

GRADY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

MEETING MINUTES

December 5, 2023, Meeting

The Grady County Board of Commissioners met on December 5, 2023, at 9:00 am for a regular meeting. Commissioners Ray Prince, Keith Moye, LaFaye Copeland, Phillip Drew, June Knight, County Administrator Buddy Johnson, County Clerk John White, Finance Director Holly Murkerson, Chief Richard Phillips and Stanley Elkins were present.

Mr. Drew opened the meeting with the invocation and pledge to the flag.

Motion by Mr. Prince, second by Mrs. Copeland, to amend the agenda to include FA082-23 for the Watkins Task Order 25. The motion was approved.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mr. Cook stated that voters want answers on the independent contractor's contract.

PRESENTATIONS

Financial Policy Rewrite Presentation, Dena Bosten, Carl Vinson Institute

Mrs. Bosten reviewed the policies and the updates that have been incorporated. Started the project by meeting in March of 2023 and reviewing our current Financial Policies. Mrs. Bosten stated that the approval amount for single purchases should be raised to \$25,000.00. The county's travel policy was incorporated into the Financial Policy. Fund Balance is now in the policy to have at least 3 months fund balance on reserve. The financial policy also requires that all grants be approved by the Board of Commissioners as they usually require a cash match. Mrs. Bosten stated there needs to be a period review of the financial policies. Mrs. Copeland asked for clarification that the last time the policy was updated was 2008 as she had not seen a presentation on financial policies. Mrs. Bosten stated that was correct. Mrs. Copeland asked for an explanation of the use of the P-card and Mrs. Bosten explained that process to her.

CORRESPONDENCE

The Calendar of Events was reviewed.

Regular Board Meeting on December 19, 2023, at 6:00 PM.

Employee Luncheon, December 5, 2023, at 11:45 am.

CONSENT ITEMS

Motion by Mr. Moye, second by Mrs. Copeland to approve:

C069-23 Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes from 11/21/2023 and Executive Session Minutes from 11/21/2023.

C070-23 Approval of plat for Elwood Sellers.

C071-23 Approval of Alcohol License Renewal for Mallika 1126 Inc. 2499 US Hwy 319 S Thomasville, GA 31792

Calvary Market LLC 210 1st Ave Calvary, GA

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

Shree Dev 20 LLC 1494 US 319 S Thomasville, GA 31792

Steve's Country Store 2752 Hwy 112 N Cairo, GA 39827

The motion was approved.

FORMAL ACTIONS

FA079-23 Motion by Mrs. Copeland, second by Mr. Prince to approve the 2024 Budget and Resolution. The motion was approved.

FA080-23 Motion by Mr. Moye, second by Mrs. Copeland to approve the bid to bid the fire station on Woodland Road submitted by Superior Industrial Services for \$72,500.00. The motion was approved.

FA081-23 Motion by Mr. Moye, second by Mr. Prince, to impose a 90-day moratorium on tiny houses of less than 700 feet as recommended by the Planning Commission. The motion was approved.

FA082-23 Motion by Mrs. Knight, second by Mrs. Copeland to approve the Watkins Task Order No. 25 for Lower Hawthorne Trail and Hadley Ferry Road from the city limits to Pine Park Road. The motion was approved.

NEW/UNFINISHED BUSINESS

The resolution and ordinance for the use of P-cards was introduced for the second reading. It will be voted on at the 12/19/2023 meeting.

First reading of the recommendation from the Planning Commission to the Land Development Regulation Section 3-9 Lot Size to change the minimum lot size from 1 acre to 1.5 acres. This will be voted on at the 01/02/2024 meeting.

Commissioner Matters – Mrs. Knight asked when Old 179 repairs would be asphalted. Mr. Elkins stated he is getting bids tomorrow.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Motion by Mrs. Copeland, second by Mr. Moye to enter Executive Session to discuss litigation. Motion by Mrs. Copeland, second by Mrs. Knight to exit Executive Session. No action was taken from Executive Session.

REPORTS

- A. Attorney's Report – None
- B. Animal Control 11-23

RESOLUTIONS, PROCLAMATIONS, AND AGREEMENTS

Regular Board of Commissioners Meeting Agenda

December 5, 2023, 9:00 AM

- I. Executive Duties
 - A. Call to Order – 9:00 AM
 - B. Invocation/Pledge
 - C. Adoption of Agenda
 - D. Public Comments (3 Mins)
- II. Presentations
 - Financial Policy Presentation
- III. Correspondence
 - A. Calendar of events

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- IV. Consent Items – (One motion)
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- V. Formal Actions
 - FA079-23 Approve/Disapprove 2024 Budget and Resolution.
 - FA080-23. Approve/Disapprove Woodland Road Fire Station Bid.
 - FA081-23 Approve/Disapprove the recommendation of the Planning Commission to impose a 90-day moratorium on tiny houses.

- VI. New and unfinished Business
 - P-card ordinance and policy 2nd announcement
 - Recommendation for the Planning Commission to the Land Development Regulation Section 3-9 Lot Size to change the minimum lot size from 1 acre to 1.5 acres.
 - Commissioner Matters

- VII. Executive Session
 - Litigation

- VIII. Reports
 - a. Attorney's Report
 - b. Animal Control 11-23
 - c.
 - d.

e.

VIII. Adjournment

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The motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Moye and second by Mrs. Copeland. The motion was approved.

PHILLIP DREW, CHAIR

JUNE KNIGHT, VICE-CHAIR

RAY PRINCE, COMMISSIONER

ATTEST:

JOHN WHITE, COUNTY CLERK

Keith Moye, COMMISSIONER

LAFAYE COPELAND, COMMISSIONER