

Board of Commissioners of Candler County
Regular Meeting
June 5, 2017
6:00 p.m.

The Board of Commissioners of Candler County met for the regular monthly meeting on Monday, June 5, 2017, at 6:00 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, Vice-Chairman Brad Jones and Commissioners Donny Wells, David Robinson and Wayne Culbertson; Candler County Administrator, Doug Eaves; Candler County Clerk, Maranda K. Lank; and Candler County Attorney, Kendall Gross; Candler County Election Board member, Gary Howard; Candler County Sheriff, John Miles Jr. and Investigator, Justin Wells; Guest included Industrial Development Authority, Molly Olsen; Candler County Hospital Authority member, Larry Hadden, Dale Fordham and Bobby Jones; Becky Jones, Sue Allen, Mr. and Mrs. Alton Slater, Glenn Deal and the Metter Advertiser representative, Jerri Goodman.

Call To Order

Chairman Thrift called the meeting to order at 6:08 p.m.

Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

Commissioner Wells delivered the invocation followed by Chairman Thrift leading the *Pledge of Allegiance*.

Approval of the Minutes

Commissioner Wells made a motion seconded by Commissioner Robinson to approve the March 6, 2017 Regular Meeting, April 10, 2017 Work Session, April 10, 2017 Regular Meeting, April 27, 2017 Called Meeting, May 1, 2017 Work Session, May 1, 2017 Regular Meeting, May 4, 2017 Called Meeting, May 17, 2017 Budget Workshop Called Meeting, May 23, 2017 SPLOST. The motion passed unanimously.

Amendment to the Agenda

Vice-Chairman Jones made a motion seconded by Commissioner Robinson to amend the agenda adding Sheriff Miles to New Business. The motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Wells made a motion seconded by Commissioner Robinson to amend the agenda adding Jerry Gibson to the Candler County Department of Family and Children's Services. The motion carried unanimously.

Public Hearing: Calmain Road

Mr. Gross presented.

Commissioner Culbertson made a motion seconded Commissioner Wells to close a portion of Calmain Road. The motion carried unanimously. Mr. Gross added that the closure of Calmain Road is dependent on granting the County an easement to allow equipment to turn.

New Business**Jones Road**

Vice-Chairman Jones updated the Board on the specification of the Jones Road project.

Hospital Authority Loan Amortization Schedule

Doug Eaves reported balances on the Hospital Loans.

Advertisement of County Administrator Position

Commissioner Robinson made a motion seconded by Commissioner Wells to advertise for a full-time County Administrator. The motion carried unanimously.

Courthouse Doors

Chairman Thrift reported that Mercer Construction would begin

Raise Polycart fees from current rate to \$10.00 per month effective July 1, 2017

Mr. Eaves recommended the Board consider raising the current rate of \$9.10 poly-cart fee to \$10.00 per cart per month effective July 1, 2017.

Chairman Thrift made a motion seconded by Commissioner Wells to raise the poly-cart fee to \$10.00 per cart per month effective July 1, 2017. The motion carried unanimously.

Sheriff John Miles, Jr.

Sheriff Miles approached the Board to inform the Board of state mandated court house security. He requested the Board consider allowing two additional deputy positions be added to his FY2018 budget to bring Candler County into compliance. The second position he requested is to cover transports that will relieve the jail supervisor to remain on site.

The Board requested that Mr. Eaves include the two positions within the Sheriff's Department budget.

EMC Engineering Study...\$25,000.00 cost TSPLOST

Bobby Jones and Chad Slaughter

Problem with Hospital Authority and EMS transporting patients outside of Candler County.

Appointment to the Candler County Department of Family and Children's Services

Commissioner Wells made a motion seconded by Commissioner Robinson to appoint Jerry Gibson to the Candler County Department of Family and Children's Services. The motion carried unanimously.

Old Business**Savannah Communications – Radio Equipment**

Vice-Chairman Jones updated the Board that the Sheriff's Department are continuing to research the best options.

Call for Election for SPLOST Referendum Tabled

**Classification and Compensation Plan-Carl Vinson Institute of Government
- Implement 1.25% gap wage scale**

Mr. Eaves recommended the Board adopt the Classification and Compensation Plan-Carl Vinson Institute of Government and implement 1.25% gap wage scale.

Chairman Thrift made a motion seconded by Commissioner Wells to adopt the Classification and Compensation Plan-Carl Vinson Institute of Government and implement 1.25% gap wage scale and allow Mr. Eaves to formalize that in the FY2018 Budget. The motion carried unanimously.

Motion to Close Calmain Road

Report from the Chairman

Report from the County Administrator Financial Report

Financials:

Mr. Eaves presented the financial report including a budget analysis report and a bank accounts report. Budget amendment meeting planned for the June meeting.

County Administrator:

FEMA received \$49,296.00 on category C projects and two more checks on the way.

Mr. Eaves recommendation of changes to the budget memo was submitted to all Board members.

Report from the Commissioners

Commissioner Culbertson reported for District 1- Roads and Bridges are addressing all his concerns.

Vice-Chairman Jones reported for District 2- Requested direction on his questions on the proposed budget. Chairman Thrift stated he, Mr. Eaves would

Commissioner Robinson reported for District 3- The Courthouse needs painting.

Commissioner Wells reported for District 4- Someone should address Mr. Bobby Jones statements.

Other Business

Vice-Chairman Jones made a motion seconded by Commissioner Wells to hold the July monthly meeting on July 10, 2017. The motion carried unanimously.

Executive Session

Commissioner Wells made a motion at 7:45p.m. seconded by Vice-Chairman Jones to enter into an Executive Session to discuss personnel and land acquisition only. The motion carried unanimously.

Vice-Chairman Jones made a motion at 9:00 p.m. seconded by Commissioner Wells to adjourn Executive Session and resume with the regular business meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

Vice-Chairman Jones made a motion seconded by Commissioner Robinson to authorize Chairman Thrift to sign the *Closed Meeting Affidavit*. The motion carried unanimously.

Adjournment

With no further business to discuss, Vice-Chairman Jones made a motion at 9:01 p.m. seconded by Commissioner Culbertson to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

Maranda K. Lank
Maranda K. Lank, Clerk
Attest

Glyn Thrift
Chairman Glyn Thrift

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF CANDLER COUNTY

Glyn Thrift
Chairman

Brad Jones
Vice-Chairman

Doug Eaves
County Administrator

Donny Wells
Commissioner

David Robinson
Commissioner

Wayne Culbertson
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 June 5, 2017.
2. During such meeting, the Board voted to go into closed session.
3. The executive session was called to order at 7:45 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);

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

X 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 5th day of June, 2017.



Glyn Thrift, Chairman
Board of Commissioners of Candler County

Sworn to and subscribed before me
This 5th day of June, 2017.



Notary Public



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