



Action Agenda

Board of Commissioners
July 12, 2012
7:00 P.M.

The Board of Commissioners of Fayette County, Georgia, met in Official Session on July 12, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. in the Public Meeting Room of the Fayette County Administrative Complex, 140 Stonewall Avenue, Fayetteville, Georgia.

Commissioners Present:

Herb Frady, Chairman
Robert Horgan, Vice Chairman
Lee Hearn
Allen McCarty

Commissioner Absent:

Steve Brown

Staff Present:

Scott Bennett, County Attorney
Floyd Jones, County Clerk

Call to Order, Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairman Frady called the July 12, 2012 Board of Commissioners Meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. Commissioner Hearn offered the Invocation and led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Acceptance of Agenda.

Commissioner Horgan moved to approve the Agenda as published. Commissioner McCarty seconded the motion. No discussion followed. The motion passed 4-0-1.

Chairman Frady mentioned that Commissioner Brown was absent from the meeting since he was appearing on Georgia Public Broadcasting.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Pat Earnest: Ms. Earnest spoke to the Board concerning the traffic, trash, and speeders on Redwine Road. She asked for efforts to be taken that would manage the traffic and slow drivers down.

Kelvin Watson: Mr. Watson spoke to the Board about mortgages and homeowners in the Fayetteville community. He asked the Board what its position was pertaining to helping out homeowners who have depreciating properties. He said that whatever a property is worth is what it should be assessed at, but that the assessors were assessing properties that "are not at that value". He also asked about who is educating homeowners about programs and "situations like Wells Fargo [and] Bank of America". He said the people were looking to the Board to represent and to advocate for the community, and he suggested that the Board could find a way to work with real estate agencies and other companies in order to educate the public on these issues so that home values could begin appreciating.

Angela Hinton Fonda: Ms. Angela Hinton Fonda spoke about the issue of fire taxes and fees, located on Consent Agenda Items 1 and 2. She also spoke about her disagreement with the possibility of re-employing a retired employee as an Interim County Administrator who is receiving pension payments under an early-out option since it would reflect a failure by the Board to the taxpayers.

Steve Smithfield: Mr. Steve Smithfield said he was asked by Mr. Jim Richter to read a comment to the Board on his behalf. Mr. Smithfield then read the letter to the Board but was unable to complete it due to time expiring.

Tom Halpin: Mr. Tom Halpin said he had spoken to the Board some time ago about how many numbers of people shopped at the Fayetteville Pavilion, and how many cars with license plates from other counties other than Fayette County were shopping there, which, he claimed was approximately 60%. He said he asked for documentation, but was told there was no documentation. He said the answer of "there is no documentation" seems to be a pattern for a number of areas in County government, and that the result was that the County was losing money. He also asked for greater transparency in the County. He also suggested that the two incumbent Commissioners who are running for reelection should inform the County how they stand on the T-SPLOST issue before the election takes place.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Commissioner Hearn moved to approve Consent Agenda Items 1-6. Commissioner Horgan seconded the motion. No discussion followed. The motion passed 3-1-1 with Commissioner McCarty voting in opposition and Commissioner Brown being absent.

1. **Approval of Ordinance No. 2012-10 which removes fees for services provided by the Fayette County Bureau of Fire Prevention from the Fayette County Code of Ordinances.**
2. **Approval of Resolution No. 2012-17 which establishes fees for services provided by the Fayette County Bureau of Fire Prevention.**
3. **Approval of staff's request to accept a reimbursement from Safe Auto Insurance Company, in the amount of \$14,117.0, due to a settlement of a vehicular accident, and approval to amend the Fire Budget's Fiscal Year 2012 Revenues and Expenditures account in order to provide for the repair of the damaged fire apparatus.**
4. **Approval of staff's recommendation to modify the awarding of Bid #823 by rescinding the award for cleaning services to Chi-Ada, to award an annual contract to Imagann Cleaning Services, Inc. for cleaning the Library, at a rate of \$1,663 per month, not to exceed \$19,956.00, and to authorize the Chairman to sign the contract for these services after review by the County Attorney.**
5. **Approval of the Sheriff's Office request to amend the 2012 Overtime Budget for the Criminal Investigations Division by \$2,713.55 for reimbursement for employees assigned to work with various Federal agencies.**
6. **Approval of the Sheriff's Office request to amend the Gasoline Vendor Budgeting Category for the Criminal Investigations Division by \$1,000 for reimbursement received from the US Marshals Service for gasoline expenditures incurred for the vehicle which was purchased for Fayette County.**

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Update on quarterly groundwater monitoring events at the Public Works - Fleet Maintenance Facility.

Fleet Maintenance Director Bill Lackey spoke to the Board about his request.

Commissioner Hearn moved to proceed with the remediation efforts at the Public Works - Fleet Maintenance location by retaining and supervising a subcontractor through Mill Creek Environmental Services, to authorize an expenditure of \$7,382 with said expenditure to be reimbursed through the Georgia Underground Storage Tank (GUST) Trust Fund, and to authorize the Chairman to sign any related documents or contracts contingent upon review by the County Attorney. Commissioner Horgan seconded the motion. No discussion followed. The motion passed 4-0-1.

2. Discussion of an Interim County Administrator.

Chairman Herb Frady and County Attorney Scott Bennett spoke to the Board about this request.

Chairman Frady moved to extend a contract to hire Mr. Jack Krakeel as temporary County Administrator of Fayette County, Georgia, with said contract to expire by December 31, 2012 or sooner, and to authorize the Chairman to sign the contract between Fayette County and Mr. Krakeel. Commissioner Horgan seconded the motion. No discussion followed. The motion passed 4-0-1.

ATTORNEY'S REPORTS:

There was no Attorney's Report given.

COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS:

Commissioner McCarty: Commissioner McCarty commented that he has a friend who is a real estate attorney, and that his friend informed him that within the past three months he has lost four sales cancelled because of an Animal Control Ordinance that only allows three animals per address.

Commissioner Hearn: Commissioner Hearn pointed out that Major Bryan Woodie of the Fayette County Sheriff's Office was in the audience, and he suggested that both he and Ms. Earnest should discuss the situation on Redwine Road. He also spoke about the letter that Mr. Smithfield read about the County's Defined Benefits Plan, and about Fayette County's goals related to the Defined Benefits Plan.

ADJOURNMENT:

Commissioner Hearn moved to adjourn the July 12, 2012 Board of Commissioners meeting. Commissioner Horgan seconded the motion. No discussion followed. The motion passed 4-0-1.

The Board of Commissioners adjourned its July 12, 2012 meeting at 7:41 p.m.

Floyd L. Jones, County Clerk