

September 10, 2013

The Walton County Board of Commissioners held its regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, September 10, 2013 at 6:00 p.m. at the Historic Walton County Courthouse, 111 South Broad Street, Monroe, Georgia. Those present included Chairman Kevin Little, Commissioners Clinton Ayers, Mark Banks, Lamar Palmer, Jeremy Adams and Kirklyn Dixon, County Clerk Leta Talbird, County Attorney Chris 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. Commissioner Shelnett did not attend the meeting.

Fire Chief Mike Moore presented the County's current fire service coverage maps. He explained that two additional fire stations, which are to be funded by SPLOST III, would improve response time in areas currently outside of a five mile radius of a fire station, would result in lower ISO ratings and would reduce homeowner insurance premiums in those areas of the County.

The Board recognized Nancy Kinsey, former Executive Director of the Development Authority of Walton County, for her accomplishments throughout the years bringing industries to Walton County.

Chairman Little called the meeting to order at 6:29 and led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance. Commissioner Dixon gave the invocation.

Planning Director Mike Martin stated that Joe Ray, the applicant for CU13060009 – Alteration to conditions of Conditional Use to remove zoning conditions for an event facility located at 5550 Sandy Creek Road, had requested his application be withdrawn. Commissioner Banks made a motion to approve withdrawal of the application. Commissioner Palmer seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

Planning Director Mike Martin presented a Planning Commission recommendation to approve Z13070003 – Rezone 17.08 acres from R-1 (2400) to A-2 for single family use for Hamid Shekarbkht & Saghar Navid. The effected property is located at 3011 Broadnax Mill Road and is further identified on WC Tax Map C 46, Parcel 42. Chairman Little opened the public hearing on the matter. The applicant did not attend the meeting. 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 as presented. Commissioner Banks seconded the motion; voted and carried unanimously.

The Board considered a Planning Commission recommendation to approve CU13070002 – Conditional Use for a Guest House for Connie Bentley. The effected property is located at 1358 & 1360 Old Athens Highway and is further identified on WC Tax Map C 125, Parcels 24 & 25. Chairman Little opened the public hearing on the matter. Connie Bentley came before the Board in support of the Conditional Use. There was no one present in opposition. Chairman Little closed the public hearing on the matter. Commissioner Dixon made a motion to approve the Conditional Use. Commissioner Adams seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

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

1. Approval of August 6, 2013 and August 15, 2013 Meeting Minutes
2. Budget amendments as follows:
  - Human Resources: To record donation and corresponding expenditures in HR fund in the amount of \$5,000.00. No effect on fund balance in the General Fund.
  - Animal Control: To increase both expenditures and revenues for donations made to Animal Control in the amount of \$646.00. No effect on fund balance in the General Fund.
  - Sheriff's Office: Budget amendment to both revenue and expenditure budgets to record grant monies received from NADDI for the purchase of equipment by Narcotics Unit in the amount of \$5,000.00. No effect on fund balance in the General Fund.
  - Sheriff's Office: Budget amendment to both revenue and expenditure budgets to record donation from the National Night Out Campaign in the amount of \$285.00 for the purchase of supplies. No effect on fund balance in the General Fund.
  - Forfeited Drug Seizure Fund 211: Budget amendment to both revenue and expenditure budgets in the amount of \$32,733.40 to cover the cost of vehicles purchased by the Sheriff's Office. No effect on fund balance.
  - Forfeited Federal Drug Fund 214: Budget amendment to transfer expenditure allocations in the amount of \$26,169.00 from small equipment drug dog and uniforms to vehicles to cover the cost of a truck purchased by the Sheriff's office. No effect on fund balance.
  - Inmate Commissary Fund 213: Budget amendment to transfer expenditure allocations in the amount of \$69,382.00 from general supplies to vehicles to cover the cost of two transportation vans for inmate transport. No effect on fund balance.
3. Contracts & Budgeted Purchases of \$2,500.00 or greater
4. EMS Bad Debt Write-offs
5. Intergovernmental Agreement - City of Good Hope - Paving Services Queen's Court (for the record)

6. Proposal - Joe Tanner & Associates - PM 2.5 Nonattainment Area
7. Transfer of Equipment to Jail from Valley Foods
8. FY 2014 GDOT LMIG Application
9. Contract - Walton County School District - School Resource Officer Program
10. State Criminal Alien Assistance Program Grant Application
11. Acceptance of Forfeited Vehicle - Sheriff's Office
12. Contracts - Bingham Arbitrage Rebate Services, Inc. Hard Labor Creek Reservoir Project, Series 2008
13. Request to apply for S.A.F.E.R. Grant Extension - Fire Department
14. FY 2013 Emergency Management Preparedness Grant Award/Agreement
15. Declaration of Surplus Property

Commissioner Banks seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

The Board considered an Employee Benefits Committee recommendation to approve the FY 2014 Holiday Schedule. Commissioner Adams made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Ayers, to approve the FY 2014 Holiday Schedule as presented. All voted in favor.

John Allman, Chairman of the Employee Benefits Committee, presented a recommendation to approve a proposal from Liberty Mutual Auto & Property Insurance for a voluntary insurance program for employees. Commissioner Ayers made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Dixon, to approve the proposal. All voted in favor.

Finance Director Linda Hanna presented a resolution to adopt the initial Project Length Budget for SPLOST III Projects. Commissioner Palmer made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Dixon, to adopt the resolution as presented. All voted in favor.

Commissioner Adams made a motion to appoint Chairman Kevin Little and Commissioner Timmy Shelnett to the Walton Water Reclamation Board. Commissioner Dixon seconded the motion; voted and carried unanimously. The City of Walnut Grove appointees are Mayor Lamar Lee, Councilman Wayne Dimsdale and Maxine McClanahan serving at large.

Public Works Director Steve Chandler presented bids received for the Jersey Covington Road Bridge Maintenance Project. Mr. Chandler recommended the Board award the bid from Sunbelt Structures, Inc. in the amount of \$156,740.10. Commissioner Palmer made a motion to award the bid to Sunbelt Structures in the amount of \$156,740.10. Commissioner Dixon seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

At 6:48 p.m., Commissioner Ayers made a motion to enter into executive

session to discuss potential litigation and personnel matters. Commissioner Palmer seconded the motion. Commissioners Ayers, Banks, Shelnut, Palmer, Adams and Dixon voted in favor of the motion.

At 7:22 p.m., Commissioner Adams made a motion to return to regular session. Commissioner Palmer seconded the motion. Commissioners Ayers, Banks, Shelnut, Palmer, Adams and Dixon voted in favor. No votes were taken while in executive session.

At 7:23 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.

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

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CLINTON AYERS, DISTRICT 1      MARK BANKS, DISTRICT 2

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LAMAR PALMER, DISTRICT 4

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JEREMY ADAMS, DISTRICT 5      KIRKLYN DIXON, DISTRICT 6