

GRADY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

MEETING MINUTES

September 3, 2024, Meeting

The Grady County Board of Commissioners met on September 3, 2024, at 9:00 am for a regular meeting. Commissioners Keith Moye, Ray Prince, Phillip Drew, June Knight, LaFaye Copeland, County Administrator Buddy Johnson, Finance Director Holly Murkerson, County Clerk John White, and County Attorney Gabe Ridley were present.

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

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

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Yancy Maxwell, 1406 Tired Creek Rd

Mr. Maxwell spoke concerning dirt roads in the county. Mr. Maxwell stated they need to run a route on scraping the roads, so grass is not growing in the roads.

Michael Cook, 184 Carr St

Mr. Cook stated that on Carr Street in Calvary there is a 3-foot section that is settling and cracking.

Cindy Johnson, 123 Braswell Cir

The Help Agency had to close due to the unsafe environment due to construction. They will be moving temporarily to Northside soon. They ask to be included in the design of the new building.

PRESENTATIONS

None

CORRESPONDENCE

The Calendar of Events was reviewed.

Public Hearing – Thursday, September 5, 2024 at 6:00 PM

Hispanic Heritage Parade – September 14, 2024 at 10:00 AM

Regular Board Meeting on September 17, 2024 at 6:00 PM.

CONSENT ITEMS

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

C052-24 Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes, and Executive Session Minutes from 08/20/2024.

C053-24 Approval of the 5311 Authorizing Resolution.

The motion was approved.

FORMAL ACTIONS

FA088-24 Motion by Mr. Drew, second by Mrs. Copeland to approve accepting the AFG grant for \$31,000. The motion was approved.

FA089-24 Motion by Mrs. Knight, second by Mrs. Copeland to approve the Davidson Grant Writing Contract for AFG FY 24. The motion was approved.

FA090-24 Motion by Mrs. Copeland, second by Mr. Drew to approve moving forward with Conexon internet services. The motion was approved.

NEW/UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Long Branch/17th Ave Draft – Working on the three-lane concept and DOT does not think we would have to acquire any additional property to install turn lanes. This will also help with the curbing and guttering on Long Branch.

One Georgia Grant Application – We have informed the investor what we need to proceed with the grant and Mr. Ridley has not received any information for the county to apply for the One Georgia Grant.

Administrator Matters – Mr. Johnson shared with the board that an individual crashed into the back of our Mower Max on US 84. We were not at fault. Mr. Elkins is looking into potentially leasing a Mower Max until ours is repaired. Mr. Elkins found a used mowing head that could go on our wheeled excavator for \$25,000 but is continuing to look for other options.

Commissioner Matters – Mr. Copeland stated she has a birthday coming up so everyone can wish her a happy birthday.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Motion by Mr. Drew, second by Mrs. Knight to enter Executive Session to discuss Property and Litigation at 9:27 am. The motion was approved.

Motion by Mr. Drew, second by Mrs. Knight to exit Executive Session at 10:03 am. The motion was approved.

REPORTS

- A. Attorney's Report – Kevin Cauley has reached out to him concerning Sasser Road. The owner of the property on Sasser Road would like the road abandoned. Mr. Ridley stated the county will have to issue a statement that is entered into the minutes that it would like to abandon the road. A public hearing would then be held, and the county would then dispose of the property. Mr. Elkins stated that Sasser Road is a bad road. The board agreed for Attorney Ridley to move forward with this process.

Attorney Ridley responded to when the Board of Elections could start working. Mr. Ridley stated that they can start meetings and hire an Elections Supervisor. The Board of Commissioners will attempt to set up a workshop with the newly appointed Board of Elections.

RESOLUTIONS, PROCLAMATIONS, AND AGREEMENTS

Regular Board of Commissioners Meeting Agenda

September 3, 2024, 9:00 AM

- I. Executive Duties
- A. Call to Order – 9:00 AM
- B. Invocation/Pledge
- C. Adoption of Agenda
- D. Public Comments
- II. Presentations
- None
- III. Correspondence
- A. Calendar of events

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- IV. Consent Items – (One motion)

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- V. Formal Actions
- FA088-24 Approve/Disapprove accepting the AFG grant for \$31,000.
- FA089-24 Approve/Disapprove Davidson Grant Writing Contract to apply for AFG FY 24.
- FA090-24 Approve/Disapprove moving forward with Conexon internet services. – Bobby Hutchinson

- VI. New and unfinished Business
- One Georgia Grant
- Long Branch/17th Ave Draft
- Administrator Matters
- Commissioner Matters
- VII. Executive Session
- Executive Session for Property and Litigation
- VIII. Reports
- a. Attorney's Report
- b.
- c.
- 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