The Board of Commissioners of Fayette County, Georgia met in Official Session on Thursday, September 13, 2007, at 7:00 p.m. in the public meeting room of the Fayette County Administrative Complex, 140 Stonewall Avenue, Fayetteville, Georgia.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Jack Smith, Chairman Herb Frady, Vice Chairman Robert Horgan Eric Maxwell Peter Pfeifer STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT: Jack Krakeel, Interim County Administrator Carol Chandler, Executive Assistant Karen Morley, Chief Deputy Clerk

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Chairman Smith called the meeting to order. Commissioner Pfeifer offered the Invocation. Pledge of Allegiance.

ACCEPTANCE OF THE AGENDA:

A motion was made by Commissioner Frady and seconded by Commissioner Horgan to accept the September 13th agenda as published. The motion carried 5-0.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Members of the public are allowed up to five minutes each to address the Board on any issues of concern.

Eddie Baldwin: Eddie Baldwin said he and his wife were long time residents of the County and had lived here for the last 27 plus years. He said they were active voters, property tax paying homeowners and both employed by the Fayette County Board of Education. He said they were very concerned about an article appearing in the Fayette Citizen Newspaper dated August 7, 2007 entitled "The County may Loosen Noise Rule for Dirt Bikes". He said in the County's Noise Ordinance No. 2005-08 adopted on April 14, 2005 was now two years and five months old. He said it was his understanding that very little citations have been issued in Fayette County in regard to this noise ordinance. He said the 2006 Census stated that there were over 106,000 people living in Fayette County. He questioned why the Board would be considering a change in this ordinance in lieu of the small number of citations, population of 106,000 and two years in force. He remarked that there were three new Commissioners on the Board now and he felt the Commission was being tested by those who were the very reason for the 2005 Noise Ordinance. He said because of those individuals lack of respect and irresponsible behavior which was and is destroying the peace and guiet and serenity that the citizens of Fayette County deserved. He felt it was wrong for a few individuals to do what they wanted at the expense of others. He said until this past February 2007 he and his family lived in an area of Fayette County for six years. He said they were constantly inundated with loud vehicles whether these were ATV's, cars, trucks, dirt bikes and so forth whether they were on their own property or riding these illegally on public streets. He said their efforts to solve this disruption to their lives was fruitless. He said they had found the prevalent attitude to be that these individuals were going to do what they wanted, when they wanted and challenge

anyone to do anything about it. He said these individuals deliberately tried to be as loud as they could be, as long as they wanted and would go out of their way to disturb everybody in the community. He said the citizens of Fayette County deserved a strong noise ordinance which was currently in place. He felt the current noise ordinance needed to be stronger and have stricter rules and stronger enforcement. He said any changes to "water down" this ordinance or to pander to those who did not care who they disturbed would be ridiculous. He said the citizens did not need to tolerate any destruction to the citizens desired quality way of life. He said Fayette County was drastically changing now in the areas that he never dreamed would happen. He said there was bumper to bumper traffic, bank robberies and other robberies as well. He said his family moved here for some space and peace and quiet and he asked for the Board's consideration not to make any changes to the current noise ordinance. He said the citizens should not be made to accept anything that would adversely affect him, his wife, his children, rights, safety and serenity.

Amy Anderson: Amy Anderson expressed concern over the possibility that the County might relax the restrictions in the noise ordinance. She said she had e-mailed each Board member and had spoken to four of the five Commissioners about this issue. She said the County had a good ordinance in place and it had restored the citizens' quality of life and the peace in her neighborhood. She said there had only been approximately seven or eight violations written since the Noise Ordinance was adopted in 2005. She said with a population of 105,000 residents having only seven or eight violations since 2005 was fantastic. She felt the ordinance could not be construed by any means to be too restrictive, too extreme or in need of revision. She said there also seemed to be a lot of misinformation concerning the Noise Ordinance. She said normal conversation was 55 to 60 decibels but to say that would be violating the ordinance was absolutely ridiculous. She said the current ordinance addressed noise that crosses boundary lines and disrupts the lives of other people. She said if her neighbor was out on his property having a normal conversation there was no way she would hear that standing in her front yard 75 to 100 yards away. She said there were hundreds of airplanes flying over Fayette County every day, however they were not violating the Noise Ordinance as some individuals would like the Board to think. She said those airplanes were exempt from this ordinance. She said this was listed in Section 12-31 of the Noise Ordinance it stated that the majority of these aircraft that fly overhead were at 10,000 feet, the sound was of a short duration and rarely go over 55 or 60 decibels. She said this ordinance allows for vard maintenance including lawn mowers, chain saws and leaf blowers. She noted that the ordinance did not prohibit the use of motorcycles but when that noise was at excessive levels that disrupts peoples' lives, then it was a problem. She said the 55 decibels provided an enforceable standard to work with and it was one that the E.P.A. set as the safe level of noise for neighborhoods. She said this level presents activity interference and annoyance. She said when she can hear this noise over the television in her house with the windows shut, then that was a problem. She said it was also a problem when she has to wear earplugs out in her front yard to protect her hearing because of somebody else. She said the citizens of Fayette County had the right to peace and quiet. She said if someone lived next to or close to a small or large motocross course and were forced to live with deafening levels of noise, then the Board would complain too. She said there were a lot of people throughout the County who have similar problems. She said one lady she had met actually had to move because the noise was so deafening. She asked for the Board's consideration not to amend an ordinance that the Board members themselves could not live with and would not live with. She said this Board should be concerned with the betterment of the majority of the citizens and not one or two

individuals. She said the Commissioners were charged with the responsibility of protecting the health, safety and welfare of all the citizens of Fayette County. She said she was pleading with this Board to do what was best for the County and noted that the current Noise Ordinance did just that.

<u>CONSENT AGENDA</u>: A motion was made by Commissioner Frady and seconded by Commissioner Horgan to approve consent agenda items 1-4 as presented. The motion carried 5-0.

ASP AGREEMENT WITH TYLER TECHNOLOGIES, INC.: Approval of Application Service Provider (ASP) Agreement with Tyler Technologies, Inc. for off-site hosting of the MUNIS applications. A copy of the Agreement, identified as "Attachment No. 1", follow these minutes and are made an official part hereof.

SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT: Authorization for the Chairman to execute tag and title documents for the acquisition of a vehicle for the Sheriff's Department. A copy of the request, identified as "Attachment No. 2", follows these minutes and is made an official part hereof.

POLICIES APPROVED: Approval of policies for (1) Policy Development/Revision Process; (2) Agenda Process; (3) New Initiatives. These policies were discussed at the Board's August 8th meeting. A copy of the policies, identified as "Attachment No. 3", follow these minutes and are made an official part hereof.

FISCAL POLICIES APPROVED: Approval of fiscal policies proposed by the Finance Department: (1) Budget Policy; (2) Debt Management Policy; (3) Investment Policy; (4) Reserve Fund Policy. These policies were discussed at the Board's August 8th meeting. A copy of the fiscal policies, identified as "Attachment No. 4", follow these minutes and are made an official part hereof.

PRESENTATION OF THE PROPOSED BUDGET CALENDAR FOR FISCAL YEAR 2009 BY THE FINANCE DEPARTMENT:

Budget Officer Sergio Acevedo said he wanted to present the proposed budget calendar for Fiscal Year 2009 to the Board of Commissioners. He said every year the Finance Department develops a calendar to be approved by the Board of Commissioners before the budget process begins. He said this year the Finance Department was proposing to start the budget calendar three weeks earlier than usual. He said the Board had indicated that the Finance Department needed to go into more detail for capital and C.I.P. items. He said the additional three weeks would give more time for the Board to go through those "big ticket" items. He said the Finance Department was proposing to start the Capital Improvement Program on November 26th when the budget packets would be distributed to all of the County departments. He said they would then have twelve business days to work on the Capital and C.I.P. budgets. He said they would then return all documentation on December 12th. He said from January 3 to January 4 it had been suggested that staff would meet with the County Department would process these recommendations and would present the recommended Capital, C.I.P., and vehicle and equipment requests on January 10th to the Board of Commissioners. He said the Finance Department was proposing that the

Commissioners' budget workshops with departments be scheduled from January 28th to February 8th. He said the Board would receive all of the documentation at least weeks prior to these workshops.

Mr. Acevedo further remarked that the second phase of the budget for tract one of the operating budget for staffing would begin. He said in the previous budget, staffing was done first but this year it would be done second. He said on January 18th the budget packages would be distributed to the departments. He remarked on February 13th all of the requests for new positions, promotions and other staffing requests would be due from the departments. He said this would give the departments seventeen working days to finish their staffing requests. He said this was the same amount of days that departments had in last year's budget. He said on March 5th the staff would meet to make recommendations on the staffing requests from the departments. He remarked that on March 6th and March 7th the County Administrator would meet with the County Departments who have staffing requests. He said the Finance Department would work on both of these recommendations and have the packages ready to be delivered to the Board of Commissioners. He said it was being proposed that the Board of Commissioners budget workshops with the County Departments be held between March 27th and April 4th. He said this would give the Board sufficient time to review all of the requests and recommendations.

Mr. Acevedo further remarked that the last tract of the budget would be discussed next and would involve other operating items. He said on March 19th the budget packets would be distributed to the departments for other operating expenditure requests. He said the departments would have until April 17th to prepare their budgets and submit those back to the Finance Department. He said this would give the departments thirteen working days to prepare their budgets. He said staff was suggesting that the staff budget workshops be held between April 14th and April 18th. He said the final requests and recommendations for the other operating budgets would be finalized by the Finance Department and delivered to the Board of Commissioners on April 24th. He said it was being proposed for the Commissioners to discuss budgets with all departments from May 12th to May 23rd. He said on June 4th the final proposal would be submitted to the Board of Commissioners. He said this would include all expenditures and revenues for the budget proposal. He said the first public hearing would be held on June 12th to discuss the fiscal year 2009 budget. He said on June 26th the second public hearing would be held and the budget would be adopted by the Board of Commissioners on that date.

Mr. Acevedo further remarked that from last year to this year by starting budget discussions three weeks early, the departments would have eleven additional days to prepare their budgets. He said during the Board's retreat it was discussed and recommended by the Board to have the Capital and C.I.P. completed first. He said he would be glad to answer any questions that the Board might have.

Chairman Smith said he would like to make two comments. He said (1) in the past the Capital Improvements portion of the budget had actually fallen to last and staff had found itself in a position, at least this year, that the time remaining before the budget adoption date did not allow what he would consider a thorough and an adequate discussion of the Capital Improvement C.I.P. plan. He said this restructure would put this in the first priority position as discussed during the Board's retreat. He said (2) in the discussion of tract II which was the operating budget under the other operating expenses he had a personal problem with the April 14th through April 18th budget workshop revision and would like to suggest that these meetings be scheduled after April 15th.

A motion was made by Commissioner Maxwell and seconded by Commissioner Frady to approve the budget calendar as presented with the assurance that Board Workshops begin after April 15, 2008. The motion carried 5-0. A copy of the budget calendar, identified as "Attachment No. 5", follows these minutes and is made an official part hereof.

FURTHER DISCUSSION OF A REQUEST FROM THE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO EXTEND A SEWER LINE ALONG JENKINS ROAD TO A TOWN OF TYRONE MANHOLE LOCATED ON A NEIGHBORING PROPERTY:

Commissioner Maxwell said this was his agenda item and he would like to make a motion authorizing the School Board to install the sewer line. He said he would like Attorney Don Comer to give a briefing on the legal aspects of how the Board could authorize the sewer going from the Town of Tyrone through County property to the School Board.

Interim County Attorney Don Comer remarked that in the last Commission meeting there was a question concerning the legal distinction between a church and a school. He said a church was typically a corporate entity as well as a private entity. He said a school district that owns the school and the facilities would be a public entity. He said the law contemplates the accommodation of public entities way beyond those that were required in the private sector. He said the Board could handle this request by granting an easement for the facilities that the School Board planned to put on the County's easement with certain conditions those being that the School Board maintain the easement in terms of repair, that they would prohibit any other private entity from tapping into that section of the facility that was owned by the School Board and also to bear the burden of expense in relocation of the facilities in the event that was required for road improvements or road enhancements.

A motion was made by Commissioner Maxwell and seconded by Commissioner Frady to grant the easement with certain conditions including that the School Board maintain and repair the easement with the School Board bearing any cost for installation and to prohibit any private entity from tapping into the line and the School Board to bear the cost of any future repairs or relocation of the line. The motion carried 5-0.

UPDATE AND DISCUSSION OF THE PROPOSED EAST FAYETTE BY-PASS PROJECT BY DAVID JAEGER OF MALLETT CONSULTING

Project Manager David Jaeger of Mallett Consulting asked for the Board's guidance on a design issue regarding the proposed East Fayette By-Pass project and presented a report to the Board on this issue. A copy of the report, identified as "Attachment No. 6", follows these minutes and is made an official part hereof. He remarked that the issue tonight was the requirement or necessity for sidewalks and/or multi-use paths along the East Fayetteville By-Pass. He said he was currently preparing for submission of the design concept report to the Department of Transportation for review and approval. He said once approved that report would define the design parameters for this project. He said at an earlier meeting with the D.O.T. the issue was raised about sidewalk requirements on this project. He said the project was classified as an urban minor arterial. He said the current typical section would be four lanes divided with curb and gutter and a raised grass and landscaped median. He said the Georgia Department of Transportation standard for that classification and that type of design required five foot wide concrete sidewalks along each shoulder in all locations where there would be curb and gutter which would essentially be the entire length of the project. He said Fayette County had a plan that would require a bike shoulder to be incorporated into the final design and he had recently discussed that with staff. He said at the time

this plan was prepared and adopted it was not understood by staff that there could potentially be sidewalks on this project and they had incorporated the bike shoulder not knowing that sidewalks would be a possibility in the project. He said staff had indicated that they would favor a multi-use path in lieu of a bike shoulder if it were to go in that direction. He said he had summarized three options that could be presented in the design concept report to the D.O.T. He said option #1 would be to follow the D.O.T. guidelines which would be to provide a design and construct sidewalks along each shoulder. He said he had prepared an estimated cost of the construction of the sidewalks at \$1.5 million.

Mr. Jaeger remarked that option #2 would be to provide sidewalks on one side and then modify the other side to include an 8 foot wide multi-use path. He said that would increase the cost of the original of option #1 to \$2.1 million for the sidewalk and the multi-use path along with an estimated \$1.5 million in additional cost at the bridge crossing at Morning Creek.

Mr. Jaeger remarked that option #3 which was offered to the County by the Department of Transportation at an earlier meeting would be to request a design variance from their normal standard design to eliminate the sidewalks from the concept. He said if the County went with that option there would be no cost associated with this issue. He said this had been discussed at the S.P.L.O.S.T. committee meeting and the committee decided that this should be brought before the Board of Commissioners for review and guidance before releasing the final design report to D.O.T.

Commissioner Frady asked Mr. Jaeger when he needed an answer from the Board.

Mr. Jaeger replied that he did not really have a deadline but would like to submit the report to D.O.T. within the next two to three weeks. He said this was not a hard and fast deadline but he would like to have the information included in that report so it would set the parameters for the final design.

Commissioner Frady said if the Board approved option #3 there would not have to be a delay.

Mr. Jaeger replied yes that was true. He remarked that option #3 would also allow for the opportunity to construct sidewalks and multi-use paths at a later time. He said these would be incorporated into the shoulders which would be built at the same width regardless of whether sidewalks or multi-use paths would be there. He said option #3 would offer the ability to determine after the road was built whether the necessity was there for sidewalk or multi-use path and then constructed at a later time.

Commissioner Pfeifer asked if option #3 would include the bike shoulder.

Mr. Jaeger replied no and remarked that option #3 would be a design variance for no bike shoulder, no sidewalks and no multi-use path. He said staff had indicated that in lieu of the bike shoulder they would prefer multi-use paths.

Chairman Smith asked Mr. Jaeger for the approximate year that construction would begin.

Mr. Jaeger responded that this was currently programmed by the Atlanta Regional Commission for construction of phase I in 2010. He said there had been recent discussions on that and he felt it was more likely to be 2011 due to the number of parcels of right-of-way that would need to be acquired along with the backlog at D.O.T. with other projects in the pipeline for review and approval. He felt 2011 would be his speculative estimate for the start time.

Commissioner Maxwell questioned if the County chose option #3 at this point would the right-of-way be acquired with the anticipation of a multi-use path or would this come later.

Mr. Jaeger replied that the right-of-way needs would be the same. He said he was planning on a 120 foot wide right-of-way with 16 foot shoulders. He said the multi-use path would be built in that space.

Chairman Smith said the right-of-way acquisition requirements would not change and Mr. Jaeger replied that was correct.

Mr. Jaeger remarked that it was his opinion if the County were to go with the bike shoulder which would require additional pavement area that would potentially require more right-of-way and that would have to be done up front.

Commissioner Horgan asked if the County elected to do these paths later would there be a change in the construction costs.

Mr. Jaeger replied yes and remarked he would assume there would be an escalation in the price. He said if there was a desire to do this it would make sense to do it sooner rather than later. He said if there was not a desire to do it, the option was always there at a later date.

Commissioner Maxwell felt the multi-use path system was what the County should be gearing toward. He said it was the timing as to which one was the better priority that was his concern. He said the Board really had not discussed which road was the most pressing but he felt option #3 was the best choice from the information presented tonight.

Chairman Smith said his main concern was the source of the funds to pay for even the lesser of the choices. He said this road was funded through a combination of sales tax revenue federal grants. He questioned exactly where the County would be financially when it came time to actually build this road. He said in 2011 the County would have finished completing the sales tax revenue and construction costs would have escalated to who knows where. He said at that point in time it would not be certain that the County would have \$1.5 million or if the County would have a policy in place on doing multi-use paths and sidewalks. He suggested that option #3 be the choice at this point in time with the caveat that before construction time occurred that the Board revisit the County's financial position with regard to sales tax revenue, federal grants received and matching funds and determine at that point in time which direction it wanted to go with the actual construction.

Commissioner Pfeifer said the road that was put in the plan was to move people around Fayetteville who did not need to go through Fayetteville. He said he did not think there would be people riding bicycles from Brooks to Atlanta any time soon.

Mr. Jaeger clarified that he should proceed with requesting a design variance for no sidewalks and no bike paths.

Chairman Smith asked for the Board's pleasure in this matter.

A motion was made by Commissioner Maxwell and seconded by Commissioner Frady to approve option #3 with the caveat that prior to construction that the Board review its financial position with regard to sales tax revenue, federal grants received and matching funds and determine at that point in time which direction the board wanted to go with the actual construction time and review being at David Jaeger's discretion based on his discussions with the D.O.T. The motion carried 5-0.

ADOPTION OF THE ANNUAL RETREAT REPORT FROM AUGUST 7 AND 8, 2007 WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THE MISSION STATEMENT WHICH WILL BE BROUGHT TO THE BOARD FOR DISCUSSION AT A LATER DATE:

Chairman Smith said the Board had received a copy of the report from the moderator who recorded the highlights of the Board's retreat. He asked for the Board's pleasure in adopting this report with the exclusion of the mission statement.

A motion was made by Commissioner Horgan and seconded by Commissioner Frady to adopt the annual retreat report from August 7 and 8, 2007 with the exception of the mission statement. The motion carried 5-0. A copy of the report, identified as "Attachment No. 7", follows these minutes and is made an official part hereof.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:

INTERIM COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR JACK KRAKEEL: Interim County Administrator Jack Krakeel discussed the U.G.A. organizational study regarding a new position for a Chief Information Officer. He said last year the County had engaged the University of Georgia to conduct a study of an organizational analysis. He said there were specific recommendations that had come out of that study one of which included a new position of Chief Information Officer the County. He said after reviewing this situation and having a lengthy discussion with the author of the study, it was his perspective that there was current capability within the organization without having to create an additional level of administration within the Information Systems Department. He asked for the Board's consideration to abolish the position that the Board had authorized during the budget process and to use the funding that had been approved for the position this year to engage a consultant who could assist the County with the development of a long term strategic plan for technology and infrastructure needs which would include a current analysis of the County's capabilities today and to develop a five year plan to move and progress the County forward into the main stream of the e-commerce and e-government environment. He felt this would be a more prudent expenditure of the County's financial resources and not create or add an additional layer of administration into the existing structure of County government. He asked for the Board's consideration for direction to proceed in this matter.

Chairman Smith asked Mr. Krakeel if he anticipated this change in philosophy moving from an employee to a consulting contract would be equal to or less than the money that was budgeted for personnel.

Mr. Krakeel replied that currently \$80,000 was budgeted for this position and that did not include any of the support requirements that would go along with that position. He felt a consulting study could be accomplished within the current financial parameters that the Board had established and that would be a one year and one time expenditure versus an ongoing annual expenditure for salary and benefits.

Chairman Smith asked if this would mean abolishing the position of Chief Information Officer.

Mr. Krakeel said actually the Board would not abolish the position. He said the current study that was being done by U.G.A. would identify the current Director of Information Systems and potentially upgrade that to the title Chief Information Officer which would have been consistent with last year's study. He said he was asking the Board to abolish the funding for the position that the Board established during the budgetary process.

Chairman Smith asked for the Board's pleasure in this matter.

A motion was made by Commissioner Frady and seconded by Commissioner Horgan to accept the interim county administrator's recommendation as presented and revise the approved budget and removing the funding from the Chief Information Officer position and reprogram it into a consulting line to hire an organization or person to help the County design and implement a strategic computerized system. The motion carried 5-0.

INTERIM COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR JACK KRAKEEL: Interim County Administrator Jack Krakeel asked for the Board's consideration to approve the request from the Sheriff's Office to adjust a pay grade for the Chief Pilot to a grade 35. He said he had received a request from the Sheriff's Office approximately one month ago regarding the position of the Chief Pilot. He said when the aviation unit was established, the position of Chief Pilot/Director of the Aviation Unit was established. He said subsequently the Chief Pilot that was employed at that time left the organization and an individual was promoted to the position of the Aviation Manager. He said there was currently a Chief Pilot whose job grade was actually that of a Deputy Sheriff. He said the specific request from the Sheriff's Department was to adjust that particular grade to reflect the special nature of this particular position into a comparable wage with other communities. He said his initial response to the request was that he wanted to wait on taking any action or making any recommendations to the Board pending the current class and compensation study being conducted by the University of Georgia. He said in his discussions with them which were as recent as last week, he addressed the specific issue of the Chief Pilot and their response to him essentially was that this was a highly specialized position and there were not very many local governments that have these types of programs. He said their recommendation was to offer a comparable wage of the communities that did provide this type of program. He said he had done that analysis and had a recommendation for the Board rather than waiting until December for the implementation of a recommendation and to go ahead and adjust this one individual position at this time to a comparable salary scale with other jurisdictions that employ chief pilots.

Chairman Smith asked Mr. Krakeel if he had established what grade that would be.

Mr. Krakeel said the requested grade from the Sheriff's Department was a grade 37. He said he would recommend a grade 35 which was approximately a 5% differential. He said this would allow for sufficient latitude within that range to place the individual in that position.

Chairman Smith asked if the Sheriff had indicated if he had sufficient funds in his budget to make this adjustment.

Mr. Krakeel responded the Sheriff did have sufficient funds for this position.

Chairman Smith clarified that there was no amendment to the actual budgeted amount to the Sheriff's Department.

Chairman Smith asked for the Board's pleasure in this matter.

A motion was made by Commissioner Maxwell and seconded by Commissioner Frady to approve the change of the current paygrade for a deputy sheriff to an upgraded classification of 35 of approximately \$50,500 with a job code 749, discussion followed.

Commissioner Maxwell asked Mr. Krakeel for the low end and the high end for a pay grade of 35.

Mr. Krakeel replied the 35 paygrade starts at approximately \$50,500 and tops out at \$78,500.

Commissioner Maxwell asked Mr. Krakeel about the comparable findings that he had determined.

Mr. Krakeel replied that he had contacted a number of jurisdictions that have pilots in their employ and received their average salaries. He said this salary range would allow the transition of this position into that range to be in a competitive setting.

Commissioner Horgan asked if there would be any kind of retroactive pay or anything of that nature.

Mr. Krakeel responded no and remarked that there would not be any retroactive pay involved.

Chairman Smith asked if the job description would have to be changed.

Mr. Krakeel replied yes and remarked that the job description had been modified and he had reviewed that and concurred with the modifications that had been made to the job description. He said the specific request would be to change the current pay grade from its current classification of a Deputy Sheriff to a pay grade 35 with a job code of 749.

Chairman Smith called for the vote.

The motion carried 5-0.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT:

INTERIM COUNTY ATTORNEY DON COMER: Interim County Attorney Don Comer asked for the Board's consideration to adopt Resolution No. 2007-17 which would authorize the County to enter into the articles of agreement with Tyler Technologies regarding the software upgrade for the Tax Assessor's Office and authorize the Chairman to execute the modified contract.

A motion was made by Commissioner Frady and seconded by Commissioner Horgan to adopt Resolution No. 2007-17 authorizing the County to enter into the Articles of Agreement with Tyler Technologies regarding the software upgrade for the Tax Assessor's Office and authorization for the Chairman to execute the modified agreement. The motion carried 5-0. A copy of the Agreement, identified as "Attachment No. 8", follows these minutes and is made an official part hereof. A copy of Resolution No. 2007-17, identified as "Attachment No. 9", follows these minutes and is made an official part hereof.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR PHIL MALLON: Public Works Director Phil Mallon updated the Board on a change at the landfill regarding a series of containers used for recycling. He said he has been in the process of working with Pratt Industries and Waste Management to get a compactor installed. He said this would allow citizens to drive up and dump all of their recyclables in together, compacted and taken to a separate facility for sorting. He said the equipment was in place and he was waiting for a power connection and hopefully in a few days it would begin operation. He noted that these containers would handle newspapers, cardboard, bottles and plastic materials. He said he was also working on a recyclable system to be used for electronics.

Chairman Smith asked if there were any other Board Reports. Hearing none, he asked for the Board's pleasure.

A motion was made by Commissioner Frady and seconded by Commissioner Pfeifer to adjourn the meeting at 8:05 p.m. The motion carried 5-0.

Karen Morley, Chief Deputy Clerk

Jack R. Smith, Chairman

The foregoing minutes were duly approved at an official meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Fayette County, Georgia, held on the 25th day of October, 2007.

Karen Morley, Chief Deputy Clerk