

REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING

The Spalding County Board of Commissioners held their Regular Monthly Meeting in Room 108 in the Courthouse Annex, Monday, October 5, 2009, beginning at 6:00 o'clock p.m. with Commission Chairman Edward Goss, Jr. presiding and Commissioners Gwen Flowers-Taylor, Eddie L. Freeman, Bob Gilreath and David Phillips present. Also present were County Manager William P. Wilson, Jr., County Attorney James R. Fortune, Jr. and Executive Secretary Teresa Watson.

I. OPENING (CALL TO ORDER) – Chairman Edward Goss, Jr.

II. INVOCATION – Reverend Keith Ford, Church on Fire

III. PLEDGE TO FLAG – Led by Commissioner Eddie Freeman

Motion to amend tonight's agenda to consider approval of a Resolution supporting the apprehension and prosecution of the person(s) involved in the terroristic acts against the business, Dave's Guns and Guy Stuff, by Commissioner Gilreath as the first item of new business, seconded by Commissioner Flowers-Taylor, carried by a vote of 5-0.

IV. PRESENTATIONS/PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITION

1. Spalding Youth Football Coaches to make presentation to the Board regarding funding of the football scholarship fund.

Robby Milner, with the Spalding County Parks and Recreation Department, detailed the program for commissioners. Purchase of a \$5 raffle ticket provides for an opportunity to win a Chevrolet Equinox, plus each ticket qualifies one for an oil change and a tire rotation free.

2. Consider Proclamation declaring the week of October 5, 2009 as Character Education Week in honor of Orrs Elementary School's 2009 Character Education Program.

Proclamation

“Honoring Orrs Elementary School’s Character Education Program 2009”

WHEREAS, Orrs Elementary is proud to continue its Character Education Program with this year’s theme *“Great Character is Contagious ... Run With It!”*, encouraging sound moral principles and outstanding character traits in students to ensure exemplary leadership for our community’s future. Our society acknowledges that while character development is first and foremost a parental responsibility, that responsibility also extends to others and, further, that character education must be augmented and reinforced by public schools, community and business leaders, and government to cultivate a climate that supports family efforts to instill sound character; and

WHEREAS, This year Orrs Elementary will focus on “The Six Pillars of Character.” Teachers and staff members will place emphasis throughout each day on trustworthiness (think “true blue”), respect (think “The Golden Rule”), responsibility (think as in being solid and reliable like an oak), fairness (think of sharing fairly with friends), caring (think from your heart), and citizenship (think of representing your community, state and country).

WHEREAS, Our community is again asked to join in the quest to “spread the word” of great character, Orrs Elementary will kick off its program for the year the week of October 5, potentially impacting our entire community by empowering citizens to exemplify behaviors consistent with respect and responsibility. Students will actively engage in sharing great character traits, including participation in the community Christmas parade, a 5K Character Run/Walk, and a booth at the local county fair. They will show generosity by collecting “Nickels for Nails” for the local chapter of Habitat for Humanity. We ask for help as we take our youth and strive to mold outstanding, considerate, caring and compassionate community leaders.

WHEREAS, The Orrs Mission Statement aptly observes: “Learners Today Make Leaders Tomorrow through Opportunities, Responsibilities, Respect and Success” and they believe this project will be an effective mechanism for carrying out that mission, trusting that students’ actions and mannerisms will be refined, thereby helping students avoid crime and become successful. Additionally, the community will notice, recognize and reinforce outstanding character traits, with the ultimate expectation that students will become examples to others so that everyone with whom they’re in contact will “Catch Some Great Character”.

NOW THEREFORE

BE IT RESOLVED That we the Board of Commissioners of Spalding County, do hereby declare that a copy of this proclamation be spread upon the minutes of the proceedings of this Board, affirming our wholehearted support of this worthwhile endeavor of Orrs Elementary School and proclaiming the week of October 5, 2009 as **Character Education Week** in Spalding County. We hereby encourage all our citizens to show their support. After all, “Character **IS** Contagious”, so help us “Spread It!”

Motion to approve Proclamation declaring the week of October 5, 2009 as Character Education Week in honor of Orrs Elementary School’s 2009 Character Education Program, by Commissioner Freeman, seconded by Commissioner Phillips, carried 5-0.

Chairman Goss read the Proclamation which was received by the following Orrs personnel: Dexter Martin, Jackie Maynard, Louise Warren, Lori Ivey, Jennifer Brantley, Peggy Lobello, Robin Samples, Paige Samples, Cybil Turner and Stephanie Blackburn.

V. PRESENTATION OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1. Consider Financial Statements for the Two Months ended August 31, 2009.

Motion to approve Financial Statements for the Two Months ended August 31, 2009, by Commissioner Phillips, seconded by Commissioner Freeman, carried by a vote of 5-0.

VI. CITIZENS COMMENTS

VII. PUBLIC COMMENT

Speakers must state their names and addresses and direct all comments to the Board only. Speakers will be allotted 5 minutes to speak on topics pertinent to the Board’s jurisdiction. No speaker will be allowed to readdress the Board without express consent from a Board member. Outbursts from the audience will not be tolerated. Common courtesy and civility are expected at all times during the meeting.

Janet Bailey, 1733 High Falls Road, Griffin, Georgia

Ms. Bailey voiced her dissatisfaction with the meeting room crowd overflowing its capacity by a great number this past Tuesday night. She felt unsafe with the number in attendance and with the fact that someone evidently was present with a gun.

Jesse Maddox, 301 Bucksnot Road, Griffin, Georgia

Mr. Maddox stated that Mr. Parham, who lives at 423 Bucksnot Road, would like to see if the guardrail can be replaced on the hard curve near his home. There have been several accidents that have ended up with vehicles in Mr. Parham's yard.

John Dugdale, 1985C North Walkers Mill Road, Griffin, Georgia

He stated he represented the Allied Ringgold Community Homeowners Association and he thanked all the public servants for their time and efforts. He planned to not let mob rule be in evidence again as it was last week and have the FBI present in the future to ensure the safety and civil rights of all in attendance. He requested the Board consider immediately much needed changes, such as extricating those in the City from Spalding County whether it be from the collection of taxes, placement on boards, or provision of services to protect citizens and provision of other services. Mr. Dugdale proposed not collecting any taxes from the City residents and get back to the County providing services for its County citizens only. He felt the citizens of the County agreed with him that enough is enough.

Johnie McDaniel, 1603 Beville Drive, Griffin, Georgia

Mr. McDaniel said he had a level of friendship with each one on this Board but he also desired to maintain a level of respect, and events of the past few days and months have made that difficult. He has known Mr. Wilson for over ten years, and in his experience there is no one with a higher level of integrity or character, or a greater love of the community. He felt there were personal agendas at work here but they should not be filled at the expense or defamation of Mr. Wilson. To be intimately involved with human resource and personnel decisions would require much greater training that is currently apparent, and he urged commissioners to function within their already defined roles without intruding into areas for which they are neither equipped, nor charged.

VIII. MINUTES

1. Consider approval of Minutes of the following: Extraordinary Session of September 21, 2009, the Zoning Public Hearing of September 24, 2009 and the Special Called Meeting of September 29, 2009.

Motion to approve the Minutes of the following: Extraordinary Session of September 21, 2009, the Zoning Public Hearing of September 24, 2009 and the Special Called Meeting of September 29, 2009, by Commissioner Phillips, seconded by Commissioner Flowers-Taylor, carried by a vote of 4-0-1 with Commissioner Freeman abstaining as he was absent from the Zoning Public Hearing.

IX. CONSENT AGENDA

1. Consider, on second reading, approval of Ordinance #2009-15 to provide for removal of a four-way stop designation at the following intersection: Macon Road and County Line Road.

SPALDING COUNTY, GEORGIA

FOUR-WAY STOP

ORDINANCE NO. 2009-15

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF SPALDING COUNTY, GEORGIA, TO PROVIDE FOR FOUR-WAY STOP INTERSECTION ON CERTAIN COUNTY ROADS; TO PROVIDE FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

BE IT RESOLVED AND ORDAINED by the Board of Commissioners of Spalding County, Georgia, as the governing authority of said County, as follows:

Section 1. That the Code of Spalding County, Georgia, be amended in Part VII, Chapter 1, Section 7-1007, Traffic Control Devices, paragraph (A) Four-Way Stop Intersection Designation, by deleting subparagraph (24) as follows:

“ (24) Macon Road at County Line Road.”

Section 2. The within ordinance shall be and become effective immediately upon its adoption by the affirmative vote of a majority of the members of the Board of Commissioners of Spalding County, Georgia present at two meetings, as provided in Section 2-1005 of the Code

of Spalding County, Georgia; and, upon the erection of signs as required herein by the public works forces of Spalding County, Georgia.

Section 3. All ordinances, or parts of ordinances, in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Motion to approve, on second reading, Ordinance #2009-15 to provide for removal of a four-way stop designation at the following intersection: Macon Road and County Line Road, by Commissioner Phillips, seconded by Commissioner Freeman, carried 5-0.

X. OLD BUSINESS – N/A

XI. NEW BUSINESS

1. Consider approval of a Resolution supporting the apprehension and prosecution of the person(s) involved in the terroristic acts against Dave’s Guns and Guy Stuff business.

Resolution

WHEREAS, in the early morning hours of September 30, 2009, the business located at 1953 Old Atlanta Road known as Dave’s Guns & Guy Stuff was the object of criminal damage to property via gunfire, and;

WHEREAS, the person or persons involved could also be charged with terroristic threat to a public official based on the note found at the site intended for the business owner, H. David Phillips, also a Spalding County Commissioner, and;

WHEREAS, these cowardly acts, while only damaging property primarily due to the time of the attacks, could have been deadly and appeared to be intended to intimidate a County official and local business owner, and;

WHEREAS, these sadly horrific events have affected our community and county, it is important that we carry on with the regular activities of our lives. Terrorism cannot be allowed to break the spirit and the free speech of our people, as guaranteed by the Constitution.

THEREFORE, BE

IT RESOLVED, that the Spalding County Board of Commissioners, collectively and individually, condemns the cowardly and harmful actions of these terrorist(s), and;

BE IT FURTHER

RESOLVED, that the Spalding County Board of Commissioners supports and shall cooperate with the ongoing investigation by law enforcement personnel and decrees that such perpetrator(s) shall be brought to justice and punished to the fullest extent of the law.

Motion to approve Resolution supporting the apprehension and prosecution of the person(s) involved in the terroristic acts against the business, Dave’s Guns and Guy Stuff, by Commissioner Freeman, seconded by Commissioner Gilreath, carried by a vote of 5-0.

2. Consider approval of Community Correctional Services Agreement between ZSI and State Court of Spalding County.

Motion to approve, by Commissioner Freeman, seconded by Commissioner Phillips, carried by a vote of 5-0 – Contract on file.

3. Consider, on first reading, Ordinance #2009-16 regarding provision of hearings for denial of license for sale of alcoholic beverages and for sale of alcoholic beverages for consumption on premises.

Motion/second to approve, on first reading, Ordinance #2009-16 regarding provision of hearings for denial of license for sale of alcoholic beverages and sale of alcoholic beverages for consumption on premises, by Commissioners Phillips and Freeman, carried 5-0.

4. Consider approval of Access Agreement with Cintas Corporation for Airport and Airport Road Park for environmental assessment studies.

Mr. Wilson advised that several years ago there was a spill by Cintas (formerly Rental Uniform Services) which must be monitored for groundwater contamination. This agreement allows access and the possible relocating of some of the 8 to 10 wells presently associated with the tract. The EPA directive will most likely continue for another 25 years.

Motion to approve Access Agreement with Cintas Corporation for Airport and Airport Road Park for environmental assessment studies, by Commissioner Phillips, seconded by Commissioner Freeman, carried by a vote of 5-0 – Contract on file.

5. Consider approval of Charter/Bylaws for Community Service Block Grant (CSBG) Advisory Board.

This is an “after-the-fact” charter and bylaws for this board that has been in existence for over twenty years. A recent audit requested a copy of the charter and bylaws as approved by the Board of Commissioners, and none could be located by either McIntosh Trail or the Board.

SPALDING COUNTY
COMMUNITY SERVICE BLOCK GRANT (CSBG)
CSBG ADVISORY COMMITTEE
CHARTER

1. OFFICIAL DESIGNATION: Community Service Block Grant Advisory Committee.
2. OBJECTIVE AND SCOPE: The objectives of the Committee are to improve collaborative relationships between Spalding County and local communities and to monitor and make recommendations to the Spalding County Board of Commissioners on projects funded by the Community Service Block Grant (CSBG). The geographic scope of the jurisdiction in which the Committee serves is within the State of Georgia and encompassed by the boundaries of Spalding County.
3. OFFICIAL TO WHOM THE COMMITTEE REPORTS: The Committee shall report to the Spalding County Board of Commissioners.
4. ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT: Administrative support for activities of the Committee will be provided by the Three Rivers Regional Commission (TRRC).
5. DUTIES OF THE COMMITTEE: The Committee will serve solely in an advisory capacity to the Spalding County Board of Commissioners. Committee duties and responsibilities are generally as follows:
 - a. Participate in the planning and development of community programs that offer methods to improve community services for Spalding County citizens;
 - b. Review projects and programs proposed for Committee consideration under the CSBG program;
 - c. Monitor the development of projects that have been authorized;
 - d. Propose projects and use of CSBG funding to Spalding County Commissioners and make recommendations regarding changes or adjustments that may be necessary to proposed projects monitored by the Committee;
 - e. Provide frequent opportunities for citizens, organizations, community service agencies and other interested parties to participate openly and meaningfully throughout the project development process;
 - f. Participate in program development to identify community needs, goals, objectives, and a plan of action; and
 - g. Review and analyze performance goals and outcomes of community programs.
6. COMMITTEE COMPOSITION: The Spalding County Board of Commissioners will identify, invite, and appoint individuals to serve on the advisory committee based on the following criteria:
 - a. At least one-third of the CSBG Advisory Committee’s membership should include individuals and members of Target Area groups whose interests shall include education, senior services, health, nutrition, family development, and/or employment assistance programs;

- b. At least one-third of CSBG Advisory Committee's membership shall include individuals and members of the Public Sector. All members of the Spalding County Board of Commissioners shall represent the public sector;
 - c. At least one-third of the CSBG Advisory Committee's membership shall include individuals and members of the Business and Industry Sector; and
 - d. The CSBG Advisory Committee should consist of no more than 21 individuals.
7. TERM OF APPOINTMENT: The term of membership for CSBG Advisory Committee members shall last for a period of one (1) year. Terms will begin on October 1st and end on September 30th.
8. ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE:

Officers: The CSBG Advisory Committee shall have the following officers: a Chairman, Vice Chairman, and Recording Secretary. These individuals shall be elected one-year terms by membership on the CSBG Advisory Committee. Elections will be held at the first meeting of the new membership year, if a quorum of the members attends.

Quorum: A quorum shall consist of a majority of the Committee's membership.

9. SUBCOMMITTEES: The CSBG Advisory Committee, with approval from the Spalding County Board of Commissioners, may establish CSBG subcommittees or workgroups for any purpose consistent with this Charter. Such subcommittees or workgroups may not work independently of the chartered committee and must report their recommendations and advice to the CSBG Advisory Committee for full deliberation and discussion. Subcommittees or workgroups shall have no authority to make decisions on behalf of the chartered committee, nor shall they report directly to the Spalding County Board of Commissioners.

10. PROCEDURAL RULES

- a. By-Laws: The committee will draft and adopt a set of written by-laws at the organizational meeting of the committee. The by-laws govern committee operation. By-laws require a two-thirds vote for adoption or change.
- b. Meetings: The committee will meet at least four times per year. All meetings shall be conducted according to Robert's Rules of Order. Written notices of upcoming meetings will be mailed or emailed to members at least ten days before the scheduled date of said meeting.
- c. Minutes: Minutes of each meeting will be kept. Copies will be mailed or emailed to the Board of Commissioners and committee representatives within two weeks after a meeting.
- d. Recommendations and Reports: Committee recommendations and reports will be submitted in writing to the Board of Commissioners. Documents will include both suggested actions and justification for suggestions. The board will respond/react to such recommendations and/or reports in writing.
- e. Dismissal: Members who are absent without reasonable cause from three successive meetings will be considered to have resigned their seat. The committee will move to fill the position.
- f. Public Announcements: While members are expected and encouraged to discuss the community services program within the community, members shall not report opinions expressed in meetings, nor shall they report independently on committee action.

BYLAWS OF THE SPALDING COUNTY
COMMUNITY SERVICE BLOCK GRANT
CSBG ADVISORY COMMITTEE (CSBGAC)
October 5, 2009

ARTICLE I. NAME

Section 1 The name of this organization is the Community Service Block Grant Advisory Committee. It is comprised of designated representatives with an expertise in community services.

Section 2 All activities of this organization shall be performed in the name of the Community Service Block Grant Advisory Committee, hereinafter referred to as CSBGAC.

ARTICLE II. PURPOSE

Section 1 The purpose of this organization shall be:

- a. To serve as an advisory committee to the Spalding County Board of Commissioners on community actions involving updating, amending and implementing community service projects and proposals in accordance with the guidelines of the Community Service Block Grant (CSBG) Program.
- b. To advise the Spalding County Board of Commissioners on countywide programs related to community services under the Community Service Block Grant (CSBG) Program.
- c. To serve as an advisory committee to foster quality planning and development of community programs and organizations.
- d. To promote solutions to matters of mutual concerns shared among the communities of Spalding County.

ARTICLE III. LIMITATIONS OF ACTIVITY

Section 1: In its activities, the CSBGAC shall be non-partisan, non-sectarian, and shall not discriminate against any person because of race, color, creed, national origin, age, sex, sexual orientation, physical handicap, or economic status.

Section 2 The CSBGAC shall take no part officially or unofficially, nor shall it lend its influence in the election of any candidate for political office. No monies of this organization shall inure to the benefit of any member.

ARTICLE IV. MEMBERSHIP

Section 1 Members of the CSBGAC shall be appointed by the Spalding County Board of Commissioners. The membership of CSBGAC shall be composed of participating representatives from the public, target area (i.e. senior citizen services, education, health, nutrition, emergency assistance, family development, and employment assistance) and business and industry organizations. Designation of CSBGAC representatives shall be forwarded in writing to the staff representative of the CSBGAC prior to extension of voting rights and member attendance.

Section 2 Attendance at a minimum of four (4) regular quarterly meeting per calendar year by the CSBGAC member is required to maintain participating status. Participating status will be revoked at the end of the calendar year if the required attendance is not met. Notification of this revocation will be sent to the Spalding County Board of Commissioners. Participating status may be restored in accordance with the provisions of Section 3 of this Article.

Section 3 Upon recordation of three (3) consecutive absences of CSBGAC members at regularly scheduled CSBGAC meetings, such members will no longer maintain participating status. The Chairman of the CSBGAC will be notified by the Secretary of CSBGAC of the potential loss of voting and other CSBGAC participation privileges upon recordation of a second consecutive absence of any member.

Section 4 To enforce the aforementioned requirements, the Chairman shall recognize all CSBGAC members indicating their intent to be participating representatives at the first regularly scheduled meeting following approval of these Bylaws by the Spalding County Board of Commissioners. The recordation of all unexcused absences, as delineated in Section 3 above, shall commence at the first regularly scheduled meeting of the CSBGAC after approval of these Bylaws.

ARTICLE V. OFFICERS

Section 1 The officers of the CSBGAC shall be a Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Recording Secretary and such other officers as the membership may deem necessary to carry out the work of the organization.

Section 2 All officers must be designated representatives as defined in Article IV Section 1.

Section 3 In case of an officer vacancy occurring between elections, the vacancy shall be filled by a special election to be held as provided for Article IX Section 3.

Section 4 In the interim between the time of the vacancy and the special election, the regular succession will be Vice-Chairman to Chairman, and Recording Secretary to Vice Chairman. The Chairman may appoint a temporary Secretary.

ARTICLE VI. DUTIES OF OFFICERS

Section 1 Each officer shall have such powers and perform such duties as normally pertaining to his/her office, except as otherwise provided by these Bylaws or the Charter of the CSBGAC.

CHAIRMAN

Section 2 The Chairman shall be the principal officer of the CSBGAC and shall have general supervision and direction of business and affairs of this organization. It shall be the duty of the Chairman to: (a) bring all pertinent data regarding community service program proposals, performance measures and outcomes of CSBG programs, plans of actions, goals and objectives, and amendments before CSBGAC for input; (b) represent the CSBGAC's position before the Spalding County Board of Commissioners; (c) delegate duties as needed; and (d) to act as an ex-official member of subcommittees.

VICE-CHAIRMAN

Section 3 In the absence of the Chairman, the Vice-Chairman shall exercise all the powers of the Chairman. The Vice-Chairman shall be an ex-official member of all subcommittees.

SECRETARY

Section 4 The Secretary shall maintain the CSBGAC attendance records, prepare an annual report to the Spalding County Board of Commissioners; be responsible for Robert's Rules of Order Interpretations, and carry out any other duties assigned by the Chairman.

ARTICLE VII. MEETINGS

Section 1 The CSBGAC shall establish a regular quarterly meeting date. A majority of CSBGAC members present at a meeting may vote to cancel or reschedule the following quarterly meeting.

Section 2 A special meeting of the CSBGAC may be called by: (a) a majority of CSBGAC members present at any meeting; or (b) the Chairman; or (c) a petition of at least 30 percent of the members present.

Section 3 A quorum shall consist of a majority of the CSBGAC members for the transaction of business.

Section 4 Written notice of the time and place of any meeting shall be given each member either personally or by mail/email at least three days prior to such meeting. In the absence of a written notice, the Chair shall affirm that a reasonable effort has been made to contact all CSBGAC participating members.

ARTICLE VIII. AGENDAS

Section 1 CSBGAC participating representatives may propose items for meeting agendas. Items submitted by CSBGAC participating members to the Chairman no later than fifteen (15) days in advance of the meeting shall be added, by right, to the published agenda. Items submitted later than the established deadline may be added at the meeting by the consent of a majority of CSBGAC members present.

ARTICLE IX. NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS

Section 1 At the first meeting of the CSBGAC, the committee will propose a democratic election from the floor to nominate members to serve as officers.

Section 2 The election of officers for CSBGAC shall take place at the October meeting by open democratic election.

Section 3 In the event that a special election must be held to fill an officer vacancy occurring between elections, nominations for candidates may be made from the floor at any time prior to the election.

ARTICLE X. SUBCOMMITTEES

Section 1 The Chairman shall have the power to appoint and charge subcommittees of the CSBGAC as necessary to carry on the purpose of this organization.

Section 2 The Chairman of any subcommittee shall be a designated representative of the CSBGAC. Additional members may include any citizen of Spalding County, as recommended by the CSBGAC Chairman, and subject to approval of the entire CSBGAC. Designated representatives of the CSBGAC shall constitute a majority of any CSBGAC subcommittee.

ARTICLE XI. AMENDMENTS

Section 1 These Bylaws maybe repealed, amended, or new bylaws may be adopted by a majority vote at any duly noticed meeting of the CSBGAC, providing a written notice of the meeting, together with the proposed bylaws changes, have been forwarded to all members at least two weeks prior to the meeting. Nothing shall preclude CSBGAC from considering and approving additional changes to the bylaws at any such noticed meeting.

ARTICLE XII. PARLIMENTARY REFERENCE

Section 1 Robert's Rules of Order shall be the parliamentary reference for all matters not specified by these Bylaws.

Motion to approve Charter/Bylaws for Community Service Block Grant (CSBG) Advisory Board, by Commissioner Phillips, seconded by Commissioner Freeman, carried 5-0.

XII. REPORT OF COUNTY MANAGER

- Pam McCollum, of McIntosh Trail Community Service Board, provided a brief presentation on the group home her organization desires to locate on Everee Inn Road. Mr. Wilson met with her today in advance of the Thursday meeting with the Board of Commissioners when he realized that Commissioners Flowers-Taylor and Freeman would not be present on Thursday due to attendance at the ACCG Fall Policy Conference. Commissioners Flowers-Taylor and Freeman advised they had already spoken to Ms. McCollum regarding the group home for developmentally disabled adults, and their concerns had been satisfactorily addressed. Commissioners asked questions of Ms. McCollum, and it was determined there existed no need to meet on Thursday, October 8 with Attorney Galloway.
- Reminder: Parks and Recreation needs a count of commissioners who will be able to attend the GRPA Annual Awards Presentation. Commissioners Freeman and Flowers-Taylor will attend with spouses, and Chairman Goss will attend, as well.

XIII. REPORT OF COMMISSIONERS

Freeman

No comments.

Flowers-Taylor

She stated it was good to see former Commissioners McDaniel as she missed his sage advice and thought processes. She agreed with him about the meeting on Tuesday evening, and agreed with Janet Bailey, as well. The County should perhaps check everyone on entry into the building for weapons of any kind. She, too, felt there were safety issues. The County Line Road stop sign issue was basically unchartered territory. The Board felt there were potential dangers involved and no harm was intended, regardless of how the issue has played out. No one caught the fact that the stop signs were put up out of our jurisdiction, and human error was made at several levels so there is more than enough blame to go around. She requested that the following be placed on the next agenda: A change in protocol for telephone polling all commissioners in the absence of a scheduled meeting to require that the issue in question be discussed at the next scheduled meeting, with a public recap of votes, in order to maintain governmental transparency.

Phillips

Commissioner Phillips said with regard to the stop sign issues, he had labored under the assumption that the City of Orchard Hill actually requested the placement of the stop signs. He still has not been able to ascertain just who requested the stop signs. He appreciated all the best wishes he has received since his business was the target of gunfire, and he advised we cannot become a community of sheep but rather should be sheepdogs, ever vigilant and aware.

Gilreath

He inquired about the Parks and Recreation bus bids, and Mr. Wilson reported this will be an item for consideration on the October 19 agenda with a recommendation of the successful bidder. We received two viable bids and are going to inspect the buses for these two bidders. Commissioner Gilreath reminded everyone to visit the Kiwanis fair, October 8 through 17.

Goss

No comments.

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn at 7:10 p.m., by Commissioner Freeman, seconded by Commissioner Gilreath, carried by a vote of 5-0.

Chairman

County Clerk

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