

**REGULAR SESSION
TIFT COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2019 (6:00 PM)**

The scheduled Regular Session of the Tift County Board of Commissioners was called to order by Chairman Grady Thompson on Monday, February 11, 2019 at 6:00 pm in the Commission Meeting Room of the Charles Kent Administration Building. Members of the Commission present were: Chairman Grady Thompson and Commissioners Tony McBrayer, Greg Wood, Donnie Hester, Fred "Buck" Rigdon, Stan Stalnaker and Melissa Hughes.

Commissioner Melissa Hughes offered an invocation and Chairman Grady Thompson led in the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States Flag.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Marxann Greer, 148 Edgewater Road, expressed her concerns regarding the use of weather sirens. She asked that the County continue to use the sirens. Mrs. Greer also expressed her concerns about the county having generators to use during emergencies.

ITEMS TO BE ADDED TO THE AGENDA

There were none to report.

MINUTES

Commissioner Greg Wood made a motion to approve the following minutes: (1) Workshop Session – January 8, 2019; and (2) Regular Session – January 14, 2019. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Melissa Hughes. The motion carried 6-0.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

TC-ZA-19-01, Application by Vandell Bennett, owner; Nelson Kunes, agent. The current zoning classification of the property is R21 (Medium Density Residential). The 0.91 acre tract of land is located at the intersection of Whiddon Mill Road and Bowen Marchant Road (1702 Whiddon Mill Road). The applicant asks that the 0.91 acre parcel be rezoned from R21 (Medium Density Residential) to RP (Residential Professional) allowing for the construction of a building to be used as professional use (i.e. real estate office, insurance office).

Development Support Services Director Chris Davis stated that the Planning Commission met to consider this application. The standards for exercising zoning powers were considered and the Commission unanimously approved the application.

County Attorney Nick Kinsley stated that the standards for exercising zoning powers and the procedures for public hearings are posted in the meeting room. Mr. Kinsley also asked the Commissioners if there was any conflict of interest with them or a family member. There were no conflicts noted.

Mr. Kinsley opened the public hearing for comments.

Nelson Kunes, agent, spoke in favor of the application.

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There being no further comments, Mr. Kinsley closed the hearing.

Commissioner Greg Wood made a motion to approve TC-ZA-19-01 to rezone 1702 Whiddon Mill Road from R21 to RP. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Tony McBrayer. The motion carried 6-0.

APPOINTMENTS

There were none to report.

CONSENT AGENDA:

- A. Motion to Approve the Transportation Investment Act (TIA) Local Project Delivery Application
- B. Motion to Approve a Change Order in the Amount of \$13,477.17 to be paid from SPLOST V for the Springhill Church Road and Sand Hammock Lake Road Project
- C. Motion to Approve the Purchase of a Mini-Excavator from Yancey CAT in the Amount of \$69,900 which is a Budgeted General Fund Item
- D. Motion to Approve Emergency Repair of EMS Squad One in the Amount of \$11,509.73 to be paid from General Fund
- F. Motion to Approve Verizon Assumption of Liability for Two (2) Tablets to be Installed on the Tift Lift Vans for a Monthly Service Fee of \$37.00 per tablet to be paid from GDOT Grant and General/Transit Funds

Commissioner Tony McBrayer asked that Item E be removed from the Consent Agenda for further discussion.

Commissioner Melissa Hughes made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda items A-D & F as read by the County Attorney Nick Kinsley. Motion seconded by Commissioner Greg Wood. Motion carried 6-0.

- E. Motion to Approve Agreement Addendum with Motorola Solutions, Inc. for Advanced Plus Services in the Amount of \$267,841 per year for Ten Years to be paid from SPLOST VI

Commissioners Greg Wood and Stan Stalaker stated that the questions they had have been answered. Commissioner Tony McBrayer asked for further clarification of the agreement. Chad Branch and Tina Gay with Tift County and Glenn McCrary with Spillman clarified how the agreement will work.

Commissioner Melissa Hughes made a motion to approve the agreement addendum with Motorola Solutions, Inc. Motion seconded by Commissioner Stan Stalaker. Motion carried 6-0.

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REGULAR AGENDA:

- A. **Service Delivery Strategy (SDS) Revision for City of Tifton CDBG Project:** County Clerk Miriam Jordan stated that the City of Tifton is applying for a CDBG grant to construct the Matt Wilson Youth Center. The cities of Omega and TyTy have already adopted this revision. Commissioner Donnie Hester made a motion to approve the revision. Motion seconded by Commissioner Greg Wood. Motion carried 6-0.
- B. **Appointment to the Zoning Board of Appeals:** County Clerk Miriam Jordan stated that there is a vacancy on this Board and that an application has been received from Matthew Waldrop. Mrs. Jordan asked if the Board had any other names to be considered. There were none given. Chairman Grady Thompson opened the floor for nominations. Commissioner Greg Wood nominated Matthew Waldrop. There being no further nominations, Chairman Thompson closed the nominations. Commissioner Greg Wood made a motion to appoint Matthew Waldrop to the Zoning Board of Appeals. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Donnie Hester. Motion carried 6-0.
- C. **Appointment to Tourism Board:** County Clerk Miriam Jordan stated that the terms for Jack Stone and Roger Dill expire in February. Both men have expressed a desire to be reappointed. Mrs. Jordan asked if the Board had any other names to be considered. There were none given. Chairman Grady Thompson opened the floor for nominations. Commissioner Fred "Buck" Rigdon nominated Jack Stone and Roger Dill. There being no further nominations, Chairman Thompson closed the nominations. Commissioner Fred "Buck" Rigdon made a motion to appoint Jack Stone and Roger Dill to the Tourism Board. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Donnie Hester. Motion carried 6-0.

COUNTY MANAGER'S COMMENTS:

County Manager Jim Carter was not present at this meeting.

COMMISSIONER'S COMMENTS:

Commissioner Melissa Hughes expressed her concerns regarding the weather sirens. Commissioner Hughes also stated that the sock drive was phenomenal and thanked everyone who volunteered.

Commissioners Donnie Hester and Tony McBrayer asked everyone to keep the County Manager in their prayers.


EXECUTIVE SESSION:

There was none to report.

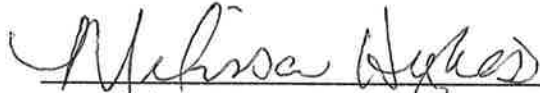
ADJOURN: There being no further discussion, Commissioner Donnie Hester made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Melissa Hughes. Motion carried 6-0.

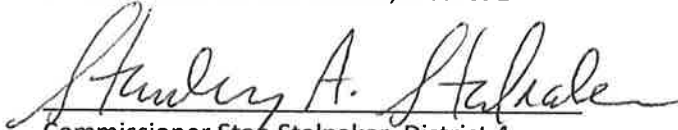
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Chairman Grady Thompson, District 7

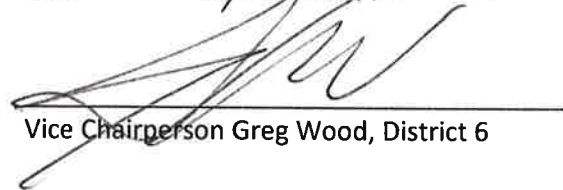

Commissioner Tony McBreyer, District 3

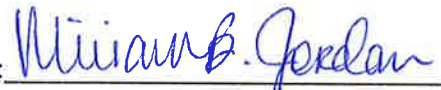
Absent
Commissioner Donnie Hester, District 1


Commissioner Melissa Hughes, District 2


Commissioner Stan Stalnaker, District 4


Commissioner Fred "Buck" Rigdon, District 5


Vice Chairperson Greg Wood, District 6

ATTEST: 
March 11, 2019