

**AGENDA
CALLED MEETING
September 3, 2019
12:30 P.M.**

1. Call to Order
2. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance
3. Discussion of Hurricane Dorian and Consideration of Calling a State of Emergency for Candler County
4. Adjournment

Board of Commissioners of Candler County
Called Meeting
September 3, 2019
12:30 PM

The Board of Commissioners of Candler County met for a called meeting on Tuesday, September 3, 2019, at 12:30 p.m., in the Commissioners' boardroom at 1075 East Hiawatha Street, Suite A, Metter, Georgia. Those attending the meeting were Candler County Chairman, Glyn Thrift; Candler County Vice-Chairman, Brad Jones; Commissioners David Robinson, Blake Hendrix and Wayne Culbertson; Candler County Administrator, Bryan Aasheim; Candler County Attorney, Kendall Gross; Candler County Clerk, Maranda K. Lank. Guest included Candler County Sheriff's Office, Captain Justin Wells; Candler County Public Works Director, Jerry Lanier; Candler County EMS Director, Melburn Kelly; City of Metter, Ed Boyd; City of Metter Fire Chief, Jason Douglas. Jerri Goodman attended this meeting on behalf of the Metter Advertiser.

Call to Order

Chairman Thrift called the meeting to order at 12:30 p.m.

Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

Chairman Thrift delivered the invocation and led the *Pledge of Allegiance*.

Discussion of Hurricane Dorian and Consideration of Calling a State of Emergency for Candler County

Immediately following the 12:00 National Weather Service's NOAA teleconference, Mr. Aasheim recapped on the most current forecasted weather conditions of Hurricane Dorian and the possible effects the storm may have on Candler County. Conditions are somewhat favorable of damage to Candler County, if the storm moves westward. He advised everyone to be prepared for a definite influx of nonresidents or evacuees that are making their way through Candler County.

Captain Wells who also serves as the Deputy EMA Director reported the Candler County EMA has the ability to standup the Emergency Operations Center (EOC) within an hour with notification. Captain Wells summarized with the following: The EOC room is set up. The equipment is pre-staged. One is hour needed to staff the EOC.

Mr. Gross stated that he felt it would premature at this time for the County to declare a state of emergency would be ahead of the Governor Kemp's. There are currently twelve coastal counties included the initial issuance of state of emergency for Georgia. Mr. Gross went on to explain the issuance does not include Candler County. He then reiterated that for Candler County to declare a State of Emergency before being included in the Governor's issuance would be premature. Mr. Gross has prepared the paperwork for a Declaration of a State of Emergency for Candler County and is on standby, if needed. He concluded by stating that from a legal standpoint, it does not make sense to declare at this time.

Chairman Thrift concurred. He then informed everyone that Vice-Chairman Jones had been working to get the generators up and on stand-by.

Captain Wells stated the next NOAA briefing will be held at midnight and then 6:00 a.m.

Mayor Boyd commended everyone for a job well done on keeping all entities well informed.

Jerry Lanier reported that he has his crew and equipment on stand-by in the South, Central and North ends of the County. Backhoes are placed in Aline, at the Sheriff's Office and at the County Shop.

Mel Kelly stated he put an extra EMS unit in place that morning with the expected influx of evacuee traffic on I-16. Chairman Thrift also mentioned the Hospital has reached its maximum occupancy.

Captain Wells stated that emergency announcements can be pushed out over CODE-RED.

City Fire Chief, Jason Douglas stated the Fire Department is prepared.

Meals will be provided each day for emergency response crews, if needed.

Fueling emergency response vehicles will be scheduled twice a day a 6:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.

Adjournment

With no further business to discuss, Vice-Chairman Jones made a motion at 12:39 p.m. seconded by Commissioner Robinson to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed unanimously.



Maranda K. Lank, Clerk

Attest



Chairman Glyn Thrift



SHERIFF JOHN MILES

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Hurricane Dorian Meeting Sign In 9/03/19

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Agency/Business/Entity

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Robert Skone
Tyne Love
Melburn B. Kelly
John Miles
Cliff Hendrick
Billy Sandoyan
Bary Hougard
Ronnie Williams

Metter P.P.
Metter PD
Pleasant View
Candler Co. EMS.
CANDLER S.O. / EMA
City of Metter
VANGUARD SERVICES
Candler County Hospital

Jason Douglas
Victoria Gaitten
Ed Boyd
Lynn's Howell
Delona Watkins
Rebecca Loveall
Larry M. Hadden
Mikeam Harris
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Karen Anderson
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Kapur Chapman

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City of Metter
Candler Co. Schools.
A24/EA Health & P. MAI
DFCS
Public Works
CC Hospital
Devita Candler County Dialysis
Candler Co Hospital
Candler Co HD
Candler S.O.
Cedar Plantation