

**MINUTES**

**Troup County Board of Commissioners**

**June 21, 2011**

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

**News Media Present:**

Matthew Strother, Valley Times  
Matt Chambers, LaGrange Daily News  
Judy Murphy, Troup County News

**Staff Present:**

Mike Dobbs, County Manager  
Tod Tentler, Assistant County Manager / Parks & Recreation Director  
Stewart Mills, Finance Officer / County Clerk  
Jerry Willis, County Attorney  
Cheryl May, Accounting Clerk  
Andy Harper, Zoning Technician  
Sonya Conroy, Accounting Technician / Deputy Clerk  
James Emery, County Engineer  
Harold Edmondson, Senior Deputy Bldg Official  
Valerie West, Executive Assistant  
Nancy Seegar, County Planner

**Others Present:**

Bill & Ellen Gilmore, Concerned Citizens  
Tommy Callaway, Concerned Citizen  
Ken Ragan, Concerned Citizen  
Gloria Livingston, Concerned Citizen  
Mr. and Mrs. Daves Nichols, Proclamation Recipients

**OPENING:**

Chairman Richard Wolfe welcomed all in attendance.

**Invocation - Minister Anthony Hixon - Church of Christ, Seale, AL:**

Minister Anthony Hixon, Church of Christ in Seale, AL, 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 Davis 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 June 7, 2011 regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners. Commissioner Jones seconded. Unanimous.

**PEOPLE TO ADDRESS THE BOARD:**

- None.

**SPECIAL BUSINESS:**

**Proclamation Honoring Former Educator and School Board Member Daves Nichols (2011-09)**

Chairman Wolfe recognized former educator and school board member Daves Nichols and presented to him a proclamation for his dedicated service to the Troup County community.

**Proclamation of Amateur Radio Operators' Week (2011-10)**

Chairman Wolfe presented a proclamation for Amateur Radio Operators' Week for the week of June 20-26, 2011. These Amateur Radio Operators are on alert for emergency, local or worldwide and practice their communication skill during the American Radio Relay League, Inc.'s Field Day Exercise that will take place on June 25-26, 2011.

**Resolution to Approve Troup County Proposed County Commission Election Districts (2011-23)**

County Manager Mike Dobbs presented the 2010 census data map shows a 23% increase in the population. This has led to re-drawing the election districts so that populations are equal within 1% standard deviation. The plan and population reports are prepared by the State of Georgia Legislative and Congressional Reapportionment Office. Mr. Dobbs stated the first step in the process is to approve the resolution and the next step is to have a public meeting. Commissioner English made a motion to approve the resolution. Commissioner Davis seconded. Unanimous.

**Consideration of Budget Amendment for Voter Registrar's Office**

County Manager Mike Dobbs presented a budget amendment for Voter Registrar's Office. Their budget only included 3 of which 5 elections

were held. (There were two unbudgeted run-off elections.) Mr. Dobbs is requesting the additional \$20,426 come out of fund balance to balance the Voter Registrar's FY 2011 budget. Commissioner Jones made a motion to approve the budget amendment. Commissioner English seconded.

Unanimous.

**Consideration of Contract with Georgia D.O.T. for Asphalt to Resurface Various County Roads**

County Engineer James Emery discussed the annual resurfacing of three county roads. The three roads to resurface are Adams Road, Jarrell-Hogg Road and Waldroup Road, total of 5.9 miles. The material cost will be covered by the contract and the remainder will be covered by SPLOST. The amount of resurfacing will cost \$253K. Chairman Wolfe asked if there was anyone who would like to comment from the public. No one responded. Commissioner Davis made a motion to approve the contract. Commissioner Jones seconded. Unanimous.

**Consideration of Bid for Intersection Improvement / Traffic Signalization at SR 14 @ CR 411/ Upper Big Springs Road**

County Engineer James Emery awarded the lowest bid for Intersection Improvement / Traffic signalization at SR 14 @ CR 411/ Upper Big Springs Road. Southeastern was the low bidder of \$915K. Mr. Emery stated his staff recommended approval and authorization for the County Manager to proceed with the contract contingent upon review of Georgia D.O.T. Commissioner Davis made a motion to approve the contract contingent upon Georgia D.O.T. review and approval of the contract. Commissioner Jones seconded. Unanimous.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS:**

Commissioner Jones made a motion to go into public hearings.

Commissioner English seconded. Unanimous.

**Rezoning:**

- None.

**Other:**

**1<sup>st</sup> Reading - Board of Commissioners Vote Necessary**

**Matt Oubre - Application to Place Mobile Home**

**Location: 3335 Hamilton Road, LaGrange**

Sr. Deputy Building Official Harold Edmondson presented an application from Mr. Matt Oubre to place mobile home at 3335 Hamilton Road, LaGrange. Chairman Wolfe asked if there was anyone who would like to speak in favor of or in opposition to the application. No one responded. Commissioner Davis made motion to approve the application. Commissioner English seconded. Unanimous.

**1<sup>st</sup> Reading - Board of Commissioners Vote Necessary**

**Consideration of Ordinance Imposing a 9-1-1 Charge on Prepaid Wireless Service (2011-05)**

County Manager Mike Dobbs presented an ordinance imposing a 9-1-1 charge on prepaid wireless service. The ordinance will authorize counties and cities that operate a 9-1-1 public safety answering point to impose a 9-1-1 charge on prepaid wireless service at the retail point of sale. The charge may be imposed at the rate of 75 cents per retail transaction/ calling card. Chairman Wolfe questioned how to come up with the numbers of cards. Mr. Dobbs stated it was an estimate. The ordinance would be effective January 1, 2012. Chairman Wolfe asked if there was anyone who would like to speak in favor of or in opposition to the ordinance. No one responded. Commissioner English made a motion to approve the ordinance. Commissioner Jones seconded. Unanimous.

**1<sup>st</sup> Reading - Board of Commissioners Vote Necessary**

**Consideration of Resolution to Adopt Annual Capital Improvement Element (C.I.E.) Update of the Comprehensive Plan (2011-24)**

County Manager Mike Dobbs presented a resolution to adopt Annual Capital Improvement Element update of the Comprehensive Plan as part of the requirements of the Development of Impact Fee Compliance Requirements. Chairman Wolfe asked if there was anyone who would like to speak in favor of or in opposition to the resolution. No one responded. Commissioner English made a motion to approve the resolution to adopt (C.I.E.) update of the Troup County Comprehensive Plan. Commissioner Davis seconded. Unanimous.

**2<sup>nd</sup> Reading - Board of Commissioners Vote Necessary**

**Consideration of Resolution to Adopt FY 2012 County Budget (2011-25)**

County Manager Mike Dobbs presented a resolution to adopt the FY 2012 Annual Budget. The resolution calls for a FY 2012 General Fund budget of \$37,447,410. The resolution also outlines the budgets of the other funds which the county is responsible for. Chairman Wolfe asked if there was anyone who would like to speak in favor of or in opposition to the resolution. No one responded. Commissioner English made a motion to approve the ordinance. Commissioner Davis seconded. Unanimous.

**Subdivisions:**

- None.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

- None.

**MANAGER'S REPORT:**

- None.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS PROPERTY ACQUISITION:**

Commissioner English made a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss a property acquisition. Commissioner Jones seconded. Unanimous.

**MEETING REOPENED:**

Following the Executive Session, Commissioner English made a motion to go back into public meeting. Commissioner Jones seconded. Unanimous. Chairman Wolfe announced that during Executive Session, the commissioners discussed property acquisition and no action was required at this time.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

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

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Richard Wolfe, Chairman

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Stewart P. Mills, Clerk