

CLAYTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Regular Business Meeting
7:00 P.M.

January 3, 2012

POST SUMMARY MINUTES

PRESENT: Chairman Eldrin Bell, Vice-Chairman Wole Ralph, Commissioner Sonna Singleton, Commissioner Michael Edmondson, Commissioner Gail Hambrick, and Clerk Shelby D. Haywood.

1. Chairman Bell called the meeting to order.
2. Invocation led by Major Wallace Woodcock (Retired) from the Clayton County Police Department. Pledge of allegiance to the flag led by Chairman Bell.
3. Amended the agenda by adding a consideration of the Vice-Chairman nomination following the approval of the December 20, 2011 Regular Business Meeting minutes. Clerk Haywood also noted that Carol Rogers, Contracts Administrator, of Central Services would be acting in Director Rod Gray's stead in presenting items to the Board tonight. The agenda was adopted, as amended, as all commissioners had copies before them. Vote unanimous.
4. Approved the December 20, 2011 Regular Business Meeting minutes. Vote unanimous.
5. Motion by Commissioner Singleton, second by Commissioner Hambrick, to appoint Commissioner Wole Ralph as the Vice-Chairman of the Clayton County Board of Commissioners. The motion carried 4-1. Commissioner Edmondson opposed.
6. Carol Rogers, Contracts Administrator, of Central Services presented the following items which resulted in these actions. (NOTE: The Board voted on all of these items at once.)
 - 1) Approved a request from Jeanette Spivey, Director of Fleet Maintenance, to rescind the Ethanol & Ultra Low Sulfur Diesel Annual Contract award (RFB Pkg. #11-22; 8/24/11) with PS Energy Group, located in Atlanta, Georgia, as presented and approved by the Clayton County Board of Commissioners during the November 8, 2011 Regular Business Meeting. This request is being rescinded due to a pricing error for Fire Station #2. Vote unanimous.
 - 2) Approved a request from Jeanette Spivey, Director of Fleet Maintenance, to amend the current Annual Contract for Ethanol & Ultra Low Sulfur Diesel with AR Brooks Enterprise (RFB Pkg. #11-22; 8/24/11), located in Smyrna, Georgia, as presented and approved by the Clayton County Board of Commissioners on November 8, 2011. The recommendation is to award AR Brooks as primary carrier for Fire Station #2. Vote unanimous.
 - 3) Approved a bid for Clayton County Central Services Annual Contract/Batteries (RFB #11-39; 12/12/11). This bid covers an indefinite quantity annual contract for a variety of batteries used by departments county-wide. Vote unanimous.

Central Services has reviewed all bids and recommends a multi-award contract based on the lowest responsive bid per item as listed below:

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VENDORS

ITEMS

Batteries Plus of Stockbridge, Stockbridge, GA

*1,4 and 8
24/box @\$.27 ea
24/box @.27 ea and
40/box @\$1.22 ea*

Battle & Battle Distributors, Decatur, GA

*3, 6 and 7
8/pack @\$13.56
\$1.04 ea
\$.66 ea*

Pyramid School Supplies, Tampa, FL

*2 and 5
4/pack @ \$5.99
1 @\$.56 ea*

4) Approved a request to amend the current fee for the SPLOST Architectural/Engineering Services contract for the Juvenile Justice Center (RFP #09-58). Vote unanimous.

KSGW Architects, LLC, located in Alpharetta, Georgia, was originally awarded the contract by the Board of Commissioners on May 4, 2010 at 6% of the construction cost of the project. The original contract fixed limit of construction was \$11,500,756.00, and the KSGW contract was awarded in the amount of \$690,045.00.

Currently, the GMP for this project is established at \$12,251,883.00, an increase of \$735,113.00. Carter Goble Lee, Project Manager for the Juvenile Justice Center, recommends a contract amendment for KSGW in the amount of \$45,068.00, based on the established GMP. Funds are available in the original project budget.

7. Approved Resolution 2012-01 authorizing Clayton County to enter into a Memorandum Of Understanding for mutual aid with the Clayton State University providing for reciprocal response to emergencies within each respective jurisdiction subject to the availability of resources; to authorize the Chairman to execute the agreement, and otherwise perform all acts necessary to accomplish the intent of this resolution, etc. Vote unanimous.

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8. Approved Resolution 2012-02 authorizing the acceptance of one (1) condemned vehicle to be assigned to the Police Department fleet in a manner as will be in the best interest of the County (2002 Toyota Camry, VIN # 4T1BE32K32U061280); to authorize the Chairman to execute any and all documents necessary to transfer this vehicle; etc. Vote unanimous.

9. Approved Resolution 2012-03 authorizing the acceptance of one (1) condemned vehicle to be assigned to the Police Department fleet in a manner as will be in the best interest of the County (2002 Toyota Tundra truck, VIN # 5TBRN34102S281271); to authorize the Chairman to execute any and all documents necessary to transfer this vehicle; etc. Vote unanimous.

10. Approved Resolution 2012-04 authorizing Clayton County to enter into a Sixth Amendment with Lin Investments, Inc., as Successor, R&P Properties, Inc., as Lessor, on behalf of Clayton County Juvenile Court, as Lessee, and Workman and Company, Inc., as Agent, for the terms and conditions related to extending the existing leased space located at 259 Arrowhead Boulevard for a period of six months (presently occupied by Juvenile Court) in order to allow completion of the new Juvenile Justice Center; to authorize the Chairman to execute any and all documents necessary for the extension of this lease, etc. Vote unanimous.

Interim County Attorney Jack Hancock requested an Executive Session pertaining to real estate acquisition, litigation, and personnel. The Board agreed by general consensus.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

1. Carl Swenson, a county resident, asked the Board to consider making a resolution to change the public comment section from being at the end of the business meeting session to before the business meeting session so that citizens can possibly have some influence over decisions made by the Board regarding agenda items. He also called for an independent forensic audit of the county books which he felt was long overdue. Mr. Swenson promised to continue to work on establishing an oversight committee a.k.a. Citizens Grand Jury to be in place either before or after the election because the county needs a constitutional rule of law.

2. Jeffery Benoit, a resident of Rex, Georgia, affirmed that having public comment after the business meeting was a matter of venting with no results since the Board had already made decisions. Mr. Benoit stressed that citizens should be able to address the Board for input, impact, and expectation of new results.

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3. Wayne Madden, a county resident, expressed that he was not present to vent. He also wished to echo what the previous speakers had addressed about public comment. Mr. Madden stated that he will be forced to run (as a county commissioner) to get the issues to the people because there are some real questions that need to be answered.

Motion by Vice-Chairman Ralph, second by Commissioner Singleton, to go into Executive Session in the Commissioners' Conference Room at 7:16 p.m. Vote unanimous.

Motion by Vice-Chairman Ralph, second by Commissioner Singleton, to go out of Executive Session at 7:55 p.m. Vote unanimous.

Motion by Vice-Chairman Ralph, second by Commissioner Singleton, to reconvene the Regular Business Meeting in the Commissioners' Boardroom at 7:57 p.m. Vote unanimous.

11. Clerk Haywood alerted the Board that Interim County Attorney Jack Hancock wished to make a presentation regarding a real estate acquisition (based on prior Board discussion/decision in the Executive Session).

Mr. Hancock stated that the county has the opportunity to consider a contract for the purchase of 41 ½ acres located at 3199 Anvilblock Road in Ellenwood, Georgia at a cost of \$684,750.00. This computes to \$16,500.00 an acre which is "significantly cheaper" than anything else in that market. He explained that the purpose of the acquisition would be for a police precinct and to accommodate road improvements that will taking place in that area. Mr. Hancock's presentation of these facts resulted in the following motion:

Motion by Commissioner Singleton, second by Vice-Chairman Ralph, to approve the contract to purchase the aforementioned property in Ellenwood, Georgia. Before Chairman Bell requested the ayes and nays for approval, Commissioner Edmondson noted he had a question about this contract. Chairman Bell then deferred to Commissioner Edmondson. Since the Board had already approved the police precinct through SPLOST funding, Commissioner Edmondson asked if the contract specified this information. Mr. Hancock responded that the contract itself does not identify the funding source; it just states the purchase price of \$684,750.00. With no further questions from the Board, Chairman Bell then asked for the ayes and nays. Vote unanimous.

County Manager Wade Starr next presented some "requests to fill" for Board consideration:

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1. One (1) Full-time Equipment Operator – Corrections/Refuse Control
2. One (1) Police Officer II – Police Department
3. One (1) Principal Secretary – Police Department
4. One (1) Police Services Clerk – Police Department
5. One (1) Deputy Clerk – Clerk of Superior and Magistrate Courts
6. Two (2) Part-time Library positions (a Library Aide and a Library Assistant) to be hired through the county’s new relationship with WorkTrain Staffing, LLC.

Mr. Starr’s presentation of these “requests to fill” resulted in the following motion:

Motion by Vice-Chairman Ralph, second by Commissioner Singleton, to approve the above-listed “requests to fill” positions. Vote unanimous.

There being no further business to discuss, motion by Vice-Chairman Ralph, second by Commissioner Singleton, to adjourn the Regular Business Meeting of January 3, 2012 at 8:00 p.m. Vote unanimous.