May 7, 2019 Regular Meeting

The Grady County Board of Commissioners met on May 7, 2019 at 9:00 am for the regular scheduled meeting. Chair LaFaye Copeland, Vice-Chair Keith Moye, Commissioners June Knight, Ray Prince, Phillip Drew, County Administrator Buddy Johnson, County Clerk John White, Finance Director Holly Murkerson, Executive Assistant Mary Griffin, and Lake Authority Director Mike Binion were in attendance.

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 AM by Chair Copeland. Mrs. Copeland asked County Administrator Johnson to open the meeting with prayer and the pledge of allegiance.

The agenda for the meeting was approved on a motion by Mr. Prince and second by Mr. Drew.

Mrs. Copeland asked for public comments. Mr. Mike Binion was called on as time keeper.

Terry Akridge, 111 Wood Duck Dr

Asked about audio recordings of the commission meetings and he was informed that they are available on CD. Mr. Akridge asked if the SPLOST was a new tax and he was informed it would replace the one that expires in March of 2020.

Peter Wright, 304 Stevens Rd

The best time to have a SPLOST vote is during a presidential election as there is higher voter participation.

Glen Harrison, 237 Stanfill Rd

He is having issues with his neighbor’s dogs causing damage to his property and would like for the county to adopt a pen requirement for animals.

Dr. Gene Maddox, GA 93S

Dr. Maddox is against the tethering ordinance and wants to see a 10 to 20 feet leash for the tether.

PRESENTATIONS

None

CORRESPONDENCE

The Calendar of Events was reviewed.

We will have a public hearing for the Grady County Hazard Mitigation Plan on Tuesday, May 21, 2019 at 5:30 pm.

CONSENT ITEMS

Motion from Mr. Moye, second by Mr. Prince to approve the minutes from the April 16, 2019 regular meeting, May 1, 2019 called meeting of the Board of Commissioners and Lake Authority and exempt plat for Melanie Herndon. The motion was approved.

FORMAL ACTIONS

A. Mr. Johnson recommended that the Dog Tethering Ordinance, 10-16 be tabled so adjustments to the tether lengths could be made.

B. Motion by Mr. Prince, second by Mr. Drew to approve the resolution calling for an Election to Impose a County Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax 2020. The motion was approved.

C. Motion by Mr. Drew, second by Mr. Moye to approve the request for a $9,393.00 annual increase in the budget for South Georgia Judicial Circuit. The motion was approved.
D. Motion by Mr. Moye, second by Mrs. Knight to approve the request to purchase a radar for the Georgia State Patrol for $3,180.00. The motion was approved.

E. Motion by Mrs. Knight, second by Mr. Drew to appoint Mrs. Rebecca Best as a member for the Region 4 Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities, and Addictive Diseases Regional Advisory Council. The motion was approved.

NEW/UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Motion by Mr. Prince, second by Mrs. Knight to waive the fees for the Ag Building rental on 5/30/19 by Learning Adventures Preschool Academy for their annual preschool graduation. The motion was approved.

Mr. Johnson stated that Old 179 is almost finished and looks beautiful.

Executive Session

Motion by Mr. Moye, second by Mr. Prince to enter executive session at 9:17 am. To discuss a personnel matter. The board come out of executive session at 9:26 am. No action was taken.

REPORTS

A. Animal Control
B. Code Enforcement
C. Building and Grounds

ADJOURNMENT

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