

MINUTES
CLAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Regular Meeting
April 17, 2007

Present were Chairman Gerald Von Anderson III, Commissioner Willie McCoy, Commissioner Walton Killingsworth, Commissioner Barry Waters and Commissioner David Shivers. Also present was County Administrator, Pam Ward and County Clerk, Teresa Smith.

Call to Order and Opening Prayer

Chairman Anderson called the meeting to order at 7:00pm in the Commission Chambers, Clay County Courthouse Annex, Fort Gaines, Georgia. Commissioner Shivers opened the meeting with a prayer.

Presentations Before the Board

Mr. Sonny Davis inquired about building permits, he has moved a trailer onto a piece of property that he owns on Dragnasty. He received a letter from Clay County's Code Enforcer stating he needed a building permit to add a front and back porch. He stated that these were landing only. Motion by Commissioner Waters to waive the \$15 building permit for Sonny Davis. Second by Commissioner McCoy. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Commissioner Waters to allow Sonny Davis 90 days from April 17, 2007 to remove the second trailer at the back of his property. Second by Commissioner McCoy.

Minutes

Minutes from April 3, 2007 regular meeting. Postponed.

Correspondence for consideration & action

There was none.

Unfinished Business

- a) Request from Tax Assessor for funding non-budgeted web publishing of Tax Records. Q-Public will pro-rate the annual payment to September 2007 to align with the FY007 budget, to \$1458. Motion by Commissioner Waters to approve payment to Q-Public to proceed with the remaining 7 months, during which The Board can solicit 3rd party advertising to offset FY08 Budget. Second by Commissioner Shivers. All in favor, motion carried.
- b) UGA Extension Contract - Motion by Commissioner Waters to accept 80 hours leave payment if County Extension Personnel leaves employment. Second by Commissioner McCoy. All in favor, motion carried.
- c) Discussion on proposed Private Club's ordinance - Administrator Ward and Sheriff Shivers are to work on both of these and determine hours of operation and specifics.
- d) Discussion on proposed Brown Bag ordinance - Attorney Mills is to continue working on both of them. Chairman Anderson requested language be added to provide for establishments that 80% or more of their revenue comes from the sale of food be exempt from the brown bag law.

New Business

- a) Resolution 07-010 to allow for one schedule of fees for the county - Motion by Commissioner Waters to accept Resolution 07-010 after first short reading. Second by Commissioner Shivers. All in favor, motion carried. Fee schedule passed with the exclusion of Building Permit fees.
- b) Zoning Variance request by Mr. Tom Stalling to allow a variance of side yard set back from 10' to 7'. Could not be heard was not advertised for the required two weeks.

Comments from the Public

Carolyn Copland inquired about items C & D on the agenda, she wanted to know if passed would this allow liquor to be served in Clay County.

Comments from the Department Heads

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There was none.

Comments from the Administrator

- a) Discussion on the Retreat – Retreat will be canceled and a workday will be scheduled for Saturday 4/21/07. Legal Organ will be notified.

Comments from the Board

Chairman Anderson inquired about Quitman County's payment of E911 & Dispatchers. County Clerk replied they have not paid in some time. Chairman requested Administrator Ward to follow up on this and see if would could get paid.

Motion by Commissioner Waters to accept the Administrators request for Security Cameras at \$750 plus wiring. Second by Commissioner McCoy. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Commissioner Waters to accept the Administrators request for a fire proof file cabinet at \$2600 plus freight and a fire proof media box. Second by Commissioner McCoy. All in favor, motion carried.

Commissioner Waters informed the board that he would have to recuse himself on the Chattahoochee Land Development Zoning Request.

Commissioner Waters offered a suggestion of a percentage raise for the Vice Chairman, this could be done by Home Rule, would not take effect until January 2009. No action taken, just a suggestion.

Mr. Willis stated that he is on the volunteer fire department, he stated that it is not fair to bill only those who have insurance. Commissioner Shivers stated that he has also been approached by the public and when explained to them they think it is great. Commissioner Waters brought to the board that it is unfair to bill for putting out a fire. He also inquired who do you bill, if the fire is started by someone other than the home owner. Chairman Anderson suggests they look at a set of administrative guide lines on how to administer this procedure then decide on how to administer it.

Motion by Commissioner Waters to continue to maintain the occurrences but suspend the billing of the occurrences to ABC. Second by Commissioner McCoy. All in favor, motion carried.

Commissioner McCoy inquired about the security lights being out at the fire house at Days Cross Roads. Was informed that the power company had been called regarding this. He also inquired about water going to Bulldog Bend Rd. Sammy Davis has signed up for 4 or 5 water meters. Chairman Anderson replied that he had checked to see what funds where left and with that money to install the water lines on the roads with highest number of homes per mile signed up on the water system.

Commissioner Waters stated that he was uncomfortable with the placement of the cameras. Chairman Anderson stated that Jason from Geer and Assoc. the County auditors, that cameras would offset the oversight findings. Administrator Ward replied that the cameras have a limited viewing range so the placement of the cameras is to cover the employees when they have any money transactions.

Commissioner Shivers requested to go to school. No action needed

Invoices to be Approved

Motion made by Commissioner Shivers to approve the bills. Second by Commissioner Waters. All in favor; motion carried.

Consent Agenda

- a) Ambulance Billing Consultants procedure for collection letter.
- b) Monthly report from the Administrator.

Motion by Commissioner Waters to approve the consent agenda. Second by Commissioner McCoy. All in favor, motion carried.

Executive Session

Motion by Commissioner Waters to go into executive session at 8:36pm. Second by Commissioner Shivers. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Commissioner Waters to come out of executive session at 8:45pm. Second by Commissioner Killingsworth. All in favor, motion carried.

Action taken in Executive Session

Motion by Commissioner Waters to approve a pay increase of \$0.68 per hour for EMS Director, Ron Brown. Second by Commissioner Shivers.

Adjournment

Motion by Commissioner McCoy to adjourn at 8:50PM. All in favor.

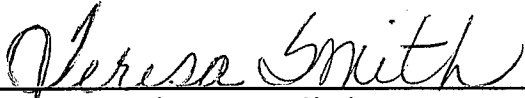


Gerald Von Anderson III, Chairman

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Date

I HEREBY AFFIRM THAT I AM ACTING AS CLERK AND THAT THIS IS A TRUE AND CORRECT COPY OF THE April 17, 2007 MEETING OF THE CLAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS.



Teresa Smith, County Clerk

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Date