

After Agenda

Board of Commissioners of Spalding County Extraordinary Session Monday, July 16, 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, July 16, 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 Stephanie Windham 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 Freeman
- IV. PRESENTATIONS/PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITION –

A. Presentation from Bob Dull of the Griffin Housing Authority in reference to the Education Prosperity Zone.

Bob Dull, Griffin Housing Authority was present to inform the Board of the Educational Prosperity Zone and its effect on Spalding County.

Motion/Second by Ray/Gilreath to amend the agenda to add the request of the Griffin Housing Authority for a letter of commitment to accompany the grant application. Motion carried by all.

Motion/Second by Ray/Gardner to approve request from the Griffin Housing Authorities and partners to submit a letter of commitment contingent upon approval of the proposed grant. Spalding County also agrees to allow use of the Fairmont Community Center for the following reasons: Two nights per week GED class, After School Program and to raze the building with asbestos on the Fairmont High School property. Motion carried by all.

Motion/Second by Ray/Gilreath to amend agenda by striking item 3, Post 2 Appointment to the Board of Appeals to fill the unexpired term of Brian Clanton. Motion carried unanimously by all.

- 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.

Kelly Palmatier- 450 Malier Rd. Griffin, Georgia- Mrs. Palmatier, ACCAB member was present to update the Board on carrying animals in truck beds. Mrs. Palmatier advised that this recommendation comes from Commissioner Gilreath. She further noted that there are regulations that denote the only safe way to carry an animal is on the inside of the truck. Mrs. Palmatier noted that Brent Foster, Animal Shelter Supervisor advised that enforcement of this regulation in Spalding County has been minimal. Mrs. Palmatier further noted that Sheriff Beam advised that County records do not show where this has been a problem as well as ACCAB recommends no action be taken on this matter.

VII. MINUTES –

1. Consider approval of Minutes of the following: June 18, 2012 Regular Meeting, June 28, 2012 Special Called Meeting (LOST), June 28, 2012 Special Called Meeting, June 28, 2012 Zoning Public Hearing.

Motion/Second by Gardner/Ray to approve minutes of the June 18, 2012 Regular Meeting, June 28, 2012 Special Called Meeting (LOST), June 28, 2012 Special Called Meeting, June 28, 2012 Zoning Public Hearing. Motion carried unanimously by all.

VIII. CONSENT AGENDA –

1. Consider approval, on second reading, Ordinance #2012-08, to amend the Spalding County Code of Ordinance, Park II Government and Administration, Chapter 11 Smoking Policy, Section 2-11002, General Prohibition on Smoking, and Section 2-11006, Designated Smoking Areas, to provide for changes in the County's smoking policy.
2. Consider second reading of Amendment to the Official Zoning Ordinance of the following:
 - Amendment to UDO #A-12-04: Article 2. General Definitions – Section 202: amend to add definition for Flea Market.

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

IX. OLD BUSINESS – NONE

X. NEW BUSINESS

1. Consider approval of rental request from Truevine Fellowship Holiness Church to utilize parking lot adjacent to the Spalding County Courthouse Annex, Parcel# 0143 34003 for a car show to be held on Saturday, October 6, 2012

Motion/Second by Gardner/Freeman to approve rental request from Truevine Fellowship Holiness Church to utilize parking lot adjacent to the Spalding County Courthouse Annex, Parcel # 0143 34003 for a car show to be held on Saturday, October 6, 2012. Motion carried unanimously by all.

2. Consider approval of alternate architectural design review for Luke Evans's industrial building located at the corner of O'Dell Road and Carver Road.

Motion/Second by Freeman/Ray to approve alternate architectural design for review for Luke Evan's industrial building located at the corner of O'Dell Road and Carver Road. Motion carried unanimously by all.

3. Consider approval of amplification permit for Willie & Shartion Johnson for a Horse Show at 583 W. Williamson Rd. on August 12, 2012 from 3:00 p.m. until 11:00 p.m.

Motion/Second by Freeman/Ray to approve amplification permit for Willie & Shartion Johnson for a Horse Show at 583 W. Williamson Rd. on August 12, 2012 from 3:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m. Motion carried unanimously by all.

4. Consider approval of Resolution #2012-11 regarding review and approval of minutes of executive sessions.

Motion/Second by Ray/Freeman to approve Resolution #2012-11 regarding review and approval of minutes of executive sessions. Motion carried unanimously by all.

5. Consider request of the Spalding County Victim Service Unit to approve request to continue VOCA (Victims of Crime Act) grant.

Motion/Second by Gardner/Freeman to approve request of Spalding County Victim Service Unit to approve request to continue VOCA (Victims of Crime Act) grant. Motion carried unanimously by all.

6. Consider approval of mediator for Local Option Sales Tax Renegotiation (L.O.S.T.)

Motion/Second by Freeman/Gardner to approve the following mediators, in order, for Local Option Sales Tax Renegotiation (LOST): Betty Hudson, Ann Boling, & Raye Rawls. Motion carried unanimously by all.

7. Discussion regarding providing services for the Griffin-Spalding Development Authority.

Board consensus to allow County Manager to further research establishing a work detail dedicated to land maintenance services for the Development Authority within the FY 14 budget.

XI. REPORT OF COUNTY MANAGER

- A. Spalding County Water & Sewerage Authority Meeting to be held on Wednesday, July 18, 2012 at 8:30 a.m.
- B. G-SATC Meeting to be held on July 18, 2012 at 1:30 p.m. has been cancelled. The next meeting will be September 19, 2012.
- C. Spalding County was awarded the ACCG Health Promotion & Wellness Incentive Grant in the amount of \$3500.00 to promote worksite programs designed to enhance the health of County employees and family members. A press release was issued on July 13, 2012.
- D. Spalding County animal shelter will be closed on July 19, 2012 for mandatory training required for staff to utilize inmate labor at the shelter. City Staff will be trained at the same time.
- E. As part of the approved FY 13 budget, all five recycling centers will be closed on Fridays. By closing on Fridays, approximately \$35,000 in savings will be realized.
- F. The first Big Blue Mystery Trip was a great success. 38 seniors participated paying only 5.00 per head. Seniors that attended went to Macon, GA to have lunch and then Bass Pro Shop. All are anticipating the next mystery trip.
- G. The Georgia StormReady local advisory Board has voted to approve the recognition of Spalding County on becoming a StormReady County. The advisory board will formally present the recognition to the County Commissioners at a future meeting.

- H. Kudos to the Spalding County Fire Department in helping sign citizens up for the FirstCall system during Early Voting Memorial Drive. To date we have signed up over 200 at the early voting site. Would also like to thank Brightmoor Hospice for the electronic billboard at Hwy 92 & 19/41
- I. Staff has compiled a listing for commissioners meetings for the year. This listing will be posted at the annex and distributed to all commissioners and media representatives.
- J. The first Griffin-Spalding Airport Authority meeting was held today. The following board members were appointed: Dick Morrow, Chairman / Brent Lavender, Vice Chair / Carl Pruett, Secretary/Treasurer. The meetings will be held on the 2nd Monday of each month, beginning at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall.
- K. The ACCG Legislative Leadership Conference is scheduled for October 1-2 in Athens, GA. If you wish to attend, please let Ricky know so that he can sign you up to reserve space.
- L. A recent article posted in the AJC speaks of the recent action of the Atlanta City Council to prohibit smoking in playgrounds, athletic fields, aquatic areas, tennis courts, golf courses, walking trails and playgrounds. This adoption mimics a recent decision of the Board to prohibit smoking in all parks maintained by Parks & Recreation and the Park @ Sixth.
- M. Happy early birthday to Chairman Flowers-Taylor who will celebrate her birthday on Friday July, 20th.
- N. William will be moving his daughter to Valdosta State on August 6, 2012 and will not be able to attend the County Commissioners meeting this night. Ricky & Jinna to handle meeting.

XII. REPORT OF COMMISSIONERS

Freeman- Has received a lot of complaints on closing five recycling centers on Fridays. Mr. Freeman wants staff to revisit this issue in the future. Mr. Freeman noted that he thinks closing the recycling centers only two times per week is sufficient.

Gardner- Has also received a lot of complaints on closing the recycling centers an additional day. Mr. Gardner noted that he advised those complaining of the tight budget this year and tough decisions that had to be made. Mr. Gardner also suggested working with the Red Cross to facilitate FirstCall sign-up at their blood drives.

Gilreath- Requested an update on those signing up for FirstCall. Mr. Wilson advised that to date we have had over 2200 people to sign up for FirstCall. Mr. Wilson thanked Brightmoor Hospice for allowing use of their electronic billboard for advertisement of FirstCall. Mr. Wilson noted that Brightmoor is providing this service at no cost to the County. Mr. Wilson also advised that he will speak with Wal-Mart to see if firefighters can sign up citizens outside of this establishment.

Ray- None

Flowers-Taylor- Would like to see if firefighters could sign up citizens for FirstCall when they visit the outpatient center and the emergency room of Spalding Regional Hospital. William advised he would speak with John Quinn.

XIII. CLOSED SESSION – NONE

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

Motion/Second by Freeman/Gardner to adjourn at 7:09 p.m. Motion carried unanimously by all.