

GRADY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

MEETING MINUTES

January 18, 2022, Meeting

The Grady County Board of Commissioners met on January 18, 2022, at 6:00 pm for a regular meeting. Commissioners LaFaye Copeland, Keith Moye, 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. Also present was County Road Superintendent Stanley Elkins and Shop Superintendent Chris Dix

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

Motion by Mr. Moye, second by Mrs. Copeland to approve the agenda as presented. The motion was approved.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Kellee Kennett, 318 1st St SW Cairo, GA 39828

Mrs. Kennett spoke about civil asset Forfeiture and shared a story about a person she knew who had their truck taken without a warrant of due process and had to fight to get it returned to them. The board thanked her for her comments and stated they would do more research into the program.

PRESENTATIONS

None

CORRESPONDENCE

The Calendar of Events was reviewed.

Chamber Banquet is Saturday, January 29, 2022, at 6:00 pm

Regular Board Meeting Tuesday, February 1, 2022, at 9:00 am

CONSENT ITEMS

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

C004-22 Regular Meeting Minutes from 01/04/2022 meeting and Called Meeting from 01/07/2022.

The motion was approved.

FORMAL ACTIONS

FA005-22 Motion by Mrs. Knight, second by Mr. Prince to table the participation in the Asset Forfeiture Program for Mrs. Murkerson and Mr. Ridley to provide more information about the program. The motion was approved.

FA006-22 Motion by Mr. Moye, second by Mrs. Knight to approve the purchase of Stock Pipe from Southern Pipe and Supply for a cost of \$49,198.80. The motion was approved. The other bid provided was from Gulf Atlantic Culvert Co. for \$55,632.90.

FA007-22 Motion by Mr. Moye, second by Mr. Prince to approve the purchase of a backhoe from Flint Equipment for \$94,700.00 with a 5 year/5,000-hour Full Machine Warranty. The motion was approved. Other bids received were from Yancey for \$98,235 and Tidewater for \$96,521.00.

FA008-22 Motion by Mrs. Knight, second by Mrs. Copeland to appoint Keith Moye and Chris Dorsey to the E911 committee. The motion was approved.

F009-22 Motion by Mrs. Copeland, second by Mr. Prince to appoint Mrs. Renee Gee Theophille to the Southwest Georgia Workforce Development Board. The motion was approved. Mrs. Theophille provided the board with a brief overview of the program and the services they provide.

NEW/UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Mrs. Murkerson provided the financial report below.

Grady County Financial Review for December 2021

General Fund Revenue:

1. Ideal % = 0%, Actual % = - 10% Performed 10% better than expected

Ideal percentages decrease month to month at equal intervals. Actual remaining indicates actual receipts per month. Some significant revenues are received later in the year. (Budget is \$17,224,300; received to date is \$18,981,500 = \$1,757,200 more)

General Fund Expenditures:

1. Ideal% = 0%, Actual % = 11% under budget to ideal

Budget is \$17,224,300; spent to date is \$15,377,400) Some bills entered and paid in January, February, and March could be for 2021 and will be accrued as appropriate in end of year and audit adjustments.

Sales Tax Revenue:

LOST:	DEC 2021 = \$168,000	DEC 2020 = \$146,900	UP	\$ 21,100
SPLOST:	DEC 2021 = \$168,000	DEC 2020 = \$146,900	UP	\$ 21,100
TSPLOST2:	DEC 2021 = \$149,100	DEC 2021 = \$131,200	UP	\$ 17,900

Other news:

1. Next steps for efficiency in the finance department:
 - a. Continue to work on banking and software services that will make the finance department more efficient
 - b. Continue to work on new a purchase request form and process that will utilize encumbrances to assure budget alignment
2. Will be setting goals for the finance department staff in January for 2022
3. If graphs are desired, I will produce quarterly in 2022

Mr. Johnson had Mr. Dix and Mr. Elkins to discuss a cracked oil pan on a piece of equipment that is very old. Mr. Johnson stated that this is to give the board a heads up that this equipment may need to be replaced in the 2023 budget.

Mrs. Knight asked about trash on Joyner Rd and Mr. Johnson stated that they are working to catch the individual.

Mrs. Knight stated they are still looking for manned dump sites on 93 South and Northeast Grady County.

Mr. Elkins stated that tire amnesty day will be Saturday, January 29, 2022, at the Road Department.

Mr. Drew mentioned about lowering the speed limit on Old 179 S to 35 mph at the 4-way stop in Calvary and lowering the speed limit to 45 mph on Collins Road from MLK to past Auntie Anne's daycare. The board will discuss and decide at a future meeting.

Mrs. Copeland bragged on the board for helping her through the last 6 month while she has been under the weather.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

None

REPORTS

- A. Attorney's Report – None
- B. Roads and Bridges 12-21
- C. Recreation Department 2021 Annual Report
- D. Buildings and Grounds 12-21
- E. Code Enforcement 12-21
- F. Animal Control 12-21

RESOLUTIONS, PROCLAMATIONS, AND AGREEMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

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

PHILLIP DREW, CHAIR

June Knight, VICE-CHAIR

RAY PRINCE, COMMISSIONER

Keith Moyer, COMMISSIONER

LAFAYE COPELAND, COMMISSIONER

ATTEST:

JOHN WHITE, COUNTY CLERK