



# FLOYD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

October 27, 2020

Forum River Center

Caucus—Ballroom 4:00 pm  
Regular Meeting—Ballroom 6:00 pm

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**PRESENT: COMMISSIONERS: SCOTTY HANCOCK, WRIGHT BAGBY, RHONDA WALLACE, ALLISON WATTERS, & LARRY MAXEY; COUNTY MANAGER JAMIE MCCORD, ASSISTANT COUNTY MANAGER GARY BURKHALTER, COUNTY CLERK ERIN ELROD, COUNTY ATTORNEY VIRGINIA HARMAN; ART NEWELL, BRICE WOOD, SEAN LOWE, OLIVIA MORLEY, SUSIE GASS, AND JEROME POOLE**

## CAUCUS

**CHAIR HANCOCK CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER. MR. MCCORD BEGAN THE REVIEW OF THE AGENDA. NEW BUSINESS ITEM #8 WILL BE DEFERRED TO A LATER MEETING AFTER FURTHER DISCUSSION WITH THE CITY. WE WILL BE FOLLOWING UP WITH MUNICODE TO DISCUSS OUR OPTIONS ON MOVING FORWARD. CHAIR HANCOCK CONTINUED WITH THE REIVEW OF THE AGENDA. MR. NEWELL REVIEWED THE ITEM UP FOR THE PUBLIC HEARING. MR. MCCORD UPDATED THE COMMISSION ON THE SOLID WASTE COMMISSION MEETING FROM EARLIER IN THE DAY.**

**CHAIR HANCOCK AND MR. MCCORD REVIEWED THE REMAINING OF THE AGENDA WITH THE COMMISSION.**

- I. CALL TO ORDER — CHAIR HANCOCK CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER.**
- II. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO FLAG — COMMISSIONER MAXEY LED THE COMMISSION IN THE INVOCATION AND THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.**
- III. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA—CHAIR HANCOCK ASKED FOR A MOTION TO APPROVE THE AGENDA WITH ITEM #7 AND ITEM #8 UNDER NEW BUSINESS TO BE DEFERRED TO A LATER MEETING. COMMISSIONER MAXEY MADE THE MOTION TO APPROVE WITH A SECOND BY COMMISSIONER WALLACE. THE MOTION CARRIED 5-0.**
- IV. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION — NO PARTICIPATION**
- V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES — CHAIR HANCOCK ASKED MS. HARMAN IF THE MINUTES WERE IN ORDER. MS. HARMAN REPORTED THEY WERE. CHAIR HANCOCK ASKED FOR A MOTION TO APPROVE WITH A SECOND FROM COMMISSIONER WATTERS. THE MOTION CARRIED 5-0.**

**VI. SPECIAL RECOGNITION**

1. Recognition of Officer Jeff Edwards and Warden Michael Long for work at the Cave Spring Community Center. — **COMMISSIONER RHONDA WALLACE READ ON THE RECORD A LETTER FROM CAVE SPRING MAYOR ROB WARE IN APPRECIATION OF THE WORK DONE BY OFFICER JEFF EDWARDS AND WARDEN MICHAEL LONG.**

**VII. PROCLAMATIONS**

1. Retired Educator's Day — **COMMISSIONER WATTERS READ THE PROCLAMATION ON THE RECORD AND PRESENTED TO MS. JUANITA KING.**

**VIII. FIRST READING**

**IX. SECOND READING/PUBLIC HEARING**

1. File Z20-10-02SUP20-03-02 Requesting a rezoning from Community Commercial to Agricultural Residential for the property located at 0 Alabama Highway, Rome, GA 30165, Floyd County Tax Parcel C13066. Planning Commission and Staff recommend approval 9-0. — **MR. BRICE WOOD PRESENTED THE REQUEST TO THE COMMISSION. CHAIR HANCOCK ASKED IF THERE WAS ANYONE TO SPEAK IN FAVOR OF THE PROJECT AND IF THERE WAS ANYONE TO SPEAK IN OPPOSITION OF THE PROJECT. NO ONE WAS IN ATTENDANCE TO SPEAK IN FAVOR OR OPPOSITION. CHAIR HANCOCK ASKED FOR A MOTION. COMMISSIONER MAXEY MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE WITH A SECOND BY COMMISSIONER WATTERS. THE MOTION CARRIED 5-0.**

**X. RESOLUTIONS**

1. Adopt a resolution to amend Association of County Commissioners of Georgia Defined Benefit Plan for Floyd County Employees. — **MR. MCCORD REVIEWS THE PLAN AMENDMENT WITH THE COMMISSION. CHAIR HANCOCK ASKED FOR A MOTION. COMMISSIONER WATTERS MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE WITH A SECOND BY VICE-CHAIR BAGBY. THE MOTION CARRIED 5-0.**
2. Adopt a resolution declaring certain property of Floyd County unserviceable and authorizing the transfer of said property to Rome-Floyd County Land Bank Authority.— **CHAIR HANCOCK ASKED FOR A MOTION. COMMISSIONER WALLACE MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE WITH A SECOND BY COMMISSIONER WATTERS. THE MOTION CARRIED**

**5-0.**

- a. Tax Parcel J14N 310, 212 East 14<sup>th</sup> Street, Rome, Georgia
- b. Tax Parcel J14K 208, 1202 Maple Avenue, Rome, Georgia
- c. Tax Parcel J14N 290, located on East 14<sup>th</sup> Street, Rome, Georgia
- d. Tax Parcel J14N 049A, located on Brown Street, Rome, Georgia
- e. Tax Parcel K13Z 034, 1837 Kingston Highway, Floyd County, Georgia
- f. Tax Parcel K13Z 035, located on Kingston Highway, Floyd County, Georgia
- g. Tax Parcel K13Z 010, located on Veterans Memorial Highway, Floyd County, Georgia
- h. Tax Parcel L13Y 157, located on Lewis Barrett Boulevard, Floyd County, Georgia
- i. Tax Parcel L13Y 156, located on Lewis Barrett Boulevard, Floyd County Georgia
- j. Tax Parcel K13Z 002B, located on Lewis Barrett Boulevard, Floyd County Georgia
- k. Tax Parcel K13Z 002A, located on Lewis Barrett Boulevard, Floyd County, Georgia
- l. Tax Parcel L13Y 140, located on Lewis Barrett Boulevard, Floyd County, Georgia
- m. Tax Parcel J14N 215, 308 East 15<sup>th</sup> Street, Rome, Georgia
- n. Tax Parcel J13P 244, located on Washington Drive, Floyd County, Georgia
- o. Tax Parcel J13P 238, located on Washington Drive, Floyd County, Georgia
- p. Tax Parcel K13X 352, 85 Highland Street, Floyd County, Georgia
- q. Tax Parcel J14P 014, located on Line Street, Floyd County, Georgia
- r. Tax Parcel J14N 084, 304 East 18<sup>th</sup> Street, Rome, Georgia

**XI. CHAIRMAN’S REPORT — CHAIR HANCOCK ASKED JOHN CARROLL TO UPDATE THE COMMISSION ON THE AIR SHOW.**

**XII. COMMISSIONER’S REPORT**

- 1. Administrative/Finance Committee – Commissioners Bagby & Wallace**
  - a. Next Meeting, Thursday, November 19, 2020, at 8:00am.
- 2. Public Safety Committee – Commissioners Maxey & Hancock**
  - a. Next Meeting, Wednesday, December 9, 2020, at 9:00am.

- 3. Public Works Committee – Commissioners Watters & Bagby**
  - a. Next Meeting, Wednesday, November 18, 2020, at 8:00am.
- 4. Water Committee – Commissioners Wallace & Maxey**
  - a. Next Meeting, Monday, November 23, 2020, at 11:30am.
- 5. Special Committee Reports**
  - a. Fire Overview Committee—Commissioners Hancock & Maxey**
    - i. Next Meeting, Tuesday, November 10, 2020, at 10:30am.
  - b. Joint Services Committee—Commissioners Hancock & Bagby**
    - i. Next Meeting, Tuesday, December 1, 2020, at 8:00am.
  - c. Rome-Floyd Planning Commission—Commissioner Maxey**
    - i. Next Meeting, Thursday, November 5, 2020, at 2:30pm.
  - d. Joint Development Oversight Committee—Commissioners Hancock & Bagby**
    - i. Next Meeting, Tuesday, November 3, 2020, at 10:00am.
  - e. Joint Solid Waste Commission—Commissioners Bagby & Watters**
    - i. Next Meeting, Tuesday, October 27, 2020, at 8:30am.
  - f. Transportation Policy Committee—Commissioners Wallace & Watters**
    - i. Next Meeting, Tuesday, November 18, 2020, at 8:30am.
  - g. Airport Commission—Commissioner Wallace**
    - i. Next Meeting, Tuesday, November 17, 2020, at 4:00pm.

- h. SPLOST Project Overview Committee—Commissioners Hancock & Wallace**
- i. RFPR Advisory Committee—Commissioner Bagby**
  - i. Next Meeting, Tuesday, December 15, 2020, at 12:00pm.
- j. Judicial Committee/(CJIS) – Commissioner Wallace**
- k. Floyd County Library Board— Commissioner Watters**
  - i. Next Meeting, Thursday, November 19, 2020, at 4:00pm.

**XIII. MANAGER’S REPORT—NO REPORT**

**XIV. ATTORNEY’S REPORT—NO REPORT**

**XV. CONSENT AGENDA — CHAIR HANCOCK ASKED COUNTY CLERK ERIN ELROD IF THE AGENDA WAS IN ORDER. COUNTY CLERK ERIN ELROD STATED YES THE AGENDA WAS IN ORDER. CHAIR HANCOCK ASKED FOR A MOTION TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA. COMMISSIONER MAXEY MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE WITH A SECOND BY COMMISSIONER WATTERS. THE MOTION CARRIED 5-0.**

- 1.** Approve the request from the Tax Commissioner to remove \$560.42 in tax bills from the Tax Commissioner’s Roll as the business has closed and no assets are available.
- 2.** Approve the purchase of a Med-Eng EOC 10 Bomb Suit for the Floyd County Police Department in the amount of \$36,816.00. This will be paid through the GEMA Homeland Security Grant #14.
- 3.** Approve an increase walk-in fee for Pickleball at the Thornton Center and Gilbreath Center and approve fees for an outdoor Pickleball League.
- 4.** Approve purchase of teleworking equipment in the amount of \$11,260.00 for the Finance Department.

**XVI. OLD BUSINESS**

**XVII. NEW BUSINESS**

- 1.** Approve the purchase of security camera components and the installation of the project by Logical Systems in the amount of \$58,319.00. This was budgeted in

2020 capital at \$70,000.00. — **MR. MCCORD REVIEWED THE REQUEST FOR PURCHASE WITH THE COMMISSION. THE CAMERAS WILL BE LOCATED AT ADMIN, LEC, AND THE HISTORIC COURTHOUSE. CHAIR HANCOCK ASKED FOR A MOTION TO APPROVE. COMMISSIONER WALLACE MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE WITH A SECOND BY VICE-CHAIR BAGBY. THE MOTION CARRIED 5-0.**

2. Approve Memorandum of Understanding between the Rome-Floyd County Development Authority, Kerry, Inc., Floyd County, and the Board of Tax Assessors of Floyd County. — **MR. MCCORD REVIEWED THE BOND DOCUMENTS WITH THE COMMISSION. THIS WAS APPROVED AT THE ROME-FLOYD DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY LAST WEEK. CHAIR HANCOCK ASKED FOR A MOTION TO APPROVE. MOTION TO APPROVE BY VICE-CHAIR BAGBY WITH A SECOND BY COMMISSIONER MAXEY. THE MOTION CARRIED 5-0.**
3. Approve purchase of equipment upgrades for the SWAT team in the amount of \$44,749.80. This is a 2017 SPLOST purchase. — **MR. MCCORD REVIEWED THE PURCHASE REQUEST WITH THE COMMISSION. THIS INCLUDES NIGHT VISION EQUIPMENT FOR SWAT. CHAIR HANCOCK ASKED FOR A MOTION TO APPROVE. COMMISSIONER WALLACE MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE WITH A SECOND BY COMMISSIONER WATTERS. THE MOTION CARRIED 5-0.**
  - a. (10) NVD PVS 14 WHP Night Vision Devices
  - b. (10) NORO USGI Rhino II Mounts
  - c. (10) Meotech, PEQ15 IR Designators
4. Approve the Airport Capital Improvement Program (ACIP) for FY 22-FY 26. — **MR. MCCORD REVIEWED THE ACIP REQUEST WITH THE COMMISSION. IT IS READY FOR SUBMITTAL TO GDOT. CHAIR HANCOCK ASKED FOR A MOTION TO APPROVE. COMMISSIONER WALLACE MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE WITH A SECOND BY COMMISSIONER WATTERS. THE MOTION CARRIED 5-0.**
5. Approve master agreement with A3 Communication in the amount of \$88,825.16 for VMWare Servers installation and migration. — **MR. MCCORD PRESENTED THE ITEM TO THE COMMISSION. THIS IS MAINTENANCE THAT WAS APPROVED IN THE 2020 CAPITOL BUDGET. CHAIR HANCOCK ASKED FOR A MOTION TO APPROVE. COMMISSIONER MAXEY MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE WITH A SECOND BY COMMISSIONER WATTERS. MOTION CARRIED 5-0.**

6. Approve Michael Baker International Work Authorization 47 — Supplement: additional cost addressing additional comments from the Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) and preparing two additional versions of the revised Final Environmental Assessment for the Runway 1/19 Extension Project. — **MR. MCCORD REVIEWED THE WORK AUTHORIZATION SUPPLEMENT WHICH INCLUDED THE REVISED EA FOR THE PROJECT. CHAIR HANCOCK ASKED FOR A MOTION TO APPROVE. COMMISSIONER WALLACE MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE WITH A SECOND BY VICE-CHAIR BAGBY. THE MOTION CARRIED 5-0.**
7. Approve FY 21 Georgia Indigent Defense Services Agreement in the amount of \$814,663.00. -- **DEFERRED**
8. Approve contract with Municode for development and maintenance of the Floyd County Website. — **DEFERRED**
9. Approve purchase of Motorola radios from Motorola Solutions, Inc. in the amount of \$68,159.90. The total price includes \$625.00 for installation by Coosa Valley Communications, Inc. This is paid through the equipment budget. — **MR. MCCORD PRESENTED THE PURCHASE REQUEST TO THE COMMISSION. IT WAS BUDGETD IN THE 2020 NON-CAPITAL EQUIPMENT BUDGET. CHAIR HANCOCK ASKED FOR A MOTION TO APPROVE. COMMISSIONER WATTERS MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE WITH A SECOND BY COMMISSIONER WALLACE. THE MOTION CARRIED 5-0.**
10. Approve sale of numerous long guns and handguns to King’s Firearms from the Floyd County Police Department in the amount of \$48,843.00. This was approved by a court order. — **MR. MCCORD REVIEWED THE REQUEST WITH THE COMMISSION. IT WAS THE HIGH BID. CHAIR HANCOCK ASKED FOR A MOTION TO APPROVE. VICE-CHAIR BAGBY MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE WITH A SECOND BY COMMISSIONER MAXEY. THE MOTION CARRIED 5-0.**
11. Approve contract documents and specifications for Runway 1/19 Extension, grading and drainage package with Bartow Paving. — **MR. MCCORD REVIEWED THE REQUEST WITH THE COMMISSION. CHAIR HANCOCK ASKED FOR A MOTION TO APPROVE. COMMISSIONER WALLACE MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE WITH A SECOND BY COMMISSIONER WATTERS. THE MOTION CARRIED 5-0.**
12. Approve purchase of audio equipment from Ready or Not, Inc., in the amount of \$13,049.80 for the Community Room. — **MR. MCCORD PRESENTED THE REQUEST TO THE COMMISSION. CHAIR HANCOCK ASKED FOR A MOTION TO APPROVE. COMMISSIONER WALLACE MADE A**

**MOTION TO APPROVE WITH A SECOND BY COMMISSIONER WATTERS. THE MOTION CARRIED 5-0.**

**XVIII. OTHER BUSINESS**

**THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ENTERED INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION DURING CAUCUS FOR PURPOSES OF PROPERTY ACQUISITION AND PERSONNEL. NO ACTION WAS TAKEN.**

**XIX. ADJOURN— WITH NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE COMMITTEE, CHAIR HANCOCK ASKED FOR A MOTION TO ADJOURN. COMMISSIONER MAXEY MADE A MOTION TO ADJOURN WITH A SECOND BY COMMISSIONER WATTERS. THE MOTION CARRIED 5-0.**