

**WORKSHOP SESSION  
TIFT COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
TUESDAY, JANUARY 8, 2019**

The scheduled Workshop Session of the Tift County Board of Commissioners was called to order by Chairman Grady Thompson on Tuesday, January 8, 2019 at 6:00 pm in the Commissioner's Meeting Room of the Charles Kent Administration Building. Members of the Commission present in addition to Chairman Thompson were Commissioners Tony McBrayer, Greg Wood, Donnie Hester, Fred "Buck" Rigdon, Stan Stalnaker and Melissa Hughes.

Superior Court Judge Melanie Cross was present to administer oaths to newly elected Commissioners Tony McBrayer, Donnie Hester, Greg Wood and Stan Stalnaker.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

There were none to report.

**APPOINTMENTS:**

- A. Sabrina Tucker, 2319 Dorminey Street – County Manager Jim Carter stated that he has met with Ms. Tucker and is addressing her concerns. Ms. Tucker was not present at the meeting.
- B. Melanie Lester, 2304 Dorminey Street – County Manager Jim Carter stated that he has met with Ms. Lester and is addressing her concerns. Ms. Lester was not present at the meeting.
- C. Veronica Robinson, 41 Tifton Eldorado Road, expressed her concerns regarding the Fire Department involving her house fire on December 26, 2017. Ms. Robinson and County Manager Jim Carter to meet to discuss the situation further.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS:**

- A. Close Out Public Hearing for CDBG Grant – Brookvale Subdivision Street and Drainage Improvements – County Manager Jim Carter stated that this public hearing is a requirement of the grant and the hearing will be held on January 14, 2018 at 6 pm.

**ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED AT REGULAR SESSION, JANUARY 14, 2019 MEETING:**

- A. **Appointment of County Commission Vice Chairperson:** County Manager Jim Carter stated that in 2015 the Board approved a resolution that outlines the process by which the vice chairperson is selected which is in numerical district order. Commissioner Stan Stalnaker, District 4, was the chairperson in 2018 so Commissioner Fred "Buck" Rigdon, District 5, would be chairperson in 2019. However, Commissioner Rigdon does not wish to serve as Chairperson. Mr. Carter asked for time to confirm that in this instance the next numerical district number would be vice chairperson. Mr. Carter to make this confirmation by the January 14<sup>th</sup> meeting.

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- B. **Resolution No. 2019-01 – City of TyTy Pledge of SPLOST VI Proceeds:** County Manager Jim Carter stated the City of TyTy needs to begin work on necessary improvements to their water system infrastructure. In order to make these improvements, the City of TyTy is borrowing funds from South Georgia Banking Company. As part of the financing, the City of TyTy needs a resolution from the Board stating that the Board acknowledges that SPLOST VI proceeds designated to the City of TyTy are to be forwarded to South Georgia Banking Company if called upon to do so by the Bank. The resolution also states that under no circumstance will Tift County have any responsibility whatsoever for the loan. The County approved a similar resolution for the City of TyTy for SPLOST V proceeds. The Board indicated its desire to place item “B” on the Consent Agenda.
- C. **Agreement with Bob Roberson & Associates for Administration of CDBG Grant for Ruth’s Cottage:** County Manager Jim Carter stated that this agreement is for the administration of the grant. Services include establishing project files, establishing and maintaining financial record keeping systems, and assisting the County in bidding, contracting and supervising project activities. Bob Roberson & Associates will be paid through Ruth’s Cottage fundraising proceeds. The Board indicated its desire to place item “C” on the Consent Agenda.
- D. **Alcohol Beverage License Application for Retail Wine Package Submitted by Pilot Corporation for 4431 Old Union Road:** County Clerk Miriam Jordan stated that Pilot Corporation currently holds a Retail Malt Beverage Package License and would like to add a Retail Wine Package License. The Sheriff recommends approval. The Board indicated its desire to place item “D” on the Consent Agenda.
- E. **Alcohol Beverage License Application for Retail Malt Beverage Package and Retail Wine Package Submitted by Bay Station, LLC for Dixie Food Located at 2106 South Main Street:** County Clerk Miriam Jordan stated that this location currently holds a license but under different management. There will be new management so a new application was required. The Sheriff recommends approval. The Board indicated its desire to place item “E” on the Consent Agenda.
- F. **Alcohol Beverage License Application for Retail Malt Beverage Package and Retail Wine Package Submitted by Mukesh K. Parmar for Chula General Store Located at 3336 Highway 41, Chula:** County Clerk Miriam Jordan stated that this location currently holds a license but under different management. There will be new management so a new application was required. The Sheriff recommends approval. The Board indicated its desire to place item “F” on the Consent Agenda.

**COUNTY MANAGER’S COMMENTS:**

County Manager Jim Carter stated he is looking forward to working with everyone in 2019.

**COUNTY ATTORNEY’S COMMENTS:**

There were none to report.

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**COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS:**

All Commissioners wished everyone a happy new year and welcomed newly elected Commissioner Tony McBrayer.

Commissioner Melissa Hughes stated that when tragedy strikes time either stands still or goes by real fast. She stated that she was glad we had data to show what happens during incidents.

Chairman Grady Thompson thanked Commissioner Melissa Hughes for her outstanding work on the Gnat Drop. Commissioner Donnie Hester stated that Commissioner Hughes has his full support for the Gnat Drop festivities in the future.

Commissioner Tony McBrayer stated that he was happy to be here and serving the citizens of Tift County.

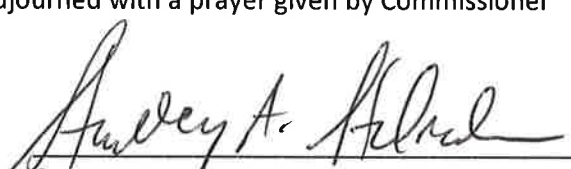
**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

There was none to report.

**ADJOURN:**


There being no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned with a prayer given by Commissioner Donnie Hester.

  
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Chairman Grady Thompson, District 7

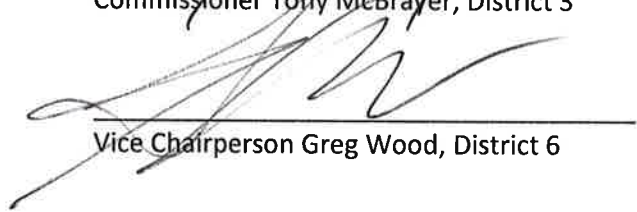
  
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Commissioner Donnie Hester, District 1

  
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Commissioner Melissa Hughes, District 2

  
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Commissioner Tony McBrayer, District 3

  
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Commissioner Fred "Buck" Rigdon, District 5

  
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Vice Chairperson Greg Wood, District 6

ATTEST:   
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February 11, 2019