

GRADY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

MEETING MINUTES

February 20, 2024, Meeting

The Grady County Board of Commissioners met on February 20, 2024, at 6:00 pm for a regular meeting. Commissioners Ray Prince, Keith Moyer, LaFaye Copeland, Phillip Drew, June Knight, County Administrator Buddy Johnson, Finance Director Holly Murkerson, County Clerk John White, Recreation Director Becky Bracewell, and Road Superintendent Stanley Elkins were present.

Mr. Moyer asked Mr. Prince to open with prayer and the pledge to the flag.

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

PRESENTATIONS

Becky Bracewell – Recreation Department

Mrs. Bracewell reviewed the policies and procedures for Tournament Play at Barber Park. Mrs. Bracewell provided the contracts for three neighboring counties for Tournament Play. Some areas may need to be adjusted in the future. Mrs. Bracewell requested to meet with the Board to work on some of the policies. Mr. Prince thanked Mrs. Bracewell for getting the information together for them. Mr. Moyer stated that he, Mr. Johnson, and Mr. Drew will meet with Mrs. Bracewell to look at the policies. Mrs. Bracewell discussed what she has in fields to host a Tournament. She has nine fields. Mrs. Bracewell stated she would need four more fields to host a normal baseball tournament. Advertising would be a big thing to attempt to attract the tournaments. Mr. Moyer asked if our Recreation Department was open and willing to host tournaments? Mrs. Bracewell said absolutely. She said our splashpad will help as well. Mrs. Knight asked how our facilities compare to other areas. Mrs. Bracewell stated with the addition of the Splash Pad, we will have a strong calling card. Mr. Moyer asked for an update on the new Recreation Building. Mrs. Bracewell stated ground was broken on 01/29 and walls are going up. Tim Bracewell asked if you know what it takes to host a tournament. Mr. Bracewell asked if the rec department hosted a tournament, where does the money go? Mrs. Bracewell stated that they hosted a pickleball tournament, and all the proceeds went to the Barber Park Beautification fund. It was over \$5,000.00. Mr. Tim Bracewell stated that he is asked all the time what happens to the money as they think it goes into the general fund.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Michael Cook, 184 Carr St.

Mr. Cook spoke about the safety of the poll workers when they work an election due to the late hours and about the poll places having handicap accessible restrooms. We need to be supportive of the poll workers.

CORRESPONDENCE

The Calendar of Events was reviewed.

Regular Board Meeting on March 5, 2024, at 9:00 AM.

Pope's Museum Complete works of Shakespeare, Saturday, March 2, 2024, 10:00 – 1:00.

CONSENT ITEMS

Motion by Mrs. Copeland, second by Mr. Drew to approve:

C014-24 Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes from 02/06/2024.

C015-24 Approval of plat for John Tuggle.

C016-24 Approve participation in the Asset Forfeiture Program.

C017-24 Approve declaring monitors Serial Number 4013 and 3542 and CPU tag #7vpt52 from the Tax Assessors Office surplus as they no longer work.

The motion was approved.

FORMAL ACTIONS

FA018-24 Motion by Mr. Drew, second by Mrs. Copeland to approve moving \$20,000.00 from contingency to Animal Control for food and spay and neuter services. The motion was approved.

FA019-24 Motion by Mr. Drew, second by Mrs. Knight to move \$5,668.00 to the Recreation Department salaries due to added duties. The motion was approved.

FA020-24 Motion by Mrs. Knight, second by Mr. Prince to appoint Gus Mango to the Lake Authority to replace Stephen Francis who resigned. The motion was approved.

FA021-24 Motion by Mr. Drew, second by Mrs. Copeland to approve the bid from Stryker Equipment service plan for \$16,403.00 for EMS. The motion was approved.

FA022-24 Motion by Mrs. Knight, second by Mr. Prince to name Phillip Drew as the Voting Delegate for the GOSAC and RAC SLATE consideration with the Opioid Distribution Settlement. The motion was approved.

FA023-24 Motion by Mr. Drew, second by Mr. Prince to purchase a Ford Police Interceptor for the sheriff's office at \$40,300.00 from Brannen Ford to replace the one that was totaled. The motion was approved.

NEW/UNFINISHED BUSINESS

First Reading of the Tiny Homes definition and Article X was read by Mr. Moye.

We will release on March 1, 2024 the RFQ for Third-Party Administrator (TPA) for our insurance with a closing date of April 5, 2024.

FA024-24 Motion by Mr. Drew, second by Mrs. Copeland for Chief Phillips to apply for the Fireworks Grant. The motion was approved.

Administrator Matters - Mr. Johnson updated the board on the Rec Department building and met today on the Aquatic Center and will hopefully go out to bid next week. EMS building renovation is under design and will go to bid soon. 911 meeting with Decatur will tentatively be 03/15/24. Once the buyout is done we will begin to get ready for 911. Working on CDBG grant for the help agency building. Met with the Help Agency last week and they are happy to get the new building. Roads- Lower Hawthorne Trail will be the next road and should be underway next month and then Hadley Ferry. Cross drains on Lower Hawthorne are complete. Will be working on an IGA for the TSPLOST. Striping is out for bid. Clipping and mowing has started.

Commissioners Matters – Mrs. Knight had a call about the lighting at the dock at the lake. Mr. Binion stated that he is going out there after the meeting tonight to check the lights. They are over five years old so they may be out, and Mrs. Knight stated roads. Mrs. Cumbie stated that Ridge Road is bad.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

None

REPORTS

- A. Attorney's Report – None
- B.
- C.
- D.

RESOLUTIONS, PROCLAMATIONS, AND AGREEMENTS

Regular Board of Commissioners Meeting Agenda

February 20, 2024, 6:00 PM

- I. Executive Duties
 - A. Call to Order – 6:00 PM
 - B. Invocation/Pledge
 - C. Adoption of Agenda
 - D.
 - II. Presentations
 - Becky Bracewell – Recreation Department
- Public Comments (3 Mins)
- III. Correspondence
 - A. Calendar of events

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- IV. Consent Items – (One motion)

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V. Formal Actions

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VI. New and unfinished Business

First Reading of the Tiny Homes definition and Article X

March 1st release of RFQ for Third-Party Administrator(TPA) for our insurance.

Administrator Matters

Commissioner Matters

VII. Executive Session

None

VIII. Reports

a. Attorney's Report

b.

c.

VIII. Adjournment

Individuals with disabilities who require certain accommodations to allow them to observe and/or participate in this meeting, or who have questions regarding the accessibility of the meeting, or the facilities are required to contact the ADA Coordinator at 229-377-1512 promptly to allow the County to make reasonable accommodations for those persons.

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

Keith Moye, CHAIR

JUNE KNIGHT, VICE-CHAIR

RAY PRINCE, COMMISSIONER

ATTEST:

JOHN WHITE, COUNTY CLERK

Phillip Drew, COMMISSIONER

LAFAYE COPELAND, COMMISSIONER

