

Board of Commissioners of Candler County
Called Meeting
January 17, 2018
4:00 P.M.

The Board of Commissioners of Candler County held a called meeting on Wednesday, January 17, 2018, at 4:00 p.m., in the Commissioners' boardroom at 1075 East Hiawatha Street, Suite A, Metter, Georgia. The purpose of the called meeting was to hold an executive session to discuss possible litigation. Those attending the meeting were Candler County Commission Chairman, Glyn Thrift; Candler County Vice-Chairman, Brad Jones and Commissioners Donny Wells, David Robinson and Wayne Culbertson; Candler County Clerk, Maranda K. Lank; Candler County Administrator, Kendall Gross; Candler County Attorney, Kendall Gross. Guest attending the called meeting included the Metter Advertiser representative, Jerri Goodman.

Call to Order

Chairman Thrift called the meeting to order at 4:04 p.m.

Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

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

Executive Session – Personnel

Commissioner Wells made the motion to enter into an Executive Session at 4:05p.m. seconded by Commissioner Culbertson to discuss possible litigation only. The motion passed unanimously.

Vice-Chairman Jones made the motion seconded by Commissioner Wells to adjourn the Executive Session and resume with the regular business meeting at 4:40 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Wells made the motion to authorize Chairman Thrift to sign the *Closed Meeting Affidavit*. Commissioner Robinson seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Action

Chairman Thrift made the motion seconded by Commissioner Robinson to hire the law firm Blasingame, Burch, Garrad and Ashley, P.C. of Athens, Georgia to represent Candler County. The motion passed unanimously.

Vice-Chairman Jones made the motion seconded by Commissioner Culbertson to authorize Blasingame, Burch, Garrad and Ashley, P.C. to enter into litigation against opioid manufacturers and distributors. The motion passed unanimously.

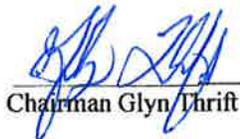
Commissioner Robinson made the motion seconded by Commissioner Culbertson to approve a fee agreement contract to compensate Blasingame, Burch, Garrad and Ashley, P.C. on a contingency basis at 30% of the gross recovery. The motion passed unanimously.

Adjournment

With no further business to discuss, Commissioner Wells made a motion at 4:44 p.m. seconded by Chairman Thrift to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried unanimously.



Maranda K. Lank, Clerk
 Attest



 Chairman Glyn Thrift