



**Board of Commissioners of Spalding County
Extraordinary Session
Monday, May 21, 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, May 21, 2012, beginning at 6:00 p.m. with Commissioner Flowers-Taylor presiding. Commissioners 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. Commissioner Bob Gilreath was not present.

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

II. INVOCATION – led by Commissioner Samuel Gardner

III. PLEDGE TO FLAG – led by Commissioner Eddie Freeman

IV. PRESENTATIONS/PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITION

1. Consider Proclamation honoring the tenth year pastoral anniversary of Dr. Mark Thomas Sellers.

Motion/Second by Ray/Gardner to approve Proclamation honoring the tenth pastoral anniversary of Dr. Mark Thomas. Motion carried unanimously by all.

2. Consider Proclamation honoring retiring Moore Elementary School Principal, Dr. Martha Taylor.

Motion/Second by Freeman/Ray to approve Proclamation honoring retiring Moore Elementary School Principal, Dr. Martha Taylor. Motion carried unanimously by all.

V. PRESENTATIONS OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1. Consider approval of Financial Statements for the Ten Month period ended April 30, 2012.

Motion/Second by Gardner/Ray to approve the Financial Statements for the Ten Month period ended April 30, 2012. Motion carried unanimously by all.

VI. CITIZEN COMMENT – NONE

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.

VII. MINUTES –

Consider approval of Minutes of the following: May 7, 2012 Regular Meeting

Motion/Second by Ray/Freeman to approve minutes of the May 7, 2012 Regular Meeting. Motion carried unanimously by all.

VIII. CONSENT AGENDA

1. Consider approval on second reading Ordinance #2012-07 to amend Part VII, Chapter 1, Section 7-1002, relating to speed limits on specific County Roads, by striking Jordan Hill Roads-Dobbins Mill Road- A Point North- 2 miles- 35 miles per hour by adding in lieu thereof one subsection as follows: Jordan Hill Rd from Dobbins Mill Road to the Henry County Line zoned 45 miles per hour.

Motion/Second by Gardner/Freeman to approve Consent Agenda. Motion carried unanimously by all.

IX. OLD BUSINESS - NONE

X. NEW BUSINESS

1. Consider request of the Humane Society for a letter stating that Spalding County has no objection to the State granting a one-day alcohol license for the Society's Annual Chili Cook-Off to be held on October 27, 2012.

Motion/Second by Freeman/Ray to approve request of Humane Society to provide a letter that Spalding County has no objection to the State granting a one-day alcohol license for the Society's Annual Chili Cook-Off to be held on October 27, 2012. Motion carried unanimously by all.

2. Consider approval of the following amplification permits as requested by Chris Smith of the Griffin Moose Lodge for various outdoor events to be held on the following dates at the Griffin Moose Lodge:

a.) May 28, 2012	Family Pool Event	from 1:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.
b.) June 2, 2012	Birthday Party	from 7:00 p.m. – 12:00 p.m.
c.) July 4, 2012	Family Pool Event	from 1:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.
d.) July 21, 2012	Luau Event	from 7:00 p.m. – 12:00 a.m.
e.) Sept. 3, 2012	Family Pool Event	from 1:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Motion/Second by Gardner/Freeman to approve the above-listed amplification permits as requested by Chris Smith of the Griffin Moose Lodge for various outdoor events to be held at the Griffin Moose Lodge with the following change: June 2, 2012 event to be held from 7:00 p.m. – 12:00 a.m. instead of 12:00 p.m. Motion carried unanimously by all.

3. Consider approval of an amplification permit as requested by Homer Nelms & Sybra Bookhard for an outdoor wedding and reception to be held on May 26, 2012 from 7:30 p.m. until 10:00 p.m. at 391 Wilson Rd.

Motion/Second by Freeman/Gardner to approve amplification permit as requested by Homer Nelms & Sybra Bookhard for an outdoor wedding and reception to be held on May 26, 2012 from 7:30 p.m. until 10:00 p.m. at 391 Wilson Rd with the following condition: Pilkenton & Murray must provide letter stating that there is no objection to event. Motion carried unanimously by all.

4. Discuss the following recommendations from the Parks & Recreation Advisory Board: Tobacco Free Parks & prohibiting coaches from being in law enforcement uniforms and carrying weapons.

Board Consensus was to amend Spalding County Parks & Recreation Rules & Procedures to reflect that all Spalding County Parks will be Tobacco Free effective July 1, 2012. County Attorney to amend smoking ordinance to coincide with Tobacco Free Policy for Parks.

Board Consensus was for Staff to conduct workshop with representatives from Parks & Recreation, Spalding County Sherriff's Department and County Attorney to prepare a recommendation to the Board of Commissioners. Once comments have been obtained from the Board, a draft ordinance will be issued for first reading.

5. Consider appointments to the Griffin-Spalding Airport Authority.

Post 1-Motion/Second by Flowers-Taylor/Gardner to appoint Commissioner Ray to the Griffin-Spalding Airport Authority Post 1 for a term to coincide with his elective office. Motion carried unanimously by all.

Post 3-Motion/Second by Flowers-Taylor/Gardner to appoint Commissioner Freeman to the Griffin-Spalding Airport Authority Post 3 for a term to coincide with his elective office. Motion carried unanimously by all.

Post 9- Motion/Second by Freeman/Gardner to appoint Ron Alexander to the Griffin-Spalding Airport Authority Post 9 for a term to expire 12/31/14. Motion carried unanimously by all.

Post 7- Motion/Second by Gardner/Freeman to appoint Carl Pruett to the Griffin-Spalding Airport Authority Post 7 for a term to expire 12/31/16. Motion carried unanimously by all.

Post 5- Motion/Second by Gardner/Flowers-Taylor to appoint Larry Johnson to the Griffin-Spalding Airport Authority Post 5 for a term to expire 12/31/18. Motion failed due to a 2-2 vote.

Motion/Second by Ray/Freeman to appoint Louis Thacker to the Griffin-Spalding Airport Authority Post 5 for a term to expire 12/31/18. Motion failed due to a 2-2 vote.

Appointment to be carried forth for future agenda.

6. Consider approval of Tower Lease Agreement with Communication Towers, LLC for the 800 MHz Communications Tower Site on Wild Plum Road.

Motion/Second by Gardner/Freeman to table Tower Lease Agreement with Communication Towers, LLC for the 800 MHz Communications Tower Site on Wild Plum Road. Motion carried by all.

7. Consider approval on first reading an ordinance amending the FY 2012 Budget to provide for year-end adjustments.

Motion/Second by Gardner/Freeman to approve on first reading an ordinance amending the FY 2012 Budget to provide for year-end adjustments. Motion carried by all.

8. Consider approval of resolution to amend the organization of and procedures for the disposition of business during the meetings of the Board of Commissioners.

Motion/Second by Ray/Gardner to approve resolution to amend the organization of and procedures for the disposition of business during the

meetings of the Board of Commissioners. Motion carried by a vote of 3-1 with Commissioner Gardner opposing.

9. Discuss potential transfer from Public Health District 4 to Public Health District 3-3.

Consensus of the Board to allow the Board of Health conduct meeting and provide recommendation the Board for Commissioners who will then convene at a special called meeting to render a decision.

10. Consider cancellation of July 2, 2012 Regular Scheduled Meeting.

Motion/Second by Gardner/Freeman to cancel July 2, 2012 Regular Scheduled Meeting. Motion carried unanimously by all.

XI. REPORT OF COUNTY MANAGER

- A. The Budget Public Hearing will be held on June 4th at 5:00 p.m. First Reading of the Budget will be held on June 18th at the Extraordinary Session. Final Adoption of the Budget will be June 28th at 5:45 p.m. before the Zoning Public Hearing.
- B. There will be a Special Called Water Authority meeting on Wednesday, May 23, 2012 to approve their FY'13 Budget.
- C. Biometric Screenings & Health Risk Assessments must be completed by July 6, 2012. If not completed there will be 20% of the insurance premium will be assessed.
- D. Status Update on Power Pole Fees- Fortune has been trying to the consultant that Cobb County used and to no avail. Fortune is now working on contacting GA Tech.
- E. We have been contacted by representatives from the TV Series RECTIFY to use our Correctional Institute to shoot a 6 episode television series. They are requesting to take some photos of the Correctional Institute to submit to producers. Warden Sikes has stated that he has no objection to the request.
- F. We were contacted by Joe Tanner & Associates that we were successful in being removed from the non-attainment status listing. Formal notification should follow within 60 days. Staff will distribute a press release on tomorrow.
- G. For the 11th Consecutive Year, Spalding County was awarded the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting. Kudos to Jinna Garrison.
- H. Congratulations to Chairman Gwen Flowers-Taylor who received her Gold Standard of Excellence Award from ACCG at the annual conference held in Savannah.
- I. Qualifying begins Wednesday and ends Friday at noon.
- J. Reminder: May 28, 2012 County Offices will be closed in observance to Memorial Day.
- K. 4-H Youth in Governance will be held on June 4, 2012 at 8:00 a.m.
- L. There will be a dedication ceremony for donated equipment from Firehouse Subs Public Safety Foundation on Friday June 14, 2012 at 3:30 p.m. Firehouse Subs located at 118 West Taylor street. Firehouse Subs donated ATV's to be used for Search & Rescue by the Fire Department.

XII. REPORT OF COMMISSIONERS

Freeman- Informed the Board that he attended the ACCG Mobile Classroom where they visited the new Maynard Jackson International Terminal, the CSX Training Center and also the DOT Maintenance Engineering Department. Mr. Freeman thoroughly enjoyed the learning experience and to cap his evening attended an Atlanta Braves games.

Gardner- Commended staff and the Budget Review Committee for their work on the FY' 13 Budget. Commissioner Gardner noted that the process used this year went really well.

Ray- Kudos to Staff and the Budget Review Committee on FY 13' Budget. Commissioner Ray noted that school will be out soon and urged all to be careful and watch for kids. Commissioner Ray also congratulated the graduating class of 2012. Mr. Ray urged the community to sign up for First Call and also advised of easy ways to sign up.

Flowers-Taylor- Chairman Flowers-Taylor requested that Staff contact the Humane Society to see if they would hold their event at the Park & Sixth. Chairman Flowers-Taylor also commended Parks & Recreation and all involved with the Flicks @ Sixth. She noted that the event was a huge success. Chairman Flowers-Taylor also recommended placing signs in the County advising of events in the Park. Additionally, Chairman Flowers-Taylor suggested that First Responders help sign people up for FirstCall when they are doing their boot drives. Chairman Flowers-Taylor also requested an update on the Blue Cross Blue Shield contract with Upson Regional. Mr. Wilson advised that he has asked for an update and was provided information that the contract was still pending. Mr. Wilson to email Matt Bidwell of MSI for an update.

CLOSED SESSION – NONE

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

Motion/Second by Freeman/Gardner to adjourn at 8:00 p.m. Motion carried unanimously by all.