replacement for employee who transferred to the Scale House Operator vacancy. To be advertised externally and internally. Salary is approved in the FY-2012 and FY-2013 budgets. For the record.

11. Probate Court Clerk – Probate Court: Full-time replacement for employee who is transferring to the Water Dept. for the customer service representative vacancy. To be advertised externally and internally. Salary is approved in the FY-2012 and FY-2013 budgets. For the record.

12. Probate Court Clerk – Probate Court: Part-time replacement for employee who is transferring to the full-time position in Probate. To be advertised externally and internally. Salary is approved in the FY-2012 and FY-2013 budgets. For the record.

13. Deputy Clerk – TEMP – Clerk of Superior Court: TEMP replacement for a position left vacant and unfunded until the FY-2013 budget was approved. To be advertised externally and internally. Salary is approved in the FY-2013 budget. For the record.

14. Deputy Clerk Senior – Clerk of Superior Court: Full-time replacement for employee who is transferring to Legal Assistant position in the DA’s Office. To be advertised internally only. Salary is approved in the FY-2012 and FY-2013 budgets. For the record.

Commissioner Palmer seconded the motion; voted and carried unanimously.

Commissioner Dixon made a motion to approve, for the record, a

Memorandum of Understanding with the Democratic National Convention for the Sheriff's Office. Commissioner Ayers seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

Commissioner Gasaway made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Bagley, to approve an Agreement for Counseling Services with Cathy Garey. All voted in favor.

Commissioner Dixon made a motion to approve an agreement with Bingham Arbitrage Rebate Services, Inc. for final rebate calculation for the \$58,915,000.00 General Obligation Sales Tax Bonds, Series 2007 with changes recommended by the County Attorney. Commissioner Palmer seconded the motion; voted and carried unanimously.

Commissioner Ayers made a motion to approve a refund in the amount of \$122.87 for Gail McNeill for 2012 Ad Valorem taxes paid in error. Commissioner Gasaway seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

Commissioner Ayers made a motion to approve a refund in the amount of \$100.00 for Hayno Enterprises, Inc. – EZ Stop for reimbursement of fees paid for cardboard recycling services. Commissioner Bagley seconded the motion; voted and carried unanimously.

Commissioner Gasaway made a motion to re-appoint Harry Knight as Walton County Private Sector Representative for the Northeast Georgia Regional Commission. Commissioner Palmer seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

Commissioner Ayers made a motion to approve a request to use Meridian Park Community Center for a Health Fair to be sponsored by Walton County Fire Department and Walton County EMS. Commissioner Gasaway seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

Facilities Manager Joyce Chambers and Recreation Director Jody Johnson presented the proposed budget for the completion of Good Hope Passive Park. They requested the Board give the Purchasing Agent the authority to approve bids on the remaining elements for the park. Commissioner Palmer made a motion to approve the budget and give the Purchasing Agent the authority to approve bids following the proper bidding procedures. Commissioner Dixon seconded the motion; voted and carried unanimously.

Jimmy Parker of Precision Planning, Inc. presented cost estimates for replacement of the bridge on Mt. Carmel Church Road. The Board discussed authorizing Chairman Little and Commissioner Palmer to meet with Precision Planning, Inc regarding the different options to complete this

project and make a presentation to the Board at the September 11, 2012 meeting. Commissioner Bagley made a motion to table the matter until the September 11, 2012 meeting. Commissioner Dixon seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

The Board heard introductions from the following candidates for appointment to Commission District 5: Jeremy Adams, Steve Colquitt, Bill George, Darrius Geter, Jim Haralson, Roger Lingerfelt, Frank Smith, Rick Weiman and Todd White.

At 7:29 p.m., Commissioner Ayers made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Dixon 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.

KEVIN W. LITTLE, CHAIRMAN

LETA P. TALBIRD, CLERK

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CHUCK BAGLEY, DISTRICT 2

VICKIE M. GASAWAY, DIST. 3

LAMAR PALMER, DISTRICT 4

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