

MINUTES

Troup County Board of Commissioners

September 6, 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
Richard English, Commissioner
Ken Smith, Commissioner
Buck Davis, Commissioner

News Media Present:

Matthew Strother, Valley News
Matt Chambers, LaGrange Daily News
Tommy Camp, Troup County News

Staff Present:

Mike Dobbs, County Manager
Stewart Mills, Finance Officer / County Clerk
Jerry Willis, County Attorney
Cheryl May, Accounting Clerk
Harold Edmondson, Senior Deputy Bldg Official
Valerie West, Executive Assistant
James Emery, County Engineer
Kevin Kinnersley, Civil Engineer
Dexter Wells, Warden
Kay Durand, Executive Director
Dan Smith, Asst. Chief Appraiser
Dana Eaton, Chief Appraiser

Others Present:

Bill & Ellen Gilmore, Concerned Citizens
Nancy Green, Concerned Citizen
Tommy Callaway, Concerned Citizen
Lewis Davis, Concerned Citizen
Tim Duffey, Concerned Citizen
Mike & Glenda Waller, Concerned Citizens
Dot Thrailkill, Concerned Citizen
Ken Regan, Concerned Citizen
Steve Stark, Concerned Citizen
Roy Fowler, Concerned Citizen
Wayne Bartley, Board of Assessors

OPENING:

Chairman Richard Wolfe welcomed all in attendance.

Invocation - Reverend A. Boyd Miller, IV, Covenant Presbyterian Church:

Reverend A. Boyd Miller, IV, of Covenant Presbyterian Church 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 English made a motion to approve the final agenda.

Commissioner Davis seconded. Unanimous.

Approval of Minutes:

Commissioner Jones made a motion to approve the minutes of the August 16, 2011 regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners. Commissioner Smith seconded. Unanimous.

PEOPLE TO ADDRESS THE BOARD:

- None.

SPECIAL BUSINESS:

Consideration of Resolution in Support of "National Moment of Remembrance" (2012-06):

Chairman Wolfe read the resolution to commemorate the 10th anniversary of the events of September 11, 2001. County Manager Mike Dobbs commented a memorial service will be held Sunday, September 11, 2011 at 8:30 a.m. on the square in downtown LaGrange. Commissioner Davis made a motion to approve the resolution in support of "National Moment of Remembrance". Commissioner Smith seconded. Unanimous.

Update on Troup County Property Appraisal Office Related to the Countywide Review:

Ms. Dana Eaton and Mr. Dan Smith of the Troup County Property Appraisal Office updated the commissioners on the status of the countywide property review. They noted that 1,540 appeals have been filed by property taxpayers on appraisal notices mailed out by the Property Appraisal Office.

Review Status of Right-of-Way Cutting:

Warden Dexter Wells presented an update of Right-Of-Way Cutting. Mr. Wells stated he previously had eight detail crews and is now down to four detail crews due to budget cuts. Each detail crew consists of six inmates. They have 525 miles of right-of-way to cut using four

tractors. The first-pass cutting of the year has been completed except for a small section in the northeast part of the county. There will be a second-pass cutting completed before year end. A study from Auburn University has been received and is awaiting committee review.

Status of SPLOST III Paving and Intersection Improvements:

County Engineer James Emery gave an update of SPLOST III Paving and Intersection Improvements. He indicated that 244.83 miles of county roads have been repaved since SPLOST III began. He estimated that some of the recent paving had an average cost of \$62K per mile.

Commissioner Smith emphasized that the county repaving program would not be possible without funding from SPLOST.

Consideration of Resolution in Support of Constructing a New Georgia State Patrol Post to Replace Post 2 Located on Highway 27, Hamilton Road (2012-07):

County Manager Mike Dobbs presented a resolution that supports constructing a New Georgia State Patrol Post to replace Post 2 located on Highway 27, Hamilton Road. Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve the resolution. Commissioner English seconded. Unanimous.

Discuss Changing Location of September 16, 2011 Work Session to the Antiquities Center:

County Manager Mike Dobbs announced the location of the September 16, 2011 Work Session will be changed to the Antiquities Center.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

Commissioner Smith made a motion to go into public hearings.

Commissioner Davis seconded. Unanimous.

Rezoning:

- None.

Other:

1st Reading - Board of Commissioners Vote Necessary

Picnic Basket- Application for Wine and Malt Beverage License
Location: 2723 Roanoke Road, LaGrange
Applicant: Harmanjot S. Dhillon:

County Manager Mike Dobbs presented the application for wine and malt beverage license for Picnic Basket located at 2723 Roanoke Road,

LaGrange. Chairman Wolfe asked if anyone would like to speak in favor or against the wine and malt beverage license application. No one responded. Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve the application for wine and malt beverage license at the Picnic Basket. Commissioner Jones seconded. Unanimous.

VAIBHAVLAKSMI Inc. d/b/a Econo Food- Application for Wine and Malt Beverage License

Location: 2876 Hamilton Road, LaGrange

Applicant: Suresh M. Patel:

County Manager Mike Dobbs presented the application for wine and malt beverage license for VAIBHAVLAKSMI Inc. d/b/a Econo Food located at 2876 Hamilton Road, LaGrange. The store is currently closed and being reopened. Chairman Wolfe asked if anyone would like to speak in favor or against the wine and malt beverage license application. No one responded. Commissioner English made a motion to approve the wine and malt beverage license. Commissioner Smith 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 go out of public hearings and adjourn the meeting.

Commissioner English seconded. Unanimous.

Richard Wolfe, Chairman

Attest: _____
Stewart P. Mills, Clerk