

LONG COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

REGULAR MEETING

MARCH 4, 2014

1. Meeting called to order by Chairman Robert Long with the following members present: Vice Chairman Kent Hall, Gerald Blocker, Dwight Gordon and Willie Frank Thompson.
2. Meeting led in prayer by Mr. Hall.
3. Motion made by Mr. Blocker, seconded by Mr. Thompson and carried to accept minutes. Mr. Long voted yea, Mr. Hall voted yea and Mr. Gordon voted yea.
4. Motion made by Mr. Gordon, seconded by Mr. Thompson and carried to draft a resolution opposing the Townsend Bombing Range taking our land which will affect our tax base. Mr. Long voted yea, Mr. Hall voted yea and Mr. Blocker voted yea.
5. Motion made by Mr. Hall, seconded by Mr. Blocker and carried to accept the new fee schedule for Long County-City of Ludowici as presented to the board by Chief Code Enforcement Officer. John Bradley. The Planning and Zoning Board adopted the fee schedule at the February meeting. Mr. Long voted yea, Mr. Gordon voted yea and Mr. Thompson voted yea.
6. Motion made by Mr. Hall, seconded by Mr. Blocker and carried to hire Jay Swindell as the county attorney for 2014. Mr. Long voted yea, Mr. Thompson voted yea and Mr. Gordon voted yea.
7. Motion made by Mr. Blocker, seconded by Mr. Hall and carried to enter executive session for personnel. Mr. Long voted yea, Mr. Thompson voted yea and Mr. Gordon voted yea.
8. Motion made by Mr. Blocker, seconded by Mr. Thompson and carried to exit executive session. Mr. Long voted yea, Mr. Hall voted yea and Mr. Gordon voted yea.
9. Motion made by Mr. Hall, seconded by Mr. Thompson and carried for temporary EMS service starting April 1, 2014. We have two temporary proposals and Okfeenokee EMS has submitted the lowest per month proposal for temporary service 90 days until a permanent provider can be chosen. Mr. Long voted yea, Mr. Blocker voted yea and Mr. Gordon voted yea.

10. Motion made by Mr. Hall, seconded by Mr. Thompson and carried to pay bills. Mr. Long voted yea, Mr. Gordon voted yea and Mr. Blocker voted yea.
11. Motion made by Mr. Blocker, seconded by Mr. Thompson and carried to adjourn. Mr. Long voted yea, Mr. Hall voted yea and Mr. Gordon voted yea.

DISCUSSION

1. LARRY ANDERSON/INSURANCE: Mr. Anderson discussed about insurance for employees. Mr. Long stated we will be back in touch with you concerning the benefits.
2. MORELAND ALTOBELLI ASSOCIATES: Mr. Buddy Grattan discussed with the board about the Hinesville by-pass.
3. VICKERS SUBDIVISION/KASSEY GOODE: Mrs. Goode discussed with the board about the roads missing stop signs, speed limit signs and missing road signs. Mr. Long replied we are working with Mr. Nutting concerning the roads, this is private property. A home owners association would be good for this area with the problems that this subdivision has. Mr. Gordon stated I am aware of what is going on; I am willing to help any way I can.
4. WENDY STEPHENS: Mrs. Stephens discussed about the drainage problem on Hall Road. Mr. Hall stated the pipe under the road has always been there. The natural flow of the water drains in your yard, private property is next to your land before the ditch.
5. DANNY NORMAN/TOWNSEND BOMBING RANGE: Mr. Norman discussed with the board about how our county is impacted by the Marine Corp taking this land. We need to pull together as citizens of Long County and kept fighting for our land. A resolution would be good to send and let the Marine Corp know how the citizens feel about losing our land. Mr. Buddy Carter, Senator stated I have been dealing with the bombing range for a long time; I will bring this to the attention at the State and Federal level.
6. JOHN BRADLEY: Mr. Bradley presented a fee schedule for his office to be approved. The roads in the Millpond Subdivision were discussed, the board agreed to table this matter to a later date. I am working on the roads for the LMIG Grant.

7. PATRICIA JOHNSON: We are in violation with the state for qualifying fees for the upcoming elections. We need a three member board, I talked to Mrs. Smith about meetings and training, she seems to think she might not be able to serve on the board. Alice Woodard submitted a letter to serve on the board.
8. E-911 SIGNS: We are working on this ordinance.
9. DEPOT: Mr. Long told Mr. Chapman, notice has been put in the legal organ for citizens interested in serving on the Historic Commission.
10. GUN ORDINANCE: We are still working on the gun ordinance per Mr. Long.
11. MILDRED HOPKINS: Mrs. Hopkins ask if a decision had been made on my case, Mr. Long and the attorney stated it is in ligation.
12. VANESSA CUNNINGHAM: Mrs. Cunningham commented on some roads and other things concerning the county.