

After Agenda

Board of Commissioners of Spalding County Regular Meeting Monday, March 18, 2013 6:00 PM Meeting Room 108, Courthouse Annex

The Spalding County Board of Commissioners held their Regular Meeting in Room 108 in the Courthouse Annex, Monday, March 18, 2013, beginning at 6:00 p.m. with Chairman Gwen Flowers-Taylor presiding. Commissioners Raymond Ray, Rita Johnson, Samuel Gardner and Bart Miller were present. Also present were County Manager William P. Wilson Jr., Attorney Jim Fortune and County Clerk, Ex-Officio Ricky L. Clark Jr. to record the minutes.

- I. OPENING (CALL TO ORDER) – Chairman, Gwen Flowers-Taylor
- II. INVOCATION –Chris Holdorf, Senior Pastor, Oak Hill Baptist Church
- III. PLEDGE TO FLAG - led by Commissioner Ray

Motion/Second by Gardner/Ray to amend the agenda by adding the Presentation of the Annual Fire Report by Chief West. Motion carried unanimously by all.

IV. PRESENTATIONS/PROCLAMATIONS

1. Presentation of Annual Fire Report by Chief West.

Chief West presented statistics and reports of the 2012 year from the Fire Department. Chief West noted that in spite of all adversities, the Fire Department remained true to its mission and goals as they serviced the County. Mr. Wilson highlighted several aspects of the Annual Report such as incidents, which totaled 1,739. Of the 1,739 incidents responded to by the Fire Department, 600 were from Shift A, 586 were from Shift B, 547 were from Shift C.

Chairman Flowers-Taylor commended the Fire Department and noted that she is proud of the fact that the Fire Department has held strong due to all adversities.

Vice-Chairman Gardner prompted all to render a standing ovation to the Fire Department.

V. PRESENTATIONS OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1. Consider approval of financial statements for the eight month period ended February 28, 2013.

Motion/Second by Ray/Miller to approve Financial Statements for the eight month period ended February 28, 2013. 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 –

1. Consider approval of Minutes of the following: March 4, 2013 Regular Meeting; March 4, 2013 Executive Session.

Motion/Second by Ray/Gardner to approve Minutes of the following: March 4, 2013 Regular Meeting; March 4, 2013 Executive Session. Motion carried unanimously by all.

VIII. CONSENT AGENDA –

1. Consider approval, on second reading, Ordinance 2013-01, to amend the Code of Spalding County, Part VII Motor Vehicles and Traffic by adding a Chapter IV entitled Solicitation for Charitable Organizations.

Motion/Second by Ray/Gardner to approve, on second reading, Ordinance 2013-01, to amend the Code of Spalding County, Part VII Motor Vehicles and Traffic by adding a Chapter IV entitled Solicitation for Charitable Organizations. Motion carried unanimously by all.

IX. OLD BUSINESS –

1. Consider Post One (1) Appointment to the Parks & Recreation Advisory Commission to fill the suspended term of Robyn Davis.

Chairman Flowers-Taylor appointed Larry Fears to the Parks & Recreation Advisory Commission to fill the suspended term of Robyn Davis.

2. Consider lift from table and approval on first reading, Ordinance 2013-03 to amend the Spalding County Code of Ordinances, Part II Government & Administration, Chapter 11 Smoking Policy, by striking said section in its entirety and inserting in lieu thereof, a new Chapter 11 entitled Smoking & Tobacco Use Policy.

Motion/Second by Gardner/Ray to lift from the table. Motion carried unanimously by all.

Motion/Second by Ray/Gardner to approve, on first reading, Ordinance 2013-03 to amend the Spalding County Code of Ordinances, Part II Government & Administration, Chapter II Smoking Policy, by striking said section in its entirety and inserting in lieu thereof, a new Chapter 11 entitled Smoking & Tobacco Use Policy with the following change: smoking shall be allowed in the vehicle if the passenger smokes. If the passenger does not smoke, smoking shall not be permissible. Motion carried by a vote of 4-1 with Chairman Flowers-Taylor opposing.

X. NEW BUSINESS -

1. Consider proposals for renewal of Employee Health Insurance, Dental Insurance and Long Term Disability insurance as presented by Matt Bidwell of MSI Benefits.

Motion/Second by Gardner/Ray to approve Blue Cross Blue Shield as the County's insurance provider for FY 2014, Cigna as the Long Term Disability Provider & Blue Cross Blue Shield as the Employee Assistance Program provider. Motion carried by a vote of 3-2 with Commissioners Flowers-Taylor & Johnson opposing.

2. Consider approval of amplification permit for New Salem Baptist Church for an outdoor revival to be held at 76 New Salem Road from April 10, 2013 through April 17, 2013 from 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

Motion/Second by Gardner/Miller to approve amplification permit for New Salem Baptist Church for an outdoor revival to be held at 76 New Salem Road from April 10, 2013 through April 17, 2013. Motion carried unanimously by all.

3. Consider approval of Memorandum of Understanding establishing the Upson County Multi-Jurisdictional Narcotics Task Force.

Motion/Second by Ray/Johnson to approve Memorandum of Understanding establishing the Upson County Multi-Jurisdictional Narcotics Task Force. Motion carried unanimously by all.

4. Consider approval of change order #2, for a reduction of \$14,121.83 to the Spalding County Senior Center Project.

Motion/Second by Gardner/Johnson to approve change order #2, for a reduction \$14,121.83 to the Spalding County Senior Center Project. Motion carried unanimously by all.

5. Consider approval of Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Griffin and Spalding County for the provision of an amount not to exceed \$600 as admittance fees to City Pool for the first sixty (60) children daily without charge in the months of June and July 2013, to assist with maintenance and operation of said pool.

Motion/Second Johnson/Gardner to approve Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Griffin and Spalding County for the provision of an amount not to exceed \$600 as admittance fees to City Pool for the first sixty (60) children daily without charge in the months of June and July 2013, to assist with maintenance and operation of said pool. Motion carried unanimously by all.

6. Consider approval of a five year intergovernmental agreement with the City of Griffin for the distribution of the final 1/3 of the Title Ad Valorem Tax (TAVT).

Motion/Second by Gardner/Ray to approve of a five year intergovernmental agreement with the City of Griffin for the distribution of the final 1/3 of the Title Ad Valorem Tax (TAVT). Motion carried unanimously by all.

XI. REPORT OF COUNTY MANAGER

- A. Spalding County Government will be having its very own Relay for Life Team. The team name is Spalding County Stars & Stripes for a Cure. So far we have over fifty members of our staff on the team. Ricky Clark and Wendy Law will be spearheading the efforts on behalf of Spalding County. As a fundraiser, Staff is proposing that Wednesday be utilized as "Casual for a Cause" day. We are asking that all of the commissioners join our team as well.
- B. The Griffin-Spalding Area Transportation Committee will meet on Wednesday, March 20th at 1:30 p.m.
- C. All county offices will be closed on March 29th in observance to Good Friday.
- D. Commissioners Johnson, Gardner & Miller will be attending the ACCG Mobile Classroom this weekend. This will be the final class needed for Commissioner Gardner to finish commissioner's certification.
- E. The Commissioners Zoning Meeting will be held on March 28th.
- F. Confirm a date for a work session with the City of Griffin Commissioners and Board of Education for a presentation from the Housing Authority on their future plans for Public Housing in Spalding County. ***Board Consensus to host work session on April 9th @ 10:00 a.m. location to be determined.***
- G. A Commissioner volunteer is needed to present the Allan B. Imes JROTC Medal at the Griffin High Award Program on May 9, 2013 at 6:30 p.m. The program will be held in the Commons Area at Griffin High School. ***Board Consensus for Commissioner Ray to present award.***

- H. Coffee service sponsorship at new Senior Center brochure finalized.
- I. Mr. Wilson discussed resizing the Board of Zoning Appeals to mirror the size of the Planning Commission. General consensus was to move ahead with preparation of an ordinance to replace membership to five (5).
- J. ACCG seeking nominations for 2013 Board of Managers. **Board Consensus for staff to nominate Commissioner Ray for 2013 Board of Managers.**
- K. Set a date for the Grand Opening of the Senior Center. **Board Consensus to host Grand Opening on April 8th from 10:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m.**
- L. Press Release to notify all of findings in Fire Department investigation will be released later this week.

XII. REPORT OF COMMISSIONERS

Miller- Commended the Fire Department for all their hard work. Additionally, Commissioner Miller thanked Ricky Clark for being a tremendous help with teaching him how to use the I-Pad.

Gardner- None

Johnson- None

Ray- In reference to the mass email sent to all commissioners from a resident, the Sheriff's Department is handling this complaint.

Flowers-Taylor- Noted that she has been through the budget process several times but it's hard on staff when commissioners do not present their recommendations ahead of time. Chairman Flowers-Taylor prompted Mr. Wilson to research additional handicap parking spaces at the Courthouse.

XIII. CLOSED SESSION

The Chairman requests an Executive Session to discuss the future acquisition of real estate as defined by O.C.G.A. § 50-14-3(4).

Motion/Second by Gardner/Miller to enter Executive Session at 8:12 p.m. Motion carried unanimously by all.

Motion/Second by Johnson/Miller to adjourn Executive Session at 8:27 p.m. Motion carried unanimously by all.

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

Motion/Second by Ray/Gardner to adjourn at 8:28 p.m. Motion carried unanimously by all.