

April 23, 2012

**CALLED MEETING
FLOYD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
April 23, 2012 10:30 A.M.**

PRESENT: Chairman Irwin Bagwell, Commissioners Garry Fricks, and John Mayes.

OTHERS

PRESENT: County Manager Blaine Williams, Assistant County Manager Noah Simon, County Attorney Tommy Manning, and County Clerk Kathy Arp.

**CALL TO
ORDER:**

Chairman Irwin Bagwell called the meeting to order.

INVOCATION:

Commissioner Mayes led the Invocation.

**PLEDGE OF
ALLEGIANCE:**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commissioner Fricks.

**ADOPTION OF
MINUTES:**

Chairman Bagwell asked County Attorney Tommy Manning if the minutes were in order. Mr. Manning stated the minutes had been reviewed and were in order. Commissioner Mayes made a MOTION to adopt the minutes of the Regular Meeting of April 10, 2012. SECOND by Commissioner Fricks. VOTING:

YES

NO

Commissioner Fricks
" Mayes
Chairman Bagwell

Motion Carried

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:

No Report.

COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

1. Administrative/Finance Committee – Commissioner Fricks, Chairman

a. Award of Bid for Containment Vessel and Trailer, for FCPD through FY2010 Department of Homeland Security Grant Program (FIP# 115-00000-04, GAN# 2010-SS-T0-0034).

Commissioner Fricks stated the purchase of the containment vessel and trailer for the Floyd County Police Department are to be funded through the Department of Homeland Security Grant Program.

Commissioner Fricks made a MOTION to Award the bid for the Containment Vessel and Trailer, for FCPD through FY2010 Department of Homeland Security Grant Program (FIP# 115-00000-04, GAN# 2010-SS-T0-0034). SECOND by Commissioner Mayes. VOTING:

YES

NO

Commissioner Fricks
" Mayes
Chairman Bagwell

Motion Carried

Discussion: County Manager Williams stated the bomb containment vessel is basically a fortified trailer that they have received grant funds to purchase, so no county funds are going into that. He stated if the bomb unit has to respond to an unexploded device, they may use their robot to place the device into this vessel to be safely removed from the scene in order to detonate it. That is the purpose of the trailer. He stated he believes the understanding is that it can be used for the northwest Georgia region, and housed here in Floyd County.

2. Public Safety Committee – Commissioner Mayes, Chairman

No Report.

3. Public Works Committee – Chairman Bagwell, Chairman

No Report.

4. Water Committee – Commissioner Fricks, Chairman

No Report.

5. Judicial Services Committee (CJIS) – Commissioner Mayes

No Report.

6. Special Committee Reports

- a. **Fire Overview Committee**
- b. **Joint Services Committee**
- c. **Joint Development Oversight Committee**
- d. **Joint Solid Waste Oversight Committee**

There were no Special Committee Reports.

CLERK’S REPORT:

1. Tax Refunds:

County Clerk Arp stated this would be to approve the tax refunds. She stated these are refunds that have been approved by the Tax Commissioner for approval by the Board in order to refund various payments to citizens for overpayment, or citizens who have been through an appeal.

Commissioner Mayes made a MOTION to Approve the Tax Refunds. SECOND by Commissioner Fricks. VOTING:

YES	NO
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Commissioner Fricks
" Mayes
Chairman Bagwell

Motion Carried

2. Authorize Execution of Quit Claim Deed for property located at 627 Pennington Avenue, Rome, Georgia 30161. Tax Map I14Z Parcel 058.

County Manager Williams stated this is a Quit Claim deed for a tax sale property. He stated that from time to time the Tax Commissioner sells property on the courthouse steps. Those properties not purchased by other people automatically accrue to the county. He stated in this case, the owner has paid his back taxes and penalties, and is redeeming the property. The county is quit claiming the property back to him, which is located at 627 Pennington Avenue.

Chairman Bagwell called for a motion. Commissioner Fricks made a MOTION to Authorize Execution of the Quit Claim Deed for property located at 627 Pennington Avenue, Rome, Georgia 30161. Tax Map I14Z Parcel 058. SECOND by Commissioner Mayes. VOTING:

YES

NO

Commissioner Fricks
" Mayes
Chairman Bagwell

Motion Carried

3. Authorize Execution of Memorandum of Understanding between The Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia on Behalf of The University of Georgia Cooperative Extension and Floyd County.

County Clerk Arp stated this is the continuation of a current Memorandum of Agreement that they have between The Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia on behalf of The University of Georgia Cooperative Extension. She stated the Memorandum of Understanding sets out the operations of the County Extension Office and the obligations of the county. They have had some staff changes, and requested an update of the Memorandum of Understanding to reflect those changes.

Chairman Bagwell called for a motion. Commissioner Mayes made a MOTION to Authorize Execution of the Memorandum of Understanding between The Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia on Behalf of The University of Georgia Cooperative Extension and Floyd County. SECOND by Commissioner Fricks. VOTING:

YES

NO

Commissioner Fricks
" Mayes
Chairman Bagwell

Motion Carried

4. Adopt Resolution Approving and Authorizing Execution of Grantee-Subgrantee Agreement for FY2011 Homeland Security Grant Program – Citizen Corps Program, in the amount of \$8,000.00. (FIPS #115-00000-99, GAN#EMW-2011-SS-00081-S01)

County Clerk Arp stated this is a grant for funding provided through the Department of Homeland Security in the amount of \$8,000.00 for the Citizens Corps Program. County Manager Williams stated this is an annual grant received from the Georgia Emergency Management Association (GEMA) for the Citizens Emergency Response Team (CERT) Program.

Chairman Bagwell called for a motion. Commissioner Mayes made a MOTION to Adopt the Resolution Approving and Authorizing Execution of Grantee-

Subgrantee Agreement for FY2011 Homeland Security Grant Program – Citizen Corps Program, in the amount of \$8,000.00. (FIPS #115-00000-99, GAN#EMW-2011-SS-00081-S01) SECOND by Commissioner Fricks. VOTING:

YES

NO

Commissioner Fricks
" Mayes
Chairman Bagwell

Motion Carried

5. Adopt Resolution Approving and Authorizing Execution of Lease Agreement between JLC Airshow Management, LLC and Floyd County for Tebo Building at Richard B. Russell Regional Airport.

County Manager Williams stated there is a group interested in putting on a new airshow at the Richard B. Russell Regional Airport later this year in September. He stated they are looking to lease part of a building that is currently vacant on the airport grounds for a thousand dollars per month. They should have a contract to bring before the Board in the next couple of meetings. He stated they hope to be here for five years, and this would be an annual contract. The Airport Commission has recommended that the Board approve this lease. He stated he believes they would like to take possession of part of the building on May 1, 2012, which is why it is before them today.

Chairman Bagwell called for a motion. Commissioner Fricks made a MOTION to Adopt the Resolution Approving and Authorizing Execution of Lease Agreement between JLC Airshow Management, LLC and Floyd County for Tebo Building at Richard B. Russell Regional Airport. SECOND by Commissioner Mayes. VOTING:

YES

NO

Commissioner Fricks
" Mayes
Chairman Bagwell

Motion Carried

6. Adopt Resolution Approving and Authorizing the Purchase, and Planting, of trees along slope easement Prosperity Way in North Floyd Industrial Park. (2009 SPLOST)

County Manager Williams stated with the successful Lowe's Development on the industrial land purchased with 2009 SPLOST funds, they are needing to add an intersection on Highway 140 at the intersection now known as Prosperity Way leading into the industrial park. He stated that since the Georgia Department of Transportation

(GDOT) plans to expand and widen Highway 140 in the next few years, they have tried to be smart in planning for that intersection to prevent possibly building it twice. This has required the purchase of some easements and property to allow for the expansion. He stated a couple of meetings ago the Board approved purchasing around \$2,500.00 in land easements. They have since discovered, in looking at the surveys, that they have impacted about twenty-six trees at a local tree farm. He stated they have negotiated with the tree farm to purchase those trees in the amount of \$2,320.00, which includes their labor and digging the trees. They do have plans to replant those trees on county property in various locations. He recommended that the Board take action in authorizing the purchase of those trees in order to move forward with the construction of the intersection.

Chairman Bagwell called for a motion. Commissioner Mayes made a MOTION to Adopt the Resolution Approving and Authorizing the Purchase, and Planting, of trees along slope easement Prosperity Way in North Floyd Industrial Park. (2009 SPLOST) SECOND by Commissioner Fricks. VOTING:

YES

NO

Commissioner Fricks
" Mayes
Chairman Bagwell

Motion Carried

MANAGER'S REPORT:

1. DISCUSS CAPITAL PURCHASE OF VEHICLES:

County Manager Williams stated they have a recommendation to move forward with purchasing twelve Dodge Chargers. He stated six of which would go to the Floyd County Police Department to help replace some of their patrol fleet. The other six would go to Floyd County Sheriff's Office to replace some of their field vehicles. He stated the purchase of the vehicles were discussed, but not added into the Capital budget in the hopes that the 2012 SPLOST would pass, as they were included in the SPLOST. The six new vehicles for the Police Department would be replacing patrol cars that are in excess of two hundred thousand miles, and one that was totaled. He stated these vehicles are in need of replacement. Ideally, they should replacing six to eight cars per year to keep their fleet fresh. He stated the patrol unit puts around twenty to twenty five thousand miles per year on their cars. The cost of these twelve vehicles fitted out with on-board cameras for the patrol vehicles is around \$350,000.00. He recommended they put those vehicles on the lease purchase pool, which allows payment with very little interest over a three-year period. In effect, they would be adding around \$116,000.00 to the budget. He stated the action today would not be to amend the budget, but rather authorize the purchase of those vehicles. The amendment

of the budget can be addressed during mid-year budget revisions. He recommended approving the purchase of these vehicles. He stated the reason they are doing this now is that this is the last week in which they can order 2012 models. If they wait a few months to order in the summer for 2012 models, they will have to take what remains on the lot and may not get what they want as far as specifications. He stated the state and Dodge have not yet come to terms on pricing concerning the 2013 models. There may or may not be some price escalation in next year's models. He stated they are recommending approval of this purchase to keep the fleet turning over as it should, especially as only one vehicle was purchased last year for the Police Department. Chairman Bagwell stated he knows they are in a tight budget year as they have been the past several years. He stated this is one time he feels it is important to prioritize public safety to keep personnel equipped.

Chairman Bagwell called for a motion. Commissioner Mayes made a MOTION to Approve the Capital Purchase of Twelve (12) 2012 Dodge Chargers for the Floyd County Police Department and the Floyd County Sheriff's Office. SECOND by Commissioner Fricks. VOTING:

YES

NO

Commissioner Fricks
" Mayes
Chairman Bagwell

Motion Carried

ATTORNEY'S REPORT:

No Report.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Chairman Bagwell recognized Leadership Rome participants in attendance.

ADJOURNMENT:

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

YES

NO

Commissioner Fricks
" Mayes
Chairman Bagwell

Motion Carried

**FLOYD COUNTY BOARD OF
COMMISSIONERS**

IRWIN BAGWELL, CHAIRMAN