

**MINUTES**

**Troup County Board of Commissioners**

**Regular Meeting**

**June 04, 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  
Richard English, Vice-Chairman  
Buck Davis, Commissioner  
Claude F. Foster III, Commissioner  
Morris Jones, Commissioner

**News Media Present:**

Matt Strother, LaGrange Daily News  
Tommy Camp, Troup County News  
Trey Wood, West Point News  
Isaiah Smith, WJCN

**Staff Present:**

Tod Tentler, County Manager  
Mark DeGennaro, County Attorney  
Valerie West, Executive Assistant  
Kevin Kinnersley, Civil Engineer  
Valerie Heard, Human Resources Director  
Nancy Seegar, County Planner  
James Emery, County Engineer  
Cheryl May, Accounting/ Deputy Clerk  
Scott Turk, Finance Officer/ County Clerk  
Andy Harper, GIS Technician  
Sheryl Hicks, County Administrator

**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.

Commissioner Jones seconded. Unanimous.

**Approval of Minutes:**

Commissioner English made a motion to approve the minutes of the May 17, 2013 work session, and May 21, 2013 regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners. Commissioner Davis seconded. Unanimous.

**PEOPLE TO ADDRESS THE BOARD:**

- None.

**SPECIAL BUSINESS:**

**Consideration of Radar List Amendment:**

County Engineer James Emery announced an amendment that is to be added to the radar list. Georgia Department of Transportation updates every three years the list of roads in Troup County with enforceable speed limits, and those associated speed limits can be legally imposed by law enforcement. GDOT requested the addition of two new roads to the list: KIA Boulevard and KIA Parkway. Commissioner Davis made a motion to approve the amended radar list. Commissioner Foster seconded. Unanimous.

**Consideration of DUI/Drug Court Grant Award:**

Court Administrator Sheryl Hicks announced the State Court DUI/Drug Court has been awarded a grant in the amount of \$72,257 from the State of Georgia Accountability Court Funding Committee for FY14. The grant requires no match in funds from the county and is a fully reimbursable grant. This grant will provide salary and benefits for the addition of a new position of Program Coordinator to be hired effective July 1, 2013 along with funding for drug testing supplies, a new computer and printer and office supplies. Finance Officer Scott Turk advised that a grants fund is to be established in the FY14 Budget to make accounting for grants and grant-funded personnel easier. Commissioner Jones questioned if this grant was for one year. Ms. Hicks stated yes. Commissioner English moved to approve under consideration we receive the grant next year if not the position would be eliminated. Commissioner Davis seconded. Unanimous.

**Consideration of Building & Zoning Hiring Freeze Request:**

County Engineer James Emery announced the resignation of Sr. Deputy Building Official and stresses this position is critical and recommends lifting the hiring freeze for this position. Commissioner Davis made a motion to approve lifting the hiring freeze for the position of Sr. Deputy Building Official. Commissioner Foster seconded. Unanimous.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS:**

Commissioner Foster made a motion to go into public hearing.

Commissioner Jones seconded. Unanimous.

**Special Use:**

- None.

**Rezoning:**

- None.

**Other:**

*(Vote eligible- Continued from May 21, 2013)*

**Consideration of text amendments to Zoning Ordinance- Billboards**

County Engineer James Emery presented amendments to Zoning Ordinance - billboards. The ordinance will approve the text amendments to Article 14, section 14.13. The moratorium will be lifted June 5, 2013. Chairman Wolfe questioned if we were different from GDOT standards. Mr. Emery commented we were very consistent and in some areas were tighter. Chairman Wolfe asked if there was anyone who would like to speak in favor of or in opposition to. No one responded. Commissioner Foster made a motion to approve the text amendment to Zoning Ordinance- billboards. Commissioner Jones seconded. Unanimous.

**Miata J. Hargett/ Celebrity Grill-Application to Sell Wine & Malt Beverage License**

**Location: 7703 West Point Road**

County Engineer James Emery presented application of Miata J. Hargett/ Celebrity Grill to sell wine & malt beverages located at 7703 West Point Road. The application has been reviewed and signed by Sheriff James Woodruff certifying a GCIC background check has been completed. Chairman Wolfe asked if there was anyone who would like to speak in favor of or in opposition to this application. No one responded.

Commissioner English made a motion to approve the application to sell wine and malt beverages. Commissioner Foster seconded. Unanimous.

**Subdivisions:**

- None.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

- None.

**MANAGER'S REPORT:**

- None.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

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

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Richard Wolfe, Chairman

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