

**REGULAR MEETING**  
**FLOYD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**  
**March 22, 2016**                      **6:00 P.M.**

**PRESENT:** Commissioners Irwin Bagwell, Garry Fricks, Scotty Hancock, Larry Maxey, and Rhonda Wallace.

**OTHERS**

**PRESENT:** County Manager Jamie McCord, Assistant Manager Gary Burkhalter, County Attorney Wade Hoyt, and Interim County Clerk Jaime Armstrong.

**CALL TO ORDER:**

Chairman Maxey called the meeting to order.

**INVOCATION:** Chairman Maxey led the Invocation.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

Commissioner Hancock led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ADOPTION OF MINUTES:**

Chairman Maxey asked County Attorney Wade Hoyt if the minutes were in order. County Attorney Hoyt stated the minutes have been reviewed and are in order. MOTION made by Commissioner Bagwell to adopt the minutes of the Caucus and Regular Meeting of March 08, 2016. SECOND by Commissioner Wallace VOTING:

	YES	NO
Commissioner Wallace		
" Fricks		
" Bagwell		
" Hancock		
Chairman Maxey		

Motion Carried

**PROCLAMATIONS:**

**CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH**

Commissioner Wallace presented Ms. Lindsey Howerton, Director of Floyd County Department of Family and Children Services, Ms. Carol Willis, Rome-Floyd County Commission on Children and Youth Executive Director, and Ms. Louise Branham, Family Resource Center Board Member and Child Abuse Prevention Chair with a Floyd County and City of Rome Proclamation recognizing April 2016 as Child Abuse Prevention Month.

Ms. Lindsey Howerton, Floyd County Department of Family and Children Services Director, stated she would just like to show appreciation to the Board for this proclamation. She stated a kickoff with pinwheels would be held near the Dempsey Building on April 04, 2016. There will be one pinwheel to represent each of the 345 substantiated incidents of maltreatment. She stated she would also like the Board to join them in showing their support for keeping children first and foremost in the community by wearing blue on Blue Mondays. She noted that there are more events scheduled for the month of April that will be broadcast throughout the community.

Ms. Carol Willis, Rome-Floyd County Commission on Children and Youth Executive Director, stated that child abuse prevention is a group effort, and they certainly appreciate the Board's ongoing, longtime support. She stated this is an issue that everyone would like to turn around. It takes effort by showing support and finding a way to be a piece of a puzzle.

Ms. Louise Branham, Exchange Club Family Resource Center Board Member and Child Abuse Prevention Chair, stated that this has been a great effort through the committees working with the different agencies. They are basically starting on zero ground with the students and the families by reaching out to them and letting them know what they have in the community for them. She stated they are all really excited about what they are doing this year.

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**PUBLIC HEARINGS**

**1. RECEIVE COMMENTS REGARDING LINDALE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) URBAN REDEVELOPMENT PLAN (URP).**

Chairman Maxey declared the Public Hearing open, and asked if there was anyone to speak in support or opposition of the Urban Redevelopment Plan. Seeing none, he declared the Public Hearing closed.

**REQUESTS FOR REZONING & SPECIAL USE PERMITS**  
**(FIRST READINGS HELD MARCH 08, 2016)**

**1. FILE # 31-2016Z. REQUESTS REZONING FROM SUBURBAN RESIDENTIAL (S-R) TO COMMUNITY COMMERCIAL (C-C) TO MARKET FOR COMMERCIAL USE PROPERTY LOCATED ON WHAT IS COMMONLY KNOWN AS CEDARTOWN HIGHWAY. TAX MAP I17X, PARCEL 043. (PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION: APPROVE WITH THE CONDITION THAT A 35' WIDE BUFFER BE MAINTAINED ON THE NORTH PROPERTY LINE, AND THE EXISTING MATURE VEGETATION BE LEFT IN PLACE WITHIN THE BUFFER. [VOTE: 7-0].)**

Chairman Maxey asked Sue Hiller, Rome-Floyd Planning Director, for an overview of the rezoning request. Ms. Hiller presented a map of the area and photographs of the surrounding area. She stated there is office institutional zoning (O-I) to the east of the subject property, which is a college. She stated the bypass is to the south, and suburban residential (S-R) zoning to the north and west. The property is approximately 8.6 acres in size and is currently undeveloped. She stated the property was granted a special use permit in 2010 for a communication tower, but it was never built. Access to the property is from Cedartown Highway, a principal arterial, with services and utilities available in the area except for public sewer. She stated the comprehensive plan designates the property as an urban growth area, and Highway 27 is shown as an activity quarter. In an activity corridor, development of commercial use at intersections such as this one is considered appropriate. She stated rezoning the property would result in encroachment of commercial zoning (C-C) in a suburban residential neighborhood (S-R), and granting the request could result in some adverse impacts such as traffic, light, noise and litter. There is no site plan because the request was submitted in order to market the property. She stated the Planning Commission recommended approval with the condition of a thirty-five foot (35') buffer on the north property line between the subject property and the residential properties to the north. There is residential property to the west, but it would require a thirty-foot (30') buffer in any case, and the north would only require fifteen foot (15'). She stated if there were any questions, she would try to answer them.

Chairman Maxey declared the Public Hearing open, and asked if there is anyone to speak in support or opposition of the request. Seeing none, he declared the Public Hearing closed, and asked if there is any discussion.

Chairman Maxey called for a motion. Commissioner Bagwell made a MOTION to Adopt an Ordinance to Approve the Request for Rezoning from Suburban Residential (S-R) to Community Commercial (C-C) to market for commercial use property located on what is commonly known as Cedartown Highway with the condition that a 35' wide buffer be maintained on the north property line, and the existing mature vegetation be left in place within the buffer. SECOND by Commissioner Wallace. VOTING:

	YES	NO
Commissioner Wallace		
" Fricks		
" Bagwell		
" Hancock		
Chairman Maxey		

Motion Carried

**2. FILE #32-2016Z REQUESTS REZONING FROM DUPLEX RESIDENTIAL (D-R) TO SUBURBAN RESIDENTIAL (S-R) FOR A SINGLE-FAMILY DWELLING (MANUFACTURED HOME) ON PROPERTY LOCATED ON WHAT IS COMMONLY KNOWN AS DUGGAR DRIVE. TAX MAP J11X, PARCEL 082. (PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION. APPROVE. [VOTE 8-0].)**

Chairman Maxey asked Sue Hiller, Rome-Floyd Planning Director, for an overview of the rezoning request. Ms. Hiller stated the subject property is about 1.4 acres in size, and consists of two platted lots. She stated there is suburban residential (S-R) zoning, and duplex residential (D-R) zoning in the area as well as light industrial (L-I) zoning that is developed with mini-warehouses. There are duplexes to the north

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and some to the west of the property. She stated that of the single-family dwellings that are in the area, some are site-built and some are manufactured homes. She presented ariel photographs of the north, south, east and west of the property. She stated the area is very low density and very rural. Access to the property is on Duggar Drive with all services and utilities available. She stated the future land use map indicated high-density residential use for the property. The reason for rezoning was the duplex residential (D-R) rezoning does allow single-family dwellings, but it does not allow manufactured homes and the applicant indicated that a manufactured home was going to be placed on the property. She stated this comes to the Board as a unanimous recommendation from the Planning Commission to approve.

Chairman Maxey declared the Public Hearing open, and asked if there is anyone to speak in support or opposition of the request.

**Mr. Jeff Barnett, 196 Painter Road**, stated he is just here to answer any questions they may have. He stated there is already a mobile home on the property, which is taxed as one parcel when there are actually two separate lots. He wants to make sure that he can put a mobile home on each lot. Chairman Maxey stated that is his understanding based on Ms. Hiller's explanation, and she assured them that was the case. Mr. Barnett asked so it was not by the parcel that he is taxed, but by the actual individual lot. Ms. Hiller confirmed that they are combined as one tax lot but two lots of record.

Chairman Maxey asked if anyone else would like to speak in favor or opposition. Seeing none, he declared the Public Hearing closed, and asked if there is any discussion.

Commissioner Wallace asked if Ms. Hiller if this came as a recommendation from staff. Ms. Hiller stated it did, and the staff recommendation was to approve.

Chairman Maxey called for a Motion. MOTION made by Commissioner Wallace to Adopt an Ordinance to Approve the Request for Rezoning from Duplex Residential (D-R) to Suburban Residential (S-R) for a single-family dwelling (manufactured home) on property located on what is commonly known as Duggar Drive. SECOND by Commissioner Hancock. VOTING:

	YES	NO
Commissioner Wallace		
" Fricks		
" Bagwell		
" Hancock		
Chairman Maxey		

Motion Carried

**COMMISSIONER'S REPORT:**

**1. Administrative/Finance Committee**

No report.

**2. Public Safety Committee**

No report.

**3. Public Works Committee**

No report.

**4. Water Committee**

No report.

**5. Judicial Services Committee (CJIS)**

No report.

**6. Floyd County Library Board**

No report.

**7. Special Committee Reports.**

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**a. Fire Overview Committee**

Commissioner Fricks stated they discussed the process that the Fire Overview Committee had initiated about revamping and reviewing the location of the station that they want to replace. He stated the committee agreed to go ahead and review potential locations. Implications were to look at the road mileage, the locations of the properties, how they have grown since 1996, and the new regulations that have been applied. He stated that will be how they determine the designated area. He stated he thinks they will be hearing good things.

**b. Joint Services Committee**

No report.

**c. Joint Development Oversight Committee**

No report.

**d. Joint Solid Waste Oversight Committee**

No report.

**e. SPLOST Project Overview Committee**

County Manager McCord stated the Forum Roof Project is complete. He stated they are in the punch list phase on the project, which is going really well though they may have a minor change to come out of the punch list due to additional maintenance they found while doing the work. They are about eighty-five to ninety percent done on the Health Department HVAC, and that is going well. He stated that it was much needed and just in time for the warmer weather on the way. The Animal Control facility is coming out of the ground. He stated they had a good couple of weeks of work on the SPLOST projects and everything is moving along well.

**f. RFPRA Task Force Committee – Commissioners Maxey & Fricks**

No report.

**g. Transportation Policy Committee (TPC) – Commissioners Bagwell & Fricks**

No report.

**CLERK’S REPORT:**

**Consent Agenda**

Interim Clerk Armstrong stated there are seven items under the Clerk’s Consent Agenda. She recommended that item one be deferred to a later meeting. She stated items two through seven have been reviewed, and are submitted for approval.

Chairman Maxey called for a Motion. MOTION made by Commissioner Fricks to Approve and Authorize Execution of items submitted under the Clerk’s Consent Agenda as presented. SECOND by Commissioner Wallace. VOTING:

	YES	NO
Commissioner Wallace		
" Fricks		
" Bagwell		
" Hancock		
Chairman Maxey		

Motion Carried

Commissioner Hancock voted to approve items two through six abstaining from item seven.

- ~~1. Approve request from Tax Commissioner for removal of bills from the Tax Commissioner’s Roll, in the amount of \$65,837.07, and that the taxes for uncollectable accounts be relieved from the books as outlined in the memo from the Tax Commissioner and attached list dated February 23, 2016. DEFER~~

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2. **Approve Sole Source Purchase of five (5) L-3 Mobile Vision In-car Video Camera Bundles for the Floyd County Police Department.**
3. **Acceptance of real property from Tambra Colston to Floyd County.**
4. **Application for Alcohol License, Georg M. Hubenthal, Ricks Food Mart 293, 1407 Kingston Highway. (Ownership Change. Beer & Wine)**
5. **Application for Self-Serviced Fuel Dispensing License, Georg M. Hubenthal, Ricks Food Mart 293, 1470 Kingston Highway. (Ownership Change)**
6. **Approve Requested Amendments to Contract with BFI Waste Services LLC d/b/a Republic Services of Georgia in reference to insurance language along with three additions pertaining to Acceptable Waste and Unacceptable Waste as submitted in Exhibit A.**
7. **Adopt Resolution Approving a Plan of Financing for the Issuance of Revenue Anticipation Certificates by Hospital Authority of Floyd County for the benefit of Floyd Healthcare Management, Inc. d/b/a Floyd Medical Center.**

**MANAGER'S REPORT:**

**1. EVALUATE FIVE (5) AVAILABLE OPTIONS FOR REPLACEMENT OF EVERETT SPRINGS ROAD BRIDGE.**

County Manager McCord stated as discussed in Caucus, the Public Works Committee reviewed the five available options for replacement of the Everett Springs Bridge. He stated items one through three are all arch culverts of different materials with one being aluminum and the other two being made of concrete. They had two options under item four for the bridge replacement. He stated the first option under item four was on spread footers, and the other is on end bents with pilings. The last of the five options was precast concrete arch culvert. He stated all the items and summary on the last page of the packet show the amounts and the working days required to close the road and do the work. They are certainly going to try to come up with a plan to keep the temporary crossing open to maintain mail delivery, school services and emergency services. He stated the creativity the Public Works Department came up with was really good to ensure that the property was accessible again by road after the wash out they had with the rain back in December. He recommended approval of option four – the Forterra Precast Modular Bridge with end bents on piles with an estimated construction cost of \$63,870.00 and 14.5 working days with an additional \$20,000.00 for the temporary crossing structure as part of the approval.

Chairman Maxey called for a Motion. MOTION was made by Commissioner Bagwell to Approve and Authorize Option Four – Forterra Precast Modular Bridge for the Everett Springs Road bridge replacement in the amount of \$63,870.00 with an additional \$20,000.00 for the temporary crossing structure. SECOND by Commissioner Hancock. VOTING:

	YES	NO
Commissioner Wallace		
" Fricks		
" Bagwell		
" Hancock		
Chairman Maxey		

Motion Carried

**2. APPROVE AND AUTHORIZE RESOLUTION ADOPTING AN URBAN REDEVELOPMENT PLAN (URP) FOR LINDALE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG)**

County Manager McCord stated they have been discussing the Urban Redevelopment Plan (URP) for the Lindale community for several months in anticipation of applying for a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG). He stated he has three consecutive items pertaining to this. The first item would be to approve and authorize a resolution adopting an Urban Redevelopment Plan (URP) for the Lindale community. He stated they had a public meeting over ten months ago to start the process and have been working on it throughout that time. They held another community meeting last night with over fifty residents in attendance. He stated they asked questions and showed them the results of their plan. The plan identified infrastructure deficiencies, code enforcement deficiencies, dilapidated structures and some minor home repairs that will be eligible for owner occupied residences. He commended Public Works staff, consultant Ron Sitterding, and Delmos Stone with the Regional Development Commission for helping them tremendously on the project. He recommended approval of the resolution adopting the Urban Redevelopment Plan (URP) for the Lindale Community Development Block Grant (CDBG).

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Chairman Maxey called for a Motion. MOTION was made by Commissioner Hancock to Approve and Authorize Resolution Adopting an Urban Redevelopment Plan (URP) for Lindale Community Development Block Grant (CDBG). SECOND by Commissioner Bagwell. VOTING:

YES NO

Commissioner Wallace  
" Fricks  
" Bagwell  
" Hancock  
Chairman Maxey

Motion Carried

**3. APPROVE AND AUTHORIZE RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE REVITALIZATION AREA STRATEGY (RAS) AND APPROVE APPLICATION FOR RAS APPROVAL FROM THE GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS FOR LINDALE COMMUNITY.**

County Manager McCord stated item three is to approve and authorize resolution adopting the Revitalization Area Strategy (RAS) and approve application for the RAS approval from the Georgia Department of Community Affairs for Lindale community. He stated this is in line with their plan. It just gives them an additional strategy in looking at the entire identified area on an area wide basis. He recommended approval of the resolution to adopt the Revitalization Area Strategy (RAS) and approve application for RAS approval from the Georgia Department of Community Affairs for the Lindale community.

Chairman Maxey called for a Motion. MOTION was made by Commissioner Hancock to Approve and Authorize Resolution Adopting the Revitalization Area Strategy (RAS) and Approve Application for RAS Approval from the Georgia Department of Community Affairs for Lindale Community. SECOND by Commissioner Bagwell. VOTING:

YES NO

Commissioner Wallace  
" Fricks  
" Bagwell  
" Hancock  
Chairman Maxey

Motion Carried

**4. ADOPT RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE FILING OF AN APPLICATION FOR THE LINDALE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) FROM THE GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS FOR LINDALE COMMUNITY.**

County Manger McCord stated the resolution is to approve the filing of an application for the grant. He stated this is just step three in the three-step process for up to \$800,000.00 in Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds for the Lindale area. Their focus was north of the railroad for the first section of the grant and hopefully some much-needed improvements of infrastructure, housing, and code enforcement in the area. He recommended adopting the resolution to approve the filing of an application for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) from the Georgia Department of Community Affairs.

Chairman Maxey stated he thought Mr. Sitterding had said it was going to be about \$1.4 million. He stated after the \$800,000.00 grant and the rest coming from private and SPLOST money, all of that combined was going to make a \$1.4 million change in the area. County Manager McCord stated that is correct. He stated they did get to include the SPLOST dollars that would go toward that, the work that goes toward that, and even preferred lending in the area.

Chairman Maxey called for a Motion. MOTION was made by Commissioner Wallace to Adopt Resolution to Approve the Filing of an Application for the Lindale Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) from the Georgia Department of Community Affairs. SECOND by Commissioner Hancock. VOTING:

YES NO

Commissioner Wallace  
" Fricks  
" Bagwell

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" Hancock  
Chairman Maxey

Motion Carried

**5. APPROVE PUMP STATION ON HIGHWAY 53 FOR EXISTING INTERCONNECTION WITH THE CITY OF CALHOUN.**

County Manager McCord stated bids for the Highway 53 pump station for the existing interconnection with the City of Calhoun came in higher than expected. Three bids were received. He stated one was from Carver & Carver Plumbing for \$423,910.00, one from Saul Construction out of Atlanta for \$510,800.00 and one from Willow Construction out of Powder Springs for \$560,800.00. He stated even though it was outside of their estimate, the Water Committee's recommendation was to award the bid to Carver & Carver Plumbing, which is a local contractor. He recommended approval of the pump station bid for Highway 53 for existing interconnection be awarded to Carver & Carver Plumbing in the amount of \$423,910.00. He stated they would continue to work together to try and get the price down. There is some potential savings on work that could be done internally. He stated they will evaluate it going forward. Commissioner Wallace asked what the timeframe for that would be. County Manger McCord stated that at the next meeting he could pretty much come back with any savings that they may be able to do internally. He stated that it would not take very long.

Commissioner Bagwell asked what the cost of water was with Calhoun per thousand. County Manger McCord stated that on April 01, 2016, it would be going to \$1.20 per thousand but they also went up to using 600,000 per day. He stated Calhoun was also aware of the issue that they had been having with the pump heights and keeping the pressures where they should be. He stated they agreed to wait until the pump station was operational to do that, but they were still saving significantly over what they had been paying previously with the \$1.20 per thousand.

Chairman Maxey called for a Motion. MOTION made by Commissioner Fricks to Approve Award of Bid for Pump Station on Highway 53 for existing interconnection with the City of Calhoun to Carver & Carver Plumbing in the amount of \$423,910.00. SECOND by Commissioner Bagwell VOTING:

YES NO

Commissioner Wallace  
" Fricks  
" Bagwell  
" Hancock  
Chairman Maxey

Motion Carried

**6. APPROVE TERMS OF AGREEMENT WITH SHERIFF FOR JAIL MAINTENANCE IN FY2016.**

County Manager McCord stated item six would be deferred until the next meeting. He stated that he and Sheriff Burkhalter had been discussing a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for maintenance of the jail. He stated they would be ready to go at the next meeting for the terms of agreement.

**7. APPROVE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH CITY OF ROME FOR 2013 SPLOST DOG PARK PROJECT.**

County Manager McCord stated the proposed Memorandum of Understanding is a result of their vote to transfer the dog park project to the City of Rome. He stated County Attorney Hoyt had drafted a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) that was to spell out the agreement. It includes the \$25,000.00 transferred to the city for the project. He stated the city would agree to build the dog park in a reasonable amount of time and to take total control of the project including clean up, maintenance, and all operations. He recommended approval of the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Floyd County Board of Commissioners and the City of Rome Board of Commissioners for the construction of the 2013 SPLOST Dog Park Project.

Chairman Maxey called for a Motion. MOTION made by Commissioner Hancock to Approve Memorandum of Understanding with the City of Rome for the 2013 SPLOST Dog Park Project. SECOND by Commissioner Fricks. VOTING:

YES NO

Commissioner Wallace  
" Fricks  
" Bagwell

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" Hancock  
Chairman Maxey

Motion Carried

**8. ROAD NAME CHANGES REQUIRED DUE TO THE S.R.LOOP 1 CONSTRUCTION.**

County Manager McCord stated item eight was reviewed and discussed by the Public Works Committee. He stated they have significant road name changes because of the new bypass construction, the S.R. Loop 1 bypass, from Blacks Bluff Road to Highway 20. The changes are required to minimize the risk of errors and confusion that could cause delays for emergency response personnel among other things. He stated there are multiple changes: Deer Creek Trail, Mountain End Lake Road, Horseleg Springs Road, Garrison Way, Tucker Trail, Amy Lane, and a new section of Mays Bridge Road. The names have all been through the petition process and discussed with the owners who are aware of the issue. He stated they have been approved by both E911 and the post office to ensure the new names would not create a duplicate street name system. There is one other road impacted by the relocation that services two residences, which was not included in this group. He stated the residents are still discussing their options, but he believes they are on their way to a resolution. The recommendation for the remaining road name change would be brought before the Board at the next meeting. He stated an address change is obviously a big deal though they want to make sure they can provide emergency services and 911 can dispatch to the proper locations with all the changes that have taken place. He recommended making the road name changes as recommended by the Public Works Committee due to S.R. Loop 1 construction.

Chairman Maxey called for a Motion. MOTION made by Commissioner Hancock to Approve Road Name Changes Required due to the S.R. Loop 1 Construction. SECOND by Commissioner Wallace VOTING:

YES NO

Commissioner Wallace  
" Fricks  
" Bagwell  
" Hancock  
Chairman Maxey

Motion Carried

**9. ANNOUNCE E-911 AWARDED THE 2016 GEORGIA 911 CENTER OF THE YEAR ON MARCH 09, 2016.**

County Manger McCord stated he would like to publicly make everyone aware that a couple of weeks ago Floyd County E911 was recognized as Georgia's 911 Center of the Year, which was announced by the Association of Public Safety Communication Officials (APCO) and the National Emergency Number Association (NENA). He stated they have made many improvements over the last year. They were the first 911 agency in the State of Georgia to implement an integrated system of text-to-911, and the third Georgia 911 Center to be certified as a Missing Kids Readiness Project member. He stated the turnover rate when John Blalock inherited the department was 50%, and has gone down to 7%. He congratulated Mr. Blalock and his staff for their hard work and everything they do that make their 911 center top notch, which led them to be chosen as number one in the state. He stated this is a pretty big deal for the size of the community. E911 had over 140,000 calls in 2015, and Mr. Blalock needed to be commended as well as his staff. He stated they plan to have Mr. Blalock at the April 26, 2016 meeting where he could be recognized appropriately along with a group of his employees that are able to attend.

**10. CLARIFICATION OF THE POTENTIAL FOR FRACKING ACTIVITY IN FLOYD COUNTY (ULDC, ORDINANCE).**

County Manager McCord stated there is no action to be taken on this item; this is basically for some clarification. He stated there has been a lot of discussion about fracking in the community and leases. He would like to reiterate some of their discussion held in Caucus about the Unified Land Development Code (ULDC). He stated they have a requirement of heavy industrial zoning for any type of fracking activity. The code also requires a minimum of two hundred (200) acres as well as a special use permit for fracking activities. He stated there are many restrictions in both the ULDC and the Floyd County Code of Ordinances to ensure they would have to provide specific site plans, information on hours of operations, transportation, underground geology studies on water tables and any impact to any aquifers. He stated there is a very large set back, which he felt was covered adequately by Mr. Cook in Caucus. He believes they did a little better job of covering this than the state. He stated the state's rules are a little bit dated and need to be reviewed. He does not have an issue with the recommendation made by Mr. Cook to the Board in regard to developing a study committee to take a look at fracking to make sure their ordinances are intact and the way they should be. He stated at the state level, they would just have to work with local legislation to review. It

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is obvious that they certainly needed to look at the ordinance since it had not been updated since 1975. Based on a conversation he had with Ms. Sue Hiller, he thinks the study committee may be a good task for the Planning Commission to make sure they get an unbiased opinion. He stated this needs to be looked at from both sides. Fortunately, they have a good ordinance in place. He stated the previous county attorney had notified the mining company about the ULDC and local ordinance requirements when they came to town back in 2013, and the current county attorney notified them more recently. He feels pretty good about where they are. He stated he does not have any issues with the recommendation so they move forward on this with the Planning Commission.

**OTHER BUSINESS**

Chairman Maxey recognized the Leadership Rome Participants in attendance.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

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

YES	NO
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Commissioner Wallace	
" Fricks	
" Bagwell	
" Hancock	
Chairman Maxey	

Motion Carried

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**LARRY N. MAXEY, CHAIRMAN**

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**FLOYD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
CAUCUS  
MARCH 22, 2016 6:00 PM**

Present: Commissioners Irwin Bagwell, Garry Fricks, Scotty Hancock, Larry Maxey, and Rhonda Wallace, County Manager Jamie McCord, Assistant Manager Gary Burkhalter, County Attorney Wade Hoyt, and Interim County Clerk Jaime Armstrong.

Mr. Joe Cook, Coosa River Basin Initiative (CRBI) Advocacy and Communication Coordinator, was present to express concerns about fracking, the dangers of oil and natural gas exploration, and extraction in the area. Mr. Cook also provided an overview of the recent meeting about fracking and mineral rights leases sponsored by CRBI and the Southern Environmental Law Center.

Commissioners and staff reviewed items on the agenda for the meeting of March 22, 2016.

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**LARRY N. MAXEY, CHAIRMAN**