

LONG COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

REGULAR MEETING

February 7, 2017

1. Meeting called to order by Chairman Mike Riddle with the following members present: David Richardson, Robert Walker, Willie F. Thompson and Clifton Deloach.
2. Meeting led in prayer by Pastor Brian Smith.
3. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commissioner Willie Frank Thompson.
4. Motion made by Mr. Walker, seconded by Mr. Thompson and carried to add Danny Norman to D. under Old Business. Mr. Riddle voted yea, Mr. Richardson voted yea and Mr. Deloach voted yea.
5. Motion made by Mr. Walker, seconded by Mr. Thompson and carried to add Sam Mines to Appointments. Mr. Deloach voted yea, Mr. Riddle voted yea and Mr. Richardson voted yea.
6. Motion made by Mr. Walker, seconded by Mr. Thompson and carried to accept the January Minutes with the recommendation by the County Attorney to amend number 8 due to a 2-1 vote for Vice Chairman.
7. Motion made by Mr. Walker, seconded by Mr. Thompson and carried to elect Clifton Deloach as Vice Chairman. Mr. Riddle voted yea. Mr. Richardson voted yea and Mr. Deloach voted yea.
8. Motion made by Mr. Walker, seconded by Mr. Thompson and carried to approve the appointments of Tonda Bierly and Terri Middleton as Magistrates for the Magistrate Court of Long County. Mr. Deloach voted yea, Mr. Riddle voted yea and Mr. Richardson voted yea.
9. Motion made by Mr. Walker, seconded by Mr. Richardson and carried to change the Long County Board of Commissioners regular scheduled meeting time from 6:00 P.M. to 9:00 A.M. Mr. Thompson voted nay, Mr. Riddle voted nay and Mr. Deloach voted yea. It was a 3-2 vote.
10. Motion made by Mr. Walker, seconded by Mr. Thompson and carried to allow the County Attorney to start the legal process for the SPLOST Referendum. Mr. Riddle voted yea, Mr. Deloach voted yea and Mr. Richardson voted yea.

11. The Chairman asked would the board like to make a motion in regards to the request to the rezoning of parcel #062 A 008 to Commercial, at the request of the land owner. Due to no motion made no action was taken.
12. Motion made by Mr. Deloach, seconded by Mr. Thompson and carried to begin the process of hiring a County Administrator. Mr. Riddle voted yea, Mr. Walker and Mr. Richardson abstained until finances are certain.
13. Motion made by Mr. Walker, seconded by Mr. Thompson and carried to accept the SEGARR Network MOU presented by Danny Norman. Mr. Deloach voted yea, Mr. Richardson voted yea and Mr. Riddle voted yea.
14. Motion made by Mr. Deloach, seconded by Mr. Thompson and carried to enter Executive Session. Mr. Riddle voted yea, Mr. Richardson voted yea and Mr. Walker voted yea.
15. Motion made by Mr. Walker, seconded by Mr. Thompson and carried to exit Executive Session. Mr. Richardson voted yea, Mr. Riddle voted yea and Mr. Deloach voted yea.
16. Motion made by Mr. Deloach, seconded by Mr. Richardson and carried to pay bills. Mr. Walker voted yea, Mr. Thompson voted yea and Mr. Riddle voted yea.
17. Motion made by Mr. Thompson, seconded by Mr. Walker and carried to adjourn. Mr. Richardson voted yea, Mr. Deloach voted yea and Mr. Riddle voted yea.

DISCUSSION

1. JAMES WASDIN: Discussed hiring another field appraiser, and will submit this at budget time.
2. TAMMY GOOBER: Introduced Chamber President Justin Anderson to the Board, Mrs. Goober stated she was on the board of directors and they would be working with the county as much as possible.
3. NORMA CISNEROS: Discussed paving a road in the county. The county does not have the funds available at this time. Mr. Richardson stated the Board would consider paving the road.
4. REVEREND CABELL: Discussed paving 200 feet on Thompson Road in front of Shallow Missionary Baptist Church.
5. GENE LONG/CHEMPRO: Discussed spraying on dirt and county roads.

6. SAM MINES: Discussed with the commissioners about moving a mobile home into the county and let owner repair once in the county. The Commissioners stated they would check into this.
7. STAGGERED TERMS: Mr. Riddle discussed the resolution has been prepared and will be sent to Atlanta.
8. ADMINISTRATOR: Mr. Riddle discussed starting the process of hiring a county administrator.
9. CRAWFORD SUBDIVISION: The County has not accepted the roads, nor are we responsible for the roads. A certified letter has been sent to the developer listing all the deficiencies.
10. DANNY NORMAN: Update regarding the Communications Grant, stated this communication grant will help keep all officers safe, and we need support from the Townsend Bombing Range.

LONG COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

SPECIAL MEETING

FEBRUARY 17, 2017

1. Meeting called to order by Chairman Mike Riddle with the following members present: Mr. Thompson, Mr. Walker, Mr. Richardson and Mr. Deloach.
2. Invocation led by Mr. Thompson.
3. Pledge of Allegiance led by Mr. Thompson.
4. Motion made by Mr. Walker, seconded by Mr. Thompson and carried to forward the 2015-2016 Audit to the State. Mr. Deloach voted yea, Mr. Riddle voted yea and Mr. Richardson voted yea.
5. Motion made by Mr. Thompson, seconded by Mr. Deloach and carried to enter into Executive Session. Mr. Walker voted yea, Mr. Richardson voted yea and Mr. Riddle voted yea.
6. Motion made by Mr. Deloach, seconded by Mr. Thompson and carried to exit Executive Session. Mr. Richardson voted yea, Mr. Riddle voted yea and Mr. Walker voted yea.
7. Motion made by Mr. Thompson, seconded by Mr. Richardson and carried to accept Recreation Director Henry Strickland's resignation. Mr. Walker voted yea, Mr. Deloach voted yea and Mr. Richardson voted yea.
8. Motion made by Mr. Walker, seconded by Mr. Deloach and carried to move Brandon McManus to the position of Recreation Director. Mr. Thompson voted yea, Mr. Richardson voted yea and Mr. Riddle voted yea.
9. Motion made by Mr. Deloach, seconded by Mr. Thompson and carried to begin the search process for the position of Recreation Director. Mr. Riddle voted yea, Mr. Richardson voted yea and Mr. Walker voted nay.
10. Motion made by Mr. Thompson, seconded by Mr. Deloach and carried to accept the resignation of Road Superintendent Wilford Morris. Mr. Richardson voted yea, Mr. Walker voted yea and Mr. Riddle voted yea.

11. Motion made by Mr. Thompson, seconded by Mr. Riddle and carried to begin the search process for the position of Road Superintendent. Mr. Walker voted nay, Mr. Richardson voted nay and Mr. Deloach voted nay.
12. Motion made by Mr. Walker, seconded by Mr. Deloach and carried to transfer Norman Morris from the position of Mechanic to the position of Road Superintendent with 90 day probation. Mr. Richardson voted yea, Mr. Thompson voted nay and Mr. Riddle voted nay.
13. Motion made by Mr. Thompson, seconded by Mr. Deloach and carried to adjourn. Mr. Richardson voted yea, Mr. Riddle voted yea and Mr. Walker voted yea.

DISCUSSION

1. DRAINAGE: Ditches were cut on Demery Howard road due to reoccurring problems; Chairman Mike Riddle was misinformed as to which party was responsible for installing culvert pipes. Mr. Riddle was led to believe Long County was responsible instead of the property owners as states in the Long County Ordinance for 2015. Mr. Riddle opposes the policy.
2. AUDIT: Mr. Riddle presented the FY: 2015-2016 Audit to the board for discussion. Mr. Walker recommended to the Board to send the Audit to the State of Georgia. The Board agreed.