

REGULAR MEETING
FLOYD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
August 13, 2019 6:00 P.M.

PRESENT: Commissioners Scotty Hancock, Wright Bagby, Rhonda Wallace,
Allison Watters, Larry Maxey

OTHERS
PRESENT: Assistant County Manager Gary Burkhalter, County Clerk Erin Elrod,
County Attorney Wade Hoyt III, Assistant County Clerk Amy Dawkins

CALL TO
ORDER: Chair Hancock called the meeting to order.

INVOCATION: Commissioner Wallace led the Invocation.

PLEDGE OF
ALLEGIANCE: Commissioner Wallace led the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Chair Hancock made a MOTION to approve the August 13, 2019 agenda with deferral of item number fifteen (15) on the Consent Agenda. SECOND by Commissioner Wallace.
VOTING:

YES NO

Commissioner Wallace

" Watters

" Maxey

Vice-Chair Bagby

Chair Hancock

Motion Carried

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Chair Hancock asked County Attorney Wade Hoyt if the minutes were in order. Mr. Hoyt stated the minutes have been reviewed and are in order. Chair Hancock called for a

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motion. MOTION made by Commissioner Maxey to adopt the Special Called Meeting of July 17, 2019, the Special Called Meeting, Caucus, and Regular Meeting of July 23, 2019. SECOND by Commissioner Watters. VOTING:

YES

NO

Commissioner Wallace

" Watters

" Maxey

Vice-Chair Bagby

Chair Hancock

Motion Carried

FIRST READING

(SECOND READING TO BE HELD ON AUGUST 27, 2019 AT 6PM)

- 1. FILE #Z19-08-03 REQUESTING REZONING FROM SUBURBAN RESIDENTIAL (S-R) TO COMMUNITY COMMERCIAL (C-C), AS WELL AS A SPECIAL USE PERMIT FOR MINITURE WAREHOUSES FOR THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 4970 ROCKMART HIGHWAY, SILVER CREEK, GEORGIA; FLOYD COUNTY TAX PARCEL K17076. THIS COMES WITH A RECOMMENDATION FROM THE PLANNING COMMISSION AND THE PLANNING STAFF.**

Artagus Newell, Rome-Floyd County Planning and Zoning Director, stated this is a property that currently has an existing gas station, convenience store as well as some indoor mini-warehouse storage units. It was discovered that the property was zoned Suburban Residential (S-R), the request is to rezone as Community Commercial (C-C) along with a Special Use Permit so that the properties use and zoning match. Staff and the Planning Commission recommend approval, there was one neighbor that has some concerns about the potential tax implications to his property with the rezoning.

CHAIR'S REPORT

No Report

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COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

1. Fire Overview Committee

Chair Hancock stated they had a Fire Overview Committee and they were able to view the two (2) new quints that were purchased for the Rome-Floyd Fire Department. The quints will be set on either side of the city limits and have the large ladder truck stationed downtown. He added this was a really good use of SPLOST and tax dollars.

2. Litter/ Blight Task Force

Vice-Chair Bagby stated the city, county, and Cave Spring were excited about this and they really think they can make a difference. They divided the task force into different categories that they believed represent the community and gives the best opportunity to make a difference.

Chair: David Mathis

Co-Chair: Ralph Davis

Marketing/ PR: Kristi Kent

Keep Rome/Floyd Beautiful: Emma Wells

Law Enforcement/ Judicial: Tim Burkhalter, Gene Richardson

Real Estate: Brooke Brinson, Harry Brock

Education: Lucy Burnes, Stephanie Dean

Healthcare: Ben Simmons, Mai Lee Payne, Dr. Bridgette Dingle

Economic Development: Jennifer Coles

Vice-Chair Bagby made a recommendation that they approve the mentioned members so they can start working.

Chair Hancock called for a motion. MOTION made by Commissioner Watters to appoint the following citizens to the Rome Floyd Litter/Blight Task Force David Mathis as Chair; Ralph Davis as Co-Chair; Kristi Kent as Marketing and PR; Emma Wells as the Keep Rome/Floyd Beautiful representative; Sheriff Tim Burkhalter and Judge Gene Richardson as law enforcement and judicial representatives; Brooke Brinson and Harry Brock as real estate representatives; Lucy Burnes and Stephanie

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Dean as education representatives; Ben Simmons, Mai Lee Payne, and Dr. Bridgette Dingle as healthcare representatives; Jennifer Coles as the economic development representative. SECOND by Commissioner Wallace. VOTING:

YES

NO

Commissioner Wallace

" Watters

" Maxey

Vice-Chair Bagby

Chair Hancock

Motion Carried

Chair Hancock stated he appreciated the efforts made by Vice-Chair Bagby and Commissioner Watters to form this committee to improve the community.

Vice-Chair Bagby added he wanted everyone to understand that this was beyond litter, this is also about blight and all the things that accompany those two things.

MANAGER'S REPORT

Assistant County Manager Burkhalter stated that he wanted to wish County Manager McCord a speedy recovery. He is getting some much needed R&R, they look forward to him coming back soon.

Chair Hancock stated that Mr. McCord has been in all their thoughts and prayers, hopefully he will be back soon.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT

No Report

CONSENT AGENDA

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Chair Hancock asked County Clerk Elrod if the Consent Agenda was in order. Mrs. Elrod stated the Consent Agenda was reviewed in caucus and is ready to be voted upon.

Chair Hancock called for a Motion. MOTION made by Commissioner Maxey to approve and authorize execution of items submitted under the Consent Agenda as presented. SECOND by Commissioner Wallace. VOTING:

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| Commissioner Wallace | | |
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| Vice-Chair Bagby | | |
| Chair Hancock | | |

Motion Carried

1. Approve 2019 ACCG Legislative Leadership Conference Voting Delegate.
2. Approve the title release for the 2005 Freightliner M2106 (county Property Tag #T10915) as a trade in on the purchase of a new Ford F-150. The purchase and funds will be made under the Floyd County Board of Health.
3. Approve the Quit-Claim Deed for surplus and transfer of property located at 922 South Broad Street to the Rome-Floyd County Land Bank Authority.
4. Approve the Quit-Claim Deed for surplus and transfer of property located at 711 Graham Street to the Rome-Floyd County Land Bank Authority.
5. Approve the Quit-Claim Deed for surplus and transfer of property located at 13 Peachtree Street to the Rome-Floyd County Land Bank Authority.
6. Approve the Quit-Claim Deed for surplus and transfer of property located at 924 South Broad Street to the Rome-Floyd County Land Bank Authority.

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7. Approve the Quit-Claim Deed for surplus and transfer of property located at 1 Line Street to the Rome-Floyd County Land Bank Authority.
8. Approve the Quit-Claim Deed for surplus and transfer of property located at 3 Line Street to the Rome-Floyd County Land Bank Authority.
9. Approve the Quit-Claim Deed for surplus and transfer of property located at 114A Pine Street and 114B Pine Street to the Rome-Floyd County Land Bank Authority.
10. Approve veterinary services contract with Dr. Daniel Nepp, D.V.M to establish a wellness program at Floyd County Public Animal Welfare Services to diagnose, treat, prescribe medicines, and treat general health, injuries, and illness of animals. This will be paid by using donated funds.
11. Approve transfer of a Quit Claim Deed to Dale Hamby for property located at beginning at a point 130.00 feet left of and opposite station 167+86.59 on the construction centerline of West Rome Bypass on Georgia Department of Transportation project number nh-0612-1 (85), Floyd County: thence along the east right of way of the existing Horseleg Creek Road, south 05°35'12" east a distance of 191.00 feet to a concrete right of way marker located 125.52 feet left of and opposite station 28+21.90 on the construction centerline of Horseleg Creek Road; thence along the north right of way of Mountain End Lake Road, south 79°50'15" west a distance of 57.51 feet to a 5/8" rebar found located on the west right of way of the existing Horseleg Creek Road; thence leaving the north right of way of Mountain End Lake Road and along the west right of way of the existing Horseleg Creek Road, north 05°07'09" west a distance of 207.12 feet to a point; thence continuing along the west right of way of the existing Horseleg Creek Road, north 07°23'47" west a distance of 128.06 feet to a concrete right of way marker located 130.00 feet left of and opposite station 169+35.05 on the construction centerline of West Rome Bypass; thence along the west right of way of West Rome Bypass south 28°44'46" east a distance of 151.74 feet to a concrete right of way marker, which is the point of beginning.
12. Approve Memorandum of Understanding between Watters District Council for Historic Preservation, Inc. and Rome-Floyd Parks and Recreation to provide interior wall space for historical pictures and information panels in the Shannon Center at Shag Williams Park.

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- 13.** Approve a 7.5% supplement to compensation for position #650-006 at the Russell Regional Airport from 7/6/18-7/5/19.
- 14.** Approve step increase from a 110/15 to a 110/25 for position #441-037 at the Jail, retro to April 10, 2019.
- 15.** Approve pay adjustments to local supplements for District Attorney's office.

NEW BUSINESS

1. ACCEPT RECOMMENDATION TO CONTRACT WITH COPART FOR AUCTION SERVICES FOR ONE YEAR.

Assistant County Manager Burkhalter stated this is a different process for disposal for the county's assets than what has been used in the past. Bruce Ivey, Special Projects Manager, and Bill Gilliland, Purchasing Director have met with the group and they want to try this service and give them an opportunity for a one (1) year basis. He recommended acceptance of the contract.

Chair Hancock called for a Motion. MOTION made by Commissioner Watters to approve recommendation to contract with COPART for auction services for one year. SECOND by Commissioner Wallace. VOTING:

YES

NO

Commissioner Wallace

" Watters

" Maxey

Vice-Chair Bagby

Chair Hancock

Motion Carried

2. ACCEPT REQUEST FROM THE CITY OF ROME FOR RIGHT OF WAY AND COVERED BUS STOP EASEMENT ON FLOYD COUNTY HEALTH

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DEPARTMENT PARCEL (J1FL-070)

Assistant County Manager Burkhalter stated the recommendation is to accept the request from the city to deed the right of way to them and allow the easement for them to place a covered bus shelter at the Floyd County Health Department.

Chair Hancock called for a Motion. MOTION made by Commissioner Maxey to approve request from the City of Rome for Right of Way and Covered Bus Stop Easement on Floyd County Health Department Parcel (J1FL-070). SECOND by Commissioner Watters. VOTING:

YES

NO

Commissioner Wallace

" Watters

" Maxey

Vice-Chair Bagby

Chair Hancock

Motion Carried

- 3. APPROVE APPLICATION FOR PAYMENT #2 (TWO) IN THE AMOUNT OF \$232,767.24 TO C.W. MATTHEWS CONTRACTING COMPANY FOR THE RICHARD B. RUSSEL REGIONAL AIRPORT RUNWAY 7/25 OVERLAY.**

- 4. APPROVE APPLICATION FOR PAYMENT #3 (THREE) BEING THE FINAL PAYMENT AND THE RETAINER, TO C.W. MATTHEWS CONTRACTING COMPANY FOR THE RICHARD B. RUSSELL REGIONAL AIRPORT RUNWAY 7/25 OVERLAY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$144,765.86.**

Assistant County Manager Burkhalter stated he would like to do item three (3) and four (4) together since they relate to each other. The work has been completed and the final inspection has been done. This is to authorize the payment #2 and Payment #3 to C.W. Matthews for the 7/25 Overlay project. He recommended approval of item three (3) and item four (4) together to close out the project.

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Chair Hancock called for a Motion. MOTION made by Commissioner Wallace to approve application for payment number #2 (two) in the amount of \$232,767.24 and #3 (three) being the final payment and the retainer, to C.W. Matthews Contracting Company for the Richard B. Russell Regional Airport Runway 7/25 Overlay in the amount of \$144,765.86. SECOND by Commissioner Watters. VOTING:

YES

NO

Commissioner Wallace

" Watters

" Maxey

Vice-Chair Bagby

Chair Hancock

Motion Carried

5. APPROVE MILLING AND RE-PAVING OF A SECTION OF AIRPORT T-HANGER APRON ADJACENT TO SOUTHWEST T-HANGAR IN THE AMOUNT OF \$34,830.00, NOT TO EXCEED \$50,000.00

Assistant County Manager Burkhalter stated they received a price for milling from Blount Construction which would include mobilization along with the milling part of the project. Public Works would do the paving; they have already come up with an estimate of the materials needed but they are not sure if they will run into any problems with the soil in that area. \$50,000.00 is already budgeted for the project so they would like to have the ability to spend up to the \$50,000.00 if necessary. He recommended approval.

Chair Hancock called for a Motion. MOTION made by Commissioner Wallace to approve milling and re-paving of a section of Airport T-Hanger apron adjacent to Southwest T-hangar in the amount of \$34,830.00, not to exceed \$50,000.00. SECOND by Commissioner Watters. VOTING:

YES

NO

Commissioner Wallace

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| Chair | | Hancock |

Motion Carried

6. APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF VIDEO CAMERAS AND ACCESSORIES FOR FIVE (5) NEW POLICE PURSUIT VEHICLES FROM SF MOBILE VISION OF ROCKAWAY, NEW JERSEY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$25,855.00. THIS WILL BE PURCHASED USING 2017 SPLOST FUNDS.

Assistant County Manager Burkhalter stated the Commission approved the purchase of five (5) additional pursuit vehicles at the July 23, 2019 meeting for the Police Department. This is to approve the purchase of video cameras and accessories for the five (5) vehicles. He recommended approval.

Chair Hancock called for a Motion. MOTION made by Commissioner Maxey to approve the purchase of video cameras and accessories for five (5) new police pursuit vehicles from SF Mobile Vision of Rockaway, New Jersey in the amount of \$25,855.00. This will be purchased using 2017 SPLOST funds. SECOND by Commissioner Watters. VOTING:

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| Vice-Chair | | Bagby |
| Chair | | Hancock |

Motion Carried

7. APPROVE AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES WITH CRAWFORD, MURPHY, & TILLY ENGINEERS FOR RUNWAY 1/19 AND TAXIWAY "A" EXTENSION PROJECT.

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Assistant County Manager Burkhalter stated the initial bids were higher than anticipated and the funds available so they are looking into starting the process again and in a different manner. The lead engineer that use to work for Michael Baker International has left that firm and went to work for another firm who hired him to run their Atlanta office. With his previous experience with the project the Airport Commission agrees that it would be best to have him continue with the project. He recommended approval.

Commissioner Wallace made a MOTION to approve agreement for professional services with Crawford, Murphy, & Tilly Engineers for Runway 1/19 and taxiway "A" extension project with the understanding the contract between Floyd County and Crawford, Murphy, & Tilly Engineers will remove ant provisions as to identification and/or hold harmless. SECOND by Commissioner Watters. VOTING:

YES

NO

Commissioner Wallace

" Watters

" Maxey

Vice-Chair Bagby

Chair Hancock

Motion Carried

8. APPROVE 2019 MID-YEAR BUDGET REVISION.

Assistant County Manager Burkhalter stated Susie Gass, Floyd County Finance Director reviewed the 2019 mid-year budget revision in caucus. He stated he would just summarize what was reviewed. The tax revenue section, there was an overall increase by \$1.472M with the two (2) largest areas being projection increase for current year property taxes, and for Local Option Sales Tax. Charges for services increased over \$336,000.00, with the largest portion coming from the boarding inmates account. The revenue overall increased roughly \$1.9M. On the expenditure side several things they have talked about and approvals that have occurred in the past few months, one was the abolishment of a patrol officer position and establishment of a systems analyst in IT that would be used for the police department. In facilities they are trying to

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purchase the Freon inventory before the change out to the new regulations. Also, the police department has the four (4) new school resource officer positions. The increase in the sheriff's department was due to the agreement where the Chattooga funds would be split between county revenue and the sheriff's repair and maintenance. Bottom line, the projected amount of fund balance to be used is \$2.486M, where it was \$3.221M totaling a reduction of \$734,000.00. The increase in the health insurance fund projections for claims was increased by \$500,000.00. He recommended approval.

Chair Hancock called for a Motion. MOTION made by Commissioner Wallace to approve 2019 mid-year budget revision. SECOND by Commissioner Watters. VOTING:

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| Commissioner Wallace | | |
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| " Maxey | | |
| Vice-Chair Bagby | | |
| Chair Hancock | | |

Motion Carried

OTHER BUSINESS

None.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, a MOTION was made by Commissioner Maxey. SECOND by Commissioner Wallace that the meeting be adjourned. VOTING:

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| Vice-Chair | Bagby |
| Chair | Hancock |

Motion Carried

ATTEST:

ERIN ELROD, FLOYD COUNTY CLERK

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**FLOYD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
CAUCUS**

August 13, 2019

4:00PM

Present: Commissioners Rhonda Wallace, Wright Bagby, Allison Watters, Scotty Hancock; Assistant County Manager Gary Burkhalter, County Clerk Erin Elrod, County Attorney Wade Hoyt III, and Assistant County Clerk Amy Dawkins

Others Present: Todd Wofford, Rome-Floyd Parks and Recreation Director; Artagus Newell, Rome-Floyd Planning and Zoning Director; Susie Gass, Floyd County Finance Director; Jeff Mitchell, P.A.W.S Director; John Carroll, Richard B. Russel Regional Airport Manager; Bruce Ivey, Floyd County Special Projects Manager; Mark Wallace, Floyd County Police Chief; Devon Smyth, William S. Davies Homeless Shelter Director; Diane Wagner, Media, Rome News-Tribune; Corey Townsend, and board of health rep

Devon Smyth presented on the homeless community in Rome-Floyd county and the new ordinance being proposed for the City of Rome

Commission and staff reviewed the August 13, 2019 Agenda items.

ATTEST:

ERIN ELROD, FLOYD COUNTY CLERK