

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

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140 Stonewall Avenue West
Public Meeting Room
Fayetteville, GA 30214

MINUTES

August 26, 2021

5:00 p.m.

Welcome to the meeting of your Fayette County Board of Commissioners. Your participation in County government is appreciated. All regularly scheduled Board meetings are open to the public and are held on the 2nd and 4th Thursday of each month at 5:00 p.m.

Call to Order

Chairman Lee Hearn called the August 26, 2021 Board of Commissioners meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. A quorum of the Board was present.

Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance by Vice Chairman Edward Gibbons

Vice Chairman Edward Gibbons offered the Invocation and led the Board and audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Acceptance of Agenda

Vice Chairman Gibbons moved to accept the agenda as written. Commissioner Oddo seconded. The motion passed 5-0.

PROCLAMATION/RECOGNITION:

PUBLIC HEARING:

1. Consideration of Resolution 2021-08 adopting the 2021 Property Tax Millage Rates.

Fayette County Chief Financial Officer Sheryl Weinman stated that tonight's presentation would highlight the millage rate impact to the digest, the millage rate history for Fayette County, as well as the proposed 2021 Property Tax Millage Rates. Ms. Weinman stated that the 2020 Digest was \$6,672,714,734.

She stated that there was a small growth in real property of 1.65%, personal property decreased by -0.06%, motor vehicle decreased by -18.48% which was standard considering the new Title Ad Valorem Tax (TAVT) calculation process, and in the other category there was an increase of 4.16%. She continued stating that considering all these factors the growth of the digest was 1.40%. Ms. Weinman stated that the exemption increased to \$49,711,135. She stated that there were reassessment increases of \$405,427,734, leaving a positive change in the Net Digest of 6.73%. Ms. Weinman stated that due to the increase in exemptions and as a result of the millage rate rollback the County could only take advantage of the true growth and not the reassessment. Ms. Weinmann stated that the changes in taxable digest had increased slightly over the past few years with the proposed 2021 Digest being \$7,122,008,224. Ms. Weinmann stated that the proposed 2021 Millage Rate was 4.034. Ms. Weinmann stated that the proposed 2021 Millage Rate would remain the same for Fire Services at 3.070, Emergency Medical Services at 0.456, and 911 Services at 0.210 and the General Fund Maintenance & Operations would be rolled back 0.243 to 4.034 which was a decrease of 5.68%. She concluded stating that the cumulative effect of the rollback since 2014 was \$51.6M. Ms. Weinmann asked that the Board to adopt Resolution 2021-08 adopting the 2021 Property Tax Millage Rates.

No one spoke in favor or opposition.

Vice Chairman Gibbons moved to approve Resolution 2021-08 adopting the 2021 Property Tax Millage Rates. Commissioner Oddo seconded. The motion passed 5-0.

Zoning Administrator Chanelle Blaine read the Introduction to Public Hearings.

- 2. Consideration of Petition No. 1310-21, Thomas Jesse Busey, Jr. Trustee, or his Successors in Trust, Owner, and Wright Chancey Ebenezer Bypass, LLC, Agent, request to rezone 84.746 acres from A-R to R-80 to develop a residential subdivision; property located in Land Lot 36 of the 7th District and fronts on Ebenezer Road, Ebenezer Church Road and Ebenezer Bypass. Agent request to withdraw.**

Vice Chairman Gibbons moved to approve to allow withdrawal of Petition No. 1310-21. Commissioner Oddo seconded. The motion passed 5-0.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Roy Bishop of Fayetteville expressed his concerns regarding the need for a more routine and consistent grass mowing schedule on the north end of the county. Mr. Bishop stated that attention needed to be given to the grounds under the bridge near Westbridge Road.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Vice Chairman Gibbons moved to accept the Consent Agenda as written. Commissioner Oddo seconded. The motion passed 5-0.

- 3. Acknowledgment of/and authorization from the Board of Commissioners to sign the Equitable Sharing Agreement and Annual Certification as required by the US Department of Justice and the US Department of the Treasury.**
- 4. Approval of staff's recommendation to transfer ownership of a 2016 Ford Explorer to the Prosecuting Attorney's Council of Georgia to be used in the Griffin Judicial Circuit.**
- 5. Approval of a Quitclaim Deed to transfer property from Fayette County to the City of Fayetteville for a walkway between the library and the new Fayetteville City Hall and park area.**
- 6. Approval of the August 12, 2021 Board of Commissioners Meeting Minutes.**

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

- 7. Consideration of a request from Michael and Sandra Travers, to connect to the City of Fayetteville's sewer system.**

Vice Chairman Gibbons moved to approve request from Michael and Sandra Travers, to connect to the City of Fayetteville's sewer system. Commissioner Oddo seconded. The motion passed 5-0.

8. Consideration of staff's recommendation to spend \$18,000 of 2017 SPLOST money (project 17TAI) for a feasibility study and preliminary cost estimate of placing a pedestrian bridge over Redwine Road near the Starr's Mill school complex Panther Path intersection.

Public Works Director Phil Mallon stated that this item was requesting input from the Board for guidance to either support the 2017 SPLOST-funded feasibility study with preliminary cost estimate for a pedestrian bridge over Redwine Road, near Panther Path at an estimated cost of \$18,000. He added that if a bridge is not feasible and/or cost-prohibitive, this item was seeking support for an at-grade crossing with an actuated flashing crossing beacon or signal at an estimated cost of \$250,000. Mr. Mallon stated that a traffic study of the area had been conducted by the developer, and prepared by Marc R. Acampora, PE, LLC and was the source of the data included in the presentation Mr. Mallon presented a brief presentation to the Board highlighting the project area and outlining various detail of the project which included discussion of path connection along Redwine Road and Foreston Road, as well as future city connection paths. Mr. Mallon discussed existing vehicular traffic volume on Redwine Road which he stated was about 9,700 vehicles per day. He continued discussing existing golf cart traffic volume on Panthers Path, which he stated would contribute about 620 golf cart trips onto Panthers Path per day. Mr. Mallon also stated that there were about 370 golf cart trips per day crossing Redwine Road at Foreston Place. Mr. Mallon stated that the traffic impact study did review the automobile trip generation of this project and determined it was minimal and would only be an 8% increase in traffic on Redwine Road. Mr. Mallon continued stating that the increase would have no significant impact to the existing traffic signal at State Route 74 and Redwine Road. Mr. Mallon stated that this project would have an impact and change the level of service (LOS) at the Nesmith Road intersection, however, he added that he thinks this impact had been mitigated by moving the Mill Farm subdivision entrance away from the intersection. Mr. Mallon stated that the major issue of concern was golf cart traffic and need the for safety. Mr. Mallon stated that golf cart trips at Foreston Place was 78 trips per day at peak am hours and would increase to 165 trips per day with the new-at grade crossing, he added that the trend continued when analyzing both pm peak hour trips increasing from 85 trips per day to 128 trip per day and at the 24-hour mark at 374 trip per day increasing to 580 trip per day.

Vice Chairman Gibbons asked what the acronym LOS B stood for.

Mr. Mallon stated that LOS stood for Level of Service and was a designation given to an intersection or corridor by the traffic impact study engineer.

Mr. Mallon highlighted five key recommendation provided in the impact report:

- Continue officer control at intersection of Redwine Road at Panther Path.
- Eliminate the Foreston Place at-grade crossing.
- Replace the existing crossing with a grade-separated crossing (tunnel or bridge), if feasible.
- Or replace with a mid-block, at-grade crossing with an actuated flashing crossing beacon or signal.
- Divert the existing path at Nesmith Court to the east, to create two separate conflict points for vehicles.

Mr. Mallon stated that discussion of a tunnel for this project had been vetted and analyzed but was deemed not feasible. He continued stating that a Pedestrian Bridge was a viable option and would avoid several of the utility impacts and would have minimal impact to private property. Mr. Mallon stated that there was an option on the type of pedestrian bridge construction to include a truss or a concrete design. Mr. Mallon stated that the estimated cost of this project would be \$2,500,000 or less. Mr. Mallon stated that the secondary option would be a an at-grade crossing with a Pedestrian Hybrid Beacon. Mr. Mallon explained how this system worked stating that unlike a traffic signal, the Pedestrian Hybrid Beacon rests in dark until a pedestrian activates it via pushbutton or other form of detection. When activated, the beacon displays a sequence of flashing and solid lights that indicate the pedestrian walk interval and when it is safe for drivers to proceed. Mr. Mallon stated that this type of crossing was in in the community in Peachtree City with future plans to installed one in the County. Mr. Mallon also highlight an additional recommendation which was the proposed golf cart path realignment at Nesmith court crossing. The intent was to create two separate, conflict points for drivers exiting the subdivision. As a summary Mr. Mallon stated that this item was requesting input

from the Board for guidance to either support the 2017 SPLOST-funded feasibility study with preliminary cost estimate for a pedestrian bridge over Redwine Road, near Panther Path at an estimated cost of \$18,000. He added that if a bridge is not feasible and/or cost-prohibitive, this item was seeking support for an at-grade crossing with an actuated flashing crossing beacon or signal at an estimated cost of \$250,000.

Chairman Hearn stated that during his review of this item he put his engineering skills and experience to use and was able to put together a preliminary bridge design. He added that he reached out to two local pre-casters to get their input on the project specifications and cost. Chairman Hearn stated that based on his rough calculation and the feedback he received this project could be completed at an estimated cost of about \$700K.

Chairman Hearn moved to approve to spend \$18,000 of 2017 SPLOST money (project 17TAI) for a feasibility study and preliminary cost estimate of placing a pedestrian bridge over Redwine Road near the Starr's Mill school complex Panther Path intersection, with the caveat that he be involved in the design process of the project.

Chairman Hearn moved to approve to spend \$18,000 of 2017 SPLOST money (project 17TAI) for a feasibility study and preliminary cost estimate of placing a pedestrian bridge over Redwine Road near the Starr's Mill school complex Panther Path intersection. Vice Chairman Gibbons seconded.

Commissioner Maxwell stated that there was an obvious need for this project as it related to safety concerns. He continued stated that the at-grade crossing option was not an option he would want to consider. Commissioner Maxwell stated that the focus of this project was the safety of the kids and pedestrians crossing in that area. He added that he wanted to ensure that if the County moved forward with a bridge it was a nice bridge that was well throughout, esthetically pleasing, and properly designed. Commissioner Maxwell stated that if it cost the estimated \$2.5M to do so he was willing to spend the money.

Commissioner Oddo stated that conversation of a tunnel or a bridge at this crossing had been discussed and considered over the past several years, with no final decision ever being made. He stated that his desire was to create a safe crossing while remaining fiscally responsible with taxpayer funds. He added that he would be interested in approving the study knowing that a cost comparison of the two options would be performed and presented to the Board in detail. Commissioner Oddo stated that the purpose of the SPLOST was to create funding to complete several projects throughout the County not just one and the cost associated with this bridge project was too expensive. Commissioner Oddo stated that it was the obligation of the Board to consider the needs of residents throughout the entire County. He added that he felt the County should reach out to both Peachtree City and the Fayette County School Board to discuss fund availability to assistance with the construction of this bridge.

Commissioner Rousseau stated that he shared some of the concerns discussed by Commissioner Oddo. He stated that when this project was initially presented to citizens it was advertised as a tunnel, and although things can change, this change from a tunnel to a bridge along with its associated cost was drastic. Commissioner Rousseau stated that he agreed that the County should approach the other principal parties who would benefit from the bridge construction to discuss potential partnership regarding the bridge design and subsequent construction.

Vice Chairman Gibbons stated that in reviewing his agenda packet he noted that \$1.8M was available in the SPLOST Contingency Fund, he asked if used what project would be defunded.

Mr. Mallon stated that no projects would be defunded, but it would remove buffer and fund availability when new project needs arise.

Chairman Hearn added that if approved he would be willing to contact Peachtree City and Fayette County Board of Education to discuss a potential partnership regarding the bridge design and subsequent construction.

Chairman Hearn moved to approve to spend \$18,000 of 2017 SPLOST money (project 17TAI) for a feasibility study and preliminary cost estimate of placing a pedestrian bridge over Redwine Road near the Starr's Mill school complex Panther Path intersection. Vice Chairman Gibbons seconded. The motion passed 4-1, with Commissioner Oddo voting in opposition.

9. Consideration of staff's request to approve payment of invoice #INV-011297 for \$499,500 to Georgia Department of Transportation for Fayette County's contribution towards the construction phase of the Ebenezer Church Road Bridge Replacement project and the transfer of \$25,000 from the 2017 SPLOST transportation contingency to project, 17TAA; Ebenezer Church Road Bridge Replacement.

Mr. Mallon stated that this item was regarding the Ebenezer Church Road Bridge Replacement project. He stated that the project had been presented before the Board several times in the past for guidance related to administrative issues and contracts involving Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT). Mr. Mallon continued stating that at this point all rights-of-way had been acquired, it had been advertised, and the contracts had been awarded. He added stating that the remaining item to be completed before receiving the notice to proceed was for Fayette County to pay its share of funding. Mr. Mallon stated that this request was two-fold and was seeking approval to pay invoice #INV-011297 in the amount of \$499,500 for Fayette County's contribution towards the construction phase of the Ebenezer Church Road Bridge Replacement project and to transfer \$25,000 from the 2017 SPLOST transportation contingency to project. Mr. Mallon added that the \$25,000 would cover unexpected rights-of-way acquisition expenses,

Vice Chairman Gibbons stated as a point of clarification that the Ebenezer Church Road Bridge Replacement project was over a \$4M project but emphasized that the County would only be paying about \$500,000.

Mr. Mallon stated that was correct.

Commissioner Oddo moved to approve payment of invoice #INV-011297 for \$499,500 to Georgia Department of Transportation for Fayette County's contribution towards the construction phase of the Ebenezer Church Road Bridge Replacement project and the transfer of \$25,000 from the 2017 SPLOST transportation contingency to project, 17TAA; Ebenezer Church Road Bridge Replacement. Commissioner Rousseau seconded. The motion passed 5-0.

10. Consideration of staff's request to award bid #1978-B Pumper Fire Apparatus to FireLine, Inc. for one pumper in the amount of \$508,968, and allocate \$12,000 to apparatus safety equipment to supply the pumper and designate vehicle Asset #10845 (Fleet #23120) as surplus to be auctioned on-line instead of accepting the offered trade-in allowance.

Fire Chief Jeff Hill stated that the request was seeking approval from the Board to award bid #1978-B Pumper Fire Apparatus to FireLine, Inc. for one pumper in the amount of \$508,968, and allocate \$12,000 for safety equipment for the pumper.

Vice Chairman Gibbons moved to approve to award bid #1978-B Pumper Fire Apparatus to FireLine, Inc. for one pumper in the amount of \$508,968, and allocate \$12,000 to apparatus safety equipment to supply the pumper and designate vehicle Asset #10845 (Fleet #23120) as surplus to be auctioned on-line instead of accepting the offered trade-in allowance. Commissioner Oddo seconded. The motion passed 5-0.

11. Consideration of staff's request to apply for the state Fiscal Recovery Fund, American Rescue Plan Act, Water/Sewer Infrastructure Grant for the Water System Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI) Project in the amount of \$4.6 million.

Water Systems Director Vanessa Tigert stated that this item was requesting approval to apply for the state Fiscal Recovery Fund, American Rescue Plan Act, Water/Sewer Infrastructure Grant. Ms. Tigert stated that these monies would fund half of the Water System Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI) Project, which was approved by the Board in May 2021.

Vice Chairman Gibbons asked as clarification if the total cost of the Water System Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI) Project was \$11.6.

Ms. Tigert stated that the Water System Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI) Project request was originally \$11.6M, however the Board approval was for \$9.2M.

Vice Chairman Gibbons stated for clarification that approval of this request would seek \$4.6M in state Fiscal Recovery Fund, American Rescue Plan Act, Water/Sewer Infrastructure Grant fund, which would if granted fully fund the \$11.6M Water System Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI) Project.

Ms. Tigert stated that was correct.

County Administrator Steve Rapson reiterated that the funds being requested were state allocated American Rescue Plan Act funds and were separate from the American Rescue Plan Act funds the County would be receiving. He continued stated that if the grant was approved the County could then redirect these funds back and fully fund the Water System Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI) Project.

Commissioner Oddo moved to approve request to apply for the state Fiscal Recovery Fund, American Rescue Plan Act, Water/Sewer Infrastructure Grant for the Water System Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI) Project in the amount of \$4.6 million. Vice Chairman Gibbons seconded. The motion passed 5-0.

12. Consideration of staff's request to apply for State of Georgia Fiscal Recovery Fund/American Rescue Plan Act - Water/Sewer Infrastructure Grant to replace and upgrade the emergency generator at the Crosstown Water Treatment Plant with two natural gas generators in the amount of \$970,000 with a County match of \$388,000.

Vice Chairman Gibbons asked Ms. Tigert if the State of Georgia Fiscal Recovery Fund/American Rescue Plan Act - Water/Sewer Infrastructure Grant was not approved what was the backup plan and would she be requesting the Board to fund the full amount for to replace and upgrade the emergency generator at the Crosstown Water Treatment Plant.

Ms. Tigert stated that currently some of that funding had been set aside in the Water System Capital Improvement Project (CIP).

Vice Chairman Gibbons also asked if there would be a review of the potential contingency contract.

Ms. Tigert stated yes there would be, she added that she would be providing that information to the Board.

Vice Chairman Gibbons moved to approve request to apply for State of Georgia Fiscal Recovery Fund/American Rescue Plan Act - Water/Sewer Infrastructure Grant to replace and upgrade the emergency generator at the Crosstown Water Treatment Plant with two natural gas generators in the amount of \$970,000 with a County match of \$388,000. Commissioner Oddo seconded. The motion passed 5-0.

13. Consideration of the Water Committee's recommendation to further explore the possible future purchase of the Woodland Road Water Association private water system.

Ms. Tigert stated that in 2016/2017 the previous Board expressed interest in possible purchasing private water systems within Fayette County. She stated that at that time CH2MHill /Jacobs the County's engineer of records considered evaluating eleven private water systems. She stated that three separate technical memorandums were provided which reported the evaluation results. She continued stating that six of these private water systems agreed to the evaluation and expressed interest in either giving their system or having their system purchased by Fayette County. Ms. Tigert presented a brief outline to the Board which listed the eleven private water systems, the listing also noted the private water systems that were evaluated and those that opted out of evaluation. Ms. Tigert stated that the following systems were thoroughly evaluated: Woodland Road Water Association,

Four Season Mobile Home Park, Dix Lee On Estates, Rolling Meadows Estates, Corinth Drive, and Newton Plantation.

Ms. Tigert stated that the six private water systems evaluation was based on the following criteria: number of groundwater wells within each system, the linear feet of pipe within the private water system, the potential connections, and the estimated total costs to acquire the system and bring it up to County standards. Ms. Tigert stated that each system received a score value of 1-6 for each of the four criteria. She continued stated that based on that ranking the private water system on Corinth Drive came in first, however, that system had only two residents that were in Fayette County the remaining residents are in the Clayton County jurisdiction. Ms. Tigert stated that as a result the that private water system on Corinth Drive was disqualified. Ms. Tigert stated that at this point the Woodland Road Water Association was the second ranked system. Ms. Tigert stated she was seeking Board direction on how to proceed.

Commissioner Oddo asked if it matter that some of the Corinth Drive water system customers were Clayton County residents, if the system was purchased by Fayette County, they would then become Fayette County water customers.

Ms. Tigert stated that this would require Fayette County seeking permission from Clayton county to provide service to its residents.

Mr. Rapson stated that acquiring a private water system was a complicated process and adding the component of another jurisdiction would compound those challenges. He added that there would be right-of-way concerns, private property issues, connections issues and opting for the Woodland Road Water Association, who had elected to giving the County their fifteen (15) customer water system, would at the least contain these challenges to only Fayette County. Mr. Rapson stated that the purpose of this item was to ask for Board approval to move forward with the acquisition of the Woodland water system.

Chairman Hearn stated that he liked the approach of acquiring a smaller water system first, this would allow the County the opportunity to learn the process and work through any concerns and/or issues before acquiring one of the larger private water systems.

Commissioner Oddo asked about return on investment.

Mr. Rapson stated that none of these would be profitable systems, he added that there may be payback or return on value but not until thirty years from now.

Commissioner Rousseau stated that his thought was related to the safety of County residents. He added that although these acquisitions were not profitable ventures, they did involve water and clean air which were life sustaining resource. Commissioner Rousseau stated that the acquisition of some of these private systems could open grant/funding opportunities the County previously did not qualify for. Commissioner Rousseau asked if the County had reached out to Georgia Environmental Finance Authority (GEFA), Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program or other state agencies regarding the potential availability for funds that the County could take advantage of.

Ms. Tigert stated no, because she had not yet received Board approve to peruse acquisition of the private water system.

Mr. Rapson stated that he was confident, that the County would qualify for a low interest Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) loan that could be used for the private waster system acquisitions. He added that he also felt that funding from the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program may be available based upon the age of some of the neighborhoods that house the private water systems.

Commissioner Rousseau stated that he would like to add to the motion that the County proactively contact Georgia Environmental Finance Authority (GEFA) and Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program regarding the six specific private water systems to garner their assistance and additionally to ask about potential fund availability for acquisition of said systems.

Vice Chairman Gibbons asked for clarification if this request was seeking Board approval to review the policies and procedures to ascertain the legal, logistical, feasibility of the private water systems acquisition.

Ms. Tigert stated, no. She continued stating that she was asking for approval to purchase the Woodland Road Water Association private water system. Ms. Tigert stated that the Woodland Road Water Association had agreed to give the private water system to the County, however, there would still be right-of-way acquisition and permeant easement to obtain.

Mr. Rapson reiterated that the purpose of this request was to move forward with the purchase of the Woodland Road Water Association private water system.

Vice Chairman Gibbons asked as a point of clarification that the County had been budgeting for this project for the past couple of years.

Mr. Rapson stated correct, there was currently \$500K in the Capital Fund set aside for this purchase.

Commissioner Maxwell stated that in his review of this request he noted that based on the estimated total cost to acquire the system and the number of Fayette County resident connections the Corinth Drive system would essentially cost a little over \$150K per water customer. He continued stating that for the Woodland Road Water Association private water system the cost would be a little over \$23K per customer to facilitate acquisition of these systems. Commissioner Maxwell asked if this was an accurate statement as it relates to the cost per customer.

Mr. Rapson stated yes, if the equation was based on taking the estimated cost and dividing it by the number of water customers for each system.

Commissioner Maxwell stated that obviously the Corinth Drive system was the worst based on cost per customer analysis which contributed to why the County was not currently pursuing that acquisition. He continued stating that for the Woodland Road Water Association private water system even at \$23K per customer it would be easier to provide a new well at \$5K-6K and would be saving the County about \$18K per household. Commissioner Maxwell acknowledged that this approach would not tie these private systems into the County Water system and that he understood the fire control and suppression issues. Commissioner Maxwell stated that he was not in favor of this request, he added that he would be in favor of conducting a private water system acquisition feasibility study and that he was in favor to emergency connection capability. Commissioner Maxwell stated that his concern was related to the private water systems exorbitant integration costs on Fayette County Water System customers.

Commissioner Rousseau asked if the Brooks public water system had been evaluated as a part of the initial evaluation.

Ms. Tigert stated that the Brooks system was evaluated using the same criteria.

Mr. Rapson stated that the Town of Brooks water system was always within the County's jurisdiction and was already being maintained by the County. He added that when they determined that the water system was not a necessary deliverable to be designated as a municipality, they relinquished its water system to the County. Mr. Rapson stated that now full and sole responsibility of that public water system was on the County for its upkeep and maintenance.

Vice Chairman Gibbons asked if the annual \$250K budget allocation for private water system acquisition would continue.

Mr. Rapson stated that currently there was \$500K set aside in the Capital Fund for this purchase, if not approved at the next budget cycle these funds would be redirected back into the Water Systems operations budget.

Vice Chairman Gibbons moved to approve the purchase of the Woodland Road Water Association private water system. Commissioner Oddo seconded. The motion passed 4-1, with Commissioner Maxwell voting in opposition.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORTS:

- A: Contract #1504-P: Public Works Engineer of Record Task Order #36: Construction Assistance Services & CEI Services 100 Pleasant Hill, Country Lakes Estates, Brockton Ct., Patricia Lane, Silver Leaf Drive**
- B: Contract #1867-P: Water System Engineer of Record Task Order 22-01: FY2022 On-Call Support Services**
- C: Contact #1937-B: Country Lake Estates Stormwater Replacement**

County Administrator Steve Rapson advised that an updated "Hot Projects" listing was sent out via email to the Board to keep them abreast of the status of various projects throughout the county. He highlighted the Kenwood Road culvert replacement, Brockton Court Culvert Replacement, Brogdon Road and New Hope Road roundabout, Silverleaf Drive culvert replacement Patricia Lane culvert replacement, and the Pleasant Hill culvert replacement.

Mr. Rapson advised the Board that there was a vacancy on the Water Committee as a result of a member registering to run as an elected official in Peachtree City.

ATTORNEY'S REPORTS:

Notice of Executive Session: County Attorney Dennis Davenport stated there were seven items for executive session. There were two items of threatened litigation, one item of pending litigation, three items of real estate acquisition, and the review of the July 22, 2021 Executive Session Minutes for consideration in Executive Session.

COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS:

Commissioner Oddo

Commissioner Oddo stated that he wanted to acknowledge the ten (10) young soldiers who recently passed away in the line of duty serving in Afghanistan. He added that their families were in his thoughts and prayers. Commissioner Oddo stated that he and his wife recently participated in the "Rise Against Hunger" program at the Methodist Church in Fayetteville, where they were able to pack 30,456 meals that were being sent to help residents of Haiti after suffering from the devastation of the recent earthquake. Commissioner Oddo added that this was a beautiful program that he enjoyed being a part of and stated that he appreciated seeing Mr. Mallon in attendance also.

Commissioner Rousseau

Commissioner Rousseau stated that he had received calls of concern regarding the intersection at Veterans Parkway and Graves Road. He continued stating that he would be interested in having that intersection evaluated for a 4-way stop.

Vice Chairman Gibbon

Vice Chairman Gibbon recognized Chief Harold Myer who was retiring on Friday August 27, 2021, he expressed his appreciation for his service to the County

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Two items of threatened litigation, one item of pending litigation, three items of real estate acquisition, and the review of the July 22, 2021 Executive Session Minutes for consideration in Executive Session. Commissioner Oddo moved to go into Executive Session. Vice Chairman Gibbons seconded. The motion passed 5-0.

The Board recessed into Executive Session at 6:48 p.m. and returned to Official Session at 7:42 p.m.

Return to Official Session and Approval to Sign the Executive Session Affidavit: Commissioner Oddo moved to return to Official Session and for the Chairman to sign the Executive Session Affidavit. Commissioner Rousseau seconded the motion. The motion passed 5-0.

Approval of the July 22, 2021 Executive Session Minutes: Commissioner Oddo moved to approve the July 22, 2021 Executive Session Minutes. Vice Chairman Gibbons seconded the motion. The motion passed 5-0.

ADJOURNMENT:

Commissioner Oddo moved to adjourn the August 26, 2021 Board of Commissioners meeting. Vice Chairman Gibbons seconded the motion.

The August 26, 2021 Board of Commissioners meeting adjourned at 7:43 p.m.

Marlena M. Edwards, Chief Deputy County Clerk

Lee Hearn, Chairman

The foregoing minutes were duly approved at an official meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Fayette County, Georgia, held on the 9th day of September 2021. Referenced attachments are available upon request at the County Clerk's Office.

Marlena Edwards, Deputy County Clerk