

**WORKSHOP SESSION
TIFT COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
TUESDAY, AUGUST 6, 2019**

The scheduled Workshop Session of the Tift County Board of Commissioners was called to order by Chairman Grady Thompson on Tuesday, August 6, 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, Stan Stalnaker and Melissa Hughes. Commissioner Fred "Buck" Rigdon was absent.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

There were none to report.

APPOINTMENTS:

- A. Tim Pratt, 3102 Hillcrest Avenue, asked the Board to consider resurfacing the roads in the Kings Height area. Mr. Pratt provided pictures of the roads in this area to the Board.
- B. Ambrose King, Jr. asked the Board to consider creating a historic preservation commission for the Phillipsburg and Unionville districts. Mrs. Caroline Day read and presented a resolution to the Board for the creation of this commission.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

There were none to report.

ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED AT REGULAR SESSION, AUGUST 12, 2019 MEETING:

- A. **Alcohol Beverage License Application Submitted by Shifa H. Tejani for a Retail Malt Beverage Package License and a Retail Wine Package License for Tifton Holiday Mart, LLC Located at 4468 US Highway 319 South:** County Clerk Miriam Jordan asked the Board to remove this item from the agenda because the applicant has not followed through with fingerprinting as required as part of the application process. The Board indicated its desire to place item "A" on the Consent Agenda for removal.
- B. **Alcohol Catering License Fee and Application:** County Manager Jim Carter stated that the current county ordinance allows for alcohol catering license but a fee nor application has been adopted. A fee for catering of alcoholic beverages for a special event permit is already established at \$300. Staff recommends using this same fee since it is basically the same service provided. Staff also recommends amending the current alcohol beverage license application to include alcohol beverage caterers. The Board indicated its desire to place item "B" on the Regular Agenda.
- C. **Change Orders for Adult Victims Assistance Shelter:** County Manager Jim Carter asked the Board to place this item on the Regular Agenda so that Architect Roy Rankin can attend the Commission Meeting and go through the change orders for the Board. The Board indicated its desire to place item "C" on the Regular Agenda.

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- D. **Agreement with Tift Regional Health System, Inc. for Indigent Care Services:** County Attorney Anthony Rowell stated that this is a federal program called a Section 340B program. It is designed to allow through Medicare and Medicaid the local regional hospital to acquire funds back from the government to offset the cost of pharmaceuticals. For the approval of the participation in this program, the application requires the local regional hospital to have an agreement with the local government certifying that we are a community in need. The agreement does not obligate the County to anything. The Board indicated its desire to place item "D" on the Consent Agenda.
- E. **Agreement with the Georgia Environmental Protection Division for Tire Amnesty Event:** County Clerk Miriam Jordan stated that the County has been approved for an approximately \$25,000 grant for the collection of tires free of charge to citizens in Tift County and its municipalities. The event will be held on August 16-17, 2019 from 8 am – 5 pm each day. Tires will be collected at the Public Works Department on Whiddon Mill Road. The Board indicated its desire to place item "E" on the Consent Agenda.
- F. **Agreement with Georgia Department of Transportation for Tift Lift Transit Services:** County Clerk Miriam Jordan stated that this agreement is for the FY20 transit services. The agreement includes \$3,200 to purchase a new computer and printer for the dispatch office. The Board indicated its desire to place item "F" on the Consent Agenda.
- G. **Tift Lift Transit System Title VI Plan:** County Clerk Miriam Jordan stated that this plan is required by the Georgia Department of Transportation to participate in the grant funding program for transit services. GDOT has reviewed the plan and concurred that it meets all requirements. This plan outlines how Tift Lift will not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, disability, family or religious status and outlines the process for filing a grievance should discrimination occur. The Board indicated its desire to place item "G" on the Consent Agenda.
- H. **Appointment of Voting Delegate for 2019 ACCG Legislative Leadership Conference:** The Board indicated its desire to place item "H" on the Consent Agenda appointing Commissioner Donnie Hester as the voting delegate.
- I. **Appointment to Community Service Board for Behavioral Health Services of South Georgia:** County Clerk Miriam Jordan stated the term for Elizabeth O'Rear on this board has expired. Ms. O'Rear wishes to be reappointed. The Board indicated its desire to place item "I" on the Regular Agenda.

COUNTY MANAGER'S COMMENTS:

There were no comments to report.

COUNTY ATTORNEY'S COMMENTS:

There were no comments to report.

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COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS:

Commissioner Melissa Hughes asked that everyone remember and keep in their prayers everyone who is hurting right now.

Commissioner Tony McBrayer addressed concerns regarding the new hours at the Animal Shelter. Commissioner McBrayer stated that euthanizations were way down thanks to rescue organizations that have been taking the animals. However, animals are required to stay longer waiting for these rescue organizations which requires more staff time and maintenance. Thus the need for the change in hours. As for Saturdays, the shelter hasn't been open on Saturdays for years.

Chairman Grady Thompson thanked the citizens present for bringing their concerns and desire to establish a historic district.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

There was none to report.

ADJOURN:

There being no further discussion, Commissioner Melissa Hughes made a motion to adjourn. Motion seconded by Commissioner Greg Wood. Motion carried 6-0.



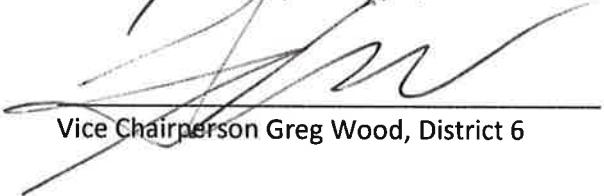
Chairman Grady Thompson, District 7



Commissioner Donnie Hester, District 1



Commissioner Tony McBrayer, District 3



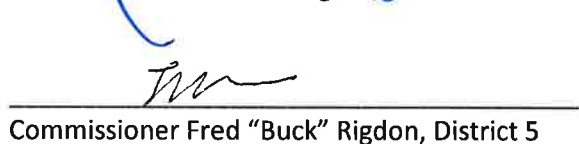
Vice Chairperson Greg Wood, District 6




Commissioner Stan Stalnaker, District 4



Commissioner Melissa Hughes, District 2



Commissioner Fred "Buck" Rigdon, District 5

ATTEST: 

September 9, 2019