REGULAR SESSION
TIFT COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MONDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2011 (6:00 P.M.)

The scheduled Regular Session of the Tift County Board of Commissioners was called to order by Chairman on Monday, October 10, 2011, at 6:00 P.M. in the Commissioner’s Meeting Room of the Administrative Building. Member of the commission present including Chairman Thompson were Vice Chairman Robert Setters and Commissioners Buck Rigdon, Donnie Hester, Melissa Chevers, Sherry Miley. Commissioner Mike Jones was absent.

Chairman Thompson asked Commissioner to give the invocation followed by the pledge to the flag.

Minutes: Motion approving the minutes of September 6, 2011 Workshop Session; September 12, 2011 Regular Session was made by Commissioner Miley, seconded by Commissioner Chevers. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Comments: None

Informational items for Discussion Only: The County Manager advised the Board on the Redistricting meeting held on the previous Thursday. There was a good turn out and some very good input came out of the meeting. He met with the Southern Regional folks on Friday and has requested a few changes as a result of the meeting. Revisions are being done on Maps 5 and 6. He will keep the Board informed of the meetings yet to be set up with the School Board again.

PUBLIC HEARING: None

REGULAR AGENDA:

A. Alcoholic Beverage license name change for Quick Buys: The County Clerk advised that this application has been properly processed and approved by the Sheriff. Motion approving the Beer License for a name change for Quick Buys was made by Commissioner Setters, seconded by Commissioner Hester. Motion carried unanimously.

B. Disposal method for five (5) County Buildings: Jason Jordan reported on the properties to the Board and the method that staff recommends disposing of them. Staff would like for the Board to give authorization to surplus the five buildings for the materials in them or to relocate the house and if no bids are received the county will tear down the houses and haul to the landfill. They will be advertised in the Tifton Gazette for two consecutive weeks with a total wait time of 30 days at which time the bids will be opened and awarded to the highest bidder. The successful bidder will have 120 days to remove the structures from the property. Motion was made by Commissioner Hester to surplus the five County owned properties as presented and allow staff to dispose of the properties in the manner of which was explained by the Special Projects Manager, seconded by Commissioner Chevers. Motion carried unanimously.

Commissioners Items:

Commissioner Chevers reported that there was a good turnout of folks for the Ribbon Cutting at Copeland Park and she thanked staff for their efforts and hard work on the upgrades at the park.

Chairman Thompson stated that there was a very good write up in the paper on Copeland Park and that the improvements are good for the community. He also stated that we have a lot to be thankful for in this County.

Commissioner Hester announced that he had been elected as the Chairman of the Public Safety and Court Committee at ACCG again and he is proud of Tift County and its’ employees for putting forth such good effort to work together and in harmony with one another.

County Manager Items:
• The County Clerk reminded the Board of the event “Celebrate Rural Georgia” for this Wednesday, October 12th at the conference Center from 10 AM to 3 PM; The Official Appreciation Dinner at the Dinnerman Farm in Cook County on October 18th at 5 PM and the District 11 Meeting in Valdosta at the Rainwater Conference Center on October 25th at 10 AM
• Jason Jordan age a brief Code Enforcement Report stating that in September, 12 phone call complaint problems have been solved and that 10 cases have been closed during the month by following the protocol of the Nuisance Ordinance.

Gene Fandel was in the audience and was introduced by the County Manager. Mr. Fandel teaches Government at the 8th Grade Middle School. He spoke briefly to the Board and thanked them for allowing him to speak. He stated that he gets the kids involved in Government because he feels the younger generations needs to step up to the plate. He discusses Governmental jobs that they can potentially go into. He will try to continuing coming to meetings as often as possible and continue to keep the kids involved in Government.

**Executive Session:** None

Motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Chevers, seconded by Commissioner Miley. Motion carried unanimously.

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Chairman Grady Thompson, District 7  Vice Chairman Robert Setters, District 3

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Commissioner Donnie Hester, District 1  Commissioner Melissa Chevers, District 2

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Commissioner Sherry Miley, Dist. 4  Commissioner F. W. (Buck) Rigdon, District 5

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absent  Attest: _____________________________
Commissioner C. Michael Jones, District 6  Glynda Hemby, County Clerk

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