

LONG COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

REGULAR MEETING

January 3, 2017

1. Meeting called to order by Vice Chairman Clifton Deloach with the following members present: David Richardson, Robert Walker, Willie F. Thompson and Michael Riddle.
2. Meeting led in prayer by Mr. Thompson.
3. Mr. Thompson nominates Mr. Riddle for Chairman; Mr. Deloach voted yea, Mr. Riddle voted yea and Mr. Thompson voted yea.
4. Mr. Deloach asks Mr. Riddle what would make him a qualified candidate as Chairman of the Long County Board of Commissioners, Mr. Riddle stated "I have the knowledge to serve as Chairman, I will do my very best to serve Long County if elected Chairman".
5. Mr. Richardson nominates Mr. Walker for Chairman; Mr. Richardson voted yea and Mr. Walker voted yea.
6. Mr. Deloach asks Mr. Walker what would make him a qualified candidate as Chairman of the Long County Board of Commissioners, Mr. Walker stated "My expertise is working with the budget and finances".
7. Mr. Riddle nominates Mr. Deloach for Vice Chairman; Mr. Riddle voted yea and Mr. Deloach voted yea.
8. Mr. Richardson nominates Mr. Walker for Vice Chairman; Mr. Richardson voted yea.
9. Motion made by Mr. Thompson, seconded by Mr. Riddle and carried to hire James Smith as County Attorney. Mr. Deloach voted yea, Mr. Walker voted nay and Mr. Richardson voted nay.
10. Motion made by Mr. Walker, seconded by Mr. Deloach and carried to accept minutes from December 6, 2016. Mr. Riddle voted yea, Mr. Richardson voted yea and Mr. Thompson voted yea.
11. Motion made by Mr. Richardson, seconded by Mr. Walker and carried to accept minutes from December 13, 2016. Mr. Thompson voted yea, Mr. Riddle voted yea and Mr. Deloach voted yea.

12. Motion made by Mr. Richardson, seconded by Mr. Walker and carried that we place an item on the agenda that was previously left off for the betterment of the County. (County Administrator) Mr. Riddle voted yea, Mr. Thompson voted yea and Mr. Deloach voted yea.
13. Motion made by Mr. Riddle, seconded by Mr. Walker and carried that we place an item on the agenda that was previously left off for the betterment of the County. (Staggered Terms). Mr. Deloach voted yea, Mr. Thompson voted yea and Mr. Richardson voted yea.
14. Motion made by Mr. Walker, seconded by Mr. Riddle to vote on two year staggered term for the fifth district.
15. Motion made by Mr. Riddle, seconded by Mr. Thompson to vote on two year staggered term for the second district.
16. Motion made by Mr. Thompson to vote on two year staggered term for the third district. He withdrew this motion.
17. Motion made by Mr. Thompson, seconded by Mr. Walker to vote on two year staggered term for the third district.
18. Motion made by Mr. Thompson, seconded by Mr. Deloach and carried to enter into executive session. Mr. Riddle voted yea, Mr. Richardson vote yea and Mr. Walker voted yea.
19. Motion made by Mr. Thompson, seconded by Mr. Richardson and carried to exit executive session. Mr. Walker voted yea, Mr. Riddle voted yea and Mr. Deloach voted yea.
20. Motion made by Mr. Thompson, seconded by Mr. Riddle and carried to pay bills. Mr. Richardson voted yea and Mr. Deloach voted yea. Mr. Walker abstained because he stated he had not seen the bills.
21. Motion made by Mr. Thompson, seconded by Mr. Walker and carried to adjourn. Mr. Riddle voted yea, Mr. Deloach voted yea and Mr. Richardson voted yea.

#### DISCUSSION

1. STAGGERED TERMS: The Attorney will conduct research and have information regarding this at the next meeting.
2. VIRA SALZBURN: Discussed Grants they offer to help reduce the number of uninsured children.

3. CRAWFORD SUBDIVISION: Mr. Kunkle discussed ongoing drainage problem and speeding. The Commissioners will be checking into this matter and writing a letter to the developer.
4. CATHY ATKINS/SHAWN BROWN: Mrs. Atkins informed the Commissioners regarding her new appointment, Chair of the State of Georgia Advisory Board for DFCS. Mrs. Atkins also give an update concerning Foster care for Long County.
5. BEVERLY SMILEY: Discussed 2017 Long County Martin Luther King Observance activities.