



## *Action Agenda*

Board of Commissioners  
July 14, 2011  
7:00 P.M.

The Board of Commissioners of Fayette County, Georgia, met in Official Session on Thursday, July 14, 2011, at 7:00 p.m. in the Public Meeting Room of the Fayette County Administrative Complex, 140 Stonewall Avenue, Fayetteville, Georgia.

**Commissioners Present:**

Herb Frady, Chairman  
Robert Horgan, Vice Chairman  
Steve Brown  
Lee Hearn  
Allen McCarty

**Staff Present:**

Jack Krakeel, County Administrator  
Scott Bennett, County Attorney  
Carol Chandler, Executive Assistant  
Karen Morley, Chief Deputy Clerk

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Chairman Frady called the meeting to order.  
Commissioner Hearn offered the Invocation  
Pledge of Allegiance.

**ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA:** Commissioner Horgan made a motion to approve the Agenda as presented. Commissioner McCarty seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

**PRESENTATION/RECOGNITION:**

1. Presentation of the Government Finance Officers Association Distinguished Budget Award for Fayette County's annual budget document for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2010 and ending June 30, 2011.

County Administrator Jack Krakeel presented the Government Finance Officers Association Distinguished Budget Award for Fayette County's Annual Budget Document for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2010 and ending June 30, 2011 to Chief Finance Officer Mary Holland and Budget Officer Sergio Acevedo. The Board and Mr. Krakeel commended staff for all of their hard work on the completion of this document. Mr. Krakeel remarked that this was the 14<sup>th</sup> consecutive year that the County had received this award.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

**Dennis Chase:** Dennis Chase remarked that he wanted to make clear to everyone that he most emphatically did not support a proposed Stormwater Utility for Fayette County. He pointed out that the Fayette County Stormwater Department was adequately meeting all of the requirements of their discharge permit and has done so for the last four or five years. He said the question was what would the County get for the additional \$1 million to \$1.5 million that would

be spent. He said a Stormwater Utility would not make the County's compliance any better and all it would do would be to provide the County with a funding source for doing maintenance of stormwater culverts and so forth

**Steve Smithfield:** Steve Smithfield remarked that during the last three years citizens had made numerous public comments regarding their opposition to the West Fayetteville Bypass. He pointed out that during these three years there had not been one comment in favor of this project. He said there was currently a petition circulating with approximately 400 signatures regarding the County's budget shortfall and the possibility of the Commissioners increasing property taxes to make up that shortfall. He remarked that HB 240 that was signed into law by Governor Deal would be another option. He said this would allow the citizens to vote to use the SPLOST funds to cover County expenses so taxes would not have to be raised. He said by signing the petition the citizens were urging leaders to act now to put this on the ballot for citizens to vote on and for the County to stop spending SPLOST fund money on the West Fayetteville Bypass until this was voted on. He said signatures had been obtained from the residents of Fayetteville, Peachtree City, Tyrone and other communities within Fayette County. He said it was evident now that the voters of Fayette County demand better stewardship of their tax dollars. He said the citizens of Fayette County expect a great deal more from their elected officials than the indifference that the Board had thus far demonstrated.

**CONSENT AGENDA:** Commissioner Horgan made a motion to approve the consent agenda items 2-6 as presented. Commissioner Hearn seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

2. Approval of staff's recommendation for the disposition of tax refund requests submitted by taxpayers in accordance with O.C.G.A. 48-5-380.
3. Approval of request from the Sheriff's Office to amend the State Confiscated Revenue Budget Account for Technical Services by \$5.00 to recognize abandoned monies which have been retained for law enforcement enhancement as required by law.
4. Approval of request from the Sheriff's Office to amend the FY 2011 Overtime Budget Account for the Criminal Investigations Division by \$10,623.63 for reimbursement for employees assigned to work with various Federal Agencies.
5. Approval of staff's recommendation to increase the county's mileage reimbursement rate from 41.82 cents per mile to 45.51 cents per mile for use of a privately owned vehicle when traveling on official county business.
6. Approval of minutes for the Board of Commissioners' meeting held on June 23, 2011.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

7. Discussion of a request from staff for authorization to initiate proposed amendments to the Fayette County Code of Ordinances, Chapter 20. Zoning Ordinance, Article VI. District Use Requirements, Sec. 6-25. Planned Unit Development, F. Planned Retreat or Lodge.

**Director of Community Development Pete Frisina presented this item for discussion. He asked for the Board's approval for staff to proceed with the proposed amendments to the Fayette County Code of Ordinances, Chapter 20. Zoning Ordinance, Article VI. District Use Requirements, Sec. 6-25. Planned Unit Development, F. Planned Retreat or Lodge. He said the Planning Commission would be fine tuning these proposed amendments and it would come back to the Board of Commissioners in August for a vote.**

**There was a consensus of the Board to approve staff's request.**

**ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORTS:**

**Chris Snell's position as Library Director:** County Administrator Jack Krakeel reported on the Flint River Regional Library Board voting not to fund Ms. Snell's position as Director of the Fayette County Library. He remarked that Ms. Snell was an employee of the Flint River Regional Library System and not a Fayette County employee. He said he would be meeting with Ms. Snell and bringing options and recommendations to the Board during the next several weeks to determine how the Board of Commissioners would like to move forward post January 1, 2012. He commended Ms. Snell on the outstanding job she has done for the Fayette County Library during the last 14 years. He noted that Ms. Snell's position was the only one in the entire Regional Library System paid for by the Flint River Regional Library Board. He said the citizens of Fayette County view Chris Snell as the heart and soul of the Fayette County Public Library.

**Update on relocation of WIC office:** County Administrator Jack Krakeel reported on the property being considered for relocation of the WIC facility. He said at the Board's July 6<sup>th</sup> workshop the Board had directed staff to research the feasibility of property located on McDonough Road. He remarked that unfortunately the property was not suitable and noted that the property had failed a perk test. He said there had been discussions and suggestions regarding property located on Long Avenue which is adjacent to the Sheriff's Office. He pointed out that this property had been purchased to square out the tract on Long Avenue. He said there used to be two single family residential dwellings there and they had been removed. He also noted that sewer was available in that area. He asked for the Board's direction as to how they would like staff to proceed.

**There was a consensus of the Board that County Administrator Jack Krakeel proceed with looking at this particular piece of property located on Long Avenue for the relocation of the WIC facility.**

**COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS:**

**Commissioner McCarty:** Commissioner McCarty said he felt he had figured out a way to get some more funds in the County. He said there were stormwater fees on rain that God sends down and he suggested taking moonlight and charge fees for moonlight and call them moonshine fees.

**ADJOURNMENT: Hearing no further business to come before the Board, Chairman Frady adjourned the meeting at 7:29 p.m.**

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Karen Morley, Chief Deputy Clerk