

April 2, 2013

The Walton County Board of Commissioners held its regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, April 2, 2013 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, Mark Banks, Timmy Shelnett, Lamar Palmer, Jeremy Adams and Kirklyn Dixon, Assistant County Clerk Rhonda Hawk, County Attorney Kirby Atkinson, 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.

Bob Guhl and Bill Bryson spoke during the public comment segment of the meeting regarding the condition of the roads in Lakeshore Estates subdivision.

Ronnie Almand of Walton County EMS presented "You Made a Difference" awards to Paramedic Dennis Carlock, Paramedic Troy Willard, EMT Steve Emerick, EMT Steve Rauton and EMT Stephen Scroggins for medical aid rendered to David Miller.

Chairman Little called the meeting to order at 6:20 p.m. and led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance. Commissioner Ayers opened the meeting in prayer.

Commissioner Palmer made a motion to table a Planning Commission recommendation to approve with conditions Z13010004 – Rezone 65 +/- acres from A-1 to A for aquaponics greenhouses powered by solar panels for MultiGreen Agriculture Comm. until the May 7, 2013 Board meeting. There was no one present in opposition. Commissioner Adams seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

The Board considered a Planning Commission recommendation to deny CU13010009 – Guest House for Marion Cashwell. The effected property is located at 5119 Crestwood Trail and is further identified on WC Tax Map N8B, Parcel 12. Chairman Little opened the public hearing on the matter. The applicant did not attend the meeting. Sheryl Brown and Brenda Scott Willis spoke in opposition to the Conditional Use. Chairman Little closed the public hearing on the matter. Commissioner Banks made a motion to deny the Conditional Use. Commissioner Adams seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

The Board considered a Planning Commission recommendation to approve Z1302005 – Alteration to zoning conditions on 3.79 acres zoned

B-2 with conditions for landscape business only to B-2 with no conditions for Susan W. Atha. The effected property, owned by Wells Fargo Bank, is located at 5395 Georgia Highway 20 and is further identified on WC Tax Map C 8, Parcel 3. Chairman Little opened the public hearing on the matter. Allen Atha came before the Board in support of the application. He stated that he and his wife, Susan, would like to purchase the property and move his plumbing business currently located in Stone Mountain to this property. Herman McCart spoke in support of the applicant. Chairman Little closed the public hearing on the matter. Commissioner Banks made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Ayers, to approve the application. All voted in favor.

The Board considered a Planning Commission recommendation to approve Z13010010 – Rezone 25.05 acres from R-1 to A-1 to allow for animals and gardening for Michael A. & Ann Kilman. The effected property is located on Clarence Odum Road and is further identified on WC Tax Map C 120, Parcel 27. Chairman Little opened the public hearing on the matter. Grace Xiong came before the Board in support of the rezone. She stated that she is in the process of purchasing the property from the applicant and plans on raising a few chickens and gardening on the property. There was no one present in opposition. Chairman Little closed the public hearing on the matter. Commissioner Adams made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Palmer, to approve the rezone. All voted in favor.

The Board considered a Planning Commission recommendation to approve ZCU13010011 – Rezone 20.98 +/- acres from A-1 to A with a conditional use for solar farming for Silcon Ranch Corporation. The effected property, owned by Charles Ray & Janice Collins, is located on Social Circle Fairplay Road and is further identified on WC Tax Map C 171, Parcel 15 Split. Chairman Little opened the public hearing on the matter. Attorney Scott Willis represented the applicant. Mr. Willis stated that this will be a part of a previously approved solar farm project adjacent to this parcel. He stated the applicant is requesting a variance to gain temporary access from Social Circle Fairplay Road. He stated that the property adjacent to this parcel is in the conservation program until the end of this year, which leads to the need for the flag lot variance. He stated that the applicant is purchasing the strip of land from the Collins' with an option for them to purchase it back after one year. 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 as presented. Commissioner Adams seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

The Board considered a Planning Commission request to reinstate the \$50.00 per month pay allowance for Planning Commission members.

Commissioner Palmer made a motion to approve the request. Commissioner Adams seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

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

1. Minutes of the March 5, 2013 and March 20, 2013 meetings
2. Budget Amendments as follows:
 - Roads and Walkways: Budget amendment for the equipment expenditures in the amount of \$18,000.00 from Budget Unit 4220 to Budget Unit 4900. This is a transfer from one expenditure line to another with no effect on fund balance
 - Fire Department: This budget amendment to increase the allocation to Fire Department for the purchase of extrication equipment costing \$47,710.58. This is a decrease to fund balance in the General Fund.
 - Sheriff's Office: This is a budget amendment to transfer \$10,000 from 51.1200 Temporary Employees to 51.1300 Overtime within Budget Unit 3320. No impact on fund balance in the General Fund.
 - Sheriff's Office: This is a budget amendment to increase expenditures and revenues of \$16,621.84 within Budget Unit 3324 for deputy services provided at school. No impact on fund balance in the General Fund.
 - Animal Control: Budget amendment to increase both expenditures and revenues for donation made to Animal Control in the amount of \$130. No impact on fund balance in the General Fund.
 - Water Fund 507: This is a budget amendment to move from Budget Unit 4447, 53.1750 Vehicle/Equipment Parts expenditures to Budget Unit 4446, 54.2200 Vehicles expenditures in the amount of \$2,700.00. No effect on Fund 507 fund balance.
3. Contracts & Budgeted Purchases of \$2,500.00 or greater as presented
4. Ratified actions taken by the Walton County Water & Sewerage Authority at its meeting held on March 26, 2013
5. Approved JAG Program Intoxilyzer 9000 Grant Application for the Sheriff's Office
6. Approved agreement with Darling International/Griffin Industries for removal of spent cooking oil – Walton County Jail
7. Declared list of property surplus (list on file in the auxiliary file under this meeting date)

Commissioner Palmer seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

Human Resources Director Karen Fraser presented a request from Walton County Probate Judge Bruce Wright for approval of a supplement for an

existing Assistant Public Defender to provide indigent defense for the Probate Court. Commissioner Banks made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Dixon, to approve the request. All voted in favor.

Commissioner Dixon made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Adams, to adopt a resolution adopting the ADA Transition Plan for Walton County. All voted in favor.

Commissioner Shelnutt made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Palmer, to approve an annexation request from the City of Loganville for 1.083 acres located at 4826 Georgia Highway 81. All voted in favor.

The Board held a public hearing and first reading of a proposed amendment to the Walton County Animal Control Ordinance. Chairman Little opened the public hearing on the matter. Animal Control Director Bill Wise reviewed the proposed amendment. There was no one present in opposition. Chairman Little closed the public hearing on the matter. Commissioner Adams made a motion to proceed with the ordinance adoption process. Commissioner Palmer seconded the motion. All voted in favor. The Board will consider the adoption of the ordinance at its May 7, 2013 meeting.

Facilities Director Joyce Chambers presented a proposal for Government Building ADA and Security Improvements using 2001 SPLOST funds. Commissioner Ayers made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Shelnutt, to approve the proposal and move forward with the project. All voted in favor.

Commissioner Ayers made a motion to proclaim April 2013 as National Donate Life Month in Walton County. Commissioner Palmer seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

Commissioner Dixon made a motion to proclaim May 3, 2013 as Communities in Schools Day in Walton County. Commissioner Adams seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

Chairman Little announced that the May 7, 2013 meeting will be held at 6:00 p.m. at the Historic Walton County Courthouse.

At 6:58 p.m., Commissioner Ayers made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Dixon, 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

RHONDA HAWK, ASST CLERK

CLINTON AYERS, DISTRICT 1

MARK BANKS, DISTRICT 2

TIMMY SHELNUTT, DIST. 3

LAMAR PALMER, DISTRICT 4

JEREMY ADAMS, DISTRICT 5

KIRKLYN DIXON, DISTRICT 6