February 19, 2019 Regular Meeting

The Grady County Board of Commissioners met on February 19, 2019 at 6:00 pm for the regular scheduled meeting. Chair LaFaye Copeland, Vice-Chair Keith Moye, Commissioners June Knight, Ray Prince, County Clerk John White, Finance Director Holly Murkerson, Executive Assistant Mary Griffin, and County Attorney Gabe Ridley were in attendance. County Administrator Buddy Johnson was absent from the meeting but participated by phone.

Prior to the meeting being called to order, Chair Copeland and the other commissioners honored the memory of former County Commissioner TD David with the lighting of a candle and a moment of silence.

The meeting was called to order at 6:02 PM by Chair Copeland. County Clerk White was asked to open the meeting with prayer and pledge to the flag.

The agenda for the meeting was adopted on a motion by Mr. Moye and second by Mrs. Knight. The motion was approved.

Mrs. Copeland asked for public comments. Stanley Elkins was called on as time keeper.

Mike Moss 935 Piney Grove Rd
Shared pictures of the road after and wanted to know if the trash could be cleared out of the ditches before they are pulled. He also wanted to know if the road could be smoothed out after the ditches are pulled.

Sam Gainous 1047 Cedar Springs Rd
County is getting dirt from sight on Cedar Springs Rd for the 179 project and the dump trucks have destroyed the road. They are rude and not getting over far enough to the side of the road. Stanley Elkins with the road department will talk with them.

Richard Jordan, 303 Jordan Rd
Mr. Jordan stated that he noticed the Lake Authority recommendation on the agenda and wondered how they could make a recommendation when they have not met. Mr. Jordan was informed that there was a meeting held on Thursday, 2/14/19. Mr. Jordan stated the meetings needed to be posted earlier so that the public could attend.

PRESENTATIONS
There were no presentations at this meeting.

CORRESPONDENCE
The Calendar of Events was reviewed as well as the FCA A Night of Champions with Sid Bream to take place on February 26, 2019 at the Cultural Center.

CONSENT ITEMS
Mr. Moye made a motion and second by Mr. Prince to approve consent items of the minutes for the February 5, 2019 Regular meeting and for the Exempt Plat Non-Approved Building Plot for Troy and Stacey Mitchell. The motion was approved.

FORMAL ACTIONS
A. Motion was made by Mr. Prince and second by Mrs. Knight to approve and pay the invoice from Watkins and Associates in the amount of $21,443.50 for work on the FY 2018 CDBG Project. The motion was approved.

B. Motion was made by Mr. Moye and second by Mr. Prince to approve the lease from Enterprise of a 2018 Ford Transit 350 van for use by the Extension Agency, Road Department and Commissioners at a cost of $539.07 per month. This is a non-budgeted item and the payments will have to come out of the contingency fund. Commissioners Copeland, Prince, and Moye voted in favor of the motion and Commissioner Knight voted against. The motion passed.

C. Motion was made by Mr. Moye and second by Mrs. Knight to approve the final budget amendments for 2018. The motion passed.

D. Motion by Mr. Moye and second by Mr. Prince to lease a 2018 Hitachi Excavator from Flint Construction and Forestry Division for $2,256.23 per month and warranty through 2023 (Price $123,650.00). The other bid was from Yancy for a 2019 Excavator for a purchase price of $151,300.00. The motion passed and Mr. Johnson will seek what payment option will best fit with the county’s budget.

E. Motion by Mr. Prince and second by Mr. Moye to appoint Chris Dorsey to the Decatur/Grady 911 Board. The motion passed.

F. Motion by Mrs. Knight and second by Mr. Prince to add the Board Chair, Vice-Chair and County Administrator to the signature cards of all the financial accounts for the Board of Commissioners. The Finance Director will have inquiry rights only. The motion passed.

NEW/UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. The Grady County Lake Authority in a letter from Chairman Steven Childs recommended Chip Wells to fill the unexpired term of LaDon Toole with renewal in 2020, Laura Register to fill the unexpired term of Edgar Smith with renewal in 2020, Jeffery Cape for a three-year appointment, and Stephen Francis for a three-year appointment. Mrs. Knight nominated Bob Ponder as well. Mr. Prince made a motion and a second by Mrs. Knight to table the recommendation to consider all the nominees. Commissioners Knight, Prince, and Moye voted to table the recommendation. Commissioner Copeland voted against tabling the recommendations. The motion to table passed.

B. Motion by Mr. Moye and second by Mrs. Knight to approve the policies and procedures for the Sick Leave Bank for county employees. The motion passed. These policies will sit for 30 days before coming into effect as per county policy.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Mr. Prince and second by Mr. Moye to enter executive session. The executive session was to discuss or vote to authorize negotiations to purchase, dispose of, or lease property; authorize ordering an appraisal related to the acquisition or disposal of real estate; enter into a contract to purchase, dispose of or lease property subject to approval in a subsequent public vote; or enter into an option to purchase, dispose of or lease real estate subject to approval in a subsequent public vote.

Motion by Mr. Moye and second by Mrs. Knight to exit executive session. Motion was passed. No action was taken as result of executive session.

REPORTS

A. Road Department
B. Fire Department
C. Animal Control
D. EMS

Mrs. Knight asked about the Animal Control report. Mrs. Knight wanted to know how Animal Control provided 286 rabies Shots and only picked up 131 animals. Administrator Johnson stated he would follow up with Mr. Mobley and get an answer.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Moye and second by Mr. Prince. The motion was approved.

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LAFAYE COPELAND, CHAIR

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KEITH MOYE, VICE-CHAIRMAN
ATTEST:

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RAY PRINCE, COMMISSIONER

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JUNE KNIGHT, COMMISSIONER

JOHN WHITE, CLERK