

GRADY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

MEETING MINUTES

December 17, 2024, Meeting

The Grady County Board of Commissioners met on December 17, 2024, at 6:00 pm for a regular meeting. Commissioners Keith Moye, Ray Prince, LaFaye Copeland, Phillip Drew, Interim County Administrator/Finance Director Holly Murkerson, County Clerk John White, County Attorney Gabe Ridley, and Fire Chief Richard Phillips were present. Mrs. Knight was absent from the meeting.

Mr. Moye asked Mr. Drew to open with prayer and the pledge to the flag.

Motion by Mrs. Copeland, second by Mr. Prince to approve the agenda as amended to include FA119-24 Renewal of the Workers Comp Insurance. The motion was approved.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Michael Cook 184 Carr St

Mr. Cook said thank you for rolling back the millage rate.

Terry Akridge 111 Wood Duck Dr

Mr. Akridge stated he was not in favor of adding sec 8-3 number 10 for the International Property Maintenance Code. He stated it would cost a lot of money to enforce the code.

PRESENTATIONS

None

CORRESPONDENCE

The Calendar of Events was reviewed.

Regular Board Meeting on January 7, 2025, at 9:00 AM.

Called Meeting on Thursday, December 19, 2024, at 11:00 to set the Millage Rate.

CONSENT ITEMS

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

C072-24 Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes, Executive Session Minutes, and Budget Workshop Minutes from 12/03/2024.

C073-24 Approval of Alcohol License Renewal for 2025 for the following business:

Charles L. Williams, Beachton Estates LLC Winery, 175 Holton Ln Thomasville, GA 31792.

C074-24 Approval of D. Knight Plat.

C075-24 Approval of the 2025 Meeting Date Notice.

The motion was approved.

FORMAL ACTIONS

FA116-24 Motion by Mr. Drew, second by Mrs. Copeland to approve the repair of the fire tanker by Anderson Manufacturing at a cost of \$24,500.00 to be paid in 2025. The motion was approved.

FA117-24 Motion by Mr. Prince, second by Mrs. Copeland to approve the resolution to update the Code of Ordinances by adding the International Property Maintenance Code to sec 8-3 of the County Ordinances. The motion was approved.

FA118-24 Motion by Mr. Drew, second by Mr. Prince to approve bid for 17th Ave NE (long Branch Church Rd) for HTS Construction for \$1,628,169.69. The motion was approved.

FA119-24 Motion by Mr. Drew, second by Mrs. Copeland to approve the Workers Compensation Insurance Renewal with Southern Insurance for \$215,348.00. The motion was approved.

NEW/UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Administrator Matters – Mrs. Murkerson took a moment to recognize the loss of Mr. Jeff Ezell who recently passed away. He was a great husband, father, grandfather, Director, and man of the community. Please remember his family during this time. Mrs. Murkerson stated that she sent a letter

off to GDOT expressing interest in them doing the bridge on Pine Park Road. It will only cost us \$50,000.00.

Commissioners Matters – Mr. Prince stated that by rolling back the millage rate, the commissioners will be able to look at things a little better.

Mrs. Copeland recognized Mr. Moye and presented him a plaque for his eight years of service on the Board of Commissioners. Mr. Drew stated he has memories of the conversation he and Mr. Moye had when he decided to run. Mr. Moye stated he cherished his time on the Board.

Mr. Moye asked Mr. Ridley to explain about the possibility of the Tax Commissioner taking payment for property taxes prior to the end of the year. Mr. Ridley explained why that would not be feasible with so little time remaining in the year.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

None

REPORTS

- A. Attorney's Report – None
- B. Animal Control 11-24
- C. Roads and Bridges 11-24
- D. Extension Service 11-24

RESOLUTIONS, PROCLAMATIONS, AND AGREEMENTS

Regular Board of Commissioners Meeting Agenda

December 17, 2024, 6:00 PM

- I. Executive Duties
 - A. Call to Order –6:00 PM
 - B. Invocation/Pledge
 - C. Adoption of Agenda
 - D. Public Comments
- II. Presentations
 - None
- III. Correspondence
 - A. Calendar of events

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- IV. Consent Items – (One motion)
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 - C074-24 Approval of D. Knight plat.
 - C075-24 Approval of 2025 Meeting Dates Notice.
- V. Formal Actions
 - FA116-24 Approve/Disapprove Fire Truck repair.
 - FA117-24 Approve/Disapprove the resolution to update the Code of Ordinances by adding the International Property Maintenance Code to sec 8-3 of the County Ordinances.
 - FA118-24 Approve/Disapprove the bids for Long Branch Road improvements.

- VI. New and unfinished Business
 - Administrator Matters
 - Commissioner Matters

- VII. Executive Session
 - None

- VIII. Reports
 - a. Attorney's Report
 - b. Animal Control 11-24
 - c. Roads and Bridges 11-24
 - d. Extension Service 11-24
- VIII. Adjournment

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

Keith Moyer, CHAIR

JUNE KNIGHT, VICE-CHAIR

RAY PRINCE, COMMISSIONER

Phillip Drew, COMMISSIONER

LAFAYE COPELAND, COMMISSIONER

ATTEST:

JOHN WHITE, COUNTY CLERK