



**HALL COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
VOTING MEETING
MINUTES**

**Hall County Government Center 2nd Floor
2875 Browns Bridge Road, Gainesville, GA 30504
Thursday, June 28, 2018 - 6:00 p.m.**

Call to Order

Chairman Higgins called the meeting to order at 6:01p.m.

Present:

Chairman Richard Higgins, Vice Chairman Kathy Cooper and Commissioners Billy Powell, Scott Gibbs, and Jeff Stowe

Also present were County Administrator Jock Connell, Assistant County Administrator Lisa Johnsa, Commission Clerk Lisa Ritchie, and County Attorney Bill Blalock

Approve Agenda

Motion by Commissioner Powell, seconded by Commissioner Stowe and voted, unanimously, to approve the Agenda. _____

Invocation

1. Chairman Richard Higgins

Pledge of Allegiance

2. Commissioner Scott Gibbs

Public Comment - Agenda Items Only (2 minutes per speaker/20 minutes maximum)

Douglas Aiken, 6230 Brady Road, Murrayville addressed the Board.

Motion by Commissioner Powell, seconded by Commissioner Cooper and voted, unanimously, to approve the Consent Agenda.

Consent Agenda

3. Approve June 14, 2018 Voting Meeting Minutes
4. Approve June 14, 2018 Executive Session Meeting Minutes
5. Approve June 14, 2018 Special Called Meeting Minutes
6. Approve June 11, 2018 Work Session Meeting Minutes
7. Approve the Fiscal Year 2019 Budget Resolutions:

- 1) Hall County
- 2) The Victim Witness Assistance Program
- 3) The Community Service Center

8. Approve the tax levy resolutions setting the millage rates for 2018

9. Approve FY2018 Budget Adjustment Resolution

10. Approve authorization of the Chairman to execute a "Direction to Redeem Bonds" to the Gainesville Hall County Development Authority to redeem remaining principal and accrued interest of the \$7,600,000 Gainesville and Hall County Development Authority Revenue Bonds (Hall County Facilities Project), Series 2010 (the "Series 2010 Bonds") issued pursuant to the Trust Indenture, dated as of October 1, 2010 (the "2010 Indenture"), between Gainesville and Hall County Development Authority (the "Authority") and Regions Bank, as trustee (the "Trustee").

11. Approve release of \$10,538.00 Irrevocable Letter of Credit for Sidewalks in Rocky Branch Subdivision; Commission District 3

12. Approve acceptance of \$10,538.00 Irrevocable Letter of Credit for Sidewalks in Rocky Branch Subdivision; Commission District 3

13. Approval of Award for RFP 38-015 Parks Facilities Master Plan to Clark, Patterson & Lee of Suwanee, GA in the amount of \$82,240.00

14. Approval of Award for IFB #068-38 Furnish and Install Standing Seam Roof for Fire Station #12 to BWL Construction, LLC of Gainesville, GA in the amount of \$40,150.00

15. Approval of Award for IFB #071-38 Fall Protection Equipment/Technical Rescue Equipment split to Gravitee Systems of Poulsbo, WA in the amount of \$11,923.96 and Premier Safety of Suwanee, GA in the amount of \$9,738.60.

16. Approval of Award of IFB #004-39 Bottled Water Service Annual Contract to Highland Mountain Water - Gainesville, GA Estimated Annual Spend \$30,000.00

17. Approval of Award for IFB #005-39 Dental Services for Inmates Annual Contract to Dr Christopher Childs, DDMD, PC, Gainesville, GA - estimated yearly spend \$30,000.00

18. Approval of Award for IFB # 018-39 Overhead Door Maintenance & Repair Services Annual Contract to Top Notch Garage Door - Oakwood, GA - estimated annual spend \$48,000.00

19. Approval of Award for IFB #019-39 Plastic HDPE Pipe Annual Contract to Southeast Culvert - Winder, GA - estimated yearly spend \$14,000.00.

20. Approval of Award for IFB #020-39 Septic & Grease Tank Pumping Services Annual Contract to Banks Septic of Cumming, GA - yearly estimated spend \$31,000.00.

21. Approval of Award for IFB #024-39 Vehicles Fuels Delivery Annual Contract to James River Solutions - Ashland, VA - estimated yearly spend \$200,000.00.

22. Approve Real Property Refund of \$1,479.73 for overpayment of taxes - Haynes

Other Business - County Attorney

23. Approve Resolution finding Charter Fiberlink and Charter Advanced Services (aka "CHARTER:") in violation of O.C.G.A. 46-5-134 Concerning 911 surcharge collection and remittance for failure to comply with the audit request of Charter's business records to ensure proper payment NOTE: Tabled at the June 14, 2018 Voting Meeting until the June 28, 2018 Voting Meeting

Motion by Commissioner Stowe, seconded by Commissioner Powell and voted, unanimously, to remove item 23 from the table.

Mr. Blalock asked the Board to withdraw the item.

Motion by Commissioner Stowe, seconded by Commissioner Powell and voted, unanimously, to approve the withdrawal of item 23.

24. Approve execution of Development Agreement, Spout Springs - Lancaster Sewer Project, between Hall County, Georgia and Clayton Properties Group, Inc. d/b/a Chafin Builders; Commission District 1 NOTE: Tabled at the June 14, 2018 Voting Meeting until the June 28, 2018 Voting Meeting

Motion by Commissioner Stowe, seconded by Commissioner Powell and voted, unanimously, to remove item 24 from the table.

Mr. Blalock stated that item 24 is in regards to the property that adjoins the Spout Springs treatment plant. He said it is for the upgrading of the pump station.

Motion by Commissioner Cooper, seconded by Commissioner Gibbs and voted, unanimously, to approve item 24.

Other Business - Planning and Zoning

Srikanth Yamala, Planning and Development Director, addressed the Board.

25. Public Hearing to adopt Hall County's updated Short-Term Work Program and Capital Improvement Element.

Mr. Blalock conducted the Public Hearing.

Motion by Commissioner Powell seconded by Commissioner Gibbs and voted, unanimously, to approve item 25.

Other Business - Public Works

Ken Rearden, Public Works & Utilities Director, addressed the Board.

26. Second Reading and Public Hearing to approve Resolution to amend Chapter 13.10 of The Official Code of Hall County, Georgia, titled "Sewers and Sewage Disposal" so as to delete Section 13.10.1110 titled "Owners Required to Connect" in its entirety and to substitute in lieu thereof a new Section 13.10.1110 and authorize Board of Commissioners to execute Resolution.

Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 & 4

Mr. Rearden issued the Second Reading. Mr. Blalock conducted the Public Hearing.

Motion by Commissioner Cooper seconded by Commissioner Stowe and voted, unanimously, to approve item 26.

27. Second Reading and Public Hearing to approve the abandonment of a section of right-of-way on Smith Mill Road in Commission District 2. Section is approximately seven hundred twenty-five (725+/-) feet in length. Unused section is the result of the realignment of Smith Mill Road.

Mr. Rearden issued the Second Reading. Mr. Blalock conducted the Public Hearing.

Motion by Commissioner Powell seconded by Commissioner Gibbs and voted, unanimously, to approve item 27.

Public Hearing to consider applications to amend the Zoning Map of Hall County as follows:

Mr. Blalock gave the Public Hearing Instructions.

28. Application of Kevin & Brenda Bater for a Use Subject to County Commission approval on a 5.96± acre tract located at the terminus of Davis Bridge Road; a.k.a. 3434 Davis Bridge Road; Zoned AR-III; Tax Parcel 10063 000075. Proposed Use: Equestrian center. Commission District 3.

Mr. Yamala addressed the Board. Mr. Blalock conducted the Public Hearing.

Motion by Commissioner Gibbs seconded by Commissioner Cooper and voted, unanimously, to approve item 28 with the following conditions:

- 1) The development of the site shall occur as generally depicted on the site plan and project narrative. Future development shall be subject to compliance with development standards at the time of development.
 - 2) The existing barn shall be permitted with Hall County Building Inspections retroactively by the applicant before a business license is issued.
 - 3) Setback variances shall be granted to bring the existing barn into compliance.
 - 4) Special events shall be limited to volunteers, mentors and participants of the program and the barn shall not be rented out for private events.
 - 5) All conditions of zoning shall be made part of any plats created for the property.
29. Application of Tammy Reed Maney for a Use Subject to County Commission approval on a 0.38± acre tract located at the terminus of Holland Drive; a.k.a. 4269 Holland Drive; Zoned AR-III and V-C; Tax Parcel 08057 001005. Proposed Use: Reestablish a nonconforming use of a mobile home on the property. Commission District 2.

Mr. Yamala addressed the Board. Mr. Blalock conducted the Public Hearing.

Motion by Commissioner Powell seconded by Commissioner Gibbs and voted, unanimously, to approve item 29 with the following condition:

- 1) The proposed mobile home shall be located in the approximate location of

the previous home.

30. Application of Laurie Dovey/Crisp Boat & Auto LLC for a Use Subject to County Commission approval on a 0.56± acre tract located on the north side of Browns Bridge Road at its intersection with Trudy Circle; a.k.a. 5210 Browns Bridge Road; Zoned H-B; Tax Parcel 08081 007006. Proposed Use: Vehicle sales and detailing. Commission District 2.

Mr. Yamala addressed the Board. Mr. Blalock conducted the Public Hearing.

Laurie Dovey addressed the Board in favor of the application.

Joe Twiggs, Sherry Drive, addressed the Board in opposition of the item.

Mr. Dovey addressed the Board in favor of the item.

Motion by Commissioner Powell seconded by Commissioner Gibbs and voted, unanimously, to approve item 30 with the following conditions:

- 1) No unregistered or inoperable vehicles shall be permitted to be stored on site.
- 2) No more than 6 boats and/or vehicles shall be permitted in the front along Browns Bridge road.
- 3) Vehicle repair shall be allowed in the first two bays of the rear portion upon securing a lease to that portion of the property.
- 4) Upon purchase or lease of the rear portion there shall be no more than four vehicles parked outside the repair bays.
- 5) A to scale site plan depicting the existing conditions and parking area shall be required prior to the issuance of a business license.
- 6) No parking shall occur in the right of way.
- 7) Any new development shall require the site to meet the above requirements of the GCOD.
- 8) All conditions of zoning shall be made a part of any plat created for property.

Report from County Attorney

Mr. Blalock did not have further items to report.

Report from County Administrator

Mr. Connell addressed the Board and communicated some important facts regarding the FY2019 Budget and 2018 millage rates that the Board approved earlier in the meeting. He stated the following:

- This year the county's millage rate structure has changed due to the 2017 approval of the Service Delivery Strategy (SDS) between Hall County and the municipalities. Three new tax service districts are being created.
- The County's maintenance and operation (M&O) millage rate (the general fund) is going down for 2018 due to the creation of the three new tax service districts. In accordance with OCGA 48-5-32, the M&O millage rate was published in the paper along with the five year history of the rate on June 20, and the public was advised that the millage rate would be adopted on June 28.
- Due to SDS, the County M&O millage rate is shifting from incorporated to unincorporated. Therefore, the unincorporated rate is going up and the incorporated rate is going down resulting in potentially higher county taxes for unincorporated property owners and potentially lower county taxes for incorporated property owners. However, there is no M&O tax increase overall as defined by state law.

- In accordance with OCGA 36-81-5, the County held a public hearing on the FY2019 budget on Thursday, June 21, in which the budget was presented and made available publicly. The public hearing was advertised as required by law on June 13.
- In addition to meeting each of these legal requirements, the County also advertised and held two public SDS information meetings on June 19 and 20. An SDS information guide and an FY2019 Budget in Brief were made available to citizens. There is also a link to an SDS information video on the County website.
- The Board of Education's millage rate that was stated on Monday was 18.29 as the rate they proposed. Their adopted rate became 18.20.

Mr. Connell said this budget will help the County create a foundation in which it can move forward and provide the services to the citizens of Hall County that they so justly deserve.

Mr. Connell stated that Hall County offices will be closed on Wednesday, July 4, 2018 in observance of Independence Day.

Commission Time

Commissioner Kathy Cooper, District 1, did not have any items to report.

Commissioner Billy Powell, District 2, reminded everyone that the County and American Legion will be providing fireworks at Laurel Park on the 4th.

Commissioner Scott Gibbs, District 3, wished every one a happy Fourth of July.

Commissioner Jeff Stowe, District 4, stated that Mr. Ronnie Childs is retiring tomorrow. He said Mr. Childs was with TV18 for 20 years.

Chairman Richard Higgins did not have any items to report.

Adjourn

Motion by Commissioner Gibbs, seconded by Commissioner Powell and voted, unanimously, to adjourn the meeting at 7:05 p.m.