

(05/23/17 - Regular Meeting)

Commissioner Bagby
" Watters
" Maxey
Vice-Chair 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 Bagby to adopt the minutes of the Caucus, and Regular Meeting of May 09, 2017. SECOND by Commissioner Watters. VOTING:

YES NO

Commissioner Bagby
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Vice-Chair Hancock
Chair Wallace

Motion Carried

PROCLAMATIONS:

1. Cancer Navigators Day & Cancer Survivors Day

Commissioner Watters presented the Cancer Navigators Day & Cancer Survivors Day Proclamation to Ms. Scharla Battle of Cancer Navigators, and Ms. Virginia Harman, Chair of Cancer Navigators. Commissioner Watters commended the Cancer Navigator team for what they do for the community, and families of patients with cancer.

Ms. Harmon thanked Commissioner Watters and stated that the Proclamation was a very special opportunity. As Chair of the Cancer Navigators Board, she thanked the commission for their support. She stated that the community was remarkable with many unique charities. One of which is Cancer Navigators. She stated that it still astounds her

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that in the world of medical care, and treatment, that organizations like Cancer Navigators, which was the brainchild of Dr. Mumber, are so rare. Here in Northwest Georgia, they have a staff that everyday makes real impacts on the lives of cancer patients and their families in Northwest Georgia. Dr. Mumber recognized many years ago that he was seeing patients with, not the lack of desire, but the lack of ability to come to their treatments, to be compliant with their treatment plan, and have basic nutritional needs met. Having that would then allow them to have the resources, and support they needed to make it through their journey as they fought cancer. Cancer Navigators filled that niche for patients and their families. She stated that they were having this year, as they did last year, their major fundraiser “Cast off Against Cancer”. In conjunction with National Cancer Survivors Day, they would be celebrating on June 04, 2017 and they hoped anybody that could, would come out. The days to watch a drop of a memory, or an honor of a cancer patient, or survivors, from the footbridge, is one of the most moving things she has ever taken part in. She invited everyone to attend.

Ms. Battle stated that they left a small gift for the Commissioners. She stated that May was Skin Cancer Month.

Chair Wallace thanked them for being there, and thanked them for all of what they do for the community.

2. National Garden Clubs Week

Commissioner Maxey presented the National Garden Clubs Week Proclamation to Ms. Ann Bridges, Recording Secretary, Garden Club of Georgia, Inc., Laurel District.

Ms. Bridges thanked the Commission and stated that she hoped that they enjoyed the Gardening Clubs as much as they enjoyed beautifying the city. She stated that it was a pleasure, and they just love gardening.

Chair Wallace thanked Ms. Bridges for being there.

3. National Public Works Week

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Commissioner Bagby presented the National Public Works Week Proclamation to Mr. Everett Gray, Mr. Bill Hamilton, Ms. Vicky Hamilton, and Mr. Michael Skeen, Director Floyd County Public Works. Commissioner Bagby stated that he thought of all the departments in the county, Public Works is the one that puts their best face forward, and they greatly appreciate what they do. He stated that it involved every aspect of their (the community) lives, and it was not an easy job. He thanked them for what they did.

Mr. Skeen stated that he wanted to thank them for the recognition. He stated that it had been a rough time the last few years, and many changes all together. Some good changes showing up in the economy, and he appreciated them. Already, they were seeing a strong effort to help them be caught up. He stated that they had gotten behind on a lot of their infrastructures, and they were working hard to get it back to where it needed to be. Equipment and personnel wise as well as material to do what they need to do on the roads. He appreciated their support, and with everything that he was seeing going forward. He stated that a lot of them might know Mr. Gray, who started out in Public Works, then they loaned him to Purchasing for a while, and he is now back supervising the warehouse. He stated that he does a fantastic job, and runs the shop quicker than most any of the shops in Rome. Ms. Hamilton had been there for 10 years, working in the warehouse, Mr. Hamilton runs the landscape details, and his handiwork can be seen at PAWS, adding, that Mr. Hamilton took on the project pretty much himself. He stated that this was a very small part of the crew. Hopefully, they (the Commissioners and staff) would be able to come to the picnic that they (Public Works) were having at the Lock & Dam, so that they could come out and meet the rest of them. He stated that they appreciated the opportunity to have the lunch. Their vendors sponsor the picnic, they provide all the funds, which is a lot of effort, and these three (Mr. Gray, Mr. Hamilton and Ms. Hamilton) that are on the crew, help pull this together. He stated that they put a lot of effort into the picnic.

Chair Wallace thanked them all for being there.

RESOLUTIONS:

- 1. ADOPT RESOLUTION TO AMEND PARKING FEES BEGINNING JULY 01, 2017.**

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Chair Wallace asked County Manager McCord for insight.

County Manager McCord stated that he had been talking with Judge Richardson over the last several months, for the better part of the year, trying to improve the situation on the surface lot at the Judicial and Historical Courthouse. He stated that the lot was undersized, and they were up against the wall with handicap accessible parking spaces for employees, and handicap accessible spaces for the general public. He stated they were trying to increase the awareness of the parking lot that needed to turn over frequently for customer use in the Historic Courthouse and Judicial. He stated that as he mentioned in caucus, they average 500 visits per day, if they smooth it out, with there obviously being some higher peak times that are a problem, they could insure that they get adequate turnover in the lot. County Clerk Elrod's crew has done a good job with their new parking attendants, who have been here for approximately a year, and are doing a really good job. He thinks the recommendation to increase from \$7.00 to \$15.00 is a good medium in trying to get the fee where it is not so much affordable that people are willing to pay the fine throughout the day. He stated that it was also recommended by Judge Richardson to increase the fees, and hopefully give them some turnover that is much needed. Again, the lot is too small, and they are trying to come up with some resolution to figure out solutions to fix it. The deck however, is underutilized, and hopefully, this will encourage people to use the deck, which, is much less expensive. He stated that this would be effective on July 01, 2017.

Chair Wallace called for a motion. MOTION made by Commissioner Bagby to adopt the resolution to amend parking fees beginning July 01, 2017. SECOND by Commissioner Watters. VOTING:

YES

NO

Commissioner Bagby

" Watters

" Maxey

Vice-Chair Hancock

Chair Wallace

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CHAIR'S REPORT:

1. Appoint to fill the unexpired term of Susie Burns (Post 6) of the Animal Control & Welfare Board. This term is set to expire September 30, 2019.

Chair Wallace called for a motion to approve appointment to the Animal Control & Welfare Board. Vice-Chair Hancock made a MOTION to appoint Joanne Fluggee to the Animal Control & Welfare Board, Post 6, with the term expiring September 30, 2019. SECOND Commissioner Maxey. VOTING:

YES

NO

Commissioner Bagby

" Watters

" Maxey

Vice-Chair Hancock

Chair Wallace

Motion Carried

2. Appointment to fill the unexpired term of Allison Watters (Post 2) on the Animal Control & Welfare Board. This term is set to expire September 30, 2017.

Chair Wallace called for a motion to approve appointment to the Animal Control & Welfare Board. Commissioner Watters made a MOTION to appoint Chris Kerr to fulfil the unexpired term and the full term beginning October 01, 2017 and expiring on September 30, 2020. SECOND Vice-Chair Hancock. VOTING:

YES

NO

Commissioner Bagby

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Motion Carried

3. Based on the recommendation from the Rome-Floyd Land Bank Authority, appoint Rob Ware to serve on the Authority.

Chair Wallace made a motion to appoint Rob Ware to the Rome-Floyd Land Bank Authority as recommended by the Authority. Commissioner Bagby made a motion to approve Rob Wares appointment. SECOND Commissioner Watters. VOTING:

YES

NO

Commissioner Bagby
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Vice-Chair Hancock
Chair Wallace

Motion Carried

COMMISSIONER'S REPORT:

- 1. Administrative/Finance Committee- Commissioner Bagby & Commissioner Maxey (Alternate)**
 - a. Next meeting, Thursday, June 15, 2017 at 8:00am.
- 2. Public Safety Committee- Chair Wallace & Commissioner Bagby (Alternate)**
 - a. Next meeting, Wednesday, June 14, 2017, at 8:00am

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

- a. Next meeting, Wednesday, June 21, 2017 at 7:30am

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

- a. Next meeting, Wednesday, June 19, 2016, at 3:30pm.

5. Judicial Services Committee (CJIS)- Commissioner Bagby

- a. No report.

6. Floyd County Library Board- Commissioner Watters

- a. Next meeting, Thursday, August 18, 2017, at 4:00pm.

7. Special Committee Reports.

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

- i. Next meeting, Monday, July 11, 2017, at 1:30pm

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

- i. Next Meeting Tuesday, June 6, 2017 at 8:00am

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

- i. Next meeting, Tuesday, August 1, 2017 at 8:30am.

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

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- i. Next meeting, Tuesday, July 25, 2017, at 9:00am.
- e. **SPLOST Project Overview Committee- Commissioner Maxey & Commissioner Watters**
- f. **2017 SPLOST Project Planning- Chair Wallace**
 - i. Next meeting Thursday, May 25, 2017 at 5:30pm.

Chair Wallace asked County Manager McCord for an update.

County Manager McCord stated that he just wanted to make a note again, that the meeting would be held on Thursday, May 25, 2017 at 5:30pm, at the ballroom at the Forum. He stated that the ballroom was part of their 2013 SPLOST project, and it would be a joint meeting between both committees. They would have a 2013 SPLOST overview, with the new 2017 SPLOST Committee there as well to go over what they have to do. He stated that they do not have a lot for 2017, except to follow up on some questions that were asked last time. He stated that it would be a good review to show them how the reviews go as SPLOST continues moving forward. This meeting would be a joint meeting.

Chair Wallace thanked County Manager McCord for the information. She stated that both Committees have been invited.

- g. **RFPR Task Force Committee – Vice Chair Hancock**
 - i. Next Meeting, Tuesday, June 20, 2017 at 11:30am

CLERK'S REPORT:

Chair Wallace asked County Clerk Erin Elrod if the Clerk's Consent Agenda was in order. County Clerk Elrod stated that all items on the Clerk's Report were in order, but there was an eleventh item that had just been approved earlier, so it stood as the eleventh item added.

Chair Wallace called for a Motion. MOTION made by Commissioner Maxey to approve

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and authorize execution of items submitted under the Clerk's Consent Agenda as presented. SECOND by Commissioner Watters. VOTING:

YES

NO

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Motion Carried

- 1. Accept Drinking Water State Revolving Fund loan from the Georgia Environmental Finance Agency (GEFA) in the amount of \$8,800,000.00**
- 2. Approve resolution of Ad Valorem tax appeal.**
- 3. Approve ownership change for Beer & Wine License and Self-Service fuel License at 500 Tobias, Inc. dba Burnett Ferry Quick Stop located at 500 Burnett Ferry Road, Rome Georgia. This application is paid in full and has been approved by Floyd County Police and the Floyd County Tax Commissioner.**
- 4. Approve ownership change for Beer License and Self-Service fuel License at R&R Singh Ventures 2, LLC dba Cornerstone Market #6 located at 3200 New Rosedale Road, Calhoun, Georgia. This application is paid in full and has been approved by Floyd County Police and the Floyd County Tax Commissioner.**
- 5. Approve request from Public Works Director for back pay from January 1, 2017 for Manager at the Rome-Floyd Recycling Center in the amount of \$2,893.38**
- 6. Approve reorganization of County Manager and County Clerk's offices.**

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7. Approve reclassification of position #524-024 in the County Clerk's Office.
8. Approve creation of Position #524-019 in the County Clerk's Office and the abolishment of Position #521-017 in the County Manager's Office effective July 01, 2017.
9. Approve lease agreement with Jack Dickey
10. Approve abolishment of Position #440-182 in the Sheriff's Office and the creation of Position #441-170 in the Sheriff's Office.
11. Creation of a Jail maintenance position at pay grade 114.

MANAGER'S REPORT:

1. **APPROVE RECOMMENDATION FROM THE AIRPORT COMMISSION TO APPROVE THE PHASE II LAND AND EASEMENT ACQUISITION AT THE RUSSELL REGIONAL AIRPORT WHICH INCLUDES THE CLOSING AND PAYMENT TO PROPERTY OWNERS FOR THE AVIGATION EASEMENTS AND PROPERTY OF ONE HOME AND PARCEL. THIS INCLUDES THE PURCHASE OF TWELVE (12) AVIGATION EASEMENTS AND ONE HOME AND PARCEL. THE TOTAL ESTIMATED COST OF THE PROJECT IS \$113,932.60 WITH \$102,539.00 BEING FEDERALLY FUNDED, \$4,993.00 BEING STATE FUNDED, AND \$6,400.00 BEING LOCALLY FUNDED.**

County Manager McCord stated that he had five items, deferring one item, but he would discuss that shortly. He stated that item one was to approve recommendation from the Airport Commission to approve the Phase II Land Easement Acquisition. He stated that this would be twelve (12) aviation easements, as well as one home, and parcel. Project total is \$113,932.60, with \$6,460.00 being locally funded. He stated that this was a 90/5/5 grant from the state. He recommended proceeding.

Chair Wallace called for a Motion. MOTION made by Commissioner Bagby to approve recommendation from the Airport Commission to approve the Phase II Land and Easement Acquisition at the Russell Regional Airport which includes the closing, and payment to property owners for the Aviation easements, and property of one (1) home, and parcel. This includes

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twelve (12) Aviation Easements, and one (1) home and parcel, with the total estimated cost of the project at \$113,932.60, with \$102,539.00 being federally funded, \$4,993.00 being state funded, and \$6,400.00 being locally funded. SECOND by Commissioner Watters. VOTING:

YES

NO

Commissioner Bagby

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Chair Wallace

Motion Carried

2. APPROVE INTERGOVERNMENTAL FIRE AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF ROME.

County Manager McCord stated that he wanted to ask for a deferral or table of item two, the Intergovernmental Fire Agreement with the City of Rome. He stated that they discussed this at Joint Services last week, and have two (2) minor items that they want to address. He stated that they would bring it up at their upcoming June 06, 2017 meeting (Joint Services), and bring it back to the Commission at the next meeting.

3. APPROVE FIRE BUDGET REVISION FY2018 REQUEST FROM THE CITY OF CAVE SPRING.

County Manager McCord stated that item three is to approve the Fire Budget FY2018 request from City of Cave Spring. As they discussed, Cave Spring has had an increase in Firefighter pay from \$11.50 to \$13.00 per hour, and it equaled out to roughly \$13,000.00 in increase, which would go over the amount approved by the Joint Agreement. He recommended approval. He stated that it was an expense to Floyd County in the amount of \$7,645.00 with the increase, and he certainly believed that their recommendation and request was reasonable. He stated because of the amount, and the amount it went over, they had to bring it to the Board. He recommended to approve the \$7,645.00 increase for the fiscal year 2018 budget revision, request from the City of Cave Spring Fire.

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Chair Wallace called for a Motion. MOTION made by Commissioner Maxey to approve the \$7,645.00 increase for the fiscal year 2018 budget revision, as requested by the City of Cave Spring for the fire budget. SECOND by Commissioner Bagby. VOTING:

YES

NO

Commissioner Bagby
" Watters
" Maxey
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Chair Wallace

Motion Carried

4. APPROVE AMENDMENT TO INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF ROME FOR THE FORMER ANIMAL CONTROL PROPERTY, PENDING ATTORNEY REVIEW.

County Manager McCord stated that item four was to approve an amendment to Intergovernmental Agreement with the City of Rome for the former Animal Control property. He stated that they had discussed this last week at Joint Services, and there was an amendment to the agreement proposed by the County Attorney. He stated that it had been reviewed, and is in order in his opinion. He stated that he would ask for the approval for the amendment to allow any place in the agreement that stated Animal Shelter be replaced as City Morgue, for the two (2) acre parcel, that fronts Mathis Road. He recommended to approve on their end, the Intergovernmental Agreement with the City of Rome for the former Animal Control property, pending final review by the City Attorney.

Chair Wallace called for a Motion. MOTION made by Commissioner Watters to approve amendment to Intergovernmental Agreement with the city of Rome for the formal Animal Control Property pending the city's Attorney review. SECOND by Commissioner Maxey VOTING:

YES

NO

Commissioner Bagby

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Motion Carried

5. APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF THREE (3) FORD POLICE PURSUIT INTERCEPTOR SEDANS FROM SPLOST FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$68,526.96 FROM PRATER FORD. THIS WAS THE LOW BID AND FALLS UNDER THE \$83,670.00 THAT WAS BUDGETED FOR FY2017.

County Manager McCord stated that item five was for the purchase of three (3) Ford Interceptor Sedans from SPLOST funds. He stated that this was approved in the 2017 budget. The total low bid amount is \$22,842.32 each or \$68,526.96 from Prater Ford. He stated that this would allow them the total budget amount, and allow them to do up fitting with some reuse of their other equipment. He recommended purchase of three (3) Police Pursuit Interceptor Sedans from SPLOST funds to the low bidder Prater Ford, Calhoun, Georgia in the amount of \$68,526.96.

Chair Wallace called for a Motion. MOTION made by Vice-Chair Hancock to approve the purchase of three (3) Ford Police Pursuit Interceptor Sedans from SPLOST funds in the amount of \$68,526.96 from the low bidder Prater Ford. SECOND by Commissioner Bagby VOTING:

YES

NO

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ADJOURNMENT:

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

	YES	NO
Commissioner		Bagby
" Watters		
" Maxey		
Vice-Chair Hancock		
Chair Wallace		

Motion Carried

ATTEST:

ERIN ELROD, FLOYD COUNTY CLERK

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**FLOYD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
CAUCUS
May 23, 2017 4:00 PM**

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

Ann Hortman, Director, Rome Sports Commission of the Greater Rome Convention and Visitors Bureau provided an ACC Tennis Championship recap to the Commission. Commissioners and staff reviewed items on the agenda for the meeting of May 23, 2017.

ATTEST:

ERIN ELROD, FLOYD COUNTY CLERK