

## GRADY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

### MEETING MINUTES

September 07, 2021, Meeting

The Grady County Board of Commissioners met on September 07, 2021, at 9:00 am for a regular meeting. Commissioners June Knight, Phillip Drew, Ray Prince, County Administrator Buddy Johnson, County Finance Director Holly Murkerson, County Clerk John White, and County Attorney Gabe Ridley were present. County Commissioner Keith Moye participated by phone as he was out in Louisiana assisting with clean up effort. Mrs. Copeland did not attend the meeting.

Mr. Drew opened the meeting with the invocation and pledge to the flag.

Motion by Mr. Prince, second by Mrs. Knight to approve the agenda. The motion was approved.

#### PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

#### PRESENTATIONS

Mr. Sylvester Williams – Sunset Lane

Mr. Williams asked who is responsible for maintenance of Sunset Lane? Mr. Williams stated the road has not been resurfaced in 36 years since the road was cut 40 families live on the road. Mr. Drew stated that it is a county road, and it will be addressed.

Mr. Johnson stated that Sunset Lane will be moved up on the priority list for the T-SPLOST funds.

Mr. Jason Anderson – ABM

Mr. Anderson provided an update on the County Construction Project. Mr. Anderson stated that the only thing remaining is to put the controls on the heating and cooling units. Mr. Anderson also stated that ABM replaced an AC unit at the courthouse that was missed in the audit at ABM's expense.

Mr. Anderson updated the board on the Lake Authority project as they have been doing a lot of auditing and evaluating to start revenue growth for the lake. Mr. Anderson stated they were looking at an RV park for the lake as well as an amphitheater.

Mr. Anderson stated that they are very excited about this project, and they hope to be back in December for a presentation.

Mr. Drew expressed appreciation to ABM for the work they have done on the Lake Project.

#### CORRESPONDENCE

The Calendar of Events was reviewed.

Lake Authority Meeting Monday, September 13, 2021, at 8:30 am at the commissioner's office.

Regular Board Meeting Tuesday, September 21, 2021, at 6:00 pm.

#### CONSENT ITEMS

Motion by Mr. Prince, second by Mrs. Knight to approve

C044-21 Regular Meeting Minutes from 08/17/2021 meeting and Executive Session Meeting Minutes from 08-17-2021

C045-21 Approve the Rhea Plat, Moore Plat, and <sup>K-1</sup>Hunter Plat.

C046-21 Approve sending 1 fire truck and two firemen to Louisiana in response to Hurricane Ida

C047-21 Approve Lake Monitoring bids for Nutter and CCR. Already approved by the Lake Authority.

The motion was approved.

#### FORMAL ACTIONS

FA050-21 Motion by Mr. Prince, second by Mrs. Knight to approve the striping contract (FY21 OSS LIMIG) to Mid-State Construction and Striping for a cost of \$167,435.25. Other bids were Peek Pavement Marking - \$175,262.25, and Road Safe Traffic Systems - \$197,832.64. The motion was approved.

FA051-21 Motion by Mrs. Knight, second by Mr. Prince to approve the contract with GMASS, Inc. for Appraisal Maintenance Services for a total cost of \$491,000.00. The motion was approved.

### **NEW/UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

County Administrator's report

- Budgeting process now in the monitoring stage. All going well
- Roads – Pine Park is under the initial phases of construction. Despite the rain
  - o Open Pond is completed
  - o Mizpah Church Road will be slated for 2022
  - o Phase two of Pine Park is next
  - o Striping plan for LMIG grant has been completed
  - o Mowing is being caught up as best it can, better than last year but rain is a factor again.
- ABM – Discussions continue between Lake Authority, County and Robert Han with ABM
  - o Stacy Watkins is getting the required information from the engineering side of the RV Park and the water testing items needed. No major problems foreseen at this time.
  - o Han expected to present his official report to ABM by Late November or December.
- Sanitation – Manned Sites working well. Old sites for the most part are not being trashed HOWEVER some are, Collins Road is a mess. We have a plan for this. Charges will be made against anyone littering these sites.
- Recreation – Full swing right now. Becky is looking at plans for a new community covered area and bathrooms for the park. More to come on this. It would be a huge asset to the recreation area and would also allow for rental use options for parties and other get togethers. Majority of costs will likely come from donations.
  - o Pickle Ball is wide open and making a huge impact in the community right now. Looking at the possibility of converting or creating a new pickle ball court in the future.
- Buildings and Grounds – Director Harrison is on Military leave. Nick is currently taking calls for issues that arise. Grass, Grass, Grass, is the issue right now as the rains don't allow for a lot of other events.
  - o Leak at courthouse in clerk's office is being addressed – Commercial Plumbing company will give a quote.
- County is doing fair with overall employee manpower however like everywhere else we have several openings and very few applicants to fill them. Directors are constantly recruiting where possible.
- Overall, Grady County is running effectively and efficiently and that is at the hand of the great and dedicated workforce we have here from the line levels to the Directors and Commissioners Staff. I am blessed to have these great folks to work with every day.

Mrs. Knight asked when the County Road Department stated working 4 days per week and Mr. Johnson stated that it was a long time ago to save money on fuel cost.

Mr. Prince stated he wanted to see some road being clipped.

Mr. Drew thanked Mr. Keith Moye and Mr. Justin <sup>K-2</sup> Davis for volunteering to go assist in Louisiana.

Mr. Johnson states that we get calls about the Road Crew not working but that just is not the case. Mr. Johnson stated they work hard and take pride in their work.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

None

### **REPORTS**

- A. Attorney's Report – Mr. Ridley reported that he has submitted his memo on the item that was discussed in the last executive session on August 17, 2021.
- B. Roads and Bridges
- C. Code Enforcement 08/2021
- D. Buildings and Grounds 07/2021

E. Animal Control 08/2021

**RESOLUTIONS, PROCLAMATIONS, AND AGREEMENTS**

**ADJOURNMENT**

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

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PHILLIP DREW, CHAIR

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KEITH MOYE, VICE-CHAIR

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RAY PRINCE, COMMISSIONER

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JUNE KNIGHT, COMMISSIONER

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LAFAYE COPELAND, COMMISSIONER

ATTEST:

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JOHN WHITE, COUNTY CLERK