Minutes

Board of Commissioners
May 9, 2013
7:00 P.M.

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The Board of Commissioners of Fayette County, Georgia, met in Official Session on May 9, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. in the Public Meeting Room of the Fayette County Administrative Complex, 140 Stonewall Avenue, Fayetteville, Georgia.

Commissioners Present:	Steve Brown, Chairman Charles Oddo, Vice Chairman David Barlow Allen McCarty Randy Ognio
Staff Present:	Steve Rapson, County Administrator Floyd Jones, County Clerk Dennis Davenport, Interim County Attorney

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Call to Order, Invocation, Pledge of Allegiance

Chairman Brown called the May 9, 2013 Board of Commissioners meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

Commissioner Barlow introduced Rabbi Yossi Lew, the spiritual leader and director of the Chabad of Peachtree City that was established in 2011. He stated that Rabbi Lew was accompanied by congregants of B'nai Israel. He asked Rabbi Lew to offer the invocation, and Rabbi Lew did so.

Chairman Brown led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Acceptance of Agenda

Commissioner Ognio moved to accept the Agenda as published. Commissioners Oddo and Barlow seconded the motion. No discussion followed. The motion passed unanimously.

PRESENTATION / RECOGNITION:

1. Proclamation to be presented to the Fayette County Farm Bureau recognizing May 14, 2013 as Farmer Appreciation Day.

Chairman Brown read the proclamation which was presented to the Fayette County Farm Bureau and which recognized May 14, 2013 as Farmer Appreciation Day. Mr. Rick Minter and Ms. Leah Blessitt spoke about the work and contributions made by farmers in the Fayette Community. A copy of the request, identified as "Attachment 1", follows these minutes and is made an official part hereof.

PUBLIC HEARING:

PUBLIC COMMENT:

David Brill: Mr. Brill, President of the North Fayette Community Association, reported that there would be a meeting on May 18 at Liberty Baptist Church. He said everyone was welcome to attend; that the Library would give a presentation on what it has available, along with presentations from "other government people".

Greg Detwiler: Mr. Detwiler reported that on Friday, June 21, the Southern Conservation Trust would have their annual Farm Table event.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Commissioner Oddo moved to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Commissioner Barlow seconded the motion.

Benjamin Grant: Mr. Grant said he was a current Fayette County employee, and he asked about the proposed changes to the Defined Benefit Plan. Specifically, Mr. Grant said his question involved the pre-retirement death benefit, and he asked that if he was vested in the program and that if he died, would the changes cut out the benefit to his spouse and children.

County Administrator Steve Rapson replied that the short answer to the question was "no", and he explained that the death benefit was if the employee was actually, currently retired and was receiving the benefit, then that benefit would be payable. Mr. Rapson replied that Mr. Grant would be covered under his life insurance policy as an active employee.

The motion to approve the Consent Agenda passed unanimously.

2. Approval of Defined Benefit Plan amendments as outlined during the April 5, 2013 Retreat. A copy of the request, identified as "Attachment 2", follows these minutes and is made an official part hereof.

3. Approval of staff's request recommendation to reduce the County's participation in the Georgia Municipal Association Lease Pool Program, including the outstanding amount of Certificates of Participation and the associated interest-rate swap agreement by the amount of the account balance determined to be "excess funds". A copy of the request, identified as "Attachment 3", follows these minutes and is made an official part hereof.

4. Approval of staff's request to enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement with the City of Fayetteville, allowing for the County to resurface Beauregard Boulevard, Bradford Square, Creekside Trail, Hillsdale Drive, and North Park Drive within the City of Fayetteville, and authorization for the Chairman to execute said agreement. A copy of the request and Intergovernmental Agreement, identified as "Attachment 4", follow these minutes and are made an official part hereof.

5. Approval of staff's recommendation to make application to the Hazardous Waste Trust Fund (HWTS) for reimbursement of groundwater monitoring expenses associated with Monitored Natural Attenuation (MNA) at the Southside Landfill, and approval for the Chairman to sign Resolution 2013-12 granting staff authorization to make application for reimbursement. A copy of the request and Resolution 2013-12, identified as "Attachment 5", follow these minutes and are made an official part hereof.

6. Approval of the Water Committee's recommendation to allow the City of Fayetteville to use a waterline easement on Highway 85 to service 1391 Highway 85 with sewer, with the stipulation that the Water System will review the plans, will conduct an on-site inspection, and will be given as-built drawings. A copy of the request, identified as "Attachment 6", follows these minutes and is made an official part hereof.

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

7. Approval of the April 11, 2013 Board of Commissioners Minutes. Commissioner McCarty was not present for this meeting.

Commissioner Oddo moved to approved the Minutes of the April 11, 2013 Board of Commissioners meeting. Commissioner Ognio seconded the motion. No discussion followed. The motion passed 4-0-1 with Commissioner McCarty abstaining from the vote.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORTS:

Announcement of Budget Meetings: County Administrator Steve Rapson reminded the Board and the public that the County would have its budget presentation on Monday, May 13 at 6:00 p.m. He explained that the presentation would either be in the Commissioner's Conference Room or the Public Meeting Room; depending on the number of people who attend. He said the first active workshop would be on Thursday, May 23 at 5:00 p.m.

Closing Redwine Road: County Administrator Steve Rapson reported that Redwine Road would be closed in order to film *Endless Love*. He said there would have intermittent traffic controls established on May 28. He added that Redwine Road would be closed on June 19 from about 5 a.m. until 7 p.m. for additional movie production on the road. He said the information concerning Redwine Road would be available from the county's website.

Commissioner McCarty: County Administrator Steve Rapson said it was good to see Commissioner Allen McCarty back on the Board.

ATTORNEY'S REPORTS:

Four Items for Executive Session: Interim County Attorney Dennis Davenport reported that two Real Estate matters, one Personnel matter, and one review of the April 25, 2013 Executive Session Minutes were needed for Executive Session.

COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS:

Commissioner McCarty: Commissioner McCarty mentioned that at one of the previous meetings he stated that he was totally against these bypasses. However, he said if he had not had four bypasses, he would not be in the meeting tonight. He thanked everyone for expressing their best wishes for him.

Commissioner Barlow: Commissioner Barlow said he was glad to see David Brill in the audience because he met with Linda North earlier in the week. He said Ms. North is the Georgia "Four District" Administrator for the Little League of the United States. He said she has "quite a responsibility", but one of her goals is to create an urban little league that reaches out to the minority community. He said that in addition to meeting with Ms. North, he also met with two former NFL players: Andrew Provence who played defensive tackle for the Atlanta Falcons and Willie Whitehead who retired from the New Orleans Saints in 2008. Commissioner Barlow reported that he had the privilege of working with both gentlemen and that they would be attend the North Fayette County Homeowners' Association on May 18, and that they would work on getting youth sports started in Fayette County and particularly at Kenwood Park.

Commissioner Oddo: Commissioner Oddo pointed out that Mother's Day would be coming up on Sunday. He mentioned that his mother was not here anymore, and while she lived for a long time it was not long enough. He said if anyone met her they would find she was an extraordinarily wonderful lady. He said that while she had a form of Alzheimer's in the last years of her life, her family was very thankful that she never lost her personality. He explained that during all the frustrations that she had, she always had a warm "I love you" for everybody who came into her presence. He said he would paraphrase his mom to all of the wonderful mothers out there saying, "Moms, we love you". He pointed out that his mother-in-law from Columbia was also in the audience sitting next to his wife, Pily, and that she did not understand a word that was being said. He then spoke Spanish to his mother-in-law, and in doing so, he wished her a Happy Mother's Day.

Commissioner Ognio: Commissioner Ognio offered an early "Happy Mother's Day" to all the mothers out there. He said he noticed a sign on the south side of the county that said the month of May was Motorcycle Awareness Month. He thought that issue should be brought up, and he thought the people should be aware of all the motorcycle riders out there. He said they were easy to overlook, and he did not want to see anyone get hurt.

Chairman Brown: Chairman Brown stated it was great to have Commissioner McCarty back. He pointed out that Commissioner McCarty was still able to watch the meeting because he was the one who, free of charge, wired the room and set up the system so that the meetings could be put on Channel 23.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Commissioner Barlow moved to go into Executive Session. Commissioner Ognio seconded the motion. No discussion followed. The motion passed unanimously.

The Board recessed into Executive Session at 7:22 p.m. and returned to Official Session at 7:40 p.m.

Return to Official Session and Authorization to Sign an Executive Session Affidavit: Commissioner Ognio moved to exit Executive Session and for the Chairman to sign the affidavit. Commissioner Barlow seconded the motion. No discussion followed. The motion passed unanimously. A copy of the request, identified as "Attachment 7", follows these minutes and is made an official part hereof.

Approval of the April 25, 2013 Executive Session Minutes: Chairman Brown moved to approve the April 25, 2013 Executive Session Minutes. Commissioner Ognio seconded the motion. No discussion followed. The motion passed unanimously.

Marshal's Office: Chairman Brown explained that in the process of balancing the County budget, the County is going through a re-organizational process. Chairman Brown moved that the Marshal's Office staff be reduced from eleven employees to three, and for the County to divert many of the current duties of the Marshal's Office to other departments. Commissioner Barlow seconded the motion. No discussion followed. The motion passed unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT:

Commissioner Barlow moved to adjourn. Commissioner McCarty seconded the motion. No discussion followed. The motion passed unanimously.

The Board of Commissioners adjourned the May 9, 2013 meeting at 7:41 p.m.

Floyd L. Jones, County Clerk

Steve Brown, Chairman

The foregoing minutes were duly approved at an official meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Fayette County, Georgia, held on the 23rd day of May 2013.

Floyd L. Jones, County Clerk