

## REGULAR MEETING

The Spalding County Board of Commissioners held their Regular Meeting in Room 108 in the Courthouse Annex, Monday, January 3, 2011, beginning at 6:02 p.m. with Commissioner Flowers-Taylor opening the meeting and Commissioner Freeman presiding after being elected Chairman for 2011. Commissioners Raymond Ray, Bob Gilreath and Chipper Gardner were also in attendance. Also present were Interim County Manager Tim Whalen, Deputy County Manager Virginia Beams, Attorney Jim Fortune and Executive Secretary Glinda Robertson.

### **I. OPENING (CALL TO ORDER) – Gwen Flowers-Taylor**

### **II. INVOCATION – Led by Rev. Clay Padgett, Pastor of Crown Center Church**

### **III. PLEDGE TO FLAG – Led by Commissioner Gardner**

*Motion/second by Commissioners Ray/Freeman to amend the agenda to add an executive session to include personnel, acquisition of real estate and potential litigation and carried by all.*

*Motion/second by Commissioners Gardner/Ray to add as item number one under “New Business”, an item that will consider directing Bill Gay, Human Resources Director to immediately post the open position for County Manager. This motion was carried by all.*

### **IV. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN AND VICE CHAIRMAN - CALENDAR YEAR 2011**

*Jim Fortune addressed the procedures for electing Chairman and Vice-Chairman. Anyone can nominate anyone. You do not need a second. They are voted on in the order in which they are nominated. The first person to get three votes is the Chairman.*

*Commissioner Gilreath questioned at this point if there were more than 80 people in the meeting room as 80 people is the capacity. Jim Green stated there were 79 people in the room.*

*Motion made by Commissioner Ray to elect Eddie Freeman as Chairman. This was approved by a vote of 4-1. Commissioner Gilreath opposed.*

*Motion made by Commissioner Gardner to elect Gwen Flowers-Taylor as Vice-Chairman. This was approved by a vote of 5-0.*

### **V. APPOINTMENTS – CALENDAR YEAR 2011:**

**Interim County Manager – Tim Whalen**

*Motion/second by Commissioners Flowers-Taylor/Gardner to appoint Mr. Whalen and carried by all.*

**County Clerk – Tim Whalen**

*Motion/second by Commissioners Flowers-Taylor/Gardner to appoint Mr. Whalen and carried by all.*

**County Attorney – James R. Fortune, Jr.**

*Motion/second by Commissioners Gardner/Flowers-Taylor to appoint Mr. Fortune. Mr. Gilreath requested a roll call on this item. Each commissioner voted to approve Mr. Fortune.*

**Ex-Officio County Clerk – Glinda Robertson**

*Motion/second by Commissioners Ray/Gardner to appoint Glinda Robertson and carried by all.*

**ACCG County Legislative Coordinator – Raymond Ray**

*Motion/second by Commissioners Flowers-Taylor/Freeman to appoint Raymond Ray and carried by all.*

**VI. PRESENTATIONS/PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITION - None**

**VII. PRESENTATION OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS – None**

**VIII. CITIZENS COMMENTS –**

1. Mrs. Jewel Walker-Harps addressed the board regarding the Fire Department.

Mrs. Walker-Harps is the President of the Griffin Branch NAACP. The following are her comments:

I thank all those that came out to support me tonight. I am here in support of the fire department and in particular in support of Interim Fire Chief Kenny West. We feel that a concerted effort has been made by certain county officials to discredit Mr. West's reputation to prevent him from consideration of Fire Chief. This is being done at the expense of the department and the county.

We have expressed our regrets to the family for any discomfort they have experienced for the video and they supported the termination of Mr. Reid. However, they cannot support what appears to be a witch hunt toward others implicated in the Terrence Reid incident. We support their appeal for justice. This is America. We feel that the purpose of the investigation was intentionally misdirected by someone and the results distorted.

As far as we can determine no laws and no policies were broken and no lives were placed at risk. To base such extreme reactions on a judgment call means that the decisions are subjective rather than objective and leads to discrimination. Whose standard do we use to determine who had bad judgment? We would consider the agreement which was recently made for the Deputy County Manager's position to be poor judgment. Apparently some of you did not feel that way. We thought it was bad judgment not to investigate the leaks in the department but apparently some of you did not think so. We believe that persons responsible for what appears to be a witch hunt on certain individuals within the fire department should stop, but apparently some of you don't. Whose judgment do we trust?

There have been several undesirable incidents in this county. Some involved elected officials, but they did not garner the same attention for the length of time that these gentlemen have been in the headlines. Your offer for early retirement for Mr. West will simply not fly. Neither will resignation or demotion. Upon the request of the departmental heads, supervisors and directors we did not recognize any who looked like me. Could that be the problem?

We intend for that to change if federal funds are to continue coming to this county. We intend for that to change if local revenue initiatives are to be successful. Do not misunderstand me. We are here standing for all of these gentlemen no matter what their race or ethnic background may be. We intend to seek justice.

Your criticism of Mr. West's desire to pay attention to all of the minute details of his job won't be included in the decision making process of all things related to his job. This is absolutely necessary in his case since he is held responsible for each small detail. When an administrator expresses otherwise, this places in question the competency of that official.

The Fire Department, Mr. West and Mr. West's supervisor have all been annually evaluated satisfactorily in the past year by the appropriate persons and sanctioned by the board. We find it very questionable that within a few months, officials who had no experience or training in this area can come in on a temporary basis and find the need to scrutinize and recommend termination or demotions of positions for which they have not even had the opportunity to adequately evaluate. We are continuing to look at the grievances expressed by these gentlemen, especially Mr. West. We have found documentation to support each of their concerns.

We are hoping that as the EEOC Commission completes its investigation, it will conclude the same. We have great confidence in this board; that you will be fair; that you will look at all of the data and that justice will be done for all. It has been quite some time since I have received a complaint with so much documentation to support their allegations. We believe that with your support and your experience, this county is going to move forward in a very positive way. We are here to support you. Have a great year!

**IX. 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.

**Cynthia Tidwell – 283 Cedardale Dr. Griffin**

Ms. Tidwell was present to support the request from the Griffin-Spalding County Hospital Authority to approve grants for the Griffin-Spalding Health Department for 2011. She stated the community is limited in the number of doctors that accept Medicaid. They see around 150 to 175 children per month. They collaborate with schools to bring children in for dental work. They also do cleanings and fillings. This program started about 9 years ago. There are also some adult monies the Hospital Authority helps with. There is a bigger no show rate on the adults.

**Dick Morrow – 263 Westchester Dr. Griffin**

Mr. Morrow was at the meeting to clear up any misconceptions the commissioners may have about the dental program. He stated it's one of the most successful programs funded by the Hospital Authority. He further stated that this program allows children to go to school and be pain free with proper dental care. The grant also provides for the transportation that brings the children over from the school. Mr. Morrow asked the board to approve this request so the program can go forward. The money for the health clinic is tied up in this vote.

**Denise Eady – 405 S. Walker's Mill Rd. Griffin**

Ms. Eady stated this dental program sees 150 to 200 children per month. She further stated that Spalding County has the model program. There are limited sources of dentists who take Medicaid for children. This program is for children from Pre K to 12<sup>th</sup> grade. If a child lives in Spalding County, it doesn't matter whether they have Medicare or private insurance, they can be served.

**Dan McClain – 812 Sunnybrook Dr. Griffin**

Mr. McClain is the Chairman of the Spalding County Parks and Recreation Advisory Board. He wanted the commissioners to know that he supports the current board and would like for the commissioners to reappoint the current board members as they are all doing a great job. The current board has accomplished a lot.

**X. MINUTES**

1. Consider approval of Minutes of the following: December 20, 2010 Special Called Meeting and December 20, 2010 Extraordinary Session.

*Motion/second to approve the minutes by Commissioners Flowers-Taylor/Gilreath and carried by a vote of 3-0. Commissioners Gardner and Ray abstained from the vote as they were not commissioners at the December meetings.*

**XI. CONSENT AGENDA – None**

**XII. OLD BUSINESS**

1. Consider request from the Griffin-Spalding County Hospital Authority to approve grants for the Griffin-Spalding Health Department for 2011.

Ms. Taylor stated she thought it was redundant for children that have Medicaid to be seen at the clinic and the clinic is filing their insurance. Her point is that Medicaid reimbursement is about 7 to 10% of what the actual cost of that service is. She further stated there are four doctors she knows of that do accept Medicaid for dental work.

Ms. Taylor's asked what the dollar amount is they are getting back from Medicaid. She also believes there is not enough equality in how this is being dispersed. She has a problem with the grant taking \$150,000 and providing transportation for the kids to leave school to go and get their dental work done. She believes more adults should be treated in this program.

Mr. Morrow stated the bottom line is that even though there might be Medicaid providers for these kids, the kids don't get to see them. The schools identify these children and bring them over. Their problems are fixed. If they are billable, they are billed. The reality is when they are not seeing children, the adult clinic is going. There is one going all summer long and many days throughout the year. They are growing the adult dental care program

as they can. If they can afford two dentists or more, they will go for it; however, the Hospital Authority has limited funds. This has been a great program.

***Motion/second by Commissioners Flowers-Taylor/Gardner to lift from the table and carried by all. Motion/second by Commissioners Ray/Gilreath to approve the grants and carried by all.***

2. Consider approval of erecting stop signs at the intersection of County Line Road and South Sixth Street Extension.

***Motion/second by Commissioners Ray/Flowers-Taylor to lift from the table and carried by all.***

Ms. Taylor asked what precautions will the county take so people will be aware there is an upcoming four-way stop where there has not been one.

Mr. Freeman stated that could be part of the motion as far as putting up cautionary signs. Mr. Gilreath was under the impression this would not be a four-way stop. He feels there should not be a stop sign at County Line Road. He stated there will be some major accidents there.

Mr. Freeman stated the coroner as well as himself has requested a four-way stop be placed at this location. Mr. Gilreath asked, "When did the coroner become a DOT representative?" Mr. Freeman stated that Sonny Foster, the county coroner, worked the scene when a young man was killed there recently. Mr. Gilreath stated a four-way stop would not have changed anything in this situation. Mr. Freeman stated he would rather err on the side of caution than not do anything. Mr. Gilreath asked if Mr. Freeman would rather have a four-way stop where people are moving from Orchard Hill to the by-pass at 55 or 60 mph and running up to a four-way stop and having an accident. Mr. Freeman commented they should not be running over the speed limit.

Mr. Ray stated the county does not throw stop signs up without any warnings leading to that stop sign. Mr. Freeman stated the county has always given the public advance notice that stop signs were coming. Mr. Gilreath stated that last year the DOT recommended that a stop sign not be placed at this location. Mr. Freeman stated the commissioners had this discussion the last meeting and Mr. Gilreath indicated he had something from DOT. Mr. Freeman stated he has never seen anything from DOT stating this recommendation as Mr. Gilreath has indicated.

Mr. Gilreath told Mr. Freeman he was present at the meeting where this was stated. Mr. Freeman asked, "What meeting?" Mr. Gilreath said it was when the DOT guys came and spoke. Mr. Freeman asked who it was that came and spoke. Mr. Gilreath said, "Oh come on Mr. Freeman, where were you that night?" Mr. Freeman asked, "Was that the retired guy that you knew?" Mr. Gilreath said, "No." Mr. Freeman said the board does not have anything in writing from DOT. Mr. Gilreath stated he does and he believes it was sent to Mr. Wilson. He stated there was a verbal discussion about the signs being put up before the second reading.

At this point, Mr. Gilreath asked Mr. Wilson to come forward. Mr. Freeman told Mr. Wilson to keep his seat. At this point, Mr. Gilreath stood up and Mr. Freeman told Mr. Gilreath to keep his seat and just wait a minute. Mr. Gilreath stated, "No, you just wait a minute." Mr. Freeman again said, "Just wait a minute." Mr. Gilreath pointed his finger and stepped toward Mr. Freeman. Mr. Freeman told Mr. Gilreath he "better watch out." Mr. Gilreath again told Mr. Freeman, "You just wait a minute." Mr. Gilreath stated, "We're going to get this thing straightened out tonight." He again asked Mr. Wilson to come up. Again Mr. Freeman advised Mr. Gilreath to sit down. Mr. Freeman stated Mr. Wilson did not have anything to do with that. Mr. Gilreath stated Mr. Wilson can tell them what went on.

Mr. Freeman stated this is a county road; it is not a state road. The DOT does not tell the county what to do on county roads. Mr. Gilreath stated, "I'm telling you, you are making a mistake."

Sheriff Stewart, when asked, stated the signs have to be covered up for a period of 30 days before they are uncovered for use. This has been the procedure for years.

***Motion/second by Commissioners Ray/Flowers-Taylor to approve with the stipulation of following existing county policy for establishing signs to warn people of the upcoming***

*four-way stop and to use the LED signs to make sure people are warned and carried by a vote of 4-1. Commissioner Gilreath opposed.*

**XIII. NEW BUSINESS**

1. Consider approval of directing Bill Gay, Human Resources Director to immediately post the position of County Manager.

*Motion/second to approve by Commissioners Gardner/Ray and carried by all.*

2. Consider annual Spalding County appointments to Boards, Commissions and Authorities.

| <u>Board/Commission/Authority</u>                              | <u>Newly Appointed</u>  | <u>New Expiration</u> | <u>Comments</u>                                       |
|--|---|-----------------------|---|
| Board of Appeals & Adjustments<br>Unsafe Bldg. Abatement Code  | <b>Charles Penney</b><br><i>Motion/second Flowers-Taylor/Freeman 5-0</i>              | 12-31-2014            | 4-year term   |
| Board of Appeals & Adjustments<br>Unsafe Bldg. Abatement Code  | <b>Fred Edwards</b><br><i>Motion/second Flowers-Taylor/Gardner 5-0</i>                | 12-31-2014            | 4-year term   |
| Butts, Henry, Lamar & Spalding<br>County Development Authority | <b>Turner Davis</b><br><i>Motion/second Flowers-Taylor/Gardner 5-0</i>                | 12-31-2011            | 1-year term   |
| Chamber of Commerce<br>Board of Directors                      | <b>Tim Whalen</b><br><i>Motion/second Ray/Flowers-Taylor 5-0</i>                      | 12-31-2011            | 1-year term,<br>County Manager<br>by Position         |
| Chamber of Commerce Board of<br>Directors                      | <b>Chipper Gardner</b>  | 12-31-2011            | 1-year term Chair<br>or designee                      |
| Griffin Downtown Council –<br>Main Street Advisory Board       | <b>Cindy McDaniel</b><br><i>Motion/second Ray/Gardner 5-0</i>                         | 12-31-2011            | 1-year term Chair<br>or designee                      |
| Griffin-Spalding Area<br>Transportation Committee<br>(G-SATC)  | <b>Chuck Taylor</b>   | 12-31-2011            | 1-year term,<br>County Staff                          |
| G-SATC   | <b>Lamar Smith</b><br><i>Motion/second Ray/Gardner 5-1<br/>Flowers-Taylor opposed</i> | 12-31-2011            | 1-year term,<br>County At-Large                       |
| G-SATC   | <b>Wendell Beam</b>   | 12-31-2011            | 1-year term, by<br>position, Sheriff or<br>designee   |
| G-SATC   | <b>Kenny West</b>   | 12-21-2011            | 1-year term by<br>position, Fire Chief<br>or designee |
| G-SATC   | <b>Danny Kendrick</b><br><i>Motion/second Ray/Flowers-Taylor 5-0</i>                  | 12-31-2011            | 1-year term,<br>County At-Large                       |
| G-SATC   | <b>Chipper Gardner</b>  | 12-31-2011            | 1-year term by<br>Chair or designee                   |
| G-SATC   | <b>Eddie Freeman</b>  | 12-31-2011            | 1-year term Chair<br>or designee                      |
| G-SATC   | <b>Tim Whalen</b>   | 12-31-2011            | 1-year term,<br>County Manager<br>by position         |
| Griffin-Spalding County Airport<br>Advisory Commission         | <b>Eddie Freeman</b><br><i>Motion/second Ray/Flowers-Taylor</i>                       | 12-31-2011            | 1-year term County<br>Chair of designee               |
| Griffin-Spalding County Airport<br>Advisory Commission         | <b>Carl Pruet</b><br><i>Motion/second Flowers-Taylor/Ray 5-0</i>                      | 12-31-2013            | 3-year term County<br>At-Large                        |
| Griffin-Spalding County<br>Development Authority               | <b>Eddie Freeman</b>  | 12-31-2011            | 1-year term County<br>Chair or designee               |
| Griffin-Spalding Development<br>Authority                      | <b>Johnny Goodrum</b><br><i>Motion/second Flowers-Taylor/Gardner 5-0</i>              | 12-31-2013            | 3-year term County<br>At-Large                        |

| <u>Board/Commission/Authority</u>                               | <u>Newly Appointed</u>   | <u>New Expiration</u> | <u>Comments</u>                            |
|---|--|-----------------------|--|
| Griffin-Spalding County Hospital Authority – Ex-Officio         | <b>Raymond Ray</b>   | 12-31-2011            | 1-year term County Chair or designee       |
| Griffin-Spalding County Hospital Authority                      | <b>Eddie Grogan</b><br><i>Motion/second Gardner/Flowers-Taylor 5-0</i>       | 12-31-14              | 4-year term                                |
| Keep Griffin/Spalding Beautiful Committee                       |  |                       |  |
| Local Law Enforcement Block Grant Advisory Commission           | <b>Scott Ballard</b><br><i>Motion/second Ray/Flowers-Taylor 5-0</i>          | 12-31-2011            | 1-year term, Prosecutor's Office           |
| Local Law Enforcement Block Grant Advisory Commission           | <b>Marvin Brooks</b><br><i>Motion/second Gardner/Ray 5-0</i>                 | 12-31-2011            | 1-year term, Private Sector representative |
| Local Law Enforcement Block Grant Advisory Commission           | <b>Tim Whalen</b>  | 12-31-2011            | 1-year term, County Manager by position    |
| Local Law Enforcement Block Grant Advisory Commission           | <b>Eddie Freeman</b>   | 12-31-2011            | 1-year term County Chair or designee       |
| Region One MHDDAD Planning Board                                |  | 12-31-2013            | 3-year term                                |
| South Metro Microenterprise Coalition                           | <b>Raymond Ray</b>   | 12-31-2011            | Commissioner Annual Appt. by Chair         |
| Spalding Co Animal Care & Control Advisory Bd.                  |  | 12-31-2011            | 1-year term, Dist. 1                       |
| Spalding Co Animal Care & Control Advisory Bd.                  |  | 12-31-2011            | 1-year term, Dist. 2                       |
| Spalding Co Animal Care & Control Advisory Bd.                  | <b>Jan McPhail</b>   | 12-31-2011            | 1-year term, Dist. 3                       |
| Spalding Co Animal Care & Control Advisory Bd.                  | <b>Christine Greene</b>  | 12-31-2011            | 1-year term, Dist. 4                       |
| Spalding Co Animal Care & Control Advisory Bd.                  |  | 12-31-2011            | 1-year term, Dist. 5                       |
| Spalding County Board of Elections                              | <b>Helen Grayson</b><br><i>Motion/second Gardner/Ray 5-0</i>                 | 12-31-2014            | 4-year term                                |
| Spalding County Board of Elections                              | <b>Kaye Norris</b><br><i>Motion/second Gardner/Ray 5-0</i>                   | 12-31-2014            | 4-year term                                |
| Spalding County Board of Health                                 | <b>Raymond Ray</b>   | 12-31-2011            | 1-year term Chair or designee              |
| Spalding County Board of Health                                 | <b>Merrilee Reeves</b><br><i>Motion/second Flowers-Taylor/Gardner 5-0</i>    |                       |  |
| Spalding County Board of Zoning Appeals                         |  | 12-31-2014            | 4-year term, Post 5                        |
| Spalding County Board of Zoning Appeals                         | <b>Bryan Clanton</b>   | 12-31-2014            | 4-year term, Post 2                        |
| Spalding County Collaborative Authority for Families & Children |  | 12-31-2011            | 1-year term Chair or designee              |
| Spalding County Collaborative Authority for Families & Children | <b>Jewel Walker-Harps</b><br><i>Motion/second Gardner/Flowers-Taylor 5-0</i> | 12-31-2012            | 2-year Consumer Representative             |
| Spalding County Parks & Recreation Advisory Comm.               | <b>Gwen Flowers-Taylor</b>   | 12-31-2011            | 1-year term Chair or designee              |
| Spalding County Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission        | <b>Richard Dukes</b>   | 12-31-2013            | 3-year term District 1 Appointment         |
| Spalding County Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission        | <b>David Dodd</b>  | 12-31-2013            | 3-year term District 2 Appointment         |
| Spalding County Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission        | <b>Zachery Holmes</b>  | 12-31-2013            | 3-year term District 3 Appointment         |
| Spalding County Parks and                                       | <b>Tony Rakestraw</b>  | 12-31-2013            | 3-year term District                       |

| <u>Board/Commission/Authority</u>                        | <u>Newly Appointed</u>  | <u>New Expiration</u> | <u>Comments</u>                               |
|--|---|-----------------------|---|
| Recreation Advisory Commission                           |   |                       | 4 Appointment                                 |
| Spalding County Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission | <b>Ernest Wimbush, Jr.</b>  | 12-31-2013            | 3-year term District 5 Appointment            |
| Spalding County Personnel Appeals Board                  | <b>Tootsie Powers</b><br><i>Motion/second Gardner/Ray 3-2 Flowers-Taylor/Gilreath opposed</i> | 12-31-2013            | 3-year term County At-Large                   |
| Spalding County Personnel Appeals                        | <b>Doug Taylor</b><br><i>Motion/second Flowers-Taylor/Ray 5-0</i>                             | 12-31-2013            | 3-year term County At-Large                   |
| Spalding County Planning Commission                      | <b>Ed Johnson</b>   | 12-31-2014            | 4-year term, Post 5                           |
| Spalding County Planning Commission                      | <b>Bruce Ballard</b>  | 12-31-2014            | 4-year term, Post 2                           |
| Spalding County Water & Sewerage Facilities Authority    | <b>Gwen Flowers-Taylor</b>  | 12-31-2011            | 1-year term Chair or designee                 |
| Three Rivers RDC Board of Directors                      | <b>Eddie Freeman</b>  | 12-31-2011            | 1-year term, County Chair or designee-Elected |
| Three Rivers TMDL Task Force                             | <b>Chuck Taylor</b>   | 12-31-2011            | 1-year term Chair position or designee        |
| Two Rivers R C & D Council                               | <b>Tim Whalen</b>   | 12-31-2011            | 1-year term by position County Manager        |
| Two Rivers R C & D Council                               | <b>Eddie Freeman</b>  | 12-31-2011            | 1-year term – Voting Member                   |

#### **XIV. REPORT OF COUNTY MANAGER**

- Mr. Whalen asked the two new commissioners to attend the staff meeting on Tuesday morning at 9 a.m. so they could be introduced to the department heads.
- Mr. Whalen reminded everyone the January 17<sup>th</sup> BOC meeting has been cancelled due to the Martin Luther King Holiday. The next scheduled BOC meeting will be February 7<sup>th</sup>.
- The bids for the equipment maintenance for various county buildings will be opened at the January 27<sup>th</sup> Zoning meeting.
- Mr. Whalen asked the commissioners to attend the next ACCAB meeting to meet the board and see what they do.
- The Land Bank Authority will have a tour of homes on January 5<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 p.m.

#### **XV. REPORT OF COMMISSIONERS**

##### **Chipper Gardner**

- Mr. Gardner thanked everyone for the opportunity to serve. He is humbled and excited about the opportunity.

##### **Raymond Ray**

- Mr. Ray also thanked everyone for the opportunity to serve. He also stated mid-month he would like to have a Special Called Meeting to address the status of the senior center.

##### **Eddie Freeman**

- Mr. Freeman thanked Commissioners Ray and Gardner for running for office and being willing to get out and do what is right for the county and the citizens.
- Mr. Freeman would like to have a meeting in the near future that addresses possible animal restraint for the entire county.

#### **XIV. CLOSED SESSION – Personnel, Acquisition of Real Estate and Potential Litigation**

*Motion/second to go into closed session at 7:40 p.m. by Commissioners Flowers-Taylor/Ray and carried by all.*

*Motion/second to come out of closed session at 9:03 p.m. by Commissioners Flowers-Taylor/Ray and carried by all.*

*Chairman Freeman announced there will be a workshop January 13<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 a.m. to discuss the Deputy County Manager Ordinance/Position.*

**CLOSED MEETING AFFIDAVIT**

STATE OF GEORGIA  
COUNTY OF SPALDING

AFFIDAVIT OF CHAIRMAN

Members of the Spalding County Board of Commissioners, being duly sworn, states under oath that the following is true and accurate to the best of his/her knowledge and belief:

1.

The Spalding County Board of Commissioners met in a duly advertised meeting on January 3, 2011.

2.

During such meeting, the Board voted to go into closed session.

3.

The executive session was called to order at 7:40 p.m.

4.

The subject matter of the closed portion of the meeting was devoted to the following matter(s) within the exceptions provided in the open meetings law:

**Yes** Consultation with the county attorney, or other legal counsel, to discuss pending or potential litigation, settlement, claims, administrative proceedings, or other judicial actions brought or to be brought by or against the county or any officer or employee or in which the county or any officer or employee may be directly involved as provided in O.C.G.A. § 50-14-2(1);

**No** Discussion of tax matters made confidential by state law as provided by O.C.G.A. § 50-14-2(2) and \_\_\_\_\_ (insert the citation to the legal authority making the tax matter confidential);

**Yes** Discussion of the future acquisition of real estate as provided by O.C.G.A. § 50-14-3(4);

**Yes** Discussion or deliberation on the appointment, employment, compensation, hiring, disciplinary action or dismissal, or periodic evaluation or rating of a county officer or employee as provided in O.C.G.A. § 50-14-3(6);

**No** Other (describe the exemption to the open meetings law):  
\_\_\_\_\_ as provided in \_\_\_\_\_ (insert the citation to the legal authority exempting the topic).

This the 3rd day of January 3, 2011.

Spalding County Board of Commissioners

Sworn to and subscribed

Before me this 3rd day of January 2011.

Bob Gilreath

Raymond Ray

Glinda P. Robertson  
Notary Public

Gwen Flowers-Taylor

Eddie Freeman

My commission expires:

Chipper Gardner

Feb 23, 2014

**XVI. ADJOURNMENT**

*Motion/second by Commissioners Flowers-Taylor/Ray to adjourn at 9:03 p.m. and carried by all.*