

Board of Commissioners February 9, 2012 7:00 P.M.

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The Board of Commissioners of Fayette County, Georgia, met in Official Session on Thursday, February 9, 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<br>Robert Horgan, Vice Chairman<br>Steve Brown<br>Lee Hearn<br>Allen McCarty                                               |
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| Staff Present:         | Jack Krakeel, County Administrator<br>Scott Bennett, County Attorney<br>Carol Chandler, Executive Assistant<br>Karen Morley, Chief Deputy Clerk |

Chairman Frady called the meeting to order. Commissioner Hearn offered the Invocation. Pledge of Allegiance.

<u>Acceptance of Agenda</u>: County Attorney Scott Bennett asked that one item under New Business be added and that item would be item #14. Commissioner Hearn said that item would be discussion regarding reapportionment and there would be no action required tonight. Commissioner Hearn made a motion to approve the agenda as presented including the amendment as discussed. Commissioner Horgan seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

# Presentation/Recognition:

## 1. Presentation of Proclamation recognizing February 6-10, 2012 as Severe Weather Awareness Week:

Director of Public Safety Allen McCullough and Deputy Fire Chief Tom Bartlett were present to accept the Proclamation from the Board recognizing February 6-10 as Severe Weather Awareness Week. A copy of the request and Proclamation, identified as "Attachment No. 1", follow these minutes and are made an official part hereof.

## 2. <u>Recognition of the Fayette Samaritans:</u>

Commissioner Horgan read the recognition of the Fayette Samaritans and the Board presented this plaque to Lena Slaughter and many other volunteers of the Fayette Samaritans. A copy of the request, backup and special recognition, identified as "Attachment No. 2", follow these minutes and are made an official part hereof.

## Public Comment:

**Randy Ognio**: Randy Ognio commented on the recreation survey and pointed out that nothing had gone out in the mail to the citizens of Fayette County and many citizens were still not aware of the survey. He also noted that many citizens would not be able to access the internet to complete the survey on the County's website. He also commented on consent agenda item #5 and noted that there was nothing included in the backup information to indicate what had been paid last year for these items. He questioned the increased cost for several of the items purchased. He commented on New Business item #12 and said there was no drawing of the proposed improvement and questioned what work was actually going to be done. He felt there should be a light installed at the intersection of S.R. 85 and Harp Road.

**David Hall:** David Hall remarked that citizens have to list their names for speaking at Commission meetings and he felt specific names should be listed regarding staff's recommendations on agenda items. He said there must be transparency and accountability in all County government.

Tom Halpin: Tom Halpin commented on what he felt was the biggest waste of Fayetteville's resources and that was the people living in Fayette County. He felt open positions in Fayette County Government should be advertised in order to allow the resources to be a part of the process. He also commented on the recent appointment for a member of the Elections Board. He said the Board had appointed a person not even knowing their background with no application until after the process. He said that person with no experience had replaced a person who had years of knowledge for the position.

**Consent Agenda:** Commissioner Brown requested consent agenda items #5 and #9 be removed for discussion. Commissioner Brown made a motion to approve the consent agenda items as presented with the exception of items #5 and #9. Commissioner McCarty seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

## Budget Calendar and Policy established for Fiscal Year 2013:

3. Approval of staff's request for the Board of Commissioners to establish the annual Budget Calendar and Policy for Fiscal Year 2013 which begins July 1, 2012 and ends June 30, 2013. A copy of the request and backup, identified as "Attachment No. 3", follow these minutes and are made an official part hereof.

# Fleet Maintenance Dept - Dossier Software Upgrade:

4. Approval of staff's request for authorization to purchase upgrades to the existing Dossier Software used by the Fleet Maintenance Department for creating, maintaining, and tracking preventive maintenance and repair records for county owned vehicles and equipment, in an amount not to exceed \$11,564. A copy of the request and backup, identified as "Attachment No. 4", follow these minutes and are made an official part hereof.

# Bid #801 - Cleaning and Janitorial Supplies Annual Bid Award for 2012:

5. Approval of staff's recommendation to award annual Bid #801 for cleaning and janitorial supplies to nine vendors for the 2012 calendar year in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$32,000. A copy of the request and backup, identified as "Attachment No. 5", follow these minutes and are made an official part hereof.

Commissioner Brown asked County Administrator Jack Krakeel to address some of Mr. Ognio's points that he had made under Public Comment regarding this bid.

Mr. Krakeel replied that the invitation to bid was sent to the prior bidder and the prior bidder elected not to bid. He recalled there was a total of 12 bids and this was done by different classes of products and the County selects the lowest price based on the bids. He said the County does not use one single vendor but uses multiple vendors and based on the lowest price for the class of product received, was the process that staff uses to acquire those commodities. He said the County had used this process year in and year out. He said with respect to the change in pricing in those particular products, he could only reflect the fact that the other bidders bid higher than what was selected. He agreed it was significantly higher than last year, but he felt that was just the reality that expenditures go up on an annual basis and there was not total control over the price increases in certain commodities. He said the County buys these in bulk for utilization throughout this facility as well as some of the other facilities in the County so there is a better overall price.

Chairman Frady asked Mr. Krakeel if the County stays within the budget as it moves forward and Mr. Krakeel replied yes and said this particular commodity was bid out on a calendar year basis which splits the fiscal year cycle. Mr. Krakeel said the County has the capability to properly plan for this and going through the budget process staff will know exactly what is being done with respect to this particular category of products. Mr. Krakeel said this is within the approved budget parameters for the current fiscal year that we are in.

Commissioner Brown made a motion to approve staff's recommendation to award annual Bid #801 for cleaning and janitorial supplies to nine vendors for the 2012 calendar year in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$32,000. Commissioner McCarty seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

## Sheriff's Office - Overtime Budget Account Amended:

6. Approval of the Sheriff's Office request to amend the Overtime Budget Account for the Criminal Investigations Division by \$8,202.41 to recognize reimbursement for employees assigned to work with various Federal agencies. A copy of the request, identified as "Attachment No. 6", follows these minutes and is made an official part hereof.

## Water Committee - Lake McIntosh Park Rules, Costs and Procedures Implemented:

7. Approval of the Water Committee's recommendation that the County establish and implement the same rules, costs and procedures for parking at the proposed Lake McIntosh Park that are currently in use at the Lake Horton Park. A copy of the request and backup, identified as "Attachment No. 7", follow these minutes and are made an official part hereof.

# Bid #814 - Annual Bid Awarded for Water System Distribution Parts:

8. Approval of staff's recommendation to award annual Bid #814 for Water System Distribution Parts to eight companies that were low bidders on items used by the Fayette County Water System in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$298,900. A copy of the request and backup, identified as "Attachment No. 8", follow these minutes and are made an official part hereof.

## Minutes:

9. Approval of minutes for the Board of Commissioners' meeting held on January 26, 2012.

Commissioner Brown made a motion to approve the Board of Commissioners' minutes for the January 26, 2012 meeting with the following changes: on page 3 for consent agenda item #4 to change the heading to <u>no action taken on Bid #815</u>

for the purchase of course aggregate for the 2012 calendar year; and on page 3 for consent agenda item #5 to change the heading to <u>no action taken on Bid #816 for purchase of asphalt for 2012 calendar year</u>. Commissioner McCarty seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0-1 with Commissioner Hearn abstaining from the vote because he was absent for that meeting.

## Old Business:

10. Consideration of staff's recommendation to award annual Bid #815 for course aggregate to Martin Marietta Materials as the source to purchase type 3 tip rap, surge stone, graded aggregate base, #4, #5, and #57 stone and to Hanson Aggregates as the source to purchase Type 1 rip rap, #7 stone and M-10 Screenings for the remainder of 2012 calendar year, in an aggregate amount of \$480,000:

Director of Public Works Phil Mallon presented this item to the Board for discussion. A copy of the request and backup, identified as "Attachment No. 9", follow these minutes and are made an official part hereof. He said this was one of several bids that the Road Department puts together to award on an annual basis. He said staff was recommending the lowest bid that was received.

Commissioner Horgan made a motion to approve staff's recommendation to award annual Bid #815 for course aggregate to Martin Marietta Materials in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$480,000 for the remainder of the 2012 calendar year; and authorization for the Chairman to execute the contracts with each vendor pending review by the County Attorney. Commissioner Hearn seconded the motion, discussion followed. (See amendment to motion below.)

Commissioner Brown said he would be voting in opposition because some of these materials would be used on the West Fayetteville Bypass Project.

Public Works Director Phil Mallon said he wanted to clarify that Hanson Aggregates was also being recommended for the products listed.

Commissioner Horgan and Commissioner Hearn said they would agree to amend the motion to include the award to Hanson Aggregates as recommended.

The motion carried 3-2 with Commissioner Brown and Commissioner McCarty voting in opposition.

11. <u>Consideration of staff's recommendation to award annual Bid #816 as a split award to C.W. Matthews,</u> <u>Inc. of Tyrone and E.R. Snell Contractor, Inc. of Tyrone as primary vendors and to E.R. Snell Contractor,</u> <u>Inc. of Tyrone and C.W. Matthews, Inc. of Tyrone as secondary vendors for the purchase of asphalt for</u> <u>the 2012 calendar year, in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$2,600,000</u>:

Public Works Director Phil Mallon said this was the annual contract for asphalt and staff was recommending several companies and plants for award. A copy of the request and backup, identified as "Attachment No. 10", follow these minutes and are made an official part hereof. He interjected that in addition to staff's recommendation for the two primary vendors and two secondary vendors as stated staff was also recommending C.W. Matthews of Forest Park as a third secondary vendor for all materials and this was stated in the agenda request.

Commissioner Hearn asked if this material would be used for all resurfacing work throughout the County and the normal maintenance work that is scheduled annually and Mr. Mallon replied yes and said the SPLOST projects as well.

Commissioner Hearn made a motion to approve staff's recommendation to award annual Bid #816 as presented and also including C. W. Matthews, Inc. of Forest Park as an additional secondary vendor for all materials in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$2,600,000. Commissioner Horgan seconded the motion, discussion followed.

Commissioner Horgan said this kind of discussion keeps coming up because of two Commissioners who are opposed to spending money on any materials being used on the West Fayetteville Bypass. He felt this was ridiculous that the Board has to go through this every time. He asked if the County had lost any window of opportunity regarding pricing because of the 2-2 vote on this item at the January 26<sup>th</sup> Board meeting resulting in a delay on a decision by the Board.

Mr. Mallon replied no he did not think it had changed any pricing. He noted that the asphalt price was tied to an index that does go up throughout the Spring and Summer.

Commissioner Brown commented that if they wanted to come back on the West Fayetteville Bypass and stop the work on the project, he would vote for anything that comes before the Board for asphalt, supplies or whatever. He said in the nature of cooperation he would like to offer a friendly amendment to the motion to approve Bid #816 with all items for all asphalt projects with the exception of the West Fayetteville Bypass. Commissioner McCarty said he would second the amendment.

County Attorney Scott Bennett interjected that this was an intervening offer for an amendment to the motion. He said Commissioner Hearn would have to accept the amendment to the motion.

Commissioner Hearn said he would not accept the amendment to the motion made by Commissioner Brown.

The motion carried 3-2 with Commissioner Brown and Commissioner McCarty voting in opposition.

Chairman Frady remarked that the West Fayetteville Bypass Project was passed by the citizens of Fayette County in a referendum. He said this Board was proceeding to do what the citizens of this County had asked the Board to do.

Commissioner Brown interjected that the West Fayetteville Bypass Project was not the number one priority of the transportation SPLOST and he felt it odd that the County built everything but the number one priority in the transportation SPLOST. He said there was yet to be a single individual in the entire county of Fayette County who has come up to this podium and said that they were in favor of that project. He said there were four candidates who supported the Project who were all incumbents and all four of them have lost election. He felt there was a huge message being sent by the citizens of Fayette County and the Board was not listening.

## New Business:

# 12. <u>Consideration of staff's recommendation to award a contract for construction of intersection</u> improvements at Corinth Road at State Route 54 (SPLOST Project No. FC-2) to the Baldwin Paving Company, Inc., in the amount of \$139,184.40:

Director of Public Works Phil Mallon discussed this item with the Board. A copy of the request and backup, identified as "Attachment No. 11", follow these minutes and are made an official part hereof. He noted that this project was funded out of the portion of funds that are set aside for county specific projects. He said staff was recommending the first phase of a two phase improvement. He said staff has worked with the Georgia Department of Transportation and agreed that

if the County provides the design and asphalt improvements, then District 3 of the D.O.T. will come in and install a signal at their cost. He remarked that a signal had been applied for and determined to be warranted for that location several years ago. He said both staff and the D.O.T. consider this somewhat of a safety concern to get this signal installed. He pointed out to the Board that this project would be an interim and temporary solution. He said two issues that will change would be (1) an ongoing S.R. 54 widening project with design work complete and D.O.T. starting the right-of-way acquisition process. He said per the regional transportation improvement plan there was no construction money set in a program year and was just identified as long range. He said he had spoken with the G.D.O.T. Project Manager and was informed that his best guess for construction was December 13<sup>th</sup>. He felt even though this was a considerable sum of money in the amount of \$140,000 that because of the safety needs as well as the uncertainty of the widening project and when it would occur, he would still recommend moving forward. He further remarked on issue (2) and that was the East Fayetteville Bypass. He said that Bypass would possibly go directly through this area and was one of the alternatives of that project and would rework this intersection as well.

Commissioner Hearn clarified that G.D.O.T. was in agreement with providing a signal and questioned if staff had coordinated with them as to the timeliness of that. He expressed concern with turn lanes being constructed and have to wait a year to have the traffic signal installed.

Mr. Mallon responded that there was no signed contracts or agreements but he had received verbal agreement that G.D.O.T. was in agreement and they do have equipment in their supply shop ready to go.

Commissioner Hearn interjected that the reason this project was moved up was because of the history of accidents at this intersection and the continuance of accidents there because of the heavy volume of traffic as well as the left turning movement.

Commissioner Horgan pointed out that this was a SPLOST project that was identified in the 2004 referendum and Mr. Mallon replied yes, that it was identified by project name on the referendum.

Mr. Mallon also clarified that the money for this project comes from the SPLOST fund and not out of the County's funds.

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

Commissioner Hearn made a motion to approve staff's recommendation to award a contract for construction of intersection improvements at Corinth Road at State Route 54 (SPLOST Project No. FC-2) to the Baldwin Paving Company, Inc., in the amount of \$139,184.40; and authorization for the Chairman to execute said contract pending review by the County Attorney. Commissioner Horgan seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0. A copy of the contract, identified as "Attachment No. 12", follows these minutes and is made an official part hereof.

# 13. Discussion of recommendations regarding the County's employee health benefit plan:

Human Resources Director Connie Boehnke and Account Executive Jaki Turner with Pacific General Financial discussed this item with the Board. A copy of the request and power point presentation, identified as "Attachment No. 13", follow these minutes and are made an official part hereof. Ms. Boehnke remarked that Account Executive Jaki Turner with Pacific General Financial would present the Board with the information that they have received through an R.F.P. for the County's current health plan.

Ms. Turner remarked that the estimated year end projections ending on May 31, 2012 with year end totals were in the amount of \$6,495,890.38. She noted that this year end projections were estimated at \$7,282,275.45. She remarked that with those figures, Meritain was proposing a potential plan year in the amount of \$7,846,590.03. She said the finalist through this process that was being recommended was Humana. She said Humana's proposed projections for fixed costs and projected claims was \$7,254,456.43. She noted that Humana would provide a two year rate guarantee on their administrative services and also have been granting performance guarantees on their service as well as a 10% guarantee on their network performance. She reviewed the County's current plan design as of today and pointed out that employees have three plans to select from. She remarked that open enrollment would be held June 1, 2012. She said there were some slight plan differentials and plan option #1 would be altered slightly. She said the \$500 deductible level would remain the same but currently that plan was a 100/70% plan and they were recommending that plan go to a 90/60% plan co-insurance level after deductible. She said a slight alteration has also been made by \$5.00 to the physician co-pay for primary care and specialist; a slight plan enhancement on the emergency room co-pay; and also a slight enhancement on one of the pharmacy tiers in plan option #1. She said there were no changes in plan options #2 and #3 whatsoever.

Ms. Turner further remarked that after examining all of the responses they were not recommending any plan changes to the dental plan design. She said they were recommending the transfer of medical administration to Humana that the dental would be moved there as well. She stated no changes were being made to the vision plan and they were looking into bringing that issue in house. She said they were also recommending moving the COBRA, HIPAA and FSA administration for continuity purposes to Humana as well for administration.

Commissioner Brown asked if staff had considered looking at doing the dental separately from the medical to see if the rate would be lower. Ms. Turner replied that the rate was a significantly lower rate for dental compared to where the County was today. She said the new rate would be approximately \$3.21 per employee per month. Commissioner Brown asked if this had been bid out for a comparison as a separate component and Ms. Turner replied yes.

Ms. Boehnke interjected that staff had previously processed the dental claims in house and their software had crashed. She said the cost of that versus the administration fee was not feasible at that time to replace the software. She said staff can manually alter the Excel program to process the vision claims because there were not that many and very standard at a cost of \$200. She pointed out that the dental was more complex and the volume was much greater and there would still be the need for an outside source.

Ms. Turner commented on the ancillary coverage and noted that the County provides employee life, accidental death and dismemberment, dependant life and long term disability. She said there would be significant savings with the recommendation of moving this coverage to Unum. She said all of these would have a three year rate guarantee in place and that would also extend to the voluntary coverage that was in place for the employees that they can choose above and beyond that and the three year rate encompasses that for them as well. She said staff had also looked at the voluntary work site aspects that were available to the employees. She said based on the responses from the vendors that were looked at, staff was recommending going to a single source that would be combining what was currently provided for today through Colonial and Aflac through one vendor. She said from a work site standpoint the Aflac or Colonial representatives would no longer have access to meet with the employees one on one here. She remarked that it would also mean that those products that have been elected previously would no longer be eligible for payroll withholding, however all of those products were designed to work more in line with where the benefits are structured on the three core plans that are available on the medical. She said staff was also looking at one enrollment platform and employees would also have the advantage of one service representative that would be available to help Human Resources in the event an employee has questions, service issues not only on the regular group's sponsor but

now for the work site as well. She said there was also an integrated claims process and salaried benefit counselors. She said those counselors would be available to meet with all of the employees and to assist anyone that might have questions.

Commissioner Brown asked who the salaried benefit counselor was and who employs that counselor. Ms. Turner replied that the salaried counselor was an employee of Unum and paid by Unum.

Ms. Turner also remarked that there would be guaranteed issue benefits surrounding the work site products today because of this being a group platform versus an individual. She said the employees would gain group rating versus the previous individual rate.

Ms. Boehnke said she wanted to expand on the salaried counselor versus the commissioned agent. She remarked that being commissioned they were selling a product and 90 days to 120 days later that employee has been paying for that coverage and then they are denied where with the guaranteed issue staff would know right up front if that employee would be guaranteed to have that type coverage.

Commissioner Hearn asked how long the County had been using Colonial Insurance Company and Ms. Boehnke replied that Colonial was here over 33 years. He said expressed concern about not using Colonial, who has done a great job for the County, after using them for this period of time. Ms. Boehnke interjected that it was a different structure. She said Colonial representatives were commissioned and selling products. She said there were some employees who have purchased the same product from different vendors not knowing any different. She said when it comes to payment time, the employee has to try and coordinate all of this. She noted that because these are individual employee policies, the Human Resources staff cannot get involved or assist the employee. She pointed out that Human Resources was only authorized to withhold the deduction and make sure it was paid for. She remarked that there had also been an issue with short term and long term disability. She pointed out that outside vendors had termed this coverage in another way and last year 196 employees dropped the County's short term benefit.

Jaki Turner commented that Unum actually owned Colonial Insurance and there were some enhancements and benefits to be gained by moving to newer more current contracts.

County Administrator Jack Krakeel remarked that the single platform was a significant departure from what the County has historically provided for employees in terms of commissioned sales agents providing individual policies as opposed to having a single platform. He said this industry was changing very rapidly and the cost of healthcare continues to increase. He felt it incumbent on the County to try to acquire the lowest cost of services for employees. He said the single platform allowed the purchase at a group rate rather than an individual rate.

Commissioner Hearn asked if the Board needed to make a decision on this issue tonight and Mr. Krakeel replied no. Mr. Krakeel said the information presented tonight was for informational purposes to give the Board an opportunity to look at all of the information that has been presented. He said staff would be bringing this issue back to the Board at the next Thursday evening Board meeting. He said there would have to be sufficient time to educate the employees with respect to these changes as well as the change in vendor. Mr. Krakeel added that one item that was a huge factor in the decision making process in choosing Humana was the 100% conversion with respect to the physicians that are currently utilized by County employees.

Commissioner Horgan questioned the pharmacies being included in the coverage and remarked on a recent decision by a pharmacy dropping out of the County's recent loss of a pharmacy from the County's plan. Jaki Turner replied that the particular pharmacy in question would be a part of the Humana Pharmacy network.

Commissioner Brown asked if cost had been sacrificed to get the match up with the physicians and Ms. Turner replied no.

Connie Boehnke said she would like to state for the record that she was part of the recommending team for health, but not a part of the voting team for Unum because she has a very close family member who works for Unum in Chattanooga.

Chairman Frady asked if the Board needed to make a motion to put this on the next meeting agenda and Mr. Krakeel replied no, that this item was strictly for informational and discussion purposes. Mr. Krakeel said staff would be glad to provide the Board with any additional information that might be needed before this item comes back to the Board in the next couple of weeks.

# This item was added to the agenda as New Business item #14 at the beginning of the meeting:14.Discussion of Reapportionment:

County Attorney Scott Bennett remarked that after the County received the 2010 Census Data, it was determined that the County's current County Commission districts were not in balance. He said it was his opinion as well as outside counsel that these districts needed to be reapportioned according to that Census Data. He said the Board had decided to add this item to the agenda for discussion of maps showing possible re-destructing of County Commission posts, for the Board's consideration. He felt the intent tonight was to let the public know what new districts might look like and to provide an opportunity for comment at the next meeting; and to give the Board an opportunity to make a decision. He said the General Assembly had asked that all jurisdictions submit their maps by February 15<sup>th</sup>. He said he would be glad to provide copies of both proposed maps to anyone interested in seeing those after tonight's meeting. A copy of the maps, identified as "Attachment No. 14", follow these minutes and are made an official part hereof. He said by no later than Monday, February 13th, there would be detailed maps on the County's website for the public to view. He said he would encourage citizens to make their thoughts and comments known to the Board. He said the current County Commission districts have not changed in many, many years but that in 1978 or so two at-large seats were added to the Board of Commissioners. He said he wanted to make it clear to the public that these reapportionment plans did not include district voting. He said these districts would remain at-large voting but it would change where someone would qualify to run for a County Commission seat. He said there would be a Special Called Meeting by the Board early next week for the Board to vote on this issue.

Chairman Frady remarked that the current districts were old militia lines with two districts having approximately 30,000 to 35,000 people and another district having approximately 10,000 to 14,000 people. He said it was time for this to be brought up to date.

Commissioner Brown remarked that he had already submitted a proposed map for the next regularly schedule Commission meeting and that map would be brought forward to the special called meeting next week. He said his proposed map uses three districts like the current map. He said he had created an urban district which would be Peachtree City, a suburban district which would be Tyrone and Northern Fayette County and a rural district which would be everything South of Fayetteville and East of Peachtree City. He said currently Peachtree City was divided into two pieces and several other things are somewhat misjoined and he felt this was because the lines were so old. He said he wanted to add something that was not seen on the map and that was his proposal for an election of the Chairman and keep one position as an at large position. He said this would result in three people being elected from their geographical district, the election of a Chairman and then the election of someone at large from any of the three districts.

Chairman Frady said the other map has five equal districts with approximately 20,000 people in each district and the deviation was very small.

Commissioner McCarty said the bottom line was that the 2010 Census caused us to reapportion. He said the State of Georgia has told the County that this must be done and there is no choice. He said the Board needs to make the best choice that the State would approve and get on with business.

<u>Administrator's Reports</u>: County Administrator Jack Krakeel remarked that during the last three or four years there have been numerous requests and inquiries with respect to a traffic light as well as a traffic study at Harp Road and S.R.85. He said to his knowledge the County has on four separate occasions submitted a request to Georgia Department of Transportation for the installation of a traffic light at that intersection and including a traffic analysis and study and all requests have been denied by the G.D.O.T. He said G.D.O.T. had indicated in the past that there was a lack of sufficient data to support a traffic light at that intersection. He said the County has done everything within its power to try and persuade the G.D.O.T. to provide a traffic light at that intersection but yet to be successful.

<u>Commissioners' Reports</u>: Commissioner McCarty remarked that he and his wife are celebrating their 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.

**Adjournment:** Hearing no further business to come before the Board, Commissioner Brown adjourned the meeting at 8:05 p.m. Commissioner McCarty seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

Karen Morley, Chief Deputy Clerk

Herbert E. Frady, Chairman

The foregoing minutes were duly approved at an official meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Fayette County, Georgia, held on the 8<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2012.

Karen Morley, Chief Deputy Clerk