

MINUTES

Troup County Board of Commissioners

May 18, 2010

Troup County Government Center Building

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

Board Members Present:

Richard Wolfe, Chairman
Ken Smith, Vice-Chairman
Morris Jones, Commissioner
Buck Davis, Commissioner
Richard English, Commissioner

News Media Present:

David Woody, TV 33
Judy Murphy, Troup County News
Joel Martin, LaGrange Daily
Matthew Strother, Valley News

Staff Present:

Mike Dobbs, County Manager
Tod Tentler, Assistant County Manager/ Parks & Recreation Director
Cheryl May, Accounting Clerk
Stewart Mills, Finance Officer / County Clerk
Ray McKenzie, County Attorney
Valerie West, Executive Assistant to Board of Commissioners
Andy Harper, Zoning Technician
Nancy Seegar, County Planner
Scott Turk, Zoning Administrator
James Emery, County Engineer
Virginia Barnes, Admin Secretary / Building Inspection
Harold Edmondson, Sr. Deputy Bldg Official
Kay Durand, Executive Director, Center for Strategic Planning

Others Present:

Connie Stothard, Surveyor
Bill & Ellen Gilmore, Concerned Citizens
Peter Anderson, Troup High School Teacher
John Stadler, Troup High School Teacher
James Renshouse, Troup High School Student
Andrew Anderson, Troup High School Student
Janice Kaiser, Troup High School Exchange Student
Kassie Smith, Troup High School Student
Max McCord, Pastor of Rosemont Baptist Church

OPENING:

Chairman Richard Wolfe welcomed all in attendance.

Invocation - Pastor Max McCord - Rosemont Baptist Church:

Pastor Max McCord of Rosemont Baptist Church was recognized by Chairman Wolfe and asked to pronounce the invocation.

Pledge of Allegiance:

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

APPROVAL OF AGENDA / MINUTES:

Approval of Agenda:

Commissioner Jones made a motion to approve the agenda as presented.

Commissioner English seconded. Unanimous.

Approval of Minutes:

Commissioner English made a motion to approve the minutes of the May 4, 2010 regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners. Commissioner Smith seconded. Unanimous.

PEOPLE TO ADDRESS THE BOARD:

- None.

SPECIAL BUSINESS:

Recognition of the Troup County Comprehensive High School Robotics Team:

Chairman Ricky Wolfe recognized the Troup County Comprehensive High School Robotics Team members: Peter Anderson (faculty advisor), John Stadler (faculty advisor), James Resenhouse, Andrew Anderson, Jannis Kaiser and Kassie Smith. The robotics team designed and demonstrated a robot that picks up plastic balls and shoots them across the room.

Approval of Intergovernmental Agreement for 800MHz with Columbus/Muscogee:

Assistant County Manager Tod Tentler presented an Intergovernmental Agreement with Columbus/Muscogee to share equipment for 800 MHz radio communications. The agreement was needed to obtain frequencies to program radios that were purchased for Troup's public safety officers. The radios will allow Troup to communicate with LaGrange without having to go through the 911 Emergency Call Center. Chairman Wolfe asked if the maintenance fee was based on number of radios. Mr. Tentler stated Columbus/Muscogee couldn't give them a set fee. Commissioner Davis made a motion to sign the agreement pending a determination of the dollar amount of maintenance contract. Commissioner English seconded.

Unanimous.

Convenience Center Hours of Operation:

County Manager reviewed the proposed revised schedule of hours of operation at the convenience centers. Mr. Dobbs commented that several of the convenience centers will only be open on Wednesdays and Saturdays if approved. Commissioner Davis expressed concerns about reducing operating hours of convenience centers in his district. Mr. Dobbs commented he would research the matter further, but he stated the proposed revised hours of operation were based on the tonnage deposited at each site. If the matter is approved, Chairman Wolfe recommended fliers be mailed out to county residents alerting them of the schedule changes.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

Manufactured Home Placement Applications

1st Reading - Board of Commissioners Vote Necessary

David E. Foster - Applicant

Location: 1832 Cannonville Road, LaGrange

Request: Manufactured Home Placement with Width Variance

Zoning Administrator Scott Turk presented the request by Mr. David Foster to place a 2003 manufactured home and remove the existing manufactured home at 1832 Cannonville Road. Chairman Wolfe asked if there was anyone in attendance would like to speak for or against the request. No one spoke in favor or against the request. Commissioner Jones made a motion to approve the manufactured home placement request. Commissioner Smith seconded. Unanimous.

1st Reading - Board of Commissioners Vote Necessary

Bobby & Peggy Sanders - Applicants

Location: 172 Samples Road, West Point

Request: Manufactured Home Placement - No Variances

Zoning Administrator Scott Turk presented the request by Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Sanders to place a 2010 manufactured home at 172 Samples Road and to vacate the old manufactured home. Chairman Wolfe asked if anyone in attendance would like to speak for or against the request. No one spoke for or against the request. Commissioner Jones made a motion to approve the manufactured home request. Commissioner Smith seconded. Unanimous.

1st Reading - Board of Commissioners Vote Necessary

Loy Morris / Jimmy Davis - Applicants

Location: 1853 Baughs Cross Road, West Point

Request: Manufactured Home Placement - No Variances

Zoning Administrator Scott Turk presented the request by Mr. Loy Morris and Mr. Jimmy Davis to place a new onsite built manufactured home at 1853 Baughs Cross Road in West Point. Chairman Wolfe asked if there was anyone in attendance would like to speak for or against the request. No one spoke for or against the request. Commissioner Jones made a motion to approve the manufactured home request. Commissioner Smith seconded. Unanimous.

Rezoning:

- None.

Subdivisions:

- None.

Other:

1st Reading - Board of Commissioners Vote Necessary

Consideration of Revised Quality Development Corridor Quality Zone Ordinance

County Planner Nancy Seegar presented a revised ordinance to reduce hardships the current ordinance places on existing businesses and small businesses. Commissioner Davis made a motion to adopt the revised Quality Development Corridor Quality Zone Ordinance. Commissioner English seconded. Unanimous.

1st Reading - Board of Commissioners Vote Necessary

Consideration of Text Amendments & Revisions to Troup County Zoning Ordinance:

Zoning Administrator Scott Turk presented text amendments and revisions to Troup County Zoning Ordinance. Chairman Wolfe asked if these text amendments and revisions had been discussed at the last work session. Mr. Turk responded that the text amendments and revisions had not been discussed in the last work session. Commissioner Jones made a motion to continue the matter until the text amendments and revisions can be

discussed at the next work session. Commissioner English seconded.

Unanimous.

Special Use Permit:

1st Reading - Board of Commissioners Vote Not Required

Anthony & Evalene Flournoy - Applicants

Location: 5365 Whitesville Road

Request: Special Use Permit to Operate a Personal Care Home

Zoning Administrator Scott Turk presented a special use permit to allow Mr. & Mrs. Anthony Flournoy to operate a personal care home for the elderly by at 5365 Whitesville Road, LaGrange. The special use permit will allow the home to have 5 clients, 2 full-time caretakers and others on call in case of an emergency. Chairman Wolfe asked if anyone in attendance would like to speak in favor of or against this special use permit. Ms. Flournoy spoke in favor of the special use permit. No one spoke out against the special use permit. Since this was the first reading, it was for information purposes only. No vote by the board was required at that time.

Commissioner English made a motion to go out of public hearings and go back into regular meeting. Commissioner Smith seconded. Unanimous.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- None.

MANAGER'S REPORT:

- None.

EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS LEGAL MATTER & PROPERTY ACQUISITION:

Commissioner English made a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss a legal matter and property acquisition. Commissioner Smith seconded. Unanimous.

MEETING REOPENED:

At the end of the Executive Session, Commissioner Davis made a motion to go out of Executive Session and back into public meeting.

Commissioner English seconded. Unanimous. Chairman Wolfe announced

that during Executive Session, the board discussed a legal matter & property acquisition. No action was required at that time.

ADJOURNMENT:

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

Richard Wolfe, Chairman

Attest: _____
Stewart P. Mills, Clerk