

GREENE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

REGULAR MEETING- WORK SESSION

TUESDAY * FEBRUARY 20, 2007

9:00 A.M. * COMMISSIONERS MEETING ROOM

Acting Chairman Sanders led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Acting Chairman Sanders announced that the Board reviews all items on the Agenda prior to each Board meeting.

Call to Order- Acting Chairman Sanders called the Regular Meeting- Work Session to order at 9:01 a.m.

Roll Call- Commissioners Torbert, Rhodes and Acting Chairman Sanders were present. Also present was County Manager Lombard.

Petitions and Communications

Chamber of Commerce Report- Mr. Mark Lipscomb provided the monthly Chamber of Commerce report.

Minutes- The Minutes from the December 19, 2006-Regular Meeting and the January 16, 2007-Regular Meeting were provided separately. No official action was taken.

Planning & Zoning

Final Plat Request for Angel Pond, Residences, Section I in Reynolds Plantation- The Commissioners received a request from Linger Longer Development Company to approve a Final Plat for Angel Pond, Residences, Section I in Reynolds Plantation, containing 26.77 acres of property located off of Reynolds Parkway and designated as a part of Tax Map 55, Parcel 005D. No official action was taken.

Revised Final Plat Request for The Village at Reynolds Landing- The Commissioners received a request from Linger Longer Development Company to approve a Revised Final Plat for The Village at Reynolds Landing, containing 11.08 acres of property, and designated as a part of Tax Map 38A, Parcel 268. No official action was taken.

Business Items

Lake Club Marina Beer & Wine Retail License- The Commissioners received information that the Linger Longer Development Company has requested the issuance of a Beer & Wine Retail License for the Lake Club Marina. All fees have been paid and the background investigation is on file for Mr. Gray Ferguson who holds other licenses on behalf of the owner. No official action was taken.

Creek Club Alcoholic Beverage Pouring License- The Commissioners received information that the Linger Longer Development Company has requested the issuance of a Liquor, Beer & Wine Pouring License for the Creek Club. All fees have been paid and the background investigation is on file for Mr. Walter Beller. Mr. Scott Hoersten addressed the Board concerning this item. The Board discussed this item. No official action was taken.

Cooperative Extension Service Contract- The Greene County Extension Service Office is operated through the University of Georgia Cooperative Extension Program through a contractual arrangement with participating counties. The contract is required to maintain an Extension Service program within a county. The terms of the agreement have not changed, but are periodically renewed such that a more current contract is on file. No official action was taken.

Local Legislation Request- Retirement Health Insurance Coverage- The Commissioners received information that the Probate Judge has inquired multiple times

about the possibility of allowing Constitutional Officers the right to continue with membership in the County's health insurance program after retirement provided that the total premiums for such coverage is paid by the retiree. Other counties have similar benefits offered to employees and Constitutional Officers. Since the retired employee is responsible for the cost of the coverage, the only financial impact on the county is the claims activity of that employee. There will be a requirement that the employee must have worked for at least 15 years. This proposal will improve the benefit package for those employees willing to devote a large part of their working careers to the county, perhaps resulting in greater tenure goals for our work force. If favorable consideration is given to this proposal, the State Legislative Counsel will draft the necessary legislation, an ad will be placed in the local newspaper, and the local legislation will be introduced by our representatives. Mr. Carlos Sumner addressed the Board and requested that 10 years be considered for retirement benefits for employees. The Board discussed this item. No official action was taken.

Georgia Department of Transportation Agreement- GA12 at Cunningham Road- The Commissioners received information that the intersection at GA 12 and Cunningham Road serves the Recreation Complex and was identified several years ago by the State and County as an area in need of improvement. The State has provided a contract that will facilitate the initiation of this project. The State will fund the design, right-of-way acquisition, and construction but indicates that they expect the County to fund the utility relocation costs. The total relocation cost is unknown until the design phase is completed. Approval of the contract will require funding of the relocation during late 2009 or 2010. The contract is in the form of an Intergovernmental Agreement, so action now will be binding on future Boards. The primary initiative for the proposed improvements is to provide for greater safety at the intersection. The Board discussed this item. No official action was taken.

Resurfacing Project- The Commissioners received information that the Public Works Department has re-evaluated all paved roads in the County and provided a list of roads deemed in need of immediate resurfacing. The Special Local Option Sales Tax (SPLOST) for roads has funding available to proceed with a resurfacing project that will address these roads. Upon obtaining bids with unit pricing, if funding remains available in excess of the proposed list, another list will be generated using those roads having the greatest priority and will be provided back to the Board for consideration of additional resurfacing. Mr. Carlos Sumner addressed the Board and requested that the list be published in the newspaper. The Board discussed this item. No official action was taken.

Georgia Environmental Facilities Authority Resolution- The Commissioners received information that the Board had previously approved the financing of a portion of the water and sewer project along Highway 77 through the Georgia Environmental Facilities Authority (GEFA). The contract and financing documents have been provided by the Georgia Environmental Facilities Authority (GEFA) and require adoption of a Resolution to allow the execution of the necessary documents. No official action was taken.

Emergency Management Ordinances- The Commissioners received information that the State provides model ordinances that serve in times of natural disasters or during significant emergency events. The implementation of the provisions of these ordinances would only occur during a state of emergency declared by the Governor. The model emergency management ordinances were developed jointly by the Associations of County Commissioners of Georgia (ACCG) and the Georgia Emergency Management Agency (GEMA) for use by local governments during times of disaster. The emergency management ordinances provide for the imposition of curfews, suspension of portions of County Codes and other formalities, regulation of "price-gouging," and the registration of building and repair contractors coming into the county during a state of emergency.

A Public Hearing was held on February 12, 2007, to receive public comment on the proposed ordinances. No comments were received. The Board discussed this item. No official action was taken.

Off-Road Vehicles Ordinance- The Commissioners received information that the County continues to have instances of reckless behavior on county right-of-way

involving four-wheelers and other off-road type vehicles. An ordinance has been developed that addresses the use of such vehicles on county right-of-way that will help to regulate the improper use. A Public Hearing was held on February 12, 2007, to receive public comment on the proposed ordinances. No comments were received. The Board discussed this item. No official action was taken.

Airport Authority Acquisition- The Commissioners received information that the Airport safety enhancement property acquisition project has continued to progress. One parcel has title concerns that necessitate condemnation in order to obtain clear title to the property. This usually results due to ownership being passed down through families without execution of wills that establish clear title. Condemnation in these cases allows for the County to obtain clear title and is considered adverse condemnation. The owners of this parcel have agreed to the compensation for the property and there is no known objection... this is considered a “friendly condemnation.” The owners have provided a letter stating their satisfaction with the selling price and requesting that the Board condemn the property. The Board discussed this item. No official action was taken.

Commissioner’s Reports

Executive Session

Adjournment

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Cooperative Extension Service Contract- Commissioner Rhodes motioned to approve the County Extension Personnel Contract between the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia and the Greene County Board of Commissioners to maintain the

Cooperative Extension Service Program in Greene County. Commissioner Torbert seconded; the motion carried unanimously.

Local Legislation Request- Retirement Health Insurance Coverage- Commissioner Torbert motioned to request the submission of Local Legislation that will provide for voluntary participation in the County's Health Insurance Group Coverage for full-time employees leaving the employ of Greene County, including Constitutional Officers leaving Office, provided that the total cost of the premiums for such coverage is paid by the employee or Officer and that the employee or Officer has been employed with Greene County, or served in Office in Greene County, for at least 15 years. Commissioner Rhodes seconded; the motion carried unanimously.

Georgia Department of Transportation Agreement- GA12 at Cunningham Road- Commissioner Rhodes motioned to approve the Agreement between the Georgia Department of Transportation and the Greene County Board of Commissioners for transportation facility improvements at the intersection of State Route 12 and Cunningham Road. Commissioner Torbert seconded; the motion carried unanimously.

Resurfacing Project- Commissioner Torbert motioned to authorize a resurfacing project of up to \$1.4 million from Special Local Optional Sale Tax (SPLOST). Commissioner Rhodes seconded; the motion carried unanimously.

Georgia Environmental Facilities Authority Resolution- Commissioner Torbert motioned to adopt a Resolution authorizing the execution, delivery, and performance of the Georgia Environmental Facilities Authority Loan Agreement and Note, and to waive the reading of the Resolution. Commissioner Rhodes seconded; the motion carried unanimously.

Emergency Management Ordinances- Commissioner Rhodes motioned to adopt the Ordinance Authorizing the Imposition of Curfews During Times of Emergency or Disaster, the Ordinance Authorizing the Suspension of Portions of the Code of Ordinances and Other Formalities During a State of Emergency, the Ordinance to Prohibit Overcharging for Goods, Materials, Services, and Housing During a State of Emergency, and the Ordinance to Require Registration of Building and Repair Services During a State of Emergency. Commissioner Torbert seconded; the motion carried unanimously.

Off-Road Vehicles Ordinance- Commissioner Torbert motioned to adopt the Off-Road Vehicles Ordinance. Commissioner Rhodes seconded; the motion carried unanimously.

Airport Property Acquisition- Commissioner Rhodes motioned to authorize the condemnation of property owned by Tommy and Teresa Gresham, consisting of 1.11 acres of property and identified as Tax Map 86A, Parcel 23C. Commissioner Torbert seconded; the motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner's Reports

District One Commissioner had no report.
District Two Commissioner was absent.
District Three Commissioner had no report.
District Four Commissioner had no report.
County Manager Lombard had no report.

Executive Session- None

Adjournment- Acting Chairman Sanders adjourned the Regular Meeting-Business Session at 10:06 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Elna Hutchinson, County Clerk

The above Minutes were adopted and approved this _____ day of March 2007.

W. L. Sanders, Acting Chairman

Marion Rhodes, Commissioner

Titus Andrews, Sr., Commissioner

Gerald W. Torbert, Commissioner