

December 4, 2012

The Walton County Board of Commissioners held its regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, December 4, 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 and Lamar Palmer, County Clerk Leta Talbird, County Attorney Kirby Atkinson, Human Resources Director Karen Fraser, 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. Commissioners Adams and Dixon did not attend the meeting.

Jay Rawl of Minerva Beauty spoke in the Public Comment segment of the meeting. He was joined by Matt Harris of Tucker Door and representatives from Hitachi to express concerns regarding the possibility of the new County Jail being built within Piedmont Industrial Park.

The Board recognized the Loganville Christian Academy State Champion Football Team.

The Board recognized members of the County Finance Department which received a Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting.

Chairman Little called the meeting to order at 6:25 p.m. and led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance. Commissioner Gasaway opened the meeting in prayer.

Commissioner Gasaway made a motion to adopt the agenda with the addition of an Agreement for Water, Sewage and Water Reuse Services between the City of Loganville, Walton County School District and Walton County. Commissioner Ayers seconded the motion; voted and carried unanimously.

The Board considered a Planning Commission recommendation to approve, with conditions, Z12100001 – Rezone 1.0 acre from B-2 to M-1 for a recovered materials processing facility for J.C. Dukes. The effected property is located at 3210 U.S. Highway 78 and is further identified on WC Tax Map C 43, Parcel 18. Chairman Little opened the public hearing on the matter. J.C. Dukes 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 conditioned on the recommendation of the Planning Commission

that Mr. Dukes will retain ownership of the current location at 3307 U.S. Highway 78 with a one-year moratorium on operating a recycling business on the property and allowing the grandfathered use as a recycling operation to expire. Commissioner Bagley seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

The Board considered a Planning Commission recommendation to approve Z12100007 – Rezone 2.52 acres from I-1 to M-2 for food processing for Barken Investments, LLC with a variance for slaughterhouse and animal processing. The effected property is located at 810 Adamson Drive and is further identified on WC Tax Map C 135, Parcel 19K. Chairman Little opened the public hearing on the matter. John Lange of B & K Food Processing 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 Bagley made a motion to approve the rezone. Commissioner Gasaway seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Commissioner Bagley amended his motion to include a variance allowing the distance of 982.75 feet from the nearest residential dwelling and the condition that the applicant coordinate with the City of Monroe to tie on to city sewer. Commissioner Gasaway seconded the amended motion. All voted in favor.

The Board considered a Planning Commission recommendation to approve amendments to the Walton County Land Development Ordinance as per errata sheet dated 10-1-2012. Planning & Development Director Mike Martin reviewed the proposed amendments with the Board. Errata 1 & 2 amend the definition and regulations for junked or abandoned vehicles for clarity in enforcing the codes. Errata 3 adds paint and wall covering to the permitted uses in B-2, B-3 and M-1 zoning districts. Errata 4 amends the definitions and supplemental regulations for Personal Care Homes. Commissioner Gasaway made a motion to approve the amendments. Commissioner Ayers seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

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

1. Minutes of the November 6, 2012 Board Meeting
2. Budget amendments as follows:
  - Animal Control: Budget amendments for Animal Control to accept five donations. Total amendment is \$210. This is an amendment to both revenue and expenditure budgets with no effect on fund balance.
  - 2013 SPLOST FUND: Budget amendment to set up a new fund, Fund 322, for the 2013 SPLOST fund which the County will begin collecting SPLOST in January 2013. This is an

amendment to set up both revenue and expenditure budgets within the new fund.

- Personnel - All Funds: Budget amendment across all funds for Regular Salary, FICA, Medicare and Retirement expenditure lines for a onetime salary adjustment in the amount of \$661,080.26.
  - EMS: Budget amendment to amend the budget for grant donations to the EMS and the associated expenditures in the amount of \$87,158.20. This is an amendment to both revenue and expenditures with no effect on fund balance.
  - Recycling: Budget amendment to move funds from Regular Employees to Overtime in the amount of \$1,500.00. This is an amendment that transfers funds from one expense line to another with no effect on fund balance.
3. Contracts & Budgeted Purchases of \$2,500.00 or greater
  4. Monthly EMS Bad Debt Write-offs
  5. 2013 Payroll Schedule
  6. Ratification of actions taken by the Walton County Water & Sewerage Authority at its meeting held on November 27, 2012
  7. Software Maintenance Agreement – Ersi, Inc. – 911
  8. Service Agreement – Motorola Solutions – 911
  9. Athens Community Council on Aging Senior Community Service Employment Program

Commissioner Palmer seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

Commissioner Gasaway made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Palmer, to approve Personnel Actions for the period of 10/22/2012 through 11/21/2012 as presented. All voted in favor.

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

Replacement Positions:

1. Athletic Aide- Part-time - Parks & Recreation. Part-time replacement for employee who transferred to temporary status in October. To be advertised externally and internally. Salary is approved in the FY-2013 budget.
2. Park Maintenance Worker Senior - Parks & Recreation. Full-time replacement for employee who was promoted to Crew Supervisor in November. To be advertised externally and internally. Salary is approved in the FY-2013 budget.
3. Firefighter-TEMP-SAFER Grant-Fire Rescue. Temporary replacement

for an employee who resigned in November. Chief Moore will fill from existing list of applicants from his last posting. Salary is approved in the FY-2013 budget.

4. Deputy Sheriff Senior- Uniform Patrol. Full-time replacement for employee who transferred to the Jail in November. To be advertised internally only. Salary is approved in the FY-2013 budget.

5. Deputy Sheriff Senior – Court Services. Full-time replacement for employee who transferred to Uniform Patrol in November. To be advertised internally only. Salary is approved in the FY-2013 budget.

6. Deputy Clerk – Clerk of Superior Court. Full-time replacement for an employee who resigned in November. To be advertised externally and internally. Salary is approved in the FY-2013 budget.

7. Administrative Specialist – Human Resources. Full-time employee to bring HR staff to current level of 4 employees. There are allocated funds in the FY-2013 budget to accommodate the request due to restructuring of the department. There will be no increase in the budgeted number of employees in HR.

8. Paramedic - Temporary (1) and EMT – Temporary (1) - EMS. Replacements for temporaries who resigned in November. EMS Director will review and fill vacancies from pool of applicants from last posting in September.

Promotions:

8. Communications Shift Supervisor-E-911. Full-time replacement for an employee who resigned in September 2011. To be advertised internally only. Salary is approved in the FY-2013 budget.

9. Deputy Clerk Senior – Clerk of Superior Court. Full-time replacement for an employee who was promoted to Supervisor - Real Estate in November. To be advertised internally only. Salary is approved in the FY-2013 budget.

10. Human Resources Specialist – Human Resources. Full-time replacement for an employee who passed away in October. To be advertised internally only. Salary is approved in the FY-2013 budget. This is a promotional opportunity for existing HR staff to assume additional responsibilities and allow for a restructuring of the department for reallocation of assigned duties.

Commissioner Gasaway seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

Commissioner Ayers made a motion to adopt a resolution approving the Walton County Local emergency Operations Plan. Commissioner Palmer seconded the motion; voted and carried unanimously.

Commissioner Gasaway made a motion to adopt a resolution naming County Clerk Leta Talbird as Open Records Officer and Assistant County Clerk Rhonda Hawk as Alternate Open Records Officer for Walton County. Commissioner Palmer seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

Commissioner Bagley made a motion to approve an Agreement for Water, Sewage and Water Reuse Services between the City of Loganville, Walton County School District and Walton County subject to final review by the County Attorney and ensuring that there will be no additional expense for sewer lines or right of way. Commissioner Ayers seconded the motion; voted and carried unanimously. *(This agreement was subsequently terminated by the School District and the City of Loganville.)*

Commissioner Palmer made a motion to rename Stanton Springs Parkway to Baxter Parkway. Commissioner Gasaway seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

Commissioner Palmer made a motion to adopt a resolution approving execution of the Intergovernmental Contract regarding a \$5,900,000.00 GEFA Loan to fund a portion of the Baxter Wastewater Pretreatment Facility contingent upon review by the County Attorney. Commissioner Bagley seconded the motion; voted and carried unanimously.

Commissioner Ayers made a motion to re-appoint Derward Toler to the Walton County Board of Tax Assessors for a 6-year term to expire December 31, 2018. Commissioner Palmer seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

At 6:48 p.m., Commissioner Palmer made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Gasaway, to enter into executive session to discuss potential litigation. Commissioners Ayers, Bagley, Gasaway and Palmer voted in favor of the motion.

At 6:58 p.m., Commissioner Ayers made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Gasaway, to return to regular session. Commissioners Ayers, Bagley, Gasaway and Palmer voted in favor.

Commissioner Palmer made a motion to adopt a resolution and order consenting to the condemnation of the Peters property identified on Walton County Tax Map C 185, Parcel 61. Commissioner Bagley seconded the motion. All voted in favor. *(This property is part of the Hard Labor Creek Reservoir project.)*

Commissioner Ayers made a motion to adopt a resolution and order consenting to the condemnation of the Peters property identified on Walton County Tax Map C 185, Parcel 66. Commissioner Bagley seconded the motion. All voted in favor. *(This property is part of the Hard Labor Creek Reservoir project.)*

At 7:00 p.m., Commissioner Ayers made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Bagley, 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.

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

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CLINTON AYERS, DISTRICT 1      CHUCK BAGLEY, DISTRICT 2

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