

July 29, 2009

CALLED MEETING
FLOYD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
July 29, 2009 5:30 P.M.

PRESENT: Chairman John Mayes, Commissioners Irwin Bagwell, Garry Fricks, Eddie Lumsden and Chad Whitefield

OTHERS

PRESENT: County Attorney Tommy Manning, County Clerk Kathy Arp, County Manager Kevin Poe and Assistant County Manager Kevin Poe.

Cave Spring Mayor Rob Ware, Councilmen Ken Landers, Kenneth Kelley, Nellie McCain, Tony McIntosh and City Clerk Judy Dickinson.

Rome City Mayor Wright Bagby, Commissioners Bill Collins, Jamie Doss, Milton Slack, Duane Reid, Buzz Wachsteter, City Clerk, Joe Smith, City Manager John Bennett and Assistant City Manager Sammy Rich.

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman John Mayes called the meeting to order.

INVOCATION: Rome City Commissioner Milton Slack led the Invocation.

The special called meeting was held in the Riverwalk Ballroom of The Forum, for the purpose of allowing the governing authorities of Floyd County and the Cities of Cave Spring and Rome to discuss possible projects, including municipally owned and operated projects, for inclusion in the SPLOST referendum, and the required intergovernmental agreements. Updates for Service Delivery Strategies (HB489) were also discussed.

DISCUSS PROPOSED SPLOST PROJECTS:

The SPLOST timeline was reviewed. It was noted that the Intergovernmental Agreements and Resolution to call for the SPLOST referendum must be brought before the Floyd County Board of Commissioners for consideration at their meeting of August 11, 2009. The election superintendent would call for SPLOST election by September 1 and the appropriate documentations for the SPLOST election must be submitted to the Justice Department for pre-clearance.

The consensus of the entities was to include six (6) projects for a total of \$42,298,381.00. The projects include Floyd County Projected Capital Improvement Projects: County-wide Public Safety Communications System (\$26,696,250.00);

Acquisition and Improvement of Real Estate for Economic Development Purposes (\$5,983,500.00) totaling \$32,679,750.00. City of Rome Projected Capital Improvement Projects: Barron Stadium Renovation (\$3,369,000.00); Northwest Georgia Regional Commission Building Renovation and Construction (\$1,899,631.00); Renovation of Fire Stations, Construction of Fire Department Headquarters and Renovation and Construction of Emergency Operations Center (\$4,000,000.00) totaling \$9,268,631.00. City of Cave Spring Projected Capital Improvement Projects: Cave Spring Water Project (\$350,000.00) totaling \$350,000.00.

Mayor Wright Bagby stated that it was the consensus of the Rome City Commission to extend the collection period to 36 months. Mayor Rob Ware stated that Cave Spring is concerned about the maintenance costs of the communications system and asked if a special tax assessment district could be created for the purpose of funding the maintenance.

Following discussion, it was the consensus of the officials that each municipality will review the draft Intergovernmental Agreement with any changes forthcoming including those related to elimination of any priority of projects if the Floyd County Board of Commissioners decides to go in that direction and take action prior to the August 11, 2009 deadline.

**DISCUSS UPDATES FOR SERVICE
DELIVERY STRATEGY (HB489):**

Assistant County Manager Blaine Williams stated that and updated of the Service Delivery Strategy that was adopted by the City of Cave Spring, City of Rome and Floyd County in 1999 as part of the original HB489 agreement, has been completed as a requirement from the State of Georgia Department of Community Affairs. He stated the update is merely to reaffirm the commitment of the local governments to continue to work together to provide services in the most efficient, effective and responsive manner.

Following discussion, it was the consensus of the officials that each entity would call for a motion to adopt a Resolution approving the updated service delivery strategy. Mayors Rob Ware and Wright Bagby each called for motion from their respective members, which was unanimously approved by those present.

Commissioner Chad Whitefield made a MOTION to adopt the Resolution Approving the Updated Service Delivery Strategy and Authorizing Execution by the Chairman of all documentation approving of the strategy required by the DCA, and further authorizing the Clerk to forward to DCA all documentation required in accordance with the requirements of State law concerning a Revised Service Delivery Strategy. Second by Commissioner Lumsden. VOTING:

YES NO

Commissioner Bagwell

" Fricks
" Lumsden
" Whitefield

Chairman Mayes

Motion Carried

There being no further business to come before the body, Chairman Mayes adjourned the meeting.

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JOHN MAYES, CHAIRMAN