



Cherokee County Board of Commissioners MINUTES

January 3, 2017

Regular Meeting

Cherokee County Admin, Cherokee Hall, 1130 Bluffs Parkway, Canton, GA 30114 6:00 PM

INVOCATION

Lynn Eynon with Woodstock Christian Church will give the invocation.

Lynn Eynon gave the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Kovacs led the Pledge of Allegiance.

"Veterans of U.S. military service may proudly salute the flag while not in uniform based on a change in the governing law on 25 July 2007"

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Ahrens called the regular meeting to order at 6:07 p.m. Those present included Commissioner Steve West; Commissioner Raymond Gunnin; Commissioner Bob Kovacs; Commissioner Scott Gordon; County Manager Jerry Cooper; County Attorney Angie Davis; County Clerk Christy Black. Also present were Agency Directors/Department Heads; the media; and the public.

2. RATIFY CLOSURE OF EXECUTIVE SESSION

Chairman Ahrens called for a motion to ratify closure of Executive Session at 5:50 p.m. where no action will be brought forward.

Raymond Gunnin made a motion to approve; Steve West seconded. The resulting vote was Passed, 5-0.

3. PRESENTATIONS / PROCLAMATIONS

4. AMENDMENTS TO AGENDA

4.1. Add item under Commission Business/Chairman Ahrens: Meet with State Delegation, Friday, January 6, 2017.

Raymond Gunnin made a motion to approve the amended agenda; Steve West seconded. The resulting vote was Passed, 5-0.

5. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chairman Ahrens formally introduced District 3 Commissioner Bob Kovacs and welcomed him to the team.

Chairman Ahrens spoke about an email he received from Jim Lindenmayer, Director of the Cherokee County homeless veteran program. Mr. Lindenmayer was thanking Tim Morris, Senior Services Director, and his staff for a joint effort in stepping in and assisting a homeless veteran recently by getting the family off the streets and into a stable environment and into a Federal Program called Supportive Services for Veterans with Families through Action Ministries. He added that this was not the first time Senior Services has assisted veterans in the community. Chairman Ahrens commented that Mr. Morris had been in attendance at the Work Session and he had personally thanked him then.

6. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

6.1. Approval of Work Session, Executive Session and Regular Meeting Minutes from December 20, 2016.

Scott Gordon made a motion to approve; Raymond Gunnin seconded. The resulting vote was Passed, 5-0.

7. **PUBLIC HEARING**

8. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

9. **ZONING CASES**

10. **COMMISSION BUSINESS**

10.1. Chairman Ahrens: Appointments to Cherokee County Development Authority and Development Authority of Cherokee County.

Chairman Ahrens stated that he spoke with the chairman of both boards and there are some candidates for consideration for either appointments or reappointments. He will bring forth the names of the candidates at the next meeting.

10.2. Amendment: Chairman Ahrens: Meet with State Delegation, Friday, January 6, 2017, 4:00 p.m. at Woodstock City Chambers, Main St., Woodstock.

Chairman Ahrens stated that the meeting with the State Delegation would be Friday at Woodstock City Chambers at 4:00 p.m. and that Cherokee County was allotted an hour. He said this had been discussed in detail at Work Session, and briefly went over some of the topics from the draft agenda he had disbursed to the Commissioners. He stated he planned to send the letter to the delegation under his signature later in the week and that he would have the draft out to Commissioners tomorrow or the next day. The topics included Cherokee County's Unique Selling Points, Marshal's Office arrest powers, Tax Reform: SPLOST (Special Local Option Sales Tax), HOST (Homestead Option Sales Tax), Transportation Funding and Priorities, and Economic Development, Annexation and Deannexation, and RRDA Update.

10.3. District 2, Commissioner Gunnin: Appointments to various Boards and Committees.

Commissioner Gunnin stated that his appointment to the Animal Control Advisory Board

was moving but that he had not had time to find someone. He then stated that all the District 2 current board members were being reappointed except for the Parks and Rec Advisory Board which had been vacant since his appointee had resigned a while back due to a new job with hours that conflicted with Board meetings. He appointed Carlos Carbetta to the Parks and Rec Advisory Board.

(Note that the reappointments were: Loriann White to the Cemetery Preservation Committee; David Turcott to the Construction Board of Appeals; Bob Nealey to the Fire Code Appeals Board; Bonnie Ellis to the Impact Fee Appeals Board; Richard Weatherby to the Planning Commission; Jason Daniel to the Wrecker Services Advisory Board; and Melissa Range to the Zoning Board of Appeals.)

10.4. District 3, Commissioner Kovacs: Appointments to various Boards and Committees.

Commissioner Kovacs made the following appointments to the various District 3 Boards:

He appointed Jennifer Kovacs to the Animal Control Advisory Board; Harold Silvey to the Cemetery Preservation Committee; Presley White to the Parks and Rec Advisory Board; Roy Taylor to the Construction Board of Appeals and Fire Code Appeals Board; Jeff Wilbur to the Impact Fee Appeals Board; Nicole Carbetta to the Planning Commission; Carlo Carbetta to the Wrecker Services Advisory and Appeals Board; and Lisa Tressler to the Zoning Board of Appeals.

11. CONSENT AGENDA

11.1. Kellogg Creek Road at Woodstock Road Intersection Improvement Project.

Consider request for Supplemental Agreement No.1 for the Kellogg Creek Road at Woodstock Road Intersection Improvement Project, from Bartow Paving Company, Inc. in the amount of \$16,592.00.

Mr. Cooper pointed out that there was an error on the amount shown on the agenda for the project and it should read \$18,989.76 rather than \$16,592.00, adding that this was still within budget.

11.2. Sheriff's Office Budget Amendment.

Consider authorizing a Budget Amendment to the adopted FY17 Budget to move allocated funds from the Court Services Division (Org 3360) to the SWAT Division (Org 3350).

Raymond Gunnin made a motion to approve; Steve West seconded. The resulting vote was Passed, 5-0.

12. COUNTY MANAGER

12.1. SR 92 at Ragsdale Road/Claremore Drive - Construction Contract.

Consider award of construction agreement to Bartow Paving Company, Inc., in the amount of \$339,470.47, for construction of the SR 92 at Ragsdale Road/Claremore Drive Intersection Improvement Project.

Raymond Gunnin made a motion to approve; Steve West seconded. The resulting vote was Passed, 5-0.

12.2. East Cherokee Drive at Holly Springs Parkway Intersection Improvement Project - Construction Contract.

Consider award of construction agreement to CMES, Inc., in the amount of \$2,745,683.10, for construction of the East Cherokee Drive at Holly Springs Parkway/Old Highway 5 Intersection Improvement Project.

Bob Kovacs made a motion to approve; Scott Gordon seconded. The resulting vote was Passed, 5-0.

12.3. Amenities for Veteran and Patriot Parks.

Consider awarding a Purchase Order to the lowest responsible, responsive proposer, Swartz Associates, in the amount of \$114,963 for the amenities at the new Veteran's Park and Patriot's Park.

Scott Gordon made a motion to approve; Steve West seconded. The resulting vote was Passed, 5-0.

12.4. Reliance Trust Board Resolution.

Consideration of a Board Resolution naming Reliance Trust as the successor trustee for the County's 457 Plan.

Raymond Gunnin made a motion to approve; Steve West seconded. The resulting vote was Passed, 5-0.

12.5. GIS Aerial Services Agreement.

Consider awarding standard Professional Services Agreement to The Sandborn Map Co., Inc. in the amount of \$229,000 for Digital Orthographic and LiDAR Services.

Raymond Gunnin made a motion to approve; Steve West seconded. The resulting vote was Passed, 5-0.

12.6. Update to Ordinance related to party listed as payee on surety bonds for Commissioners.

Consider update to Section 6 of Article 1 related to party listed as payee on surety bonds required from Commissioners entering office.

Raymond Gunnin made a motion to approve; Steve West seconded. The resulting vote was Passed, 5-0.

13. COUNTY ATTORNEY

ADJOURN

The Chairman spoke about the Fire Station #2 uncoupling ceremony that he and some of the Commissioners had attended earlier today. He also spoke about upcoming plans for future fire stations. He commented on the Canton fire consolidation taking place.

The Chairman asked if there was anything else to come before the Board. Hearing none, Scott Gordon made a motion to adjourn at 6:28 p.m.; Raymond Gunnin seconded. The resulting vote was Passed, 5-0.