

GRADY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

MEETING MINUTES

August 4, 2020 Meeting

The Grady County Board of Commissioners met on August 4, 2020 at 9:00 am for a regular meeting. Commissioners Keith Moyer, June Knight, Ray Prince, Phillip Drew, LaFaye Copeland, County Administrator Buddy Johnson, County Clerk John White, Financial Director Holly Murkerson, Executive Assistant Mary Griffin and County Attorney Gabe Ridley were present.

Mr. Moyer called the meeting to order.

Mr. Moyer asked Mr. Prince to give the invocation and pledge to the flag.

Motion by Mr. Drew, second by Mrs. Knight to approve the agenda after adding C054-20 to the consent items to sell a Road Grater which is broken down on the side of State Park Road. The motion was approved.

Public Comments

None

PRESENTATIONS

None

CORRESPONDENCE

The Calendar of Events was reviewed.

Ordinance Workshop August 6, 2020 at 9:00 am

Regular Board of Commissioners Meeting August 18, 2020 at 6:00 pm.

CONSENT ITEMS

Motion from Mr. Prince, second by Mr. Drew to approve the following consent items:

C049-20 Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes/Executive Session Minutes from 07/21/2020,

C050-20 Corona Virus Relief Fund CRF Term and Conditions

C051-20 Bobby Godwin Plat

C052-20 Charles Lee Waldron Plat

C053-20 Nomination – Laura Pope Forester – Georgia Women of Achievement

C054-20 Sell of 1996 CAT 12H Road Grader.

The motion was approved.

FORMAL ACTIONS

FA 0051-20 Motion by Mrs. Knight, second by Mrs. Copeland to approve the 2019 End of Year Budget Amendments as presented by Mrs. Murkerson. The motion was approved.

FA 0052-20 Motion by Mr. Drew, second by Mrs. Knight to approve Open Pond Road Pre-Construction Estimates and Specification from Watkins and Associates from Old 84 to Old 179 at the existing width. The estimated cost is \$1,565,162.00. The motion is approved.

NEW/UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Mr. Johnson stated that the concrete base is down on State Park Road and they will be testing the best this week. They may start paving next week.

Mr. Johnson stated that he is working on putting numbers together for a Tourism Board as recommended by the Grady Growth Marketing Committee. Mr. Johnson also stated that they will start the process to developing an RV Park.

Mr. Johnson stated that they have received the CARES Relief Fund information and should be receiving the initial money soon. Grady County should be able to receive the rest of the money based on the regulations. The amount received was based on Census Information which once again points out how important the Census is to our county.

Mr. Johnson reported that an RFQ for sanitation was sent out to five companies and the only response received was from Taylor Waste. Mr. Johnson reviewed some of the numbers received as a result of the RFQ and stated we have got to decide to either stay in or get out of the sanitation business. After much discussion it was stated that we still need a manned site in the Whigham area, but one has not been located.

FA 0053-20 Motion by Mr. Drew, second by Mr. Prince to set September 1, 2020 as a deadline to locate a site in Whigham for a manned dump site and if one is not located, to develop a site off of State Park Road. Yes – Prince, Drew, Moye, Copeland. No – Knight. The motion was approved.

Mr. Johnson discussed the reallocation of the Senior Center into an Administration Building and move the Commissioners Office to that building. Mr. Johnson stated that the cost to renovate the building could be paid for with CARES Act money. Mr. Johnson is asking the commission to move forward with this project. The project was discussed.

FA 0054-20 Motion by Mr. Prince, second by Mr. Drew to move forward with the move contingent on meeting all legal obligations after Mr. Ridley researches the issue. The motion was approved.

Mrs. Knight stated that we needed to get information and look at paving Mizpah Church Road while paving Open Pond Road.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None

REPORTS

- A. Attorney's Report – Mr. Ridley stated that he has published notice in the paper and notified neighbors about the abandonment of part of Asbell Lane. Surveying has also started. We will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, August 18, 2020 at 6:00 pm for the road abandonment.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Drew and second by Mrs. Knight. The motion was approved.

KEITH MOYE, CHAIR

PHILLIP DREW, VICE-CHAIR

ATTEST:

RAY PRINCE, COMMISSIONER

JOHN WHITE, COUNTY CLERK

JUNE KNIGHT, COMMISSIONER

LAFAYE COPELAND, COMMISSIONER