

CLAYTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Regular Business Meeting  
7:00 P.M.

February 14, 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 was led by Rev. Dr. Leon Beeler of the Forest Park Ministers Association in Clayton County, Georgia. Pledge of allegiance to the flag was led by Chairman Bell.
3. Amended the agenda by adding an Executive Session on personnel matters. The agenda was adopted, as amended, as all commissioners had copies before them. Vote unanimous.
4. Approved the February 7, 2012 Special Called Work Session and Regular Business Meeting minutes. Vote unanimous.
5. **Motion by Vice-Chairman Ralph, second by Commissioner Singleton, to go into a *Public Hearing to receive citizen input regarding the issuance of a permit for the proposed Stephens C&D Landfill expansion in College Park, Georgia.* Vote unanimous.**

For the record, Clerk Haywood noted that no one had signed up to speak concerning the aforementioned subject. She invited anyone in the audience who had not seen the sign-up sheet to speak in the public hearing which was open at this time. There was no response from the audience.

**Motion by Vice-Chairman Ralph, second by Commissioner Singleton, to go out of the *Public Hearing to receive citizen input regarding the issuance of a permit for the proposed Stephens C&D Landfill expansion in College Park, Georgia.* Vote unanimous.**

6. PROCLAMATION: "Clayton County Fire & EMS and Southern Regional Medical Center Honored as Model Partners in Lifesaving Cardiac Response and Treatment" (presented by Chairman Eldrin Bell to Ginger Butera; Registered Nurse in the Southern Regional Cardiovascular Department and Sharon Simmons; Director of Southern Regional Emergency Department).

7. PROCLAMATION: "Clayton County Recognizes Fifth Grade Students at Pointe South Elementary School as Trendsetters in Community Service" (presented by Vice-Chairman Wole Ralph to Dr. Marcus Jackson; Principal of Pointe South Elementary School and fifth grade students).

NOTE: Group photos were taken of the honorees. Clerk Haywood read the proclamations for the benefit of the honorees and audience.

8. Angela Jackson, Director of Finance, presented one (1) item which resulted in the following action:

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1) Approved Budget Amendment #2-21/Human Resources/FYE 6-30-12, in the amount of \$11,686.00, to reflect the department separation from Risk Management to Human Resources. Vote unanimous.

9. Approved Resolution 2012-30 authorizing Clayton County to execute a Right-Of-Way Mowing and Maintenance Agreement with the Georgia Department of Transportation for the C.W. Grant Parkway/Conley Road at Norfolk Southern Railroad Grade Separation Project, GDOT Project STPOO-0001-00(817); to authorize the Chairman to execute the agreement and perform all acts necessary to accomplish the intent of the resolution; and to authorize the Finance Director to amend the budget where necessary to reflect the appropriate revenue source and expenses, etc. Vote unanimous.

Per Interim County Attorney Jack Hancock, this resolution pertains to a future project. In order to meet Georgia Department of Transportation requirements, the Board of Commissioners must approve the execution of this agreement.

10. Approved Resolution 2012-31 authorizing Clayton County to allow Rainbow House, Inc. to sponsor and host a 3-on-3 True Ballers Benefit Basketball Tournament as a fundraiser at the Virginia Burton Gray Recreation Center. Vote unanimous.

11. Approved Resolution 2012-32 authorizing Clayton County to accept a grant award of \$250,000.00 from the Georgia Department of Transportation on behalf of the Clayton County Parks and Recreation Department for the Jesters Creek Trail Enhancement. A 20% local match of in cash, in-kind services, donated services, materials, or real property is required. Vote unanimous.

12. Approved Resolution 2012-33 authorizing Clayton County to accept a forfeited vehicle from a Clayton County Police Department criminal investigation (1996 Ford Explorer VIN 1FMDU32TUA71694); to authorize the Director of Central Services to effect the sale of said vehicle as a surplus item and disburse proceeds from the sale of the property; etc. Vote unanimous.

13. Approved Ordinance 2012-34 to amend the Clayton County Civil Service Rules and Regulations, as amended, specifically to amend Rule 8.110, Appendix B, as it relates to the Clayton County Fire Department Promotional Procedures, by deleting Appendix B in its entirety and substituting in lieu thereof a new Appendix B; to repeal conflicting laws, ordinances, resolutions, rules, and regulations; to provide for severability; to provide an effective date; and for other purposes. Vote unanimous.

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Interim County Attorney Hancock requested an Executive Session on personnel matters. He also mentioned that he would give the Board an update on a litigation matter that would not require any action. The Board generally consented to hold an Executive Session following the business meeting.

14. **DIRECTIVE AGENDA:** The County Manager requested authorization/approval for the following items/actions:

- 1) Upgrade five (5) phones for the Police Department.
- 2) Issue an RFP for the purchase and installation of a fuel tank and disperser for one helicopter. The tank will be located behind the Police Department Headquarters. Funds are available in the New SPLOST.
- 3) Remove the Director of Fleet Maintenance and Director of Community Development from the list of individuals authorized to have “take home” vehicles.

The Board of Commissioners gave directive consent to the County Manager to carry out the above-mentioned responsibilities.

15. **ZONING PETITION: JOHN & TRUDY WHITE/VANCE BURGESS REZ FOR 380, 410, 324, 0, 310, 0 SAWMILL ROAD AND 0 MCDONOUGH ROAD/#REZ/CUP 201112-01**

John & Trudy White/Vance Burgess are requesting a rezoning from Article 3.3, Estate Residential (ER) to Article 3.1, Agriculture (AG) to allow for the use of a private riding academy and stables. The subject properties include 380 Sawmill Road (parcel #05-115-142-004), 0 McDonough Road (parcel #05-115-142-018); 324 Sawmill Road (parcel #05-115-142-031); 0 Sawmill Road (parcel #05-115-142-033); 310 Sawmill Road (parcel #05115-142-034); 0 Sawmill Road (parcel #05-115-142-035), and a portion of 410 Sawmill Road (parcel #05-115-142-005). The properties are currently zoned for Estate Residential and located in Commission District #3/Vice-Chairman Wole Ralph.

Proposed use of property is to allow for the use of a private riding academy and stables. The subject parcels, seven totals, will be combined into one parcel of land to make up 20.851 acres of land.

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Land Use Plan Amendment: NONE

Planning and Zoning Office recommends APPROVAL. (NOTE: The ZAG Public Hearing scheduled for January 18, 2012 did not have a quorum.)

Chairman Bell asked if there were any opposition to this petition. No one responded.

Since there was no opposition, Vice-Chairman Ralph made a motion to approve this petition. The motion was then seconded by Commissioner Singleton. Vote unanimous.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

1. Jeffery Benoit, a county resident, was disturbed to witness the Board's approval of a redistricting map last week when Commissioner Edmondson had clearly informed everyone that the map was skewed and did not fairly represent certain district residents. Mr. Benoit was disappointed because the other Board members did not have a discussion about the map before approving/accepting it. He knew Commissioner Edmondson had a map from the State which had the best population variance to represent the people, so he requested a recall of the approved map.

Motion by Vice-Chairman Ralph, second by Commissioner Singleton, to go into Executive Session in the Commissioners' Conference Room at 7:27 p.m. Vote unanimous.

Motion by Vice-Chairman Ralph, second by Commissioner Singleton, to go out of Executive Session at 7:41 p.m. Vote unanimous.

Motion by Vice-Chairman Ralph, second by Commissioner Singleton, to reconvene the Regular Business Meeting in the Commissioners' Boardroom at 7:42 p.m. Vote unanimous.

16. Clerk Haywood alerted the Board that County Manager Wade Starr wished to present some "requests to fill" vacancies for approval.

County Manager Wade Starr then presented the following "requests to fill" vacancies:

1. Three (3) Police Officers – Police Department
2. One (1) Correctional Officer – Jail/Sheriff's Office

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3. One (1) Deputy Sheriff – Sheriff’s Office
4. One (1) Correctional Officer – Jail/Sheriff’s Office
5. One (1) Part-time Clerk – State Court
6. One (1) Part-time Business Intelligence Specialist – Information Technology

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

Motion by Vice-Chairman Ralph, second by Commissioner Singleton, to approve the aforementioned “requests to fill” vacancies. 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 February 14, 2012 at 7:44 p.m. Vote unanimous.