

**MINUTES**

**Troup County Board of Commissioners**

**January 15, 2013**

**Troup County Government Center**

Troup County Board of Commissioners Chairman Richard Wolfe called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

**Board Members Present:**

Richard Wolfe, Chairman  
Buck Davis, Vice-Chairman  
Richard English, Commissioner  
Claude F. Foster III, Commissioner  
Morris Jones, Commissioner

**News Media Present:**

Matt Strother, LaGrange Daily News  
Tommy Camp, Troup County News

**Staff Present:**

Tod Tentler, County Manager  
Jerry Willis, County Attorney  
Cheryl May, Accounting/ Deputy Clerk  
Dexter Wells, Divisions Manager  
Diana Evans, Purchasing Director  
Brandon Johns, Sr. Deputy Building Official  
Mike Dobbs, SPLOST IV Coordinator  
Valerie West, Executive Assistant  
Valerie Heard, Human Resources Director  
Scott Turk, Finance Officer/ County Clerk

**Others Present:**

Jerry Fulks, West Georgia Health System  
Paul Perotti, West Georgia Health System

**OPENING:**

Chairman Richard Wolfe welcomed all in attendance.

**Invocation - Commissioner Buck Davis:**

Commissioner Buck Davis was recognized by Chairman Wolfe and asked to pronounce the invocation.

**Pledge of Allegiance:**

Commissioner Buck Davis led those present in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States of America.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA / MINUTES:**

**Approval of Agenda:**

Commissioner Davis made a motion to approve the final agenda and to add a resolution for a budget amendment addressing jury fees. Commissioner Foster seconded. Unanimous.

**Approval of Minutes:**

Commissioner Jones made a motion to approve the minutes of the December 14, 2012 work session, and December 18, 2012 regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners. Commissioner English seconded. Unanimous.

**PEOPLE TO ADDRESS THE BOARD:**

- None.

**SPECIAL BUSINESS:**

**West Georgia Health Fiscal Update:**

Mr. Paul Perrotti, Vice President/CFO, presented a financial analysis of the West Georgia Health System. He indicated that the amount of cash generated from operations increased from 8.8 million in 2009 to estimated 12.5 million for 2012 and is estimating 15.9 million for 2013. As of 9/30/2012, cash on hand is 106 days, well positioned for the future. Mr. Jerry Fulks, President/CEO, stated the financial situation is a bright year for 2013. Chairman Wolfe asked Mr. Fulks to describe the Insider Program. Mr. Fulks responded the Insider Program would allow 20 people per cycle to see behind the curtains. The first group of people got to see the operating room/ surgical services/ equipment. The next cycle will be Cardiology. Mr. Fulks commented this is a chance to build much broader awareness of what our hospital is like.

**Recognition of Mr. Shane Morris as Warden of Troup County Correctional Institute:**

County Manager Tod Tentler recognized Mr. Shane Morris as the new Warden for Troup County Correctional Institute.

**Consideration of Bid Award for Whitfield Road Fire Station:**

County Manager Tod Tentler recommended a bid award for electrical contract for Whitfield Road Fire Station up to \$56,362. Commissioner

Foster made a motion to approve the bid award for Whitfield Road Fire Station. Commissioner Jones seconded. Unanimous.

**Consideration of Grant for Bullet Proof Vests:**

County Manager Tod Tentler presented a grant for Bullet Proof Vests. The grant is for \$14,700 and will help the Sheriff's Department purchase bullet proof vests throughout the year as needed. With that grant, the county will get 50% of money back from The Department of Justice. Commissioner Jones made a motion to approve. Commissioner Foster seconded. Unanimous.

**Consideration of Court Software Bid:**

County Manager Tod Tentler presented a bid for court software. Our software is over 20 years old and hasn't been updated. Mr. Tentler is requesting up to \$722,086 and will include a 5 year warranty on all maintenance equipment and to implement this soon as financing is put into place.

**Consideration of 24-hour Shift Holiday Pay Policy:**

Commissioner Jones made a motion to continue this until he fully understands all language put into place that was discussed at the work session. Commissioner Davis seconded. Unanimous.

**Consideration of Resolution Authorizing Tax Commissioner's Receipt of Non-Cash Payments:**

Commissioner English made a motion to authorize Tax Commissioner's receipt of non-cash payments. Commissioner Jones seconded. Unanimous.

**Consideration of Changes to Meeting Schedule for February 2013:**

County Manager Tod Tentler announced there is an ACCG meeting scheduled and would like to continue the February 1, 2013 work session to February 15, 2013. The regular meeting is scheduled for February 5, 2013 and would like to change it to February 19, 2013.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS:**

Commissioner Jones made a motion to go into public hearing. Commissioner English seconded. Unanimous.

**Special Use:**

- None.

**Rezoning:**

- None.

**Other:**

(1<sup>st</sup> Reading- Vote Eligible)

**Consideration of Amendment to Historic Preservation Commission Ordinance:**

County Planner Nancy Seegar presented ordinance for amendment to Historic Preservation Commission. The amendment is to change the number of members from 3 to 5. This will allow the Director of Archives to be Ex-Officio as non-voting member. Chairman Wolfe asked if there was anyone who would like to speak in favor of or against the amendment to Historic Preservation Commission ordinance. No one responded. Commissioner Foster made a motion to approve. Commissioner Jones seconded. Unanimous.

(1<sup>st</sup> Reading- Vote Eligible)

**Consideration of Text Amendments to Zoning Ordinance Regarding Accessory Structures:**

Sr. Deputy Building Official Brandon Johns presented text amendments to Zoning Ordinance regarding accessory structures. The change will move the limit of only 3 accessory structures per parcel and is same as International Residential Code. Chairman Wolfe questioned if structures under 120 sq ft require no notification, no permit, no nothing. Mr. Johns responded that's correct. Commissioner Foster questioned if 120 sq ft is on the Universal Code. Mr. Johns responded yes. Chairman Wolfe questioned if there was anyone who would like to speak in favor of or against the text amendments to zoning ordinance. No one responded. Commissioner Jones made a motion to approve. Commissioner Davis seconded. Unanimous.

**Ashley Woods, Section 2- Final Plat**

**Location: Mountville / Hogansville Road, 14 Lots Bonds Required**  
**Developer: Jeff Lindsey**

Sr. Deputy Building Official Brandon Johns presented the final plat for Ashley Woods, Section 2 located off Mountville/ Hogansville Road to be

developed by Jeff Lindsey. The Subdivision would be composed of 14 lots. Chairman Wolfe asked if anyone in attendance would like to speak in favor of or against the subdivision. No one responded. Commissioner Davis made a motion to approve the final plat. Commissioner Foster seconded. Unanimous.

**Subdivisions:**

- None.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

- None.

**MANAGER'S REPORT:**

- None.

**Executive Session to Discuss Board Appointments and Appointment of Election Supervisor**

Commissioner Jones made a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss board appointments and appointment of Election Supervisor. Commissioner English seconded. Unanimous.

**Meeting Reopened:**

At the end of the Executive Session, Commissioner English made a motion to reconvene in regular meeting. Commissioner Foster seconded. Unanimous.

Chairman Wolfe indicated the commissioners had thoroughly reviewed candidates for appointment/reappointment and were prepared to take action. Executive Assistant Valerie West read the slate of proposed candidates.

**Appeals Board/Subdivisions & Road Specifications:**

Mr. Frank Rogers and Mr. Jesse Jones would be reappointed to two-year terms expiring 12/31/2014.

**Board of Assessors:**

Ms. Nancy Green would be appointed to a six year-term expiring 12/31/2018.

**Building Board of Adjustments & Appeals:**

Ms. Natalie Hale and Mr. Michael Stiggers would be reappointed to two-year terms expiring 12/31/2014.

Three Rivers Regional Commission:

Mr. Joel Upchurch would be reappointed to one-year term expiring 12/31/2013.

County Historian:

Mr. Clark Johnson would be reappointed to three-year term expiring 12/31/2015.

Historic Preservation Committee:

Ms. Yvonne Atcherson would be appointed to three-year term expiring 09/30/2015. Ms. Kaye Minchew appointed as ex-officio member and Ms. Ann S. Petry would be reappointed to three-year terms expiring 09/30/2015.

Troup County Library Board:

Ms. Laura Faulkner, Ms. Kay Durand and Ms. Carol Todd would be reappointed to three-year terms expiring 12/31/2015.

Troup County Development Authority:

Mr. Lonnie Thornton and Mr. Richard Woods would be reappointed to five-year terms expiring 12/31/2017.

Troup County Parks & Recreation Commission:

Mr. Morris Jones would be reappointed to three-year term expiring 12/31/2015.

Troup County Water Review Board:

Mr. Charles Darda, Mr. Keith Hester and Mr. J.C. Cameron would be reappointed to two-year terms expiring 12/31/2014.

Troup County Board of Zoning Appeals & Planning Commission (BOZAPC):

Mr. Rob Petry and Mr. Charles Milligan terms corrected to reflect four-year term length expiring 12/31/2014. Ms. Vanessa Griggs and Mr. Ellis Spence would be reappointed to fill four-year terms expiring 12/31/2016. Mr. Lewis Davis and Ms. Ashley McCoy would be appointed to fill four-year terms expiring 12/31/2016. Mr. Marion Carson would be appointed to fill unexpired term of Ms. Nancy Green 12/31/2013.

Troup Family Connection:

Mr. Claude F. Foster III would be appointed to fill a four-year term expiring 12/31/2016.

Two Rivers RC & D Council:

Mr. Richard English would be reappointed to a one-year term expiring 9/30/2013 and Mr. Buck Davis as an alternate.

Recreation Endowment Fund Board of Trustees:

Mr. A.R. Ransom would be reappointed to a three-year term expiring 12/31/2015.

Tourism Committee:

Ms. J.J. Kuerzi was appointed to fill an unexpired term (6/30/2013).

Greater West Georgia Joint Development Authority:

Ms. Nancy Seegar and Mr. Buck Davis would be reappointed to three-year terms expiring 12/31/15.

Finance Officer/ County Clerk Scott Turk announced the Board of Elections requested Ms. Amy Hyatt who is current Chief Registrar to fill the Election Supervisor position. Commissioner Foster made a motion to approve slate of appointments & Election Supervisor position. Commissioner Davis seconded. Unanimous.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further business to discuss, Commissioner Foster made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Davis seconded. Unanimous.

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Richard Wolfe, Chairman

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
G. Scott Turk, Clerk