

**After
Agenda**

**Board of Commissioners of Spalding County
Extraordinary Session
Monday, March 19, 2012
6:00 PM
Meeting Room 108, Courthouse Annex**

The Spalding County Board of Commissioners held their Extraordinary Session in Room 108 in the Courthouse Annex, Monday, March 19, 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 Gardner**
- III. **PLEDGE TO FLAG – led by Commissioner Gilreath**
- IV. **PRESENTATIONS/PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITION- NONE**
- V. **PRESENTATIONS OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

Consider approval of financial statements for eight month period ended February 29, 2012.

Motion/Second by Ray/Freeman to approve financial statements for eight month period ended February 29, 2012. Motion carried by all.

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.

Tony Rakestraw- 1144 Sage Drive, Griffin, Georgia- Mr. Rakestraw expressed his concern with tournament ball. Mr. Rakestraw stated that he is a parent and a member of the Spalding County Parks & Recreation Advisory Board. Mr. Rakestraw is not in agreement with the County requiring a 30% of registrations for tournament ball. Mr. Rakestraw noted that Henry County had a big tournament over the weekend and the overflow crowd could have come to Spalding County. Mr. Rakestraw noted that we have fields in the County that are not being used. In closing, Mr. Rakestraw noted that the Board should do something to encourage travel ball in Spalding County.

VII. MINUTES –

Consider approval of Minutes of the following: March 5, 2012 Regular Meeting; March 9, 2012 Country Rock Revocation Hearing.

Motion/Second by Gardner/Freeman to approve the March 5, 2012 Regular Meeting and the March 9, 2012 Country Rock Revocation Hearing. Motion carried by all.

VIII. CONSENT AGENDA - NONE

IX. OLD BUSINESS - NONE

X. NEW BUSINESS

1. Consider approval of alternate architectural design review for Cronic Chevrolet located at 2676 North Expressway.

Motion/Second by Ray/Gilreath to approve alternate architectural design review for Cronic Chevrolet located at 2676 North Expressway. Motion carried by all.

2. Consider request from Maria Robson of the Ladies of the Paranormal to use property at 232 East Broad Street for the purpose of investigating paranormal activity.

Motion/Second by Gardner/Freeman to approve request from Maria Robson of the Ladies of the Paranormal to use property at 232 East Broad Street for the purpose of investigating paranormal activity. Motion carried by all.

3. Consider approval of revisions to Griffin/Spalding County Wastewater Management Plan 2010-2030 as prepared by Paragon Consulting Group and Engineering Services, Inc.

Motion/Second by Ray/Freeman to approve revisions to Griffin/Spalding County Wastewater Management Plan 2010-2030 as prepared by Paragon Consulting Group & Engineering Services, Inc. Motion carried by all.

4. Consider approval of rescinding lease agreement between City of Griffin and Spalding County for Cemetery Property adjacent to the Old Senior Center effective December 31, 2012.

Motion/Second by Gardner/Ray to approve rescinding lease agreement between City of Griffin and Spalding County for Cemetery Property adjacent to the Old Senior Center effective December 31, 2012. Motion carried by all.

5. Consider request of Richie's Tires & Accessories for outside amplification permit for a car & bike show to be held on June 16, 2012 from 12:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. at 4289 Hwy 19/41.

Motion/Second by Gardner/Freeman to approve request of Richie's Tire & Accessories for outside amplification permit for a car & bike show to be held on June 16, 2012 from 12:00 noon until 7:00 p.m. at 4289 Hwy 19/41. Motion carried by all.

6. Consider approval on first reading of an ordinance to add a new section to be designated as 11-1003 of Chapter 1, titled Offenses, in the Spalding County Code of Ordinances.

Motion/Second by Freeman/Gardner to approve first reading of an ordinance to add a new section to be designated as 11-1003 of Chapter 1, titled Offenses, in the Spalding County Code of Ordinances. Motion carried by a vote of 4-1 with Commissioner Gilreath opposing.

7. Consider approval on first reading of an ordinance to amend Chapter 1, Business and Occupations, Article A. titled Sale of Malt Beverages and Wine by adding a new section to be denominated as Section 6-1003; to amend Chapter 1, Retail Liquor Sales, Article B. Sale of Malt Beverages and Wine by adding a new section to be denominated as Section 6-1049; to amend Chapter 1, Business and Occupations, Article C, Sale of Alcoholic Beverages for Consumption on Premises by adding a new section to be denominated as Section 6-1075; to amend Section 1004, titled Retail Dealer Qualifications by adding a new subparagraph 7; to amend Section 6-1039, titled Issuance of License by adding a new

paragraph denominated as Section 1039; to amend Section 6-1055 by adding a subparagraph (C) to section 6-1055 requiring applicants to comply with the provisions of Section 6-1055.

Motion/Second by Ray/Gardner to table first reading of an ordinance to amend Chapter 1, Business and Occupations, Article A. titled Sale of Malt Beverages and Wine by adding a new section to be denominated as Section 6-1003; to amend Chapter 1, Retail Liquor Sales, Article B. Sale of Malt Beverages and Wine by adding a new section to be denominated as Section 6-1049; to amend Chapter 1, Business and Occupations, Article C, Sale of Alcoholic Beverages for Consumption on Premises by adding a new section to be denominated as Section 6-1075; to amend Section 1004, titled Retail Dealer Qualifications by adding a new subparagraph 7; to amend Section 6-1039, titled Issuance of License by adding a new paragraph denominated as Section 1039; to amend Section 6-1055 by adding a subparagraph (C) to section 6-1055 requiring applicants to comply with the provisions of Section 6-1055. Motion carried by a vote of 4-1 with Commissioner Gardner opposing.

8. Consider approval on first reading of an ordinance amending the Shared Leave Policy.

Motion/Second by Ray/Gardner to approve on first reading an ordinance amending the Shared Leave Policy. Motion carried by all.

9. Consider recommendation from Parks & Recreation Advisory Board regarding travel ball.

Motion/Second by Ray/Gardner to approve recommendation from Parks & Recreation Advisory Board to allow all travel ball tournaments to be handled by Associations. Motion carried by a vote of 3-2 with Commissioners Freeman & Ray opposing.

XI. REPORT OF COUNTY MANAGER

- A. Business After Hours is tomorrow March 20, 2012 from 5-7 p.m. at First Assembly of God.
- B. Boy Scout's Golden Eagle Dinner tomorrow March 20, 2012 from 6-9 p.m. at the Griffin Kiwanis Fairground.
- C. G-SATC Meeting Wednesday March 21, 2012 at 1:30 p.m. here in the meeting room.
- D. Commissioners Zoning Public Hearing is on Thursday March 22, 2012 at 6:00 p.m. Agenda packets have been placed in the Commissioners Boxes.
- E. Military Affairs Committee of the Griffin-Spalding Chamber of Commerce will hold a special meeting on March 29th starting at 1:00 p.m. at the Griffin Welcome Center. The 48th Brigade of the National Guard is developing a re-stationing plan that will affect our local National Guard unit. Both City & County Commissioners along with media crews have been invited to this informative meeting.
- F. The 2012 Georgia Police Memorial Wall will be traveling through Clayton & Spalding Counties to honor fallen officers. The wall will be at the Wyomia Tyus Park to honor Sheriff Stewart on April 6, 2012 at 1:00 p.m.
- G. Chief West along with Sarah Osborn of the Georgia Recovery Project are planning a reunion event to the April 28, 2011 tornado. This event will be spearheaded by the County will be held at the L.B. Norton Fire Station. The event will be entitled "Commemorating the Resilient Community." The slogan of the event is "Within you is strength to meet life's challenges." More details are forthcoming.

- H. Commissioner Freeman stated that he has received several phone calls from the Harris Street area regarding the smell of the Waste Water Treatment Plan in that area. Brant Keller has stated that he will have his crews look into the matter.
- I. After a complaint from a concerned citizen regarding smoking at the Wyomia Tyus Park, Louis Greene is recommending to make all of Spalding County Parks smoke free.
- J. Outside Amplification Permit Application: Staff has prepared an application for outside amplification to provide more knowledge of events. Each applicant will fill out form which will be approved by the Sheriff or designee & Community Development. Once approvals have been received the amplification permit will be forwarded to the Commissioners for Final approval. Staff is recommending a fee of \$50 for each request.
- K. The bids for the Senior Center were opened on March 15, 2012. There were 7-10 General Contractors at the pre bid conference but only three submitted a bid. Of the three MEJA was the low bidder at \$3,468,000. MEJA has built many of the last schools for the G/S School System and are highly qualified. Since the low bid was above The bids will be presented at the April 2nd meeting.

XII. REPORT OF COMMISSIONERS

Freeman- None

Gardner- Requested status update on increasing speed limits on Jordan Hill Road. Mr. Wilson advised that he has remitted an email to the Sheriff requesting status. Mr. Wilson will check with Sheriff Beam at staff meeting.

Gilreath- Mr. Gilreath questioned if rebidding on the Senior Center should occur since the low bid was not within proposed budget. Mr. Wilson advised that when you have a low bidder above budget, a process is conducted with the bidder and to value engineer the project in order to facilitate being closer to budget range. Once this process is conducted, if an agreement is not formed, then the project would have to be re-bid. After questioning from Mr. Gilreath, Mr. Wilson advised that the Senior Center is still on track to open December 2012. Mr. Gilreath also commented that he would like to see all Spalding County Parks smokeless. Mr. Gilreath also requested an update on gangs in Spalding County. Mr. Gilreath stated that he would like to know that something is being done to curtail gang activity. Mr. Gilreath also advised the Board that he would like to see Spalding County host a road race. Mr. Gilreath stated that this event would be a great source of revenue. In closing, Mr. Gilreath made the Board aware of an ongoing telephone scam. Mr. Gilreath noted that the Sheriff sent out a memorandum advising to be careful of anyone calling you trying to obtain money.

Ray- Mr. Ray commended the Board & Staff for donations to Cpt. Novin Darsey with the recent loss of his home. Mr. Ray requested the Board and Staff to obtain a date for a workshop to discuss the noise abatement & control ordinance, special event insurance & RASS ordinance. The Board's consensus was to have the workshop on March 29, 2012 commencing at 10:00 a.m. in Meeting Room 108. Mr. Ray also commended Spalding County Star Students. Mr. Ray noted that two of the students were from schools within the County. In closing, Mr. Ray shared his concern with smoking in the park and requested a recommendation from the Parks & Recreation Advisory Board before action from the Commissioners.

Flowers-Taylor- Mrs. Flowers-Taylor allowed Zachary Holmes, Parks & Recreation Advisory Board Chairman, to address tournament ball. Mr. Zachary Holmes of 357 Moreland Rd. stated that there were a lot of variables taken into consideration by the Parks & Recreation Advisory Board. Mr. Holmes noted that at present the fields cannot be fertilized and maintained. Mr. Holmes noted that there are associations in place and the Advisory Board feels that the tournaments should be ran through them. Mr. Holmes also noted that Mr. Rakestraw voted in favor of keeping tournament ball as it is at their November meeting.

Mrs. Flowers-Taylor requested a meeting with the Sheriff to discuss deputies using County equipment & cars for outside events that only benefit them. Mrs. Flowers-Taylor stated that should something happen while a deputy was doing outside security, the liability will fall on the County. Chairman Flowers-Taylor distributed to the Board a list of projects recommended by the Parks & Recreation Advisory, to consider for inclusion on the SPLOST for 2014. The three main projects of this request are to purchase 100 plus acres to replace Volunteer Park & Dundee Ball Park & improvements to Fairmont Park and an aquatic area at Wyomia Tyus Park.

XIII. CLOSED SESSION –

County Manager requests an executive session to discuss personnel issues and potential litigation.

O.C.G.A. § 50-14-2(1)

Motion/Second by Gardner/Freeman to enter executive session at 6:52 p.m. to discuss personnel issues and potential litigation. Motion carried by a vote of 5-0.

Motion/Second by Gardner/Freeman to adjourn executive session at 7:14 p.m. Motion carried by a vote of 5-0.

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

Motion/Second by Gardner/Ray to adjourn at 7:16 p.m. Motion carried by all.