

The Grady County Board of Commissioners met for a Regular Meeting on Tuesday, September 4, 2018 with Chairman Ray Prince, Vice Chairman TD David, Commissioners LaFaye Copeland, June Knight and Keith Moye in attendance. Also present were County Clerk Carrie Croy, County Attorney Virginia Hall and Finance Director Donna Johnson.

Mr. Prince called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. and asked Mrs. Copeland to offer the invocation followed by the pledge of allegiance.

Mrs. Copeland made a motion to adopt the Agenda. Mr. David made the second with the Board approving unanimously.

Mr. Mike Moss, Piney Grove Road, provided the Board with a handout covering solar panels stating he doesn't want motorcross, solar panels or chicken houses – He asked the County to protect the Community. Ms. Gloria Smith, Stage Coach Road, stated the Code Enforcement Department was not following the law when it came to Chicken House Construction and asked where her response was to a legal question asked of the County Attorneys.

Ms. Betty Godwin, Pine Park Road, stated she disagreed with Mr. Butler being able to contact the Corp of Engineers and Attorney Laura Benz to pursue water and sewer at the lake. She further asked "Isn't that a conflict because Mrs. Benz works for the County?". She asked the Board who authorized Mr. Butler to sell portions of the lake vs. the whole lake property. Ms. Godwin closed by stating it was wrong of the Board to pass the Lake Regulations with no input from the public.

Mr. Peter Wright, Stephens Road, stated renters pay property tax also so the tax increase is affecting everyone. He further stated that big money developers are obviously not confident in the lake.

Mr. Richard Jordan, Jordan Road, disagreed with Mr. Wright's statement saying renters do not pay property tax – only the property owners. He then stated that another invoice for Will Butler has been received for \$5,750.00 and asked where the money was coming from – reserves? He then asked how much was in reserves to which Mrs. Johnson responded \$1.2 million.

Mr. Tony Ward, 319 South, asked for the status of the Solid Waste Project to which he was told it was on hold but will be picked up again soon.

Ms. Smith spoke again saying she wanted action on these concerns.

Chief Richard Phillips was present to discuss the bids for the new Volunteer Fire Department Station. Three bids were presented. Mrs. Knight asked if Mr. Phillips has seen any work done by the three companies to which he stated yes. Mr. Moye made a motion to accept the low bid of \$37,847.00 from Tatum Steel Buildings Corp. if Mr. Prince views a current building and approves. Mr. David made the second with the Board approving unanimously. Two other bids were received: Select Metal Builders in the amount of \$46,950.00 and Advantage Steel & Millwright in the amount of \$61,511.71.

The following correspondence was reviewed.

The Calendar of Events

Governor Deal's announcement of the Community Block Development Grant

Mr. Moye made a motion to approve the August 21, 2018 Regular Meeting Minutes with Mr. David making the second. The Board approved unanimously.

Mr. Moye made a motion to approve the two 911 resolutions as required by HB751. Mrs. Copeland made the second with the Board unanimously approving.

Lake Director Mike Binion was present to answer any questions concerning the Krebs Engineering Proposal for Water Quality Monitoring Services. Mr. Moye made a motion to accept the proposal in the amount of \$22,000.00 with Mr. David making the second. The Board unanimously approved.

The GTIB Grant Award was discussed. Mr. David made a motion to authorize the Chairman to sign documentation accepting the GTIB Grant with Mrs. Copeland making the second. The Board approved 3-2 to accept the Grant with Mrs. Knight and Mr. Moye voting against the motion.

Mrs. Knight brought up the condition of a private drive in Whigham saying neither she nor Tax Commissioner Darus could find the deed to see who owned it. It was determined that a title search would be performed to determine the owner of the private drive.

Mr. Moye asked Mr. Binion if the hunting regulations were ready to be presented to the Board. Mr. Binion responded they would be next meeting.

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responded that the State Laws would be followed until the Creel Survey was completed.

Mr. Binion replied no because it is not used for consumption.

Mr. Moyer made a motion to go into Closed Session to discuss a personnel issue with Mrs. Knight making the second. The Board unanimously approved going into Closed Session. Mr. Buddy Johnson was present in the Closed Session.

Mr. Moyer made a motion to come out of Closed Session with Mrs. Knight making the second. The Board approved unanimously coming out of Closed Session. As a result of Closed Session, Mr. Moyer made a motion to hire Mr. Buddy Johnson as County Administrator. Mr. David made the second with the Board approving unanimously.

Mr. David made a motion to adjourn the meeting with Mr. Moyer making the second. The Board unanimously approved adjourning the meeting.

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RAY PRINCE, CHAIRMAN

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THOMAS DAVID, VICE-CHAIRMAN

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LAFAYE COPELAND, COMMISSIONER

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KEITH MOYE, COMMISSIONER

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JUNE KNIGHT, COMMISSIONER

ATTEST:  
  
CARRIE KINES CROY, COUNTY CLERK

