

MINUTES

Troup County Board of Commissioners

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

News Media Present:

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

Staff Present:

Tod Tentler, County Manager
Mark DeGennaro, County Attorney
Cheryl May, Accounting/ Deputy Clerk
Valerie Heard, Human Resources Director
Scott Turk, Finance Officer/ County Clerk
Andy Harper, GIS Technician
James Emery, County Engineer
Valerie West, Executive Assistant
Nancy Seegar, County Planner
Dexter Wells, Divisions Manager
Jay Anderson, Sr Deputy Building Official

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 Foster seconded. Unanimous.

Approval of Minutes:

Commissioner Foster made a motion to approve the minutes of the September 13, 2013 work session and the September 17, 2013 regular

meeting of the Board of Commissioners. Commissioner Davis seconded.
Unanimous.

PEOPLE TO ADDRESS THE BOARD:

- None.

SPECIAL BUSINESS:

Proclamation of Retired Educator's Day:

Chairman Wolfe presented a proclamation of Retired Educator's Day to Ms. Olivia Meeks and Ms. Cheris English. There are more than 103,000 retired educators in Georgia, 23,000 plus of who are members of the Georgia Retired Educators' Association. The retired educators of Georgia donate thousands of hours of volunteer service and make invaluable contributions to the welfare of their respective communities. Therefore, the Troup County Board of Commissioners hereby proclaims the day of November 3, 2013 as "Retired Educators' Day" and calls upon the citizens of Troup County to observe that day as an appropriate manner honoring retired educators.

Employee Service Awards 2nd Quarter 2013:

Chairman Wolfe recognized the following individuals during the employee service award ceremony:

- Five-years of Service

Finance Officer/County Clerk Geoffrey S. Turk, BOC
Correctional Officer James Vise, TCCI
Detention Officer Erik Dorrrough, Jail
Correctional Officer Tiffany Stenson, TCCI
Correctional Program Counselor Clinteshia Retic, PWC
Patching Equip. Operator Ricky Jones, Roads & Engineering
Purchasing Clerk Gayla Taylor, Purchasing
Correctional Officer Richard Hamlin, TCCI
Detention Officer Shannon Barnes, Jail
Correctional Officer John Phillips, Jr., TCCI

- Ten Years of Service

Accounting Clerk/ Deputy Clerk Cheryl R. May, BOC
*Building Maintenance Technician Charles Estes, Maintenance
*Sergeant Shannon Howard, Sheriff
Detail Sergeant Terence Maddox, PWC
*Communications Officer Carrie Nuckolls, E-911
Lieutenant Samantha Duran, Sheriff
Deputy Sheriff Jay Shepherd, Sheriff

- Fifteen Years of Service

*Deputy Clerk Melanie Bowles, Clerk of Court
Rec Athletics/Program Spec Darryl Holsey, Parks & Recreation

- Twenty Years of Service

Deputy Sheriff Fayne Buchannon, Sheriff
*Deputy Sheriff Malachi Taylor, Sheriff
E-911 Shift Supervisor Tonya Massie, E-911

- Twenty-five Years of Service

Lieutenant/EMT/Battalion Roy A. Cadenhead, Fire Dept
Firefighter Pless Thornton, Fire Dept

* Indicates employees unable to attend the awards presentation.

Chairman Wolfe thanked the honorees for their years of dedicated service to Troup County.

Consideration of Request to Create full-time Court Reporter Position for State Court:

Commissioner Foster made a motion to approve a full-time Court Reporter position for State Court. Commissioner Jones seconded. Unanimous.

Parks & Recreation Hiring Freeze Request:

Commissioner English made a motion to approve lifting hiring freeze to fill the position of Parks Maintenance Crew Leader. Commissioner Davis seconded. Unanimous.

E-911 Hiring Freeze Request:

Commissioner Davis made a motion to approve lifting hiring freeze for E-911 position. Commissioner English seconded. Unanimous.

Consideration of Board of Elections Request to Change Part-time Position to Full-time:

Commissioner English made a motion to change Part-time clerk to a Full-time clerk in the Election and Registration Office. Commissioner Foster seconded. Unanimous.

Consideration of Property Annexation at Whitesville Road and Pegasus Parkway:

Commissioner Davis made a motion to approve the resolution to annex 75 acres at Whitesville Road and Pegasus Parkway. Commissioner English seconded. Unanimous.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

Commissioner English made a motion to go into public hearing.

Commissioner Foster seconded. Unanimous.

Special Use:

- None.

Rezoning:

Sr Deputy Building Official Jay Anderson reminded the commissioners of the standards to use as criteria for evaluating rezoning applications.

(First Reading-No Vote Necessary)

Walter Budjinski-Single-Family Medium Density to General Industrial 8.4 Acre Parcel Fronting on Hogansville Road

Sr Deputy Building Official Jay Anderson presented the application of Walter Budjinski to rezone property located at 6572 Hogansville Road from Single-Family Medium Density to General Industrial. Mr. Budjinski has been in business for 13 years for the use of automobile repair service and would like to expand his business. The Planning Commission recommended approval of the rezoning. Chairman Wolfe asked if there was anyone who would like to speak in favor of or against the rezoning. No one responded. No vote was required at this time.

Special Use:

(First Reading-No Vote Necessary)

Walter Budjinski Request to Open a Salvage Yard on Hogansville Road

Sr Deputy Building Official Jay Anderson presented the application of Walter Budjinski to open a salvage yard located at 6572 Hogansville Road. Chairman Wolfe asked if there was anyone who would like to speak in favor of or against the special use request. No one responded. No vote was required at this time.

Other:

(First Reading-Vote Eligible)

Halemul H. Chowdhury / H H C LLC-D.B.A. Econo Mart Application for Wine & Malt Beverage License

Location: 1990 Lukken Industrial, Suite B

Sr Deputy Building Official Jay Anderson presented application of Halemul H. Chowdhury / H H C LLC-D.B.A. Econo Mart to sell wine & malt beverages at 1990 Lukken Industrial, Suite B, LaGrange. The application has been reviewed and signed by the Sheriff James Woodruff certifying a GCIC background check has been completed and no criminal activity in the last five years have been found. Commissioner Foster made a motion to approve Mr. Chowdhury's application to sell wine & malt beverages. Commissioner English seconded. Unanimous.

Subdivisions:

- None.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- None.

MANAGER'S REPORT:

- None.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Executive Session to discuss Potential Litigation:

Commissioner English made a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss a potential litigation issue. Commissioner Foster seconded. Unanimous.

MEETING REOPENED:

At the end of Executive Session, Commissioner Davis made a motion to reconvene in public meeting. Commissioner Foster seconded. Unanimous. Chairman Wolfe announced that during Executive Session they discussed potential litigation and no action was taken at this time.

ADJOURNMENT:

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

Richard Wolfe, Chairman

Attest: _____
G. S. Turk, Clerk