

**After
Agenda**

**Board of Commissioners of Spalding County
Regular Meeting
Monday, March 5, 2012
6:00 PM
Meeting Room 108, Courthouse Annex**

The Spalding County Board of Commissioners held their Regular Session in Room 108 in the Courthouse Annex, Monday, March 5, 2012, beginning at 6:00 p.m. with Commissioner Gwen Flowers-Taylor presiding. Commissioners Bob Gilreath, Raymond Ray, Samuel Gardner and Eddie Freeman were present. Also present were County Manager William P. Wilson Jr., Attorney Jim Fortune and Ex Officio, County Clerk, Ricky L. Clark Jr. to record the minutes.

I. OPENING (CALL TO ORDER) – Chairman, Gwen Flowers-Taylor

II. INVOCATION – led by Commissioner Samuel Gardner

III. PLEDGE TO FLAG – led by Commissioner Raymond Ray

Motion/Second by Gardner/Freeman to amend agenda and move item seven (7), Noise Abatement and Control Ordinance, as the last item of the agenda. Motion carried by all.

IV. PRESENTATIONS/PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITION- NONE

V. PRESENTATIONS OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - NONE

VI. CITIZEN COMMENT

Speakers must sign up prior to the meeting and provide their names, addresses and topic in which they will speak on. Speakers must direct all comments to the Board only. Speakers will be allotted three (3) minutes to speak on their chosen topics and relate to matters pertinent to the jurisdiction of the Board of the Commissioners. No questions will be asked by any of the commissioners during citizen comments. Outbursts from the audience will not be tolerated. Common courtesy and civility are expected at all times during the meeting.

Steven Harless-201 Hickory Circle, Griffin, GA- Mr. Harless advised the Board of several concerns with the proposed Noise Abatement & Control ordinance. Mr. Harless stated that his primary concern deals with how vague the text is. Mr. Harless owns a DJ company in Spalding County and performs outside weddings and parties. Should the Board choose to pass this ordinance, it will require him to get a permit for any outside events. Mr. Harless provided several different examples of events that typically would not require a permit but should the Board adopt this amendment, permits would be required. Mr. Harless also stated that there are no time limits in the ordinance for event like his. In closing, Mr. Harless stated that citizens should not have to come before the Board for permits.

VII. MINUTES –

Consider approval of Minutes of the following: February 18, 2012 Commissioners Retreat; February 20, 2012 Extraordinary Session.

Motion/Second by Ray/Freeman to approve minutes of the February 18, 2012 Commissioners Retreat & the February 20, 2012 Extraordinary Session. Motion carried by all.

VIII. CONSENT AGENDA - NONE

IX. OLD BUSINESS

1. Consider appointment to the Three Rivers Regional Commission to fill the unexpired term of Jud Keith.

Motion/Second by Flowers-Taylor/Gardner to appoint Freddie Phillips to the Three Rivers Regional Commission to fill the unexpired term of Jud Keith. Motion carried by all.

X. NEW BUSINESS

1. Consider request to hold National Day of Prayer program themed “One Nation Under God”, for Spalding County on May 3, 2012 at Noon on the Courthouse Veranda.

Motion/Second by Gardner/Ray to approve the request to hold the National Day of Prayer program themed “One Nation Under God”, for Spalding County on May 3, 2012 at Noon on the Courthouse Veranda. Motion carried by all.

2. Consider approval of final plat of Sun City Peachtree Subdivision- Pod 37B- located off Jordan Hill Road – 60 lots.

Motion/Second by Gardner/Freeman to approve final plats of Sun City Peachtree Subdivision- Pod 37B- located off Jordan Hill Road- 60 lots. Motion carried by all.

3. Consider acceptance of Right-of-Way Deed for Evergreen Drive, Champions Court, Sawgrass Place and Whispering Pines Way (Sun City Peachtree Subdivision- Pod 37B).

Motion/Second by Gardner/Freeman to accept Right-of-Way Deed for Evergreen Drive, Champions Court, Sawgrass Place and Whispering Pines way (Sun City Peachtree Subdivision – Pod 37B). Motion carried by all.

4. Consider approval of recommendation from the Spalding County Parks & Recreation Advisory Board to allow the United Daughters of the Confederacy use of Camp Stephens for an event to be held on April 14, 2012.

Motion/Second by Freeman/Gilreath to approve recommendation from the Spalding County Parks & Recreation Advisory Board to allow the United Daughters of the Confederacy use of Camp Stephens for an event to be held on April 14, 2012. County Manager to get with the Spalding County Risk Management on a possible recommendation for requiring liability insurance for any use of County Facilities. Motion carried by a vote of 4-1 with Commissioner Ray opposing.

5. Consider approval of delegation of authority from an official to a principal in regards to the USDA Summer Food Program 2012.

Motion/Second by Ray/Gardner to approve delegation of authority from an official (Chairman) to a principal (Parks & Recreation Director) in regards to the USDA Summer Food Program 2012. Motion carried by all.

6. Consider approval of updated Statewide Mutual Aid & Assistance Agreement.

Motion/Second by Gardner/Ray to approve updated Statewide Mutual Aid & Assistance Agreement. Motion carried by all.

7. Consider bids for Mass Notification Emergency Alert System to be purchased with FEMA/GEMA Grant funds.

Motion/Second by Ray/Gardner to award bid for Mass Notification Emergency Alert System to FirstCall for a three year contract totaling \$41,049 and authorize Chairman to execute documents necessary for same. Motion carried by all.

8. Consider approval of extension of ninety (90) days for the moratorium established December 5, 2011 for Personal Care Homes.

Motion/Second by Freeman/Ray to approve extension of ninety (90) days for the moratorium established December 5, 2011 for Personal Care Homes. Motion carried by all.

9. Consider approval of Park @ 6th Policies and Procedures, Park @ 6th Reservation Availability & Fee Schedule, Park @ 6th Event Reservation Application, and policy allowing the lawful possession and consumption of alcoholic beverages at the Park @ 6th for City and County sanctioned events.

Motion/Second by Freeman/Gilreath to approve the Park @ 6th Policies and Procedures, Park @ 6th Reservation Availability & Fee Schedule, Park @ 6th Event Reservation Application, and policy allowing the lawful possession and consumption of alcoholic beverages at the Park @ 6th for City and County Sanctioned events with the following changes: Paragraph 3 under Rental Policies should include Spalding County (renter shall not use the name of), under Reservation Availability & Schedule of Fees, Spalding County should be the recipient of all fees not Griffin Mainstreet, in which a special account would be created for the purpose of upkeep, maintenance and improvements to the Park. Motion carried by all.

10. Consider approval on first reading of an ordinance to amend Chapter 4 Sec. 11-4001 thru 11-4006, entitled Noise Abatement and Control, in the Spalding County Code of Ordinances.

Motion/Second by Ray/Gilreath to table first reading of an ordinance to amend Chapter 4 Sec. 11-4001 thru 11-4006, entitled Noise Abatement and Control, in the Spalding County Code of Ordinances and conduct a workshop on the same. Motion carried by all.

XI. REPORT OF COUNTY MANAGER

- A. Griffin High JROTC Awards Program scheduled for Thursday, May 10, 2012 at 6:30 to be held at the Griffin High School Commons Area. The County sponsors the Allan B. Imes award in which the Chairman has historically presented.
- B. Artemus Hood, Vice-Chair of the Board of Elections has been placed on the heart transplant list at Emory University Hospital. The cost of immunosuppressive medications range from \$20,600 - \$32,900. Mr. Hood is asking for donations to reach the goal of \$10,000. He is enrolled in the Georgia Transplant Foundation's Transplant Fundraising Program which would match all money raise to a maximum of \$10,000.00. Donation forms have been emailed to all Commissioners.
- C. Mr. Wilson & Sheriff Beam advised that it's time to update the radar certification list submitted to GDOT to possibly include dirt roads. Issue came up when Commissioner Freeman received a complaint from a citizen on Rawls Rd.

- D. To save cost staff is requesting that we go from using display ads to legal ads as a cost saving measure. There is no directive in the UDO for Rezoning notices, FLUM Amendments & Special Exceptions to be ran as a display ad. Consensus of the Board members to change the policy to use legal ads and also place the ad on the County website.
- E. Ribbon Cutting Ceremony at the Park@ 6th tentatively scheduled for Thursday April 12th around 5:30 lasting until around 8:00 p.m. with celebratory activities.
- F. The Sheriff's Department is planning a ceremony for the Law Enforcement Memorial Wall to arrive in Clayton County and Spalding County on April 6th to honor Sheriff Stewart. Parks & Rec has reserved the Wyomia Tyus Park Soccer Field for April 6th.
- G. All City of Griffin and Spalding County residents will have the opportunity to participate in the annual E-Waste Collection event. This event focuses primarily on electronic recycling. The following items are acceptable: Computers, Keyboards, Monitors, Copiers, TV's, DVD's, VCR's, Stereos, Typewriters, Printers, Fax & Adding Machines, Cellular Phones, Rechargeable Batteries, etc.

XII. REPORT OF COMMISSIONERS

Freeman- None

Gardner- Questioned progress on changing speed limit on Jordan Hill road from 35 mph to 45 mph. Mr. Wilson to check with Sheriff Beam on status.

Gilreath- Questioned if it was permissible for property owners to have advertisement signs in their yard. Mr. Gilreath noted that he has seen several contractors' signs soliciting business in various neighborhoods. Mr. Wilson to check the sign ordinance.

Ray- Commended those involved with the weather alert system research and investigations. Mr. Ray also advised the Board that Cpt. Novin Darsey, Special Operations, house burned down earlier today. Mr. Ray requested the Board to keep the family in their prayers.

Flowers-Taylor- Advised the Board that there is need for revisions to the Noise Abatement & Control ordinance and appreciates the Board trying to do their due diligence before passing such a difficult ordinance. Chairman Flowers-Taylor stated that as a liaison on the Parks & Recreation Advisory Board, there are several concerns of requests to consider travel ball. Mrs. Flowers-Taylor stated that consideration for the Board of Commissioners would come after recommendation from the Parks & Recreation Advisory Board. Mrs. Flowers-Taylor noted that it would take two commissioners requesting action for the item to be placed on the agenda. Mr. Freeman advised that he requested Louis Greene, Parks & Recreation Director to put travel ball back on the Advisory Boards' agenda for reconsideration by that Board.

XIII. CLOSED SESSION –NONE

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

Motion/Second by Gardner/Ray to adjourn at 7:36 p.m. Motion carried by all.