

GRADY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

MEETING MINUTES

January 19, 2021 Meeting

The Grady County Board of Commissioners met on January 19, 2021 at 6:00 pm for a regular meeting. Commissioners Keith Moyer, June Knight, Phillip Drew, LaFaye Copeland, County Finance Director Holly Murkerson, and County Clerk John White were present. Commissioner LaFaye Copeland participated by telephone and County Administrator Buddy Johnson participated by TEAMS.

Mr. Drew gave the invocation and pledge to the flag.

Motion by Mr. Moyer, second by Mr. Prince to adopt the agenda. The motion was approved.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

PRESENTATIONS

None

CORRESPONDENCE

The Calendar of Events was reviewed.

Lake Authority Meeting on 02/01/2021 at 8:30 am

Regular Board Meeting, 02/02/2021, 9:00 am

CONSENT ITEMS

Motion by Mr. Moyer, second by Mr. Prince to approve

C008-21 Approval Regular Meeting Minutes and Executive Meeting Minutes from 01/05/2021

C009-21 Approval of the Isaacs Plat

C010-21 Approval of the Davison Plat

Mrs. Copeland had a question regarding the 01/05/2021 minutes as she thought Mr. Moyer seconded his own nomination. Mr. White stated that a review of the audio of the meeting clearly demonstrated that Mr. Drew made the second for the nomination of Mr. Moyer for Vice-Chair. The motion was approved.

The motion was approved.

FORMAL ACTIONS

None

NEW/UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Mr. Brian Harrison, Code Enforcement Director, provided an update for the Planning Commission regarding Zoning. Mr. Harrison stated that the Planning Commission has the Zoning regulations from Mitchell, Thomas, and what was previously provided for Grady County. They are seeing what they like from each set to help them with setting up regulations for Grady County. They are also going to meet with ABM to discuss Zoning around the lake.

Mr. Harrison stated he is meeting with a person to show him how to work the mapping program so he can work on a Zoning Map.

Mr. Drew asked when the next meeting of the Planning Commission was being held and Mr. Harrison stated Thursday night at 6:00 pm in the old Commissioners Chambers. Mr. Harrison stated the Planning Commission meets the 3rd Thursday of the month at 6:00 pm.

Administrator's Report

Mr. Johnson stated that they hope to have the Open Pond Road Pre-Construction meeting on Thursday, January 28, 2021. He will let the board know when the meeting has been officially set up.

The Johnson Road is out for bid and will start running in the Cairo Messenger tomorrow.

ABM continues to evaluate the Tired Creek Lake Project and talk with Mike and Buddy almost daily. Hopefully, they will have it completed within the next few weeks and can tell us if they can help with the water and sewage project.

We have had two apply for the position of Animal Control Director and will let the Board know when the interviews are set up. Andy is currently doing a good job. Mrs. Copeland wished to say thank you to Andy for the job he is doing.

Mrs. Murkerson, Financial Director provided the following report to the Board:

Financial Review for December 2020

1. Please note that the information discussed today is unaudited and unamended information and is subject to change after adjusting entries are made

Revenue:

2. Year-end revenue for the General Fund came in 23% over budgeted revenue

a. Largely due to the 2020 real and personal property taxes, timber taxes, commissions, and mobile home taxes being extended to a mid-January due date resulting in approximately 34% higher than budgeted

b. Various other taxes that are not on the digest came in over the budgeted amount (motor vehicle title ad valorem taxes, real estate transfer taxes, railroad equipment taxes, beer taxes, energy excise taxes, insurance premium taxes, Forest Land Protection Act, and the recording of intangibles)

c. LOST receipts came in approximately 31% more than budgeted

d. Both the Cares Act deposits and EMS stimulus deposits were deposited into the General Fund and then transferred over into a special fund of their own in 2020

e. The \$184,000 loaned to the DATE fund for Drug Court expenditures was deposited back into the GF after Mitchell County assumed the financial oversight and funding of the Drug Court

Expenditures:

3. Year-end expenditures for the General Fund came in 16% under budgeted expenditures

a. Adjusting entries after the audit will adjust salaries by department based on the number of days in 2020 that were actually paid in 2021 due to our pay periods

b. Some expenditures were not completely utilized due to COVID-19, training, travel, court expenditures, etc.

Mrs. Copeland brought up requiring a mask mandate on county property. Mrs. Copeland stated it is time for us to do something to prevent the spread of COVID-19. Mrs. Copeland made a motion to require mask be worn on county property. Several Commissioners made comments about the motion. Mr. Johnson stated that as a point of order, the chair needs to seek a second to the motion to allow for discussion of the motion. Mr. Johnson stated that even though you second the motion, it does not require the individual to vote for the motion. There was no second given so the motion died.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None

REPORTS

- A. Attorney's Report – None
- B. Animal Control
- C.

RESOLUTIONS, PROCLAMATIONS, AND AGREEMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Moyer and second by Mrs. Copeland. The motion was approved.

PHILLIP DREW, CHAIR

KEITH MOYE, VICE-CHAIR

RAY PRINCE, COMMISSIONER

JUNE KNIGHT, COMMISSIONER

LAFAYE COPELAND, COMMISSIONER

ATTEST:

JOHN WHITE, COUNTY CLERK