

GREENE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING

JULY 14, 2016

Chairman Bullard led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Call to Order: Chairman Bullard called the Work Session to order at 5:00 p.m.

Roll Call: Commissioners Deering, Smith, Human, Britt, and Chairman Bullard were present. Also present was County Manager Byron Lombard.

Chairman's Comments: Chairman Bullard encouraged the Commissioners and others to read about other counties' development efforts in a recent Georgia Trend magazine. He reiterated the success of the Workforce Fundamentals, adding that its graduates have had an 87% success rates in finding employment and the next graduation is August 4th. He also gave further updates on the Health Department's efforts to battle diabetes and bolster its wellness programs.

Minutes: The Minutes from the June 22, 2016 Called Meeting were discussed. The Chairman inquired with the Commissioners to determine if any corrections were necessary. No corrections were noted. Commissioner Human motioned to approve the Minutes from the June 22, 2016 Called Meeting Commissioner Britt seconded. Motion carried unanimously

Planning & Zoning:

Consideration of a Rezoning Request for Craft Auto Center, LLC: The Board listened to several public comments from Jan Thurmond, Gretchen Ott, and Paul Postlmayr expressing their opposition to the Planning and Zoning Commission's recommendation to approve the requested rezoning. The applicant's real estate agent Jack Bone also spoke. Commissioner Deering motioned to table the rezoning request for 30 days to discuss with the County Attorney. Commissioner Britt seconded. Motion carried 3-2 with Commissioner Smith, Deering, and Britt voting in favor and Chairman Bullard and Commissioner Human opposed.

Business Items:

Consideration of an Appointment to the Advantage Behavioral Health Region 2 Regional Advisory Council: The Board appointed George Menke to the Region 2 Regional Advisory Council to serve a partial term that expired June 30th. Mr. Menke is willing to serve another term, and the Council representative has indicated that he is an active member that they would like to see reappointed. Commissioner Deering motioned to appoint George Menke to the Georgia Department of Behavioral Health & Development Disabilities Region 2 Regional Advisory Council for a term that expires June 30, 2019. Commissioner Human seconded. Motioned carried unanimously.

Consideration of an Appointment to the Board of Tax Assessors: The Commissioners received information that the term of Jim Couch on the Board of Tax Assessors expires on July 31, 2016. Mr. Couch been a dedicated, active member of the Board of Tax Assessors and has agreed to serve another term. Commissioner Britt motioned to appoint Jim Couch to the Greene County Board of Tax Assessors for a three-year term beginning August 1, 2016 and ending July 31, 2019. Commissioner Deering seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Consideration of the Senior Center Meals Contract: The Commissioners received information regarding the contract for Senior Center meals through G.A. Food Service. The vendor has provided the County with a proposed contract that was negotiated on a region-wide basis for the provision of meals for the Senior Center. Commissioner Smith motioned to approve the contract between the Greene County Senior Center and G.A.

Food Services of Pinellas County, Inc. for the provision of meals for the Senior Center. Commissioner Deering seconded. Motioned carried unanimously.

Consideration of a Budget Adjustment to Fund an Additional Position in the Tax Assessors Office: The Commissioners previously discussed providing funding through a budget adjustment to afford the Tax Assessor's office the ability to hire an additional employee for the remainder of the current fiscal year. The actual budgetary implications were to be calculated and provided back to the Board during the July meeting. Commissioner Human motioned to approve the necessary budget adjustments to allocate up to \$6,300 from contingency to fund an additional position in the Tax Assessor's Office for the remaining of the current fiscal year. Commissioner Britt seconded. Motioned carried unanimously.

Consideration of a Resolution to Designate Additional Roadways as Arterial Streets: The Board has previously adopted resolutions designating certain roadways as arterial streets. With the completion of the Veazey Connector expected in a matter of weeks, and in anticipation of the Liberty Connector Project commencing in the near future, a revised Resolution to add these two roads has been prepared. Commissioner Smith motioned to adopt Resolution Number 2016.7.14 (a) designating various county roads as Arterial Streets, and to waive the reading of the Resolution. Commissioner Deering seconded. Motioned carried unanimously.

Consideration of Resolutions to Establish Special Tax Districts for Funding of Recreation, Library, Indigent Care, and Fire Departments: During the June called meeting, the Board voted to approve tax districts for the funding of recreation, library, and indigent care. The formal Resolutions necessary to establish these districts were prepared for adoption to legally create the special districts. In addition, a Resolution to adjust the special districts for fire departments was prepared so that the application of taxes is consistent. Commissioner Human motioned to adopt Resolution Number 2016.7.14 (b) establishing a Special Tax District for Recreation Services, Resolution Number 2016.7.14 (c) establishing a Special Tax District for Library Services, Resolution Number 2016.7.14 (d) establishing a Special Tax District for Indigent Care Services, and Resolution Number 2016.7.14 (e) establishing Special Tax Districts for Fire Protection Services, and to waive the reading of the Resolution. Commissioner Smith seconded. Motioned carried unanimously.

Executive Session: None

Commissioner's Reports: Commissioner Smith inquired as to when the Veazey Connector is expected to open, and County Manager Lombard responded that it should be open within 10 to 15 days as the contractor addresses various items. County Manager Lombard also gave updates on the Old Eatonton Road bridge replacement project, the second entrance into Lake Oconee Academy, and the Liberty Connector.

Adjournment: Chairman Bullard adjourned the meeting at 5:39 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sylvia V. Hill, County Clerk

The above minutes were adopted and approved this day 19th day of August, 2016.

Ed Bullard, Chairman

Jeffery L. Smith, Vice-Chairman

Angela Walker Deering, Commissioner

Jonathan Human, Commissioner

Jimmy Britt, Commissioner