

GRADY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

MEETING MINUTES

August 06, 2019 Regular Meeting

The Grady County Board of Commissioners met on August 6, 2019 at 9:00 am for the regular scheduled meeting. Chair LaFaye Copeland, Vice-Chair Keith Moye, Commissioners June Knight, Ray Prince, Phillip Drew, County Administrator Buddy Johnson, County Clerk John White, Finance Director Holly Murkerson, and Executive Assistant Mary Griffin were present.

Mrs. Copeland opened the meeting with prayer and the pledge to the flag.

Motion by Mr. Prince, second by Mr. Drew to adopt the agenda as presented. The motion was approved.

Public Comments

Richard Jordan, 303 Jordan Rd

Mr. Jordan discussed several issues with the county in the past and bad decisions that have cost the county money. He stated the county needed to make better business decisions.

Peter Wright, 304 Stevens Rd

Mr. Wright stated that the county charging employees for the health insurance is the end of an era and the young man who stood up and stated it was taking his entire raise was correct.

Tony Ward, US 319 S

Mr. Ward stated that we need to get the road department organized. We need the manned trash sites at Hadley Ferry and Beachton.

Terry Bishop, 209 Evergreen Lane

Mr. Bishop stated that Mr. Woods had said he could do the event without the variance. Mr. Bishop feels as if the variance is granted, there will be no end.

Ray Woods, 891 Bold Springs Rd

Mr. Woods stated this would not be every other weekend event. He stated he was attempting to build up the community, not tear it down. He stated if things do not go well the county does not have to grant another request.

Phillip Martin, 222 Long Leaf Lane

Mr. Martin stated he is talking about being held hostage all year round with the noise. He stated that he feels they do not count as they are paying quiet revenue with their taxes. Mr. Martin encouraged the commissioners to think outside the box and to consider everyone involved.

PRESENTATIONS

Davenport and Company – A. Ricardo Cornejo and Doug Gebhardt. They are a company that is offering to help the county with financial decisions and refinance debt. They are not here to sell new bonds. Presentation was presented on PowerPoint.

ABM – Jason Anderson and Rick Higginbotham. ABM has completed a Preliminary Feasibility Study and believe the program could possibly generate savings for the county. The ground rules were to be cost neutral and no up-front capital. The presentation was presented on PowerPoint.

CORRESPONDENCE

The Calendar of Events was reviewed.

Open enrollment for county employees will take place on Wednesday, 8/7/2019.

Buddy and June will be attending ACCG training later in August.

CONSENT ITEMS

Motion from Mr. Moye, second by Mrs. Knight to approve the following Consent items,

C-012 Minutes from the July 16, 2019 regular meeting,

C-013 Exempt-non approved building plat for Christopher Howell,

C-014 Exempt-non approved building plat for Minnie Williams Estate,

C-015 Exempt-non approved building plat for Taylor Baggett.

The motion was approved.

FORMAL ACTIONS

FA018-19 Motion by Mr. Drew, second by Mr. Prince to approve the request for the Woods variance for the dates of November 1, 2, 3, 2019. Mrs. Knight feels the variance should not be approved as the regulations are there. The vote was Drew, Prince, Moye, Copeland – Yes, Knight – No. The motion was approved.

FA019-19 Motion by Mr. Drew, second by Mr. Moye to approve the Resolution of the Board of Commissioners to allow the Board of Education to issue general bonds based on the Education Special Local Option Sales Tax. The motion was approved.

FA020-19 Motion by Mr. Moye, second by Mr. Prince to proceed as planned with the litigation and our involvement as a plaintiff in the Opioid Crisis Impact Lawsuit. The motion was approved.

NEW/UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Mr. Prince asked if anything had been done with the Rich Road residence that has all the appliances in the yard. County Administrator Johnson stated he would follow up with Brian Harrison to find a resolution.

REPORTS

- A. Animal Control
- B. Code Enforcement
- C. Buildings and Grounds

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Moye and second by Mr. Prince. The motion was approved.

LAFAYE COPELAND, CHAIR

KEITH MOYE, VICE-CHAIR

ATTEST:

RAY PRINCE, COMMISSIONER

JOHN WHITE, COUNTY CLERK

JUNE KNIGHT, COMMISSIONER

PHILLIP DREW, COMMISSIONER

