GRADY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
MEETING MINUTES

December 15, 2020 Meeting

The Grady County Board of Commissioners met on December 15, 2020 at 6:00 pm for a regular meeting. Commissioners Keith Moye, June Knight, Ray Prince, Phillip Drew, LaFaye Copeland, County Administrator Buddy Johnson, County Finance Director Holly Murkerson, Executive Assistant Mary Griffin, County Clerk John White, Road Superintendent Stanley Elkins, EMS Director Rodney Gordan, and County Attorney Gabe Ridley were present.

Mr. Moye called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

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

Motion by Mr. Prince, second by Mr. Drew to approve the agenda after removing Formal Action FA-0100-20 from the agenda. The motion was approved.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

PRESENTATIONS

The Grady County Board of Commissioners honored the Grady County Recreation Department 10 and under Soccer team for winning the State Championship. The team is coached by Head Coach Carlos DeLeon, Daniel Hammond, and Carson Hair.

Don Nickerson, Grady History Museum

Mr. Nickerson reported that he had an anonymous donor give a significant amount of money to the museum so that a mural could be painted on the south side of the building. Mr. Nickerson is asking the board for permission to paint a mural on the south side of the building.

FA0100-20 Motion by Mrs. Knight, second by Mr. Prince to approve painting a mural on the south side of the building. The motion was approved 3-0 with Mrs. Copeland and Mr. Drew abstaining as they serve on the museum board.

CORRESPONDENCE

The Calendar of Events was reviewed.

Regular Board Meeting Tuesday, January 5, 2021 9 AM at 33 17th Ave NW Cairo, GA 39827

A Diamond Affair, Jackie Robinson Boys and Girls Club, December 17, 2020 at 7:00 PM


New Year’s Holiday Friday, January 1, 2021

CONSENT ITEMS

Motion by Mr. Drew, second by Mrs. Copeland to approve

C073-20 Approval Regular Meeting Minutes from 12/01/2020

C074-20 Ratify consensus vote to total the 2012 Dodge Charger.

C075-20 Approve the renewal of Alcohol License for the following:

Shradha Enterprises, Quick Buys #2, 1439 US Hwy 84 E Cairo, GA 39828

Shradha Enterprises, On Convenient Stop 3, 130 GA Hwy 93 N Cairo, GA 39827

Shradha Enterprises, One Convenient Stop 5, 1979 Hwy 111 N Cairo, GA 39828

Jimmy & Jay Enterprises, One Convenient Stop 2, 1413 GA Hwy 93 S Cairo, GA 39828

Pankat Patel, Route 84 Country Market, 4050 US Hwy 84 E Cairo, GA 39828

Lloyd Stephen Barineau, Steve’s Country Store, 2752 Hwy 112 N Cairo, GA 39827
The motion was approved 4-0. Mr. Prince had to step out briefly prior to the vote due to a personal issue but returned to the meeting shortly after the vote.

**FORMAL ACTIONS**

**FA0093-20** Motion by Mr. Drew, second by Mr. Prince to approve the Christmas Bonus of $500.00 per full time employee and $250.00 per part time employee (Regular scheduled PT only). Approved 4-1 with Mrs. Knight voting against.

**FA0094-20** Motion by Mrs. Knight, second by Mr. Drew to approve the bid from Scruggs Company for $1,488,626.87 for Open Pond Road Full Depth Reclamation. Other bids received were Jim Boyd Construction, $1,752,432.55, Capital Asphalt, Inc., $2,065,769.00, and Oxford Construction Company, $1,684,679.35. The motion was approved.

**FA0095-20** Motion by Mr. Prince, second by Mrs. Knight to approve the resolution to lease a dump truck through Magnolia Bank, Incorporated for $259.90/month. The motion was approved.

**FA0096-20** Motion by Mr. Drew, second by Mr. Prince to approve up to $20,000.00 to purchase shelters and heaters to prepare for COVID-19 vaccinations. The motion was approved.

**FA0097-20** Motion by Mrs. Copeland, second by Mrs. Knight to let out bids for the completion of the Johnson Road CDBG project. Mr. Johnson explained that time was running out on this project and we needed to show the Department of Community Affairs that we are making progress on the project prior to April 15, 2021. The motion was approved.

**FA0098-20** Motion by Mrs. Copeland, second by Mr. Prince to approve Mr. Tim Widener to finish out the term of Mr. Terry Prince on the Planning Commission. The motion was approved.

**FA0099-20** Motion by Mrs. Knight, second by Mr. Drew to approve the standard Rumbles lease for a copier for the Clerk of Courts office. The motion was approved.

**FA0101-20** Motion by Mrs. Knight, second by Mr. Drew to approve the budget for 2021. Mrs. Murkerson stated that the budget has increased $210,000.00 since it was presented earlier. The amount coming from fund balance only increased by $94,500.00 due to other savings found in the budget. The total coming from fund balance is $994,500.00 which is 51% less than last year’s budget. The motion was approved.

**FA0102-20** Motion by Mr. Drew, second by Mrs. Knight to approve 3 additional staff for Grady County EMS at a cost of $166,512.00 (which was already included in the 2021 budget). Mr. Gordon, EMS Director stated that due to call volume, the do not have enough staff to make all the transports needed for the citizens of Grady County. Mr. Gordon anticipates that the three new positions would help meet the citizens needs and should generate at least $100,000.00 in revenue which is 2/3 of the cost of the additional employees. The motion was approved.

**NEW/UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Motion by Mr. Drew, second by Mr. Prince to enter executive session to evaluate personnel. The motion was approved.

Motion by Mrs. Knight, second by Mrs. Copeland to exit executive session. The motion was approved.

There was no action taken from of executive session.

**REPORTS**

A. Attorney’s Report – None
B. Roads and Bridges
C. Animal Control

**RESOLUTIONS, PROCLAMATIONS, AND AGREEMENTS**

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Prince and second by Mrs. Knight. The motion was approved.
KEITH MOYE, CHAIR

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PHILLIP DREW, VICE-CHAIR

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RAY PRINCE, COMMISSIONER

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JOHN WHITE, COUNTY CLERK

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JUNE KNIGHT, COMMISSIONER

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LAFAYE COPELAND, COMMISSIONER