



CLAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Commission Chambers, Fort Gaines, Georgia
MINUTES

Regular Meeting
Tuesday, August 5, 2008
7:00pm

1) Call to Order and Opening Prayer

Chairman Anderson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Commissioners Gerald Anderson, Willie McCoy, David Shivers, Barry Waters and Walt Killingsworth was present. Also in attendance were Administrator Pam Ward and Patty Ellis, Acting Clerk. Not present, County Clerk Teresa Smith. Commissioner Shivers opened with prayer.

2) Agenda Approval

Motion by Commissioner Waters to approve the Amended Agenda as written. Second by Commissioner McCoy. All in favor, motion carries.

3) Annual Appointments

None

4) Presentations Before the Board

None

5) Minutes

a. Regular Meeting of July 1, 2008

Motion by Commissioner Waters to approve with changes; Page one last paragraph change Commissioner Shivers vote form "abstain" to "nay vote" Item 12, last paragraph insert "that". Second by Commissioner McCoy. All in favor, motion carries.

b. Regular Meeting of July 15, 2008

Motion by Commissioner Waters to approve with changes; Unfinished Business, item a – to add "as per open meetings act" and insert "February 19, 2008 meeting, item b – to add "an open records request", Invoices to be Approved, add "Commissioner" in front of Barry Waters. Second by Commissioner Shivers. All in favor, motion carries.

6) Correspondence Requiring Action

None

7) Unfinished Business

None

8) New Business

a. Consideration for purchase of accounting software.

Motion by Commissioner McCoy to proceed with E & A accounting software at \$2,500 per year. Second by Commissioner Shivers. Commissioner Waters voted nay, Commissioner Killingsworth voted yea, Commissioner McCoy voted yea, Commissioner Shivers voted yea.

b. Approval of Lease Purchase Agreement with Bancorpsouth – Motorgrader.

Motion by Commissioner McCoy to approve the Lease Purchase Agreement with Bancorpsouth for the Motorgrader. Second by Commissioner Waters. All in favor, motion carries.

c. Approval of GDOT – LARP program road submittals. Add County Road 60/Thornton Rd. and County Road 10 off Mt. Calvary Rd.

Motion by Commissioner Waters to approve GDOT – LARP road submittals. Second by Commissioner McCoy. All



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in favor, motion carries.

- d. Determination of building permit fees for residential fences and driveways.
 - i. Driveways: \$0.15 per sq. foot or flat fee of \$50.
 - ii. Fence: \$___ per lin. Foot or flat fee of \$50.

Motion by Commissioner McCoy to exempt all fees for residential fences and driveways. Second by Commissioner Waters. All in favor, motion carries.

- e. Finalization of Refuse Fees for FY09.
 - Options:
 - i. Proposed \$14.20
 - ii. Consideration of \$14.50

Consideration for accepting credit card payments - \$14.50 would allow offset of fees.
Postponed until County Attorney submits the Ordinance.

- f. Contract with City of Fort Gaines for refuse services. Consideration for renewal at two year term versus eight year term. The Board of Commissioners agreed to keep it at the six year term that is currently.

- g. Legal issues pertaining to original water contracts and collections.
Postponed until County Attorney gives his written opinion, and Commissioners can look over the contract.

- h. Set Milage rate. Public Hearings will be held on August 21, 2008 at 12:00noon and at 6:00pm. Third Public Hearing will be held on August 28, 2008 at 12:00noon. The County will have a meeting at 12:30pm to set the milage rate.

9) Comments from the Public

Ken Peneul asked about posting the milage rate on the county web site. Administrator Ward replied, can not post on the web until all public hearings are over and the milage rate is set.

Ron Cox asked about the water lines being installed at Pataula Shores Cr. Chairman Anderson explained that Pataula Shores Cr. Was on the deductive alternate lines that was eliminated from the original plans due to funding and the amount of people that had signed-up on that particular road.

Phil Wills spoke on the property tax increase, the Board of Education increasing the milage rate and the fact that the county only assess property tax every five years not every two years.

Bill Koch spoke on the fact that county employees are also on the Board of Assessors and that school employees are on the Board of Education. Requested this be researched to find out if it is legal. Administrator Ward informed him that it had been turned over to the County Attorney.

10) Comments from Department Heads & Constitutional Officers

Code Enforcer, Mitch Ellis inquired if the County Attorney had responded regarding Jeff Heard and his refuse account. Administrator Ward responded, she had not received the County Attorney's opinion yet.

11) Administrator Comments, Reports & Recommendations

Administrator Ward informed the Board that the employee health insurance had increased by 9.47%. We budgeted for 10%. The Board suggested we obtain other quotes from other carries.

12) Comments from the Board



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Chairman Anderson inquired about the Attorney's report regarding litigation against Donald Smith Well Drilling. Need to remind the Attorney that their 30 days are up. Needs to respond. Also Clay Trail is in dire need of repairs, Credelles Mill Rd. the patch work on the road is no good, need to be careful of the materials they are using.

Commissioner Shivers, need to let Bobby Dupree know that county's. County Road 10 is full of potholes.

Commissioner Waters informed the board, when they receive the updated project list that LCRDC is working on grants for, that we are not part of the \$350,000 EMS project, it is for Randolph County.

Ron Cox inquired about two lots that need to be cleaned-up at Pataula Shores Cr. Says they have been asking for 12 years to get this property cleaned-up. Mitch Ellis, Code Enforcer explained that he had received a response from the owner of the property and she is going to clean it up.

Ken Peneul inquired about the Town Meeting. Chairman Anderson responded that the tentative date is August 25, 2008, around 6:00 or 7:00pm at the Group Shelter at Bagby State Park.

Ron Cox inquired if he had to receive a refund on the water deposit. Administrator Ward replied that all refunds had to be issued we can not keep a deposit.

13) Invoices to be Approved

Motion by Commissioner Waters to approve the invoices as presented. Second by Commissioner Shivers. All in favor, motion carries.

14) Consent Agenda
There was none.

15) Executive Session (If Needed)
There was none.

16) Adjourn

Chairman Anderson adjourned the meeting at 8:25p.m.

Willie McRay
Gerald Von Anderson III, Chairman
Vice

8.19.08
Date

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

Teresa Smith
Teresa Smith, County Clerk

8.19.08
Date