



CLAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Commission Chambers, Fort Gaines, Georgia

MINUTES

February 5, 2008

1) Call to Order and Opening Prayer

Chairman Anderson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Commissioner's Gerald Anderson, Willie McCoy, David Shivers and Walt Killingworth were present. Also in attendance was Administrator Pam Ward and recording Clerk Patty Ellis. Commissioner Barry Waters and County Clerk Teresa Smith were absent. Commissioner McCoy opened with prayer.

2) Agenda Approval

Commissioner Shivers motioned to add item "5b – January 8, 2008 Zoning Minutes" to the agenda. Commissioner McCoy seconded the motion. Motion carried.

3) Annual Appointments

None

4) Presentations before the Board

a. Bid Opening – RFP Off-System Safety Action Plan – Pavement Marking and Striping

Commissioner Anderson received bids for the Off-system Safety Action Plan. Only one bid was received. The bid was received from Asphalt Contractors, Inc. for a total base bid of \$50,480.35. Commissioner McCoy motioned to have GDOT review the bid for assessment. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Shivers. Motion carried unanimously.

5) Minutes

a. January 15, 2008

The minutes of January 15, 2008 were approved with changes. Motioned by Commissioner Shivers and seconded by Commissioner McCoy. Motion carried unanimously.

b. (Added by agenda amendment) January 8, 2008 Public Hearing Minutes

The minutes of January 8, 2008 public hearing were approved. Motioned by Commissioner Shivers and seconded by Commissioner Killingworth. Motion carried unanimously.

6) Correspondence Requiring Action

a. None

7) Unfinished Business

a. Resolution 08-031 Amending water rates as proposed by Georgia Rural Water Association's Study with amendments at the request of the commission

Motion was made by Commissioner McCoy to postpone until County Attorney can review. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Killingworth. Motion carried unanimously.

b. Appointment to the Georgia U.S. Highway 27 Association

Commissioner Shivers motioned to permanently appoint Mr. Ken Penuel as the county representative. Motion was seconded by Commissioner McCoy. Motion carried unanimously.

c. Appointment to the New Horizons mental Health Community Service Board

Commissioner Shivers motioned to permanently appoint Ms. Laverne Chaffin as the county representative. Motion was seconded by Commissioner McCoy. Motion carried unanimously.



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8) New Business

- a. Request from Clay Co. Library for FY2008 SPLOST appropriations - \$2,500

Motion was made by Commissioner Shivers to approve appropriation of \$2,500 for Library. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Killingsworth. Motion carried unanimously.

- b. Ordinance 08-009 Amending Hotel/Motel Tax at request of DCA – first reading

Chairman Anderson read ordinance 08-009 in its entirety as the first reading. Motion was made by Commissioner Shivers to pass the ordinance. Motion was seconded by Commissioner McCoy. Motion carried unanimously.

- c. Request from Lower Chattahoochee Regional Airport Authority - \$2,500 appropriation (budgeted)

Motion was made by Commissioner Shivers to honor the appropriation request for \$2,500 contingent on the other participating counties making the same contribution. Motion was seconded by Commissioner McCoy. Motion carried unanimously.

9) Comments from the Public

Mr. Billy Jones asked permission from the Commission to allow him to temporarily store a mobile home on his property on Hwy 39 until such time as his request for a mobile home variance can be heard. Commissioner Shivers motioned to allow temporary storage of the mobile home until April 15, 2008. Motion was seconded by Commissioner McCoy. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. James Griffin asked permission from the Commission to allow him to temporarily store a mobile home on his property on Days Avenue until such time as his request for a mobile home variance can be heard. Commissioner Shivers motioned to allow temporary storage of the mobile home until April 15, 2008. Motion was seconded by Commissioner McCoy. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Bill Koch reported that the County Administrator was the guest speaker at the Rotary Club in Georgetown on February 5, 2008 and did a great job of representing Clay County.

Carolyn Copelan requested that when Ordinance 08-009 is adopted to please send copies of those businesses that would be affected.

10) Comments from Department Heads & Constitutional Officers

Commissioner Anderson asked Public Works Director Bobby Dupree to please upgrade the drain pipe on Mt. Zion Rd. to an 18" pipe after concerns were voiced from citizens.

11) Administrator Comments, Reports & Recommendations

- a. County Attorney's Status Report – no comments

- b. Water System Grant/Loan Budget Balances

Administrator Ward reviewed the spreadsheet provided by USDA.

- c. Discussion on proposed Regional Dog Pound/Shelter

The commissioners discussed the pros and cons of establishing a regional authority. Motion was made by Commissioner Killingsworth to pursue legislation for a regional authority for an animal shelter/dog pound. The motion was seconded by Commissioner McCoy. Motion carried unanimously.

- d. Request scheduling work session for Budget, Zoning, Goal Setting, Planning Purposes

Administrator Ward requested a work session be scheduled to discuss the upcoming budget and to establish goals for the upcoming year. Commissioners requested the Administrator schedule the meeting prior to one of the monthly commission meetings. Administrator will coordinate with the Chairman on a date.



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12) Comments from the Board

Chairman Anderson updated the board on the status of the bid opening for the CDBG social services project. Chairman Anderson also reviewed the erroneous article published by the Cuthbert Southern Tribune on the water system. The Tribune is to issue a retraction in the 2/7/08 issue.

Commission McCoy asked for clarification on annual refuse payments. Administrator Ward advised that the annual payments are for the fiscal year of October – September. If paid in Oct/Nov time period, a free month is given. However, the refuse bills can be paid in advance at any time without receiving the discount.

13) Invoices to Be Approved

Commissioner Shivers motioned to approve invoices submitted. Commissioner Killingsworth seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

14) Consent Agenda

a. Itemized Inventory for Surplus Sale through govdeal.com

Commissioner Shivers made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Commissioner McCoy seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

15) Executive Session (If Needed)

None

16) Adjourn

Chairman Anderson adjourned the meeting at 7:50 p.m.

Gerald Von Anderson III, Chairman

4/15/08

Date

I HEREBY AFFIRM THAT I AM THE DEPUTY CLERK AND THAT THIS IS A TRUE AND CORRECT COPY OF THE FEBRUARY 5, 2008 MEETING OF THE CLAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS.

Patty Ellis, Deputy Clerk

4/15/08

Date