

REGULAR MEETING
FLOYD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
March 14, 2017 2:00 P.M.

PRESENT: Commissioners Rhonda Wallace, Scotty Hancock, Allison Watters and Larry Maxey.

OTHERS PRESENT: County Manager Jamie McCord, Assistant Manager Gary Burkhalter, County Clerk Erin Elrod, County Attorney Wade Hoyt

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

INVOCATION: Commissioner Hancock led the Invocation.

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

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Chair Wallace called for a motion to approve the March 14, 2017 agenda. MOTION made by Commissioner Maxey. SECOND by Commissioner Watters. VOTING:

	YES	NO
Commissioner Watters		
" Maxey		
" Hancock		
Chair Wallace		
Motion Carried		

ADOPTION OF MINUTES:

Chair Wallace 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 Watters to adopt the executive session minutes and minutes of the Caucus and Regular Meeting of February 28, 2017. SECOND by Commissioner Hancock. VOTING:

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YES

NO

Commissioner Watters
" Maxey
" Hancock
Chair Wallace

Motion Carried

Chair Wallace read a letter addressed to the Commission from Ms. Susan Sexton-Cooley commending Floyd County Public Works for the work that they have done on Park Road by making it safer by adding new drains and leveling off the roadside. Ms. Cooley also wanted to let the board know how courteous and helpful Public Works are.

SPECIAL RECOGNITION:

County Manager stated that they were a little behind on this and what they were trying to do is get caught back up. He stated that they would be recognizing employees with 15, 20, 25, and 30 years of service. He stated that if each person would come up as he called their name; a Commissioner would present them with a service pin or certificate.

1. Floyd County Employees with at least 15 Years of Service

- a. **Denis Robinson, Public Works, 19 Years**
- b. **Charles Miller, Police, 18 Years**
- c. **Matthew Cordel, Public Animal Welfare Services, 17 Years**
- d. **Marcus Roberts, Police, 16 Years**
- e. **William Montgomery, Public Works, 16 Years**
- f. **Kerri Whitfield, District Attorney's Office, 15 Years (WAS NOT PRESENT)**
- g. **David Purdy, Work Release Center, 15 Years**
- h. **Stephen Carnes, Prison, 15 Years**
- i. **Lonnie Combs, Prison, 15 Years**
- j. **Everett Grey, Public Works, 15 Years**
- k. **Bobby Colding, Public Works, 15 Years**
- l. **Lynn Davis, Tax Assessors, 15 Years**

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2. Floyd County Employees with at least 20 Years of Service

- a. La Sonja Holcomb, MIS, 24 Years**
- b. Michael Bell, Police, 23 Years**
- c. Gregory Beck, Police, 23 Years**
- d. Aleta McArthur, Juvenile Court, 23 Years**
- e. Lynn Jefferson, Tax Assessors, 23 Years**
- f. Lynn Salmon, Tax Assessors, 23 Years**
- g. Bradly Walker, Public Works, 22 Years**
- h. Jill Robinson, Tax Commissioner's Office, 21 Years**
- i. Martha Jacobs, District Attorney's Office, 20 Years**
- j. Judge Tambra Colston, Superior Court, 20 Years (UNABLE TO BE PRESENT)**

3. Floyd County Employees with at least 25 Years of Service

- a. Stephen Acker, District Attorney's Office, 29 Years**
- b. Gregory Dobbins, Police, 28 Years**
- c. Elizabeth Couey, District Attorney's Office, 27 Years**
- d. Rodney Leonard, District Attorney's Office, 26 Years**
- e. Robert Quick, Public Works, 26 Years**

4. Floyd County Employees with at least 30 Years of Service

- a. Phil Hart, Superior Court Administrator, 34 Years.**
- b. Cheryl Bray, Police, 33 Years**
- c. Davlon Ezell, Superior Court. 30 Years**

FIRST READINGS

(PUBLIC HEARINGS TO BE HELD ON MARCH 28, 2017 AT 6:00PM)

- 1. ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF FLOYD COUNTY, GEORGIA AND MORE PARTICULARLY TO AMEND 2-17-6 PARAGRAPH F (TRUCK ROUTES).**
- 2. EROSION SEDIMENTATION ORDINANCE**

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- 3. FILE #32-2017Z REQUEST TO REZONE FROM (S-R) SUBURBAN RESIDENTIAL TO (A-R) AGRICULTURAL RESIDENTIAL; WITH SPECIAL USE PERMIT FOR KEEPING HOGS ON PROPERTY ON ALABAMA HIGHWAY IDENTIFIED ON FLOYD COUNTY TAX MAP E13Z AS PARCEL 178. (MOTION TO RECOMMEND APPROVAL DENIED BY A 2-7 VOTE BY THE PLANNING COMMISSION)**
- 4. FILE #35-2017Z REQUEST FOR REZON FROM (H-T) HIGH DENSITY TRADITIONAL RESIDENTIAL TO (O-I) OFFICE INSTITUTIONAL FOR USE BY EXISTING CHURCH ON PROPERTY ON ASH STREET IDENTIFIED ON FLOYD COUNTY TAX MAP J13W AS PARCEL 716 AND 717. (MOTION TO RECOMMEND APPROVAL, APPROVED BY A 10-0 VOTE BY THE PLANNING COMMISSION)**
- 5. REVISE OR DELETE ARTICLE 4 OF THE ULDC REGARDING FENCES AND FREE-STANDING WALLS. (MOTION TO RECOMMEND APPROVAL BY A 10-0 VOTE BY THE PLANNING COMMISSION)**

CHAIR'S REPORT:

- 1. Floyd County Development Authority (Mike Mathis 2nd term to expire on 4/1/17)**
- 2. Floyd County Development Authority (Larry Morrow filling unexpired term of Ashley Kobe to expire on 4/28/17)**
- 3. Floyd County Development Authority (Bryan Shealy 3rd term to expire on 4/28/17)**
- 4. Floyd County Development Authority (Mark Brewster 1st term to expire on 4/1/17)**

COMMISSIONER'S REPORT:

- 1. Administrative/Finance Committee- Commissioner Bagby & Commissioner Maxey (Alternate)**

Next meeting, Thursday, March 23, 2017, at 8:00am.

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2. Public Safety Committee- Chair Wallace & Commissioner Bagby (Alternate)

Next meeting, Wednesday, March 22, 2017, at 8:00am

3. Public Works Committee- Vice Chair Hancock & Commissioner Watters (Alternate)

Next meeting, Wednesday, March 15, 2017 at 7:30am

4. Water Committee- Commissioner Maxey & Vice Chair Hancock (Alternate)

Next meeting, Monday, March 20, 2017, at 3:30pm.

5. Judicial Services Committee (CJIS)- Commissioner Bagby

No report.

6. Floyd County Library Board- Commissioner Watters

Next meeting, Thursday, May 18, 2017, at 4:00pm.

7. Special Committee Reports.

a. Fire Overview Committee- Chair Wallace and Vice Chair Hancock

Next meeting, Tuesday, April 11, 2017, at 10:30am.

b. Joint Services Committee- Chair Wallace, Commissioner Bagby & Commissioner Maxey

Next Meeting Tuesday, April 04, 2017 at 8:00am.

c. Joint Development Oversight Committee- Vice Chair Hancock & Commissioner Bagby

Next meeting, Tuesday, May 02, 2017 at 10:00am

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d. Joint Solid Waste Oversight Committee- Vice Chair Hancock & Commissioner Bagby

Next meeting, Tuesday, March 28, 2017, at 9:30am.

e. SPLOST Project Overview Committee- Commissioner Maxey & Commissioner Watters

No report.

f. RFPRA Task Force Committee – Vice Chair Hancock

Next Meeting, Tuesday, March 21, 2017 at 11:30am

CLERK’S REPORT:

Consent Agenda

Chair Wallace asked County Clerk Erin Elrod if the consent agenda was in order, County Clerk Elrod stated that it had been reviewed and all is in order.

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

YES	NO
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Commissioner Watters	
" Maxey	
" Hancock	
Chair Wallace	

Motion Carried

1. Approve Title VI Non-Discrimination Agreement with Georgia Department of Transportation.

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2. Approve amendment to contract with Forum Services, LLC
3. Approve resolution for plan change to county retirement for former employee
4. Approve Quit Claim deed to Manis Farms, Inc.
5. Approve grant application in the amount of \$7,500.00 for the Rome Mental Health Court.

MANAGER'S REPORT:

1. **APPROVE PURCHASE OF ADDITIONAL VEHICLE FOR WATER DEPARTMENT TO BE USED BY THE PRISON FOR A WORK CREW. THE FUNDS FOR PAYMENT WILL COME FROM THE WATER DEPARTMENT TO BE USED BY THE PRISON FOR A WORK CREW. THE FUNDS FOR PAYMENT WILL COME FROM THE WATER DEPARTMENT. PURCHASING RECOMMENDS THE COMMISSION APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF A 2017 FORD F-250 CREW CAB FROM WADE FORD, SMYRNA, GA IN THE AMOUNT OF \$28,265.00**

County Manager McCord stated that he had six (6) items for consideration. Item one is to approve the purchase of a water department truck. He stated that this would be an additional vehicle to their fleet to handle the additional detail that they approved last year. He stated that this was for a part time detail, 20 hours a week. They would be using it half the time for litter pick-up, and half the time for the Water Department, and maintenance around their facilities as far as grass cutting and what not throughout the year. He stated that it was a low bid of \$28,265.00 from Wade Ford and it was within budget that was approved in the annual budget. He recommended to approve the purchase of an additional vehicle for the Water Department to be used by the prison work crew with the funds coming from the Water Department. Again, Purchasing recommends and so did he if the Commission approved the purchase of a 2017 F-250 Crew Cab from Wade Ford in Smyrna in the amount of \$28,265.00

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Chair Wallace called for a Motion. MOTION made by Commissioner Maxey to approve the purchase of an additional vehicle for the Water Department to be used by the Prison for a work crew from Wade Ford, Smyrna, Georgia in the amount of \$28,265.00 with funds coming from the Water Department. SECOND by Commissioner Maxey VOTING:

YES

NO

Commissioner Watters
" Maxey
" Hancock
Chair Wallace

Motion Carried

2. **APPROVE CREATION OF REAL PROPERTY APPRAISAL SUPERVISOR IN THE TAX ASSESSOR'S OFFICE. THE SUPERVISORY DUTIES WILL BE ADDED TO THE NORMAL DUTIES OF AN EXISTING APPRAISER III POSITION AND WILL NOT REQUIRE AN ADDITIONAL EMPLOYEE. THE RECLASSIFICATION SUBMITTED BY THE ARCHER COMPANY RECOMMENDS A PAY GRADE 121 TO REMAIN CONSISTANT WITH THE OTHER SUPERVISOR POSITION.**

County Manager McCord stated that item two was a reclassification in the Assessor's office to create a real property supervisor. He stated that the Personal Property Supervisor has supervision but Real Property did not and with the retirement of a long-term employee recently, himself and Mr. Womack (Floyd County Tax Assessor) have been working on creating this since November of last year. He stated that they were trying to come up with an appropriate organizational chart and distribution of duties in the appropriate manner. They sent the reclassification to their external consultant Archer Company and they (Archer) did approve the paygrade to be set at 121 to a rank consistent with the other supervisory positions. It appears that there would be no additional position, again, this is a reclassification of an existing position and it appears that they will have some savings as the position is filled. He stated that they did not know

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who would fill the position but expected that there would be applications internally, possibly externally. He recommended to approve the creation of a Real Property Appraisal Supervisor in the Tax Assessor's Office with supervisory duties added to the normal duties of an existing appraiser position and would not require any additional employee. The reclassification was approved by Archer Company with the recommended pay grade set at 121 to remain consistent with the other positions.

Chair Wallace called for a Motion. MOTION made by Commissioner Hancock to Approve the creation of Real Property Appraisal Supervisor in the Tax Assessor's Office with the paygrade of 121 as recommended by Archer Company. SECOND Watters VOTING:

YES

NO

Commissioner Watters

" Maxey

" Hancock

Chair Wallace

Motion Carried

3. **APPROVE REPLACEMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS ROADSIDE SPRAYER WHICH INCLUDES #190 1995 FORD F-350 AND #190A WEED SYSTEM W500S SPRAYER UNIT WITH A 2017 FORD F-450 AND 2017 NORTHSTAR RSS525-G SPRAYER IN THE AMOUNT OF \$96,658.35. THIS WAS APPROVED IN THE 20147 BUDGET FOR \$120,000.00 AND IS PART OF THE 2013 SPLOST.**

County Manager McCord stated item three is the replacement of a roadside herbicide sprayer this also includes the replacement of a vehicle. He stated that they did get competitive bids on this process as well and they received three (3) bids with the low bid being NorthStar with the sprayer and the truck at \$96,658.35. He stated that this was approved in the annual budget for SPLOST and it will allow them to do much more spraying, to quote, twice the spraying, and twice the mileage in half the time would allow them to calibrate the sprayer and get the adequate

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amount and not over or under the amount of herbicide needed to be sprayed. He recommended to approve the replacement of Public Works roadside sprayer replacing truck #190 a Ford F-350 and tuck #190A the weed system with a new 2017 F-450 and a 2017 NorthStar sprayer in the amount of \$96,658.35 which was approved in the annual 2017 budget at \$120,00.00 and is also part of the 2013 SPLOST.

Chair Wallace called for a Motion. MOTION made by Commissioner Hancock to Approve replacement of Public Works road side sprayer to replace truck #190 a 1995 Ford F-350 and #190A weed system with a 2017 Ford F-450 and 2017 NortStar sprayer in the amount of \$96,658.35 which was approved in the annual 2017 budget and is also part of 2013 SPLOST. SECOND by Commissioner Maxey VOTING:

YES

NO

Commissioner Watters

" Maxey

" Hancock

Chair Wallace

Motion Carried

4. **APPROVE REPLACEMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS #102 MINI EXCIVATOR WITH 2017 KUBOTA MODEL KX080-4SS3 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$78,488.00. THIS WAS APPROVED IN THE 2017 BUDGET FOR \$125,000.00 AND IS PART OF THE 2013 SPLOST**

County Manager McCord stated item four is replacement of a mini excavator in the Public Works Department. He stated that they received thirteen (13) bids and the lowest responsible bidder that met all specification was Atlanta Kubota at the amount of \$78,488.00 He stated that this was approved in the 2017 budget in which they had a budget number of \$125,00.00. Again, this is significantly under budget and will allow them to hopefully do some additional items later in the year or at a later date. He recommended approving the replacement of Public Works

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#102 mini excavator with a 2017 Kubota model KX080-4SS3 in the amount of \$78,488.00

Chair Wallace stated that they were very excited to see that they have had this many come under budget. She stated that they appreciated the hard work of trying to get those in budget.

Chair Wallace called for a Motion. MOTION made by Commissioner Maxey to approve replacement of Public Works #102 mini excavator with a 2017 Kubota model KX080-4SS3 in the amount of \$78,488.00 which was approved in the 2017 budget. SECOND by Commissioner Watters
VOTING:

YES

NO

Commissioner Watters

" Maxey

" Hancock

Chair Wallace

Motion Carried

5. **APPROVE BUDGET REVISION OF ADDITIONAL \$100,000.00 TO 2013 SPLOST COUNTY PLAYGROUNDS. THIS BRINGS THE TOTAL TO \$200,000.00 FOR TWO (2) PLAYGROUNDS AT ALTO PARK AND ONE AT ETOWAH.**

County Manager McCord stated that item five was a budget revision. He stated that they had previously approved \$100,000.00 for playgrounds from their 2013 SPLOST for 2017. He stated that they would like to ask for an additional \$100,000.00 to do two (2) playgrounds in this calendar year one in Alto Park and one at Etowah. Any potential savings that they may have they may add mulch to those 2 locations. He stated that from a cash flow perspective this would not be a problem since they have adequate cash flow to cover this. This would complete 5 locations and complete all of the locations in the unincorporated areas of the county to bring the project to a completion on the 2013 SPLOST. He recommended

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approving the budget revision for an additional \$100,000.00 to the 2013 SPLOST County playgrounds which would bring the total amount to \$200,000 for two (2) playgrounds. One at Alto Park and one at Etowah.

Chair Wallace called for a Motion. MOTION made by Commissioner Hancock to Approve the budget revision of additional \$100,000.00 to 2013 SPLOST County playgrounds. This would bring the total to \$200,000.00 for two (2) playgrounds at Alto Park and one at Etowah. SECOND by Commissioner Watters VOTING:

YES

NO

Commissioner Watters
" Maxey
" Hancock
Chair Wallace

Motion Carried

6. APPROVE LEASE AGREEMENT WITH GREENVILLE TURF AND TRACTOR IN THE AMOUNT OF \$53,150.00 FOR TWO JOHN DEERE 800 TERRAIN MOWERS TO BE BILLED ANUALLY OVER FOUR (4) YEARS

County Manager McCord stated item six was to approve the lease agreement with Greenville Turf and Tractor. He stated that they had been leasing their field mowers for the last two (2) cycles over eight years in the Parks and Rec Department. He thought that it was an appropriate use. It keeps the warranty on the items and they are very specialty fine mowers that keep their athletic fields in great condition. He recommended approving the lease agreement with Greenville Turf and Tractor in the amount of \$53,150.00 for two (2) John Deere 8800 Terrain Mowers to be billed annually over four (4) years in the amount of \$12,968.00 for Parks and Recreation. He asked that they would vote to authorize the Chairman to sign this since they did not have the physical lease in their hands but they had the details on the numbers that came in with their procurement

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process so if they (the board) would authorize the Chairman to sign they would get the lease pending legal review.

Chair Wallace called for a Motion. MOTION made by Commissioner Watters to Approve the lease agreement with Greenville Turf and Tractor in the amount of \$53,150.00 with Greenville Turf and Tractor for two (2) John Deere 880 Terrain Mowers to be billed annually over four (4) years in the amount of \$12,968.00 for Parks and Recreation and to authorize the Chairman to sign based on the County Attorneys review. SECOND by Commissioner Maxey VOTING:

YES	NO
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Commissioner Watters	
" Maxey	
" Hancock	
Chair Wallace	

Motion Carried

OTHER BUSINESS:

Chair Wallace recognized the Leadership Rome participants in attendance. She stated that they were glad to have them and they had picked a good meeting to come to since it was a meeting where they got to recognize lots of employees. She asked if they would come to the podium and introduce themselves.

Greg Ford, Dean of Science for Georgia Highlands College. Jenna Guzman, Communications Manager at International Paper. Lee Niedrach, Lawyer at McRea, Smith, Peek. Mike Koduke. Relationship Banking Associate with Heritage First Bank. Will Pinson, Pinsons General Contractors.

ADJOURNMENT:

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

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YES

NO

Commissioner Watters

" Maxey

" Hancock

Chair Wallace

Motion Carried

ATTEST:

ERIN ELROD, FLOYD COUNTY CLERK

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**FLOYD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
CAUCUS**

March 14, 2017 1:00 PM

Present: Commissioners Rhonda Wallace, Scotty Hancock, Allison Watters, and Larry Maxey. County Manager Jamie McCord, Assistant Manager Gary Burkhalter, County Clerk Erin Elrod and County Attorney Wade Hoyt

Sherriff Burkhalter and Chief Caldwell of the Floyd County Sheriff's Department discussed staffing needs for the Drug Task Force. The Commissioners and staff also reviewed items on the agenda for the meeting of January 24, 2017 meeting.

ATTEST:

ERIN ELROD, FLOYD COUNTY CLERK