

GRADY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

MEETING MINUTES

June 18, 2019 Regular Meeting

The Grady County Board of Commissioners met on June 18, 2019 at 6:00 pm for the regular scheduled meeting. Chair LaFaye Copeland, Vice-Chair Keith Moye, Commissioners June Knight, Ray Prince, Commissioner Phillip Drew, County Administrator Buddy Johnson, County Clerk John White, Finance Director Holly Murkerson, and Executive Assistant Mary Griffin were present.

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM by Chair Copeland. Mr. Johnson opened the meeting with prayer and the pledge of allegiance.

The agenda for the meeting was approved on a motion by Mr. Prince and second by Mrs. Knight. The motion was approved.

Mrs. Copeland asked for public comments. Mrs. Maura Elkins was called on to serve as timekeeper.

Peter Wright, 304 Stephens Rd

Mr. Wright stated that the comments that Mr. Johnson made in the article in the Thomasville Times were terrible and he thought that all the points had been well spoken on the opposition's part.

Richard Jordan, 303 Jordan Rd

Mr. Jordan stated that the talk about being transparent is hogwash. He stated that if the county wants the public to be proactive then get the information out to the public. He stated he wanted the next Lake Authority meeting to be in the evening.

PRESENTATIONS

Barbara McDuffie-Taylor, 480 Kristin Lee Dr

Mrs. McDuffie-Taylor wants to be reimbursed for the taxes she has paid for the last three years according to the law as the Tax Assessor's office showed her house as having too many square feet. The matter is being referred to the Tax Assessor's Board for review.

CORRESPONDENCE

The Calendar of Events was reviewed.

CONSENT ITEMS

Motion from Mr. Prince, second by Mr. Drew to approve the following Consent items,

C-001 Minutes from the June 4, 2019 regular meeting,

C-002 Exempt-non approved building plat for the Estate of Ellen Harrell,

C-003 New Beer/Alcohol license for 2019 for Texaco Food Mart – Shailesh Patel.

The motion was approved.

Motion by Mr. Moye, second by Mr. Drew after discussion to approve *C-004* the recommendation of the Grady County Lake Authority to re-appoint Mike Binion as Tired Creek Lake Director. The motion was approved.

FORMAL ACTIONS

FA001-19 Motion by Mr. Moye, second by Mr. Drew to approve the request by the Sheriff's Office to move forward with a \$20,000.00 down payment and enter into a 5 year lease agreement with Taser International starting in January 2020 and continuing to 2024 at a total cost of \$200,954.54, provided

that the Grady County Sheriff's Office does not exceed a request or purchase more than 3 vehicles per year during that total time period. The motion was approved.

FA002-19 Motion by Mr. Moyer, second by Mr. Prince to approve repairs on the D5K XL AC Bulldozer by Yancy Caterpillar for estimate #74818-1 (with shoes) at \$26,895.49. The motion was approved.

FA003-19 Motion by Mr. Moyer, second by Mr. Drew to DISAPPROVE payment for Ag Pro Invoice #S30859 in the amount of \$7,000.00 on the basis that the associated costs were not properly discussed prior to the work being done and no approval was given to move forward on the invoiced subject matter. The motion was approved.

FA004-19 Motion by Mr. Drew, second by Mrs. Knight to approve the request for fire equipment listed on quote #1007358 from NAFECO in the amount of \$50,072.00. This is a budgeted expense. The motion was approved.

FA005-19 Motion by Mr. Prince, second by Mr. Moyer to approve the lease agreement with Georgia Pines Community Service Board on the 5,386 Sq. Ft. office space located at 1641 North Broad Street Cairo, GA. The motion was approved.

FA006-19 Motion by Mr. Moyer, second by Mr. Prince to approve payment of invoice #3624 in the amount of \$18,625.00 to Perry L. Henry and Associates for progress on the current ongoing 2018 Audit for Grady County. The motion was approved.

FA007-19 Motion by Mr. Moyer, second by Mr. Drew to approve moving forward with the job code R1906GradyCollins road from the Southern Concrete Construction Company Inc. in the amount of \$25,000.00 with the understanding the county will seek damages from the at fault party's insurance carrier or personal assets to pay for the damages caused in the crash. The motion passed.

FA008-19 Motion by Mr. Moyer, second by Mrs. Knight to approve/ratify the June 10-11 email consent approval for the purchase of a 12X30 Cabin Style Office Building from Southern Storage Solution in Grady County Georgia at the agreed price of \$9,672.65 which will be funded by moving available money from the Tired Creek Lake line item 100-6810-23-581200 to the Tired Creek Operational line item 100-6180-23-531100. The motion was approved.

FA009-19 Motion by Mr. Drew, second by Mr. Prince to approve the Memorandum of Understanding by and between Decatur-Grady 911 and the City of Albany with a post effective date of June 1, 2019. The motion was approved.

NEW/UNFINISHED BUSINESS

The Woods variance for October 4,5,6, 2019 event has been withdrawn. A new Public Hearing will be scheduled for July 16, 2019 for the new variance request dates on November 1,2,3, 2019.

Mr. Johnson stated that Leon County approved the MOU between Leon and Grady Counties. He also reminded the commissioners of the Kiwanis/Rotary meeting at noon on June 19 with Will Butler and Tired Creek Lake.

Chair Copeland stated she liked the look of the new agenda format.

Commissioner Drew pointed out the MOU agreement was on the front page of the Tallahassee Democrat.

Mr. Johnson stated that we are waiting on the tax digest to complete the budget process and the Board of Education will bring a Bond request to the Board of Commissioners for the E-SPLOST once information is received from the Tax Commissioner.

REPORTS

- A. Roads and Bridges
- B. Recreation Department
- C. Animal Control

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Moyer and second by Mr. Drew. The motion was approved.

LAFAYE COPELAND, CHAIR

KEITH MOYE, VICE-CHAIR

ATTEST:

RAY PRINCE, COMMISSIONER

JOHN WHITE, COUNTY CLERK

JUNE KNIGHT, COMMISSIONER

PHILLIP DREW, COMMISSIONER