



Action Agenda

Board of Commissioners
January 4, 2012
3:30 P.M.

The Board of Commissioners of Fayette County, Georgia, met in Official Session on Wednesday, January 4, 2012, at 3:30 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

County Attorney Scott Bennett called the meeting to order in accordance with Ordinance No. 2011-06 Section 2-40. Commissioner Hearn offered the Invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Acceptance of Agenda: Commissioner Brown made a motion to accept the agenda as presented. Commissioner Horgan seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

Organizational Session:

1. Election of Board Chairman for the year 2012.

Commissioner Horgan said he would like to nominate Herb Frady as Chairman of the Board of Commissioners for 2012. Commissioner McCarty said he would like to nominate Steve Brown as Chairman of the Board of Commissioners for 2012. Hearing no further nominations, Chairman Frady made a motion to close the floor to nominations and Commissioner Horgan seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

Commissioner Horgan made a motion to nominate Herb Frady as Chairman of the Board of Commissioners for 2012. Commissioner Hearn seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-2 with Commissioner Brown and Commissioner McCarty voting in opposition.

2. Election of Board Vice-Chairman for the year 2012.

Chairman Frady said he would like to nominate Robert Horgan for Vice Chairman. Commissioner Brown said he would like to nominate Allen McCarty for Vice Chairman. Hearing no further nominations, Commissioner Brown made a motion to close the floor to nominations and Commissioner Hearn seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

Chairman Frady made a motion to nominate Robert Horgan for Vice Chairman. Commissioner Hearn seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-2 with Commissioner Brown and Commissioner McCarty voting in opposition.

Consent Agenda: Commissioner Brown made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Commissioner Horgan seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

1. Approval of authorization to sign checks combining any of the following two signatures for transactions exceeding \$5,000: Chairman, Vice-Chairman, County Administrator.
2. Approval of authorization to sign checks for transactions \$4,999 or less: Chairman, Vice-Chairman, County Administrator.
3. Approval of the Chairman, Vice-Chairman and the County Administrator to execute contracts, resolutions, agreements and other documents approved by and on behalf of the Board of Commissioners.
4. Approval of proposed Board of Commissioners meeting schedule for 2012.

Old Business:

1. Discussion of recommendations for the selection of two arbitrators/mediators in the event that agreement for the distribution of local option sales tax revenues cannot be reached during the mandatory renegotiations by the Cities and the County in 2012.

Commissioner Horgan made a motion to approve selection of Denny Galis as arbitrator/mediator for the County in the event that agreement for distribution of local option sales tax revenues cannot be reached during the mandatory renegotiations by the Cities and the County in 2012. Commissioner McCarty seconded the motion, discussion followed.

After a brief discussion, there was a consensus of the Board to move this item to the next Thursday evening meeting for a vote.

2. Discussion of proposed amendments to the Fayette County Code of Ordinances, Chapter 20. Zoning Ordinance and the Land Use Element of the Comprehensive Plan regarding illegal nonconforming lots.

Director of Community Development Pete Frisina discussed this item with the Board. After some discussion there was a consensus of the Board for staff to continue working on Alternative #2 and come back to the Board at a future meeting for further discussion.

3. Further consideration of a request from Commissioner Brown to discuss the Fayette County Zoning Ordinance as it relates to telecommunication tower regulations.

Director of Community Development Pete Frisina discussed this item with the Board. After some discussion, there was consensus of the Board for staff to proceed with this issue and come back to the Board for a Public Hearing at a future meeting.

New Business:

1. Discussion by Delores Williams, owner of the Detail Shop located in Peachtree City, regarding water fees for her business.

Delores Williams discussed this issue with the Board. The Board took no action on this item.

2. Consideration of proposed policies for the use of County Information Systems.

Director of Information Systems Russell Prince presented this item for discussion. After some discussion, there was a consensus for staff to proceed with this issue and bring it back to the Board at a future meeting.

Chairman Frady exited the meeting at this time.

Commissioner Horgan called for a short recess at 4:42 p.m.

Chairman Frady re-entered the meeting at this time 4:46 p.m.

3. Commissioner Brown would like to discuss the possibility of preparing a resolution to send to the Georgia Department of Transportation encouraging the design of a full-fledged plan for the proposed improvements to the interchange at Georgia Highway 74 and I-85.

Commissioner Brown and Public Works Director Phil Mallon presented this item for discussion. After some discussion, there was a consensus of the Board for Mr. Mallon to go back to the Atlanta Regional Commission and the Department of Transportation and take a look at the feasibility of an expansion of the scope of the existing project related to the interchange at I-85 and S.R. 74 and if that is not feasible, to create a new project; followed by a resolution of support.

4. Discussion of the 2010 Transportation Investment Act discretionary funding category for unincorporated Fayette County.

Public Works Director Phil Mallon presented this item for discussion. There was a consensus of the Board that staff compile recommendations and present these to the Board at the Annual Retreat.

Administrator's reports:

Jarred Hutchinson: County Administrator Jack Krakeel introduced Jarred Hutchinson who is a graduate student at Georgia Southern University. He said part of Jarred's graduate degree includes an Internship with a governmental agency. He remarked that Jarred had been offered an Internship with the Governor's Office but selected Fayette County for his Internship. He said Jarred would be working on special projects directly with his office for the next three or four months. He welcomed Jarred and wished him a lot of success.

Request for a Resolution from the N.A.A.C.P.: County Administrator Jack Krakeel asked for direction on this matter as well as a request for presentation of the Resolution at the Martin Luther King Day celebrations.

There was a consensus of the Board for staff to proceed with the preparation of the Resolution for the Martin Luther King Day celebrations.

Update on County Health Insurance and Benefits: County Administrator Jack Krakeel remarked that discussions regarding this issue have taken place over the last six months. He said staff has met with several firms to discuss current healthcare issues as well as concerns with the County's plan and looking at alternative options. He said the consultant has prepared a recommended list of considerations. He said he would like to meet with the Board members to review this information as well as having one or more Commissioners to attend a meeting on January 18th where an actual interview process was scheduled for three of the finalists.

Commissioners reports:
None.

County Attorney: County Attorney Scott Bennett requested an Executive Session to discuss litigation.

Commissioner Brown made a motion to adjourn to Executive Session to discuss litigation. Commissioner Horgan seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

Chairman Frady called the meeting back to order and remarked that the Board had discussed one legal item in Executive Session.

Commissioner Brown made a motion to authorize the Chairman to execute the Executive Session Affidavit affirming that one legal item was discussed in Executive Session. Commissioner Hearn seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

Adjournment: Hearing no further business to come before the Board, Commissioner Brown made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:00 p.m. Commissioner Hearn seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

Karen Morley, Chief Deputy Clerk