

Board of Commissioners of Candler County
Regular Meeting
January 9, 2018
5:00 p.m.

The Board of Commissioners of Candler County met for the regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, January 9, 2018, 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; Candler County Vice-Chairman Brad Jones and Commissioners Donny Wells, Wayne Culbertson and David Robinson; Candler County Administrator, Doug Eaves; Candler County Clerk, Maranda K. Lank and Candler County Attorney, Kendall Gross. Guest included Linda Davis, Sue Allen, Mr. and Mrs. Alton Slater, Dale Fordham, Larry Hadden, Dave Flanders, Dan Chicola, Molly Olson, Teresa Gay, Mel Kelly, Allen Tyler, Gary Howard, and the Metter Advertiser representative, Jerri Goodman.

Call To Order

Chairman Thrift called the meeting to order at 6:05 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 the motion seconded by Commissioner Culbertson to approve the minutes from the December 4, 2017 Work Session and Regular meetings and the December 21, 2017 Called meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

Financial Report

Mr. Eaves presented the financial report for December 2017. Accounts are balanced and the \$400,000.00 borrowed from the Financial Closure account will be repaid once the tax payments are received. No questions.

Executive Session – Personnel

Commissioner Culbertson made the motion to enter into an Executive Session at 6:13 p.m. seconded by Commissioner Robinson to discuss personnel only. The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Culbertson made the motion seconded by Vice-Chairman Jones to adjourn the Executive Session and resume with the regular business meeting at 6:36 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

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

Amendment to the Agenda

Vice-Chairman Jones made the motion seconded by Commissioner Robinson to add the following three items.

- Add County Administrator to the Reappointments
- Consideration of the Necessity of Contract Approval

- Consideration of Hospital Requests of \$50,000.00
- The motion passed unanimously.

New Business

**Candler County Reappointments-
County Attorney**

Commissioner Wells made the motion seconded by Commissioner Robinson to reappoint Mr. J. Kendall Gross as the Candler County Attorney. The motion passed four to one, with Commissioner Culbertson voting against the reappointment of Mr. Gross.

County Clerk

Commissioner Wells made the motion seconded by Vice-Chairman Jones to reappoint Mrs. Kellie Lank as the Candler County Clerk. The motion passed unanimously.

EMS Director

Commissioner Robinson made the motion seconded by Commissioner Wells to reappoint Mr. Melburn Kelly as the Candler County EMS Director. The motion passed unanimously.

Public Works Director

Commissioner Wells made the motion seconded by Vice-Chairman Jones to reappoint Mr. Jerry Lanier as the Candler County Public Works Director. The motion passed unanimously.

County Administrator

Commissioner Wells made the motion seconded by Commissioner Robinson to reappoint Mr. Douglas R. Eaves as the Candler County Administrator. The motion passed four to one, with Vice-Chairman Jones voting against the reappointment of Mr. Eaves.

Setting of 2018 Qualifying Fees

Board of Commissioners Districts 2 and 4

Commissioner Wells made the motion seconded by Commissioner Robinson to set the Commissioner qualifying fees at \$144.00. The motion passed unanimously.

Board of Education Districts 2 and 4

Commissioner Wells made the motion seconded by Commissioner Culbertson to set the Board of Education qualifying fees at \$72.00. The motion passed unanimously.

EMC Contract for 2018 LMIG Professional Services

Mr. Eaves presented EMC Engineering, Inc. work order No. 33. Dan Chicola was present to answer any questions. After a brief discussion, Vice-Chairman Jones made the motion seconded by Commissioner Culbertson to accept work order No. 33 for the 2018 LMIG Project that include compensation and payment in the amount of \$7,500.00 for Roadway Evaluations and Mapping plus \$13,500.00 allocated for 2017 LMIG Professional Services for a contract total of \$21,000.00. The motion passed unanimously.

Adopt Environmental Conservation, On-Site Sewage Management, and Permit Ordinance

Mr. Eaves presented. Commissioner Culbertson made the motion seconded by Commissioner Wells to table the Environmental Conservation, On-Site Sewage Management, and Permit Ordinance until they have time to review the ordinance. The motion passed unanimously.

Consideration of the Necessity of Contract Approval

Mr. Eaves presented the ACCG to allow the Sheriff to contract with the City of Metter. Mr. Gross read the code section that consent is not required or necessary for the Sheriff to contract with the City of Metter. No action was taken on this item.

Hospital Requests of \$50,000.00

Dale Fordham requested \$50,000.00 to assist in an immediate cash need of the Hospital. Commissioner Robinson made the motion seconded by Commissioner Wells to loan the Candler County Hospital \$50,000.00 out of the Landfill Closure Account with the condition that it is returned within two weeks. The motion passed unanimously.

Report from Chairman

Chairman Thrift had nothing to report.

Report from County Administrator

Adult Education Center Roof

Mr. Eaves updated the Board on the insurance proceeds. Bids will be published next week. Bids for shingle or tin roof prices will be received.

Commissioners Office Renovations

Mr. Eaves stated three more bids have been received for the Commissioner's office renovations.

Report from Commissioners

Commissioner Wells Rainer Road informed the Board of a pond damn eroding the road away within District 4.

Commissioner Robinson requested an update on the paving of Webb Circle within District 3.

Commissioner Culbertson had nothing to report for District 1.

Vice-Chairman Jones had nothing to report from District 2.

Executive Session

Commissioner Wells made the motion to enter into an Executive Session at 7:22 p.m. seconded by Commissioner Culbertson to discuss personnel and pending litigation. 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 8:02 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

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

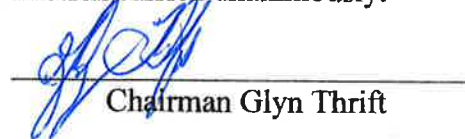
Adjournment

With no further business to discuss, Vice-Chairman Jones made a motion at 8:02 p.m. seconded by Commissioner Wells to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried unanimously.



Maranda K. Lank, Clerk

Attest



Chairman Glyn Thrift