

AGENDA
REGULAR MEETING
5:00 P.M.
November 18, 2019

1. Call to Order
2. Invocation and *Pledge of Allegiance*
3. Approval of the Agenda
4. Approval of Minutes
5. Old Business
 - a. Consideration of a request from the Health Department to increase FY2020 budget to a minimum of \$13,434
 - b. Consideration of proposals submitted in response to an RFP for HVAC replacement at 428 N Rountree St (Sunshine House)
 - c. Proposed Amendment to the RV Park and Campground Ordinance
6. New Business
 - a. Review and discuss current ordinances for EMS fees and solid waste disposal
 - b. Discussion Regarding Polycarts
7. Report from Chairman
8. Report from County Administrator
9. Report from County Attorney
10. Report from Commissioners
11. Executive Session
12. Adjournment

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF CANDLER COUNTY

Glyn Thrift
Chairman

Brad Jones
Vice-Chairman

Bryan Aasheim
County Administrator

Blake Hendrix
Commissioner

Wayne Culbertson
Commissioner

David Robinson
Commissioner

CLOSED MEETING AFFIDAVIT

STATE OF GEORGIA
COUNTY OF CANDLER

AFFIDAVIT OF CHAIRMAN OR PRESIDING OFFICER

Glyn Thrift, Chairman of the Board of Commissioners of Candler County, being duly sworn, states under oath that the following is true and accurate to the best of his knowledge and belief:

1.
The Board of Commissioners of Candler County met in a duly advertised meeting on ~~Monday~~, November 18, 2019.

2.
During such meeting, the Board voted to go into closed session.

3.
The executive session was called to order at 6:28 p.m.

4.
The subject matter of the closed portion of the meeting was devoted to the following matter(s) within the exceptions provided in the open meetings law:

Consultation with the county attorney or other legal counsel to discuss pending or potential litigation, settlement, claims, administrative proceedings, or other judicial actions brought or to be brought by or against the county or any officer or employee or in which the county or any officer or employee may be directly involved as provided in O.C.G.A. 50-14-2(1);

Discussion of tax matters made confidential by state law as provided by O.C.G.A. 50-14-2(2);

Discussion of the future acquisition of real estate as provided by O.C.G.A. 50-14-3(4);

Discussion or deliberation on the appointment, employment, compensation, hiring, disciplinary action or dismissal, or periodic evaluation or rating of a county officer or employee as provided in O.C.G.A. 50-14-3(6);

Other

This 18th day of November, 2019.

Glyn Thrift, Chairman
Board of Commissioners of Candler County

Sworn to and subscribed before me
this 18th day of November 2019.

Maranda K. Lank
Notary Public



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Board of Commissioners of Candler County
Regular Meeting
November 18, 2019
5:00 p.m.

The Board of Commissioners of Candler County met for the regular monthly meeting on Monday, November 18, 2019, at 5:00 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; Candler County Commissioners Wayne Culbertson, David Robinson and Blake Hendrix; Candler County Administrator, Bryan Aasheim; Candler County Clerk, Maranda K. Lank. Other guests attending the meeting included Taylor, O'Neill, Gary Howard, Cleveland Slater, Wallie Waters, Jerry Holloway, Andy Piera and Bobby Odom. The Metter Advertiser was represented by Jerri Goodman.

Call to Order

Chairman Thrift called the meeting to order at 5:01 p.m.

Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

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

Approve the Agenda

Vice-Chairman Jones moved to amend and approve the agenda to add items 5c Proposed Amendment to the RV Park and Campground Ordinance and 6b. Discussion Regarding Polycarts. Commissioner Robinson provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

Approval of Minutes

Minutes for the October 7, October 14 and October 21, 2019 meetings were tabled.

Old Business

Consideration of a request from the Health Department to increase FY2020 budget to a minimum of \$13,434

The Board agreed to not revisit this item and remove it from future agendas.

Consideration of proposals submitted in response to an RFP for HVAC replacement at 428 N Rountree St (Sunshine House)

This item was tabled.

Proposed Revised RV Park and Campground Ordinance

The Board agreed to continue to moratorium and table this item until Mr. Gross can review local campground policies to give legal advice as well as the citizens have an opportunity to review the proposed ordinance posted on the County's website. (Exhibit A).

New Business

Review and Discuss Current Ordinances for EMS Fees and Solid Waste Disposal

This item was tabled.

Discussion of Polycarts

This item was tabled

Report from the Chairman

Chairman Thrift reported that he received a phone call from Carol Smith requesting a rent-free office space for Pineland Mental Health. He also mentioned a discussion he and Mr. Gross had regarding zoning.

Report from County Administrator

Mr. Aasheim mentioned the Lighting of Metter will be December 6th at 5:30. He also stated the Department of Corrections has not responded about the courthouse auditorium seating.

Report for County Attorney

Mr. Gross had nothing to report in open meeting.

Report from Commissioners

Commissioner Culbertson representing Commission District 1 had nothing to report.

Vice-Chairman Jones representing Commission District 2 had nothing to report.

Commissioner Robinson representing Commission District 3 requested information on the traffic circle and at what point would the pond causeway project information would be discussed.

Commissioner Hendrix representing Commission District 4 had nothing to report.

Executive Session

Vice-Chairman Jones made the motion to enter an Executive Session 6:28 p.m. seconded by Commissioner Culbertson to discuss personnel matters. The motion passed unanimously.

****Commissioner Culbertson excused himself from the Executive Session at 7:15 pm****

Commissioner Hendrix made the motion seconded by Vice-Chairman Jones to adjourn the Executive Session and resume with the regular business meeting at 7:43 p.m. 4-0.

Vice-Chairman Jones made the motion to authorize Chairman Thrift to sign the *Closed Meeting Affidavit*. Commissioner Robinson seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

Commissioner Robinson made a motion to nominate Terry Manuel, Alicia Jones and Gregory Thomas for the Candler County Hospital Authority seat being vacated by Larry Hadden. Commissioner Hendrix provided the second to the motion. The motion carried 4-0.

Vice-Chairman Jones made a motion to nominate Pam Smith, Lance Holloway and Gary Howard for the Candler County Hospital Authority seat which expires on December 31, 2019, and is occupied by Pam Smith. Commissioner Hendrix provided the second to the motion. The motion carried 4-0.

Commissioner Hendrix made a motion to terminate Willie Johnson from the Roads Department. Vice-Chairman Jones provided the second to the motion. The motion carried 4-0.

Commissioner Robinson made a motion to authorize Mel Kelly, EMS Director, to hire Andrew Freeman, A-EMT, to a part time position. Chairman Thrift provided the second to the motion. The motion carried 4-0.

Adjournment

With no further business to discuss, Commissioner Robinson made a motion at 7:48 p.m. seconded by Vice-Chairman Jones to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed 4-0.



Maranda K. Lank, Clerk

Attest


Chairman Glyn Thrift

Exhibit A

**CANDLER COUNTY RECREATIONAL VEHICLE PARK &
CAMPGROUND ORDINANCE****ARTICLE ONE**
GENERAL**1.1 Title**

This Ordinance shall be known as and may be cited as the "Candler County Recreational Vehicle Park and Campground Ordinance"

1.2 Authority and Jurisdiction

Whereas, consistent with Georgia Law, the Candler County Board of Commissioners has the authority to establish by ordinance or resolution such local rules and regulations, not in conflict with existing State or Federal Law, relating to the health, safety and welfare of the public.

Now therefore be it resolved that the following rules and regulations are hereby adopted as the Candler County Recreational Vehicle Park & Campground Ordinance. These regulations shall apply to all unincorporated land located within the boundaries of Candler County, Georgia.

ARTICLE TWO
GENERAL PROVISIONS

2.1 Definitions: for the purpose of this article the following words and phrases shall have the meanings respectively ascribed to them:

- (a) Garbage means readily putrescible discarded materials composed of animal, vegetable, and other organic matter resulting from preparation, cooking and serving of foods. This shall also include materials used for the storage of food, tin cans, glass containers and newspapers.
- (b) Landfill means a county disposal site employing an engineering method of disposing of solid waste in a manner that minimizes environmental hazards by spreading and compacting to the smallest volume and applies cover materials over all exposed waste at the end of

each operating day.

- (c) Owner/Operator means the person, persons or entity who has title, possession and control of said real estate upon which said recreational vehicle(s) or recreational vehicle park is located.
- (d) Recreational vehicle (hereafter referred to as "RV") means a vehicle or trailer capable of human habitation or designed or used for recreational camping or travel use, whether self-propelled or mounted on or drawn by another vehicle or any structure inspected, approved and designated a recreational vehicle.
- (e) Recreational Vehicle Park (hereafter referred to as "RV Park") means any single parcel of land upon which two (2) or more recreational vehicles are occupied for temporary sleeping purposes, regardless of whether or not a charge is made for such purposes.
- (f) Recreational vehicle site/space/lot means a plot of ground within a recreational vehicle park intended for the accommodation of either a recreational vehicle, or other individual camping unit on a temporary basis.
- (g) Utility means a public or private enterprise whose purpose is to provide energy, power, water, natural gas, or other utility service to general public.

2.2 General Provisions

- a) No RV may be used for temporary or permanent residential living quarters for more than three hundred sixty-five days (365) in any twelve-month period, unless such occupation occurs in a Campground or RV park as defined above, which has obtained a valid business license from Candler County for the period during which such occupancy occurs.
- b) Campgrounds and/or RV parks shall provide water and sewer services to their invitees that shall conform to all State and Federal laws as well as health department regulations. Such sewer services shall be inspected by the appropriate health department officials or any other duly authorized official to ensure that such sewer services meet any applicable standard for such services.

- c) The County shall not provide poly carts for the individual guests to use for the disposition of garbage. Operators of campgrounds or RV parks shall obtain a suitable collection device or devices for the collection of garbage on the property, and it shall be the responsibility of the owner of any campground or RV park to transport at the owner/operators own expense all garbage from the campground/RV park to the Candler County landfill or other similar/lawful site for final disposition.
- d) The owner and/or operator of any campground/RV park shall maintain such property in such a way that it does not become a public nuisance. The grass and other vegetation shall be cut and trimmed regularly. Grass clippings, bushes, tree limbs that have fallen or been cut shall be removed from the property at the owner/operator's expense and deposited in the Candler County Landfill or other such lawful facility. Garbage will be placed in the collection device described above and shall not be permitted to accumulate on the grounds. Failure to comply with this section shall subject the owner and/or operator of the campground or RV park to prosecution in the Magistrate Court of Candler County, which shall be authorized to levy a fine not to exceed \$500.00 or a term of incarceration not to exceed 10 days in jail or both for each such violation.
- e) Each campground/RV park shall divide its property into numbered spaces, and no RVs shall be permitted to park or camp outside of a numbered space. The owner and/or operator of any campground/RV park shall prepare a map of the property showing the location of each numbered lot. All lots shall be clearly marked with reflective numbers of sufficient size to allow emergency vehicles to locate each such lot. A copy of the map of campground or RV park shall be provided by the owner and/or operator of the campground/RV park to the Candler County Sheriff's Office, the Candler County Emergency Medical Service and the Metter City Fire Department, with whom Candler County contracts to provide fire protection services in Candler County. Failure to comply with this section shall subject the owner/operator or both to the sanctions set forth in Section 4, infra. Any owner and/or operator shall make certain that all emergency personnel have open and easy access to all numbered spaces.

- f) The owner of any RV as defined above shall insure that it remains towable at all times. No RV shall be tied down or otherwise anchored to the earth, nor shall its wheels or axles be removed.
- g) RVs, regardless of where they are located, may not be permanently attached to any permanent power source but may be connected to electricity through extension cords or similar device that may be quickly disconnected.
- h) No RV, regardless of where it is located, shall be permanently connected to a water source or to a septic tank or other sewage disposal apparatus. RVs may be connected to a water source, an RV sewage hose or similar devices that may be quickly disconnected.
- i) The sewage from RVs shall be disposed of in accordance with all applicable State and Federal regulations. Campground/RV park owners/operators shall make facilities available to persons utilizing their park so that black water and other sewage may be legally dumped.
- j) The lots of any campground/RV park to be rented or otherwise used by RVs shall be landscaped in such a way that water will not collect in the space and all spaces shall be maintained to allow an RV to be moved without difficulty.
- k) RVs may be stored on a property. Such an RV may not be connected to a utility, except to prevent mildew or for basic upkeep. A utility connection shall be considered prima facie evidence by the Magistrate Court of Candler County that such RV is being used for permanent residential purposes, which is prohibited by this ordinance.
- l) No RV may be connected to its own meter that is issued by any public utility, provided, however, that RV park operators may utilize submeters for their lots.

ARTICLE THREE

FEES

3.1 Fees

The owner/operator of a campground/RV park shall be subject to an annual fee for the provision of Emergency Medical Services, "EMS", to the campground/RV park. The fee shall be determined by dividing the total number of campground/RV sites by two (2) and multiplying that number by the current residential/commercial EMS fee imposed in Candler County, Georgia. Total of all EMS fees charged to a single campground/RV park will not exceed \$1,500.00 annually.

ARTICLE FOUR
ENFORCEMENT

- 4.1** The Magistrate Court of Candler County, Georgia shall have jurisdiction over all alleged violations of any portion of this ordinance and shall have all powers granted to it which are necessary and proper for the hearing and disposition of matters brought before the court. These powers shall include, but not be limited to the authority to issue citations and summons for witnesses, the authority to levy fines or provide such other and further sentences as punishment for the violation of any part of this ordinance, provided such sentence conforms to any restrictions imposed on said court by any constitutional or statutory authority.
- 4.2** Service of any citation for any violation of this ordinance shall be by personal service as prescribed by state law, and citations for violations of this ordinance may be issued by any law enforcement officer, including any court or code enforcement officer
- 4.3** The Magistrate Court of Candler County, Georgia shall have the discretion to impose sentences for the violations of this ordinance and may impose fines not to exceed \$500.00, incarcerate offenders for a term not more than 10 days

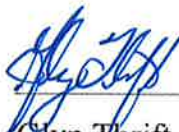
in the Candler County jail, require the performance of community service in an amount not to exceed 100 hours, or any part or combination of such possible sentences.

EFFECTIVE DATE.

This Ordinance shall take effect and be in full force on and after the date that it is enacted by the governing authority.

Adopted, approved and enacted this ___ day of October 2019, at a Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Candler County.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF CANDLER COUNTY

By:  _____
Glyn Thrift, Chairman

Attest: _____
Kellie Lank, Clerk

[SEAL]