Minutes

Board of Commissioners
July 10, 2014
7:00 P.M.

The Board of Commissioners of Fayette County, Georgia, met in Official Session on July 10, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. in the Public Meeting Room of the Fayette County Administrative Complex, 140 Stonewall Avenue, Fayetteville, Georgia.

Commissioners Present:	Steve Brown, Chairman Charles Oddo, Vice Chairman Allen McCarty Randy Ognio
Commissioner Absent:	David Barlow
Staff Present:	Steve Rapson, County Administrator Floyd L. Jones, County Clerk Tameca P. White, Deputy Clerk Dennis Davenport, County Attorney

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Call to Order, Invocation, and Pledge of Allegiance

Chairman Brown called the July 10, 2014 Board of Commissioners meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

Commissioner Ognio introduced Pastor Dennis Watson of Harps Crossing Baptist Church to the Board and audience, and he asked Pastor Watson to offer the invocation. Pastor Watson offered the invocation.

Commissioner McCarty led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Acceptance of Agenda

Chairman Brown moved to accept the Agenda as published. Commissioner McCarty seconded the motion. No discussion followed. The motion passed 4-0. Commissioner Barlow was not present for the meeting.

PRESENTATION /RECOGNITION:

1. Recognition of the 2014 All-County Girl's SoccerTeam.

Chairman Brown and Mr. Christopher Dunn, Sports Editor for the *Fayette Daily News*, recognized the 2014 All-County Girl's Soccer Team. Ms. Molly Moroney, of Starr's Mill High School, was recognized as the Player of the Year for the 2014 All-County Girl's Soccer Team. A copy of the request, identified as "Attachment 1," follows these minutes and is made an official part hereof.

2. Recognition of the 2014 All South Metro Boys Lacrosse Team.

Chairman Brown and Mr. Christopher Dunn, Sports Editor for the *Fayette Daily News*, recognized the 2014 All South Metro Boys Lacrosse Team. A copy of the request, identified as "Attachment 2," follows these minutes and is made an official part hereof.

3. Recognition of the 2014 Girl's All County Lacrosse Team.

Chairman Brown and Mr. Christopher Dunn, Sports Editor for the *Fayette Daily News*, recognized the 2014 Girl's All County Lacrosse Team. Ms. Meghan Mills was recognized as the Girl's Lacrosse Player of the Year. A copy of the request, identified as "Attachment 3," follows these minutes and is made an official part hereof.

4. Presentation of two Government Finance Officers Association Certificates of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting for Fayette County's and Fayette County's Water System's Comprehensive Annual Financial Reports (CAFR) for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2013.

Chairman Brown, County Administrator Steve Rapson, and Chief Financial Officer Mary Parrott spoke about the work involved in earning the Government Finance Officers Association Certificates for Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting for both Fayette County and the Fayette County Water System. They further credited front-line staff for their work in this achievement. A copy of the request, identified as "Attachment 4," follows these minutes and is made an official part hereof.

PUBLIC HEARING:

There were no Public Hearing items.

CONSENT AGENDA:

5. Approval of the June 26, 2014 Board of Commissioners Meeting Minutes.

Commissioner Oddo moved to approve the June 26, 2014 Board of Commissioners Meeting Minutes. Commissioner Ognio seconded the motion. No discussion followed. The motion passed 4-0. Commissioner Barlow was not present for the meeting.

OLD BUSINESS:

There were no Old Business items.

NEW BUSINESS:

6. Consideration of staff's request to adopt Ordinance 2014-11 amending the Fayette County Code of Ordinances, Article VI of Chapter 19 pertaining to Stormwater Services, and consideration of the Stormwater Utility Credit Technical Manual and the Stormwater Utility Rate Schedule.

Chairman Brown stated that there were two additional documents on the dais with regard to this request. The first document was Section 19-101 pertaining to Stormwater User Fees. The second document was the Stormwater Utility Credit Technical Manual dated July 2014.

Environmental Management Director Vanessa Birrell said she was asking the Board to consider a number of amendments to the Stormwater Utility Ordinance that was originally adopted in October 2011. She thanked Commissioner Oddo and County Attorney Dennis Davenport for their time and work with this ordinance.

Mrs. Birrell then spoke of some major amendments to the ordinance. She said the first amendment was that the definition of "Developed Property" was now defined as "all real property containing 1,000 square feet or more of impervious area."

She stated that the second amendment changed the definition of "Stormwater Services" detailing services provided by Fayette County that relate to "the calculation and collection of user fees; development and maintenance of the stormwater system's database; the repair, replacement, and improvement of the county-owned stormwater system; the assessment, prioritization, and implementation of public stormwater projects; and the performance of supporting administrative and technical functions."

Mrs. Birrell concluded that the Stormwater Utility Credit Technical Manual had been cleaned up with various housekeeping measures that were driven by the Stormwater Town Hall Meetings held in early 2013, and she stated that the Credit Application process had been simplified.

Chairman Brown thanked Mrs. Birrell, Commissioner Oddo, and Mr. Davenport for their hard work in this matter. Commissioner Oddo stated that the others did the work and that he simply sat there and added two cents every now and again.

Ms. Birrell conveyed that Mr. Davenport had asked for two votes to be held on this matter. The first vote was requested to be held on the proposed ordinance and the Stormwater Utility Credit Technical Manual. The second vote was to be held on the Stormwater Utility Rate Schedule.

County Attorney Dennis Davenport stated that Section 19-101 was on the dais. He said the reason the document was on the dais was because there was proposed language in the ordinance that was not in the draft that was distributed. He then read Section 19-101 into the record.

Chairman Brown moved to adopt Ordinance 2014-11 amending the Fayette County Code of Ordinances, Article VI of Chapter 19 pertaining to Stormwater Services and to approve the Stormwater Utility Credit Technical Manual, and to include the language from Section 19-101 as written by the County Attorney. Commissioner McCarty seconded the motion. No discussion followed. The motion passed 4-0. Commissioner Barlow was not present for the meeting. Copies of the request, Ordinance 2014-11, the Stormwater Utility Credit Technical Manual, and Section 1-101, identified as "Attachment 5," follow these minutes and are made an official part hereof.

Chairman Brown moved to approve the Stormwater Utility Rate Schedule. Commissioner Oddo seconded the motion.

Tom Waller: Mr. Waller asked what the difference between rain water and stormwater was. Mrs. Birrell replied that the terms were semantical since there was not much of a difference.

The motion to approve the Stormwater Utility Rate Schedule passed 4-0. Commissioner Barlow was not present for the meeting. A copy of the Stormwater Utility Rate Schedule, identified as "Attachment 6," follows these minutes and is made an official part hereof.

7. Consideration of staff's recommendation to adopt a Joint Resolution between Fayette County, Georgia and the City of Peachtree City, Georgia for issues related to Lake Peachtree.

Chairman Brown informed everyone that the Board had two additional documents on the dais pertaining to this request. The first document was a Joint Resolution between Fayette County, Georgia and the City of Peachtree City, Georgia for issues related to Peachtree City. He said the second document was the red-lined version of the same document.

County Administrator Steve Rapson briefed the Board on staff's recommendation to adopt the Joint Resolution. He stated that the resolution came out of the joint meeting that was held with the City of Peachtree City. He said the city had already sanctioned the resolution before sending it to the county for consideration. He added that the only amendments that the county had to the resolution were red-lined and provided on the dais, and that the amendments had been communicated to the city. Chairman Brown asked Mr. Rapson if he was good with the resolution as amended on the dais, and Mr. Rapson said he was good with it.

Commissioner Oddo moved to adopt the resolution as presented. Commissioner McCarty seconded the motion. No discussion followed. The motion passed 4-0. Commissioner Barlow was not present for the meeting. A copy of Resolution 2014-16, identified as "Attachment 7," follows these minutes and is made an official part hereof.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

No one spoke under Public Comments.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORTS:

Interns working for Fayette County: County Administrator Steve Rapson informed the Board that the County had seven interns working for it during the summer on various projects. He pointed out that Ms. Tessica Strickland was sitting with staff and had her introduce herself. He stated that their intern's projects would come to the Board of Commissioners next couple of months.

Closing of The Links Golf Course: County Administrator Steve Rapson reported that the County was scheduled to close on The Links Golf Course on Friday, June 11, 2014. He added the county had received the clean reports on the property's soil and water.

ATTORNEY'S REPORTS:

Executive Session: County Attorney Dennis Davenport stated that he had three items for Executive Session: one item of Real Estate, one item of Threatened Litigation, and review of the June 26, 2014 Executive Session Minutes.

COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS:

Commissioner Oddo: Commissioner Oddo said he would be glad when Commissioner Barlow would return since it was pointed out to him that he was holding down the "right side" of the Board of Commissioners, and that he was not accustomed to that position. He added that he enjoyed the meeting and thanked everyone for coming.

Commissioner McCarty: Commissioner McCarty stated that he participated in a great 4th of July Parade where he gave out candy, but that many hands also reached out to get copies of the United States Constitution. He said several people have spoken to him after they took the Constitution home and read it. He informed the audience that he had several copies of the Constitution with him and that he would leave them at his dais for all who wanted a copy and would read it.

Commissioner Ognio: Commissioner Ognio reminded everyone that early voting had started, and he asked everyone to do their research and to vote.

Commissioner Oddo: Commissioner Oddo mentioned that he too had a float in the parade. He stated that he and his brothers are restoring a 1966 Chrysler New Yorker, and that the car is really pretty. He said that he learned a lesson that will stick with him for the rest of his life, namely, a restored car with a gas gauge that shows as full does not mean the gas gauge is working. He said that instead of being in the parade he had to park the car and watch as the parade passed him by.

Chairman Brown: Chairman Brown stated that over the past several months there have been two committees that have been meeting. One committee is the Justice Center Park Committee that is looking at the possibility of creating a passive park at the Justice Center and the other committee is the Public Art Committee that met earlier in the week. He stated that the Public Art Committee was looking at several options throughout the county, and he gave a brief PowerPoint presentation on the areas under consideration.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Real Estate, Threatened Litigation, and June 26, 2014 Executive Session Minutes: Chairman Brown moved to go into Executive Session to discuss one Real Estate item, one Threatened Litigation item, and the June 26, 2014 Executive Session Minutes. Commissioner McCarty seconded the motion. No discussion followed. The motion passed 4-0. Commissioner Barlow was not present at the meeting.

The Board recessed into Executive Session at 7:42 p.m. and returned to Official Session at 8:05 p.m.

Return to Official Session and Executive Session Affidavit: Commissioner Ognio moved to return to Official Session and to authorize the Chairman to sign an Executive Session Affidavit. Commissioner McCarty seconded the motion. No discussion followed. The motion passed 4-0. Commissioner Barlow was not present for the meeting. A copy of the Executive Session Affidavit, identified as "Attachment 8," follows these minutes and is made an official part hereof.

June 26, 2014 Executive Session Minutes: Chairman Brown moved to approve the June 26, 2014 Executive Session Minutes. Commissioners Ognio and McCarty seconded the motion. No discussion followed. The motion passed 4-0. Commissioner Barlow was not present for the meeting.

ADJOURNMENT:

Commissioner Oddo moved to adjourn the July 10, 2014 Board of Commissioners meeting. Commissioner Ognio seconded the motion. No discussion followed. The motion passed 4-0. Commissioner Barlow was not present for the meeting.

The July 10, 2014 Board of Commissioners meeting was adjourned at 8:06 p.m.

Floyd L. Jones, County Clerk	Steve Brown, Chairman

The foregoing minutes were duly approved at an official meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Fayette County, Georgia, held on the 24th day of July 2014.

Floyd L. Jones, County Clerk