

GRADY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

MEETING MINUTES

June 18, 2024, Meeting

The Grady County Board of Commissioners met on June 18, 2024, at 6:00 pm for a regular meeting. Commissioners Ray Prince, Keith Moye, LaFaye Copeland, Phillip Drew, June Knight, County Administrator Buddy Johnson, Finance Director Holly Murkerson, County Clerk John White, Road Superintendent Stanley Elkins, and County Attorney Gabe Ridley were present.

Mr. Moye asked Mr. Drew to open with prayer and the pledge to the flag.

Motion by Mr. Drew, second by Mrs. Knight to amend the agenda by adding a presentation from the Sheriff's Office and FA066-24. The motion was approved.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Silvia Dalgado, 531 S Broad St Cairo

Ms. Dalgado spoke about Hispanic Heritage month and invited the commissioners to attend the celebration to be held in Downtown Cairo on September 14, 2024. Ms. Dalgado stated she would email Clerk White the registration sheet for the event.

Michael Cook, 184 Carr St

Mr. Cook wants a schedule of mowing posted so people will not be mowing the shoulders of the road.

PRESENTATIONS

Joe Mullholland – DA and Trey McClendon – Public Defenders

Mr. Mullholland and Mr. McClendon were asking to increase the DA's budget to \$68,000.00 to help cover some positions that are running out of grant money. They both stated not having these positions would put an increased burden on the system and cost even more money.

Daniel Lindsay – Sheriff's Office

Investigator Lindsay was asking for the board to consider purchasing four new patrol cars this year to replace four older patrol cars. The total cost would be \$225,000.00. These could be purchased out of SPLOST funds. The board will take the request under advisement.

CORRESPONDENCE

The Calendar of Events was reviewed.

Regular Board Meeting on July 2, 2024 at 9:00 AM.

CONSENT ITEMS

Motion by Mrs. Knight, second by Mrs. Copeland to approve:

C040-24 Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes from 06/04/2024.

The motion was approved.

FORMAL ACTIONS

FA062-24 Motion by Mrs. Copeland, second by Mr. Prince to approve a temporary position in the Tax Commissioner's office through 12/31/2024 so Tax Commissioner Elect Jeff Worsham could start learning the office and the duties. The motion was approved. This will be paid from fund balance.

FA063-24 Motion by Mrs. Copeland, second by Mrs. Knight to approve a package beer and wine license for M D Sazzad Hasan DBA: HP Mart, 2275 GA-93 Pelham, GA 31779. The motion was approved.

FA064-24 Motion by Mrs. Knight, second by Mr. Prince to purchase the CAT M-318 at a cost of \$168,000.00. The motion was approved.

FA065-24 Motion by Mrs. Knight, second by Mr. Drew to approve the TSPLOST 3 agreement. The motion was approved.

FA066-24 Motion by Mrs. Copeland, second by Mrs. Knight to approve the engine repair for ambulance M-5 by Donalson Diesel Performance in Havana, FL at a cost of \$21,162.99. The only other bid was from Hobson for \$22,080.79. The motion was approved.

NEW/UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Collins Road – Mr. Johnson presented the estimates for paving Collins Road from Stacey Watkins. Mr. Johnson stated the county could do a little over two miles of Collins Road which needs a full depth reclamation for \$747,847.68 or the entire road for \$3,414,128.50. After some discussion, the board decided to put the entire Collins Road project out for bid.

Cedar Springs Landing – Grady County Lake Authority Director, Mike Binion, appeared before the board to request on behalf of the Lake Authority that the Cedar Springs Landing be closed. He stated that very few people use the landing and there is a lot of trash that is dumped at the landing. Mr. Binion stated that they had to pull an old junk boat out of the water that had been dumped. Mr. Binion recommended putting a gate at the top of the hill and locking it. That would still allow access to the lake from the landing if there was an emergency.

FA067-24 Motion by Mr. Prince, second by Mrs. Knight to close the Cedar Springs landing effective July 1, 2024. The motion was approved.

Mr. Johnson stated that there had been a request for the speed limit on Three Lakes Drive to be set at 30 mph. The board decided to table this action for more information. They will take it back up at the July 2, 2024 meeting.

Administrator Matters – None

Commissioners Matters – Mrs. Knight stated Ridge Road.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

None

REPORTS

- A. Attorney's Report – None
- B. Lake Authority 05-24
- C. Roads and Bridges 05-24
- D. Animal Control 05-24
- E. Recreation 05-24

RESOLUTIONS, PROCLAMATIONS, AND AGREEMENTS

Regular Board of Commissioners Meeting Agenda Amended
June 18, 2024, 6:00 PM

- I. Executive Duties
 - A. Call to Order – 6:00 PM
 - B. Invocation/Pledge
 - C. Adoption of Agenda
 - D. Public Comments
- II. Presentations
 - Joe Mulholland, District Attorney - Budget
 - Daniel Lindsay – Sheriff's Office (Amended)
- III. Correspondence
 - A. Calendar of events

Regular Board meeting on July 2, 2024 at 9:00 AM

- IV. Consent Items – (One motion)
C040-24 Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes from 06/04/2024.
- V. Formal Actions
 - FA062-24 Approve/Disapprove temporary position in Tax Commissioner's office through 12/31/2024.
 - FA063-24 Approve/Disapprove Alcoholic Beverage License for MD Sazzad Hasan HP Mart 2275 GA-93 Pelham, GA 31779.
 - FA064-24 Approve/Disapprove purchasing the Cat M-318.
 - FA065-24 Approve/Disapprove the TSPLOST 3 Agreement.
 - FA066-24 Approve/Disapprove engine repair for M-5 ambulance.
- VI. New and unfinished Business
 - Collins Road
 - Cedar Springs Landing
 - Administrator Matters
 - Commissioner Matters
- VII. Executive Session
 - None
- VIII. Reports

- a. Attorney's Report
- b. Lake Authority Report 05-24
- c. Roads and Bridges 05-24
- e. Animal Control 05-24
- f. Recreation Report 05-24
- VIII. Adjournment

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

Keith Moye, CHAIR

JUNE KNIGHT, VICE-CHAIR

RAY PRINCE, COMMISSIONER

Phillip Drew, COMMISSIONER

LAFAYE COPELAND, COMMISSIONER

ATTEST:

JOHN WHITE, COUNTY CLERK