

CLAYTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Regular Business Meeting
7:00 P.M.

September 16, 2014

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PRESENT: Chairman Jeffrey E. Turner, Vice-Chairman Shana M. Rooks, Commissioner Sonna Gregory, Commissioner Michael Edmondson, Commissioner Gail Hambrick, and Clerk Shelby D. Haywood.

1. Chairman Turner called the meeting to order.
2. Invocation was given by Elder Henry Graham of First Riverdale Seventh Day Adventist Church. Pledge of allegiance to the flag was led by Chairman Turner.
3. Amended the agenda by holding item #10 (Ordinance 2014-232 – An Ordinance to amend the Code of Clayton County, Georgia, as amended, specifically, Code of Clayton County, Georgia, Part II, Chapter 70 “Personnel” by deleting the existing Article II “Code of Ethics” and substituting in lieu thereof a new Article II “Code of Ethics”; to repeal conflicting laws, ordinances, and resolutions; to provide for severability; to provide an effective date of this ordinance; and for other purposes); holding item #26 (Resolution 2014-248 – A Resolution authorizing Clayton County to enter into an Asset Purchase Agreement with the Clayton County Hospital Authority for the acquisition of the Clayton County Hospital Authority assets by Clayton County; to authorize the Chairman to execute the agreement, along with all other documents necessary to consummate the acquisition and to perform all other acts necessary to accomplish the intent of this resolution; etc.); holding item #27 (Resolution 2014-249 – A Resolution authorizing Clayton County to enter into a Lease Agreement with the Clayton County Hospital Authority; to authorize the Chairman to execute the agreement and to perform all other acts necessary to accomplish the intent of this resolution; etc.); holding item #28 (Resolution 2014-250 – A Resolution authorizing Clayton County to enter into an agreement for the maintenance and use of Hospital Authority facilities with the Clayton County Hospital Authority providing for the terms and conditions under which payment of tax revenue will be paid and distributed to the Clayton County Hospital Authority; to authorize the Chairman to execute the agreement and otherwise perform all acts necessary to accomplish the intent of the resolution; etc.); holding item #29 (Resolution 2014-251 – A Bond Resolution authorizing the issuance by Clayton County, Georgia of (1) \$46,685,000.00 in principal amount of its General Obligation Bond, Series 2014A and (2) \$28,315,000.00 in principal amount of its General Obligation Bond, Series 2014B; adopting a form for the bonds; authorizing the execution of the bonds; establishing the date and rates of interest for the bonds; levying an annual Ad Valorem Tax on the taxable property within Clayton County, Georgia sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on the bonds as the same become due; authorizing the sale of the bonds to Wells Fargo Municipal

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Capital Strategies, LLC); and holding item #30 (Resolution 2014-252 – A Bond Resolution authorizing the issuance by Clayton County, Georgia of (1) \$46,685,000.00 in principal amount of its General Obligation Bond, Series 2014A and (2) \$28,315,000.00 in principal amount of its General Obligation Bond, Series 2014B; adopting a form for the bonds; authorizing the execution of the bonds; establishing the date and rates of interest for the bonds; levying an annual Ad Valorem Tax on the taxable property within Clayton County, Georgia sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on the bonds as the same become due; authorizing the sale of the bonds to PNC Bank, National Association; and for other related purposes) for further modifications. The agenda was adopted, as amended, as all commissioners had copies before them. Vote unanimous.

4. Approved the September 2, 2014 Regular Business Meeting minutes. Vote unanimous.
5. PUBLIC COMMENT: Citizens will be given a three (3)-minute maximum time limit to speak before the Board of Commissioners about various topics, issues, and concerns. Following thirty minutes of hearing from the public, the Board of Commissioners will allow the remainder of citizens who have signed up to be heard at the next Tuesday business meeting.

- 1) Dr. Henry Anderson greeted the commissioners and stated it was time for his evaluation spotlight to be on County Clerk Shelby D. Haywood. He informed everyone that Clerk Haywood would be retiring from her professional duties in county government on Friday, October 24, 2014, and the last meeting she would facilitate would be on October 21, 2014. Dr. Anderson recognized Clerk Haywood as a twenty-two year veteran of Clayton County government with nine (9) years of service in the Tax Assessors Office and thirteen (13) years in the Board of Commissioners' Office. He praised Clerk Haywood for her dedicated, loyal, and efficient service to Clayton County and stated that she had greatly motivated him in his public comments and enhanced his evaluation rating of county government. Dr. Anderson rated Clerk Haywood as a ten plus (10+) on his rating scale. He concluded that he appreciated the Clerk's superior service and opined that she would soon be Chief County Clerk Emeritus of the Clayton County Board of Commissioners.

- 2) Jeremy Sistrunk was not present when his name was called.

- 3) Danny Kirby, a Clayton County resident, told the Board he was present again to plead for the lives of the slaughtered animals in the county. On behalf of those dead animals, his question to the commissioners was "Isn't it frustrating when someone does not do what is expected to be done?" Mr. Kirby expressed that he was very frustrated with the ongoing slaughter of dogs and he wanted this slaughter to stop. He presented to the Board the following timeline since mid-summer regarding how many dogs have been slaughtered:

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<u>DATE</u>	<u>NUMBER OF DOGS SLAUGHTERED</u>
July 17, 2014	23
August 14, 2014	15
August 20, 2014	20
August 23, 2014	11
August 26, 2014	40
September 4, 2014	<u>27</u>
TOTAL	136

Mr. Kirby recalled deaths of several relatives in his life and stated he was “tired of killing and death.” He believed the County had monies available to provide veterinarian care for every animal that comes to the Animal Control facility as well as transportation to get animals to rescue units. Mr. Kirby opined that the County is killing animals because it is cheaper to do so. He had heard the County planned to build an animal shelter that was smaller than the existing one, and that kind of plan would not solve anything. Monies needed to be used responsibly to provide a full-time in-house veterinarian to spade, neuter, immunize, and treat animals for illnesses so that they can be ready for rescue. Mr. Kirby finally stated that the Board only needs to ask itself one question and that is “What would Jesus Christ do?” – “Would he kill his creatures or would he fight to save them?”

Chairman Turner directed Mr. Kirby to discuss the dimensions of the new Animal Control facility with Deputy Police Chief Gina Hawkins. He felt Mr. Kirby had received erroneous information because the new facility would actually have more kennels than the existing one.

4) Kimberly Kirby, a Clayton County homeowner, stated that Animal Control belongs to the taxpayers and the Clayton County Humane Society operates on the same premise. She wanted Animal Control to provide more services to animals because taxpayers are paying for the building and utilities and they need to see how their tax dollars are being put to work. Ms. Kirby did not understand why she had been banned from Clayton County Animal Control and Clayton County Police Department Facebook pages and denied certain euthanasia information through her Open Records request. She also has been ostracized for speaking at Board of Commissioners’ meetings, which means her First Amendment rights have been violated. Ms. Kirby realized that animal treatment is costly; therefore, she wanted Animal Control to improve its method of operation by having fundraisers to attract out-of-town rescue units to assist animals in this county. As a civilian and rescue worker, she has been denied access to Animal Control and was only allowed in with limited access after she spoke to her

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attorney. Per Ms. Kirby, she could not save animals that she could not see. The lack of transparency is evident to everyone and 144 animals have been killed this year since the Clayton County Police Department took over access to Animal Control. She wondered when the County would receive its new rescue coordinator, vet tech, and Animal Control facility, and she vowed to continue asking these questions until they were answered.

Chairman Turner inquired if Ms. Kirby had asked Police Chief Greg Porter and his staff those same questions.

Ms. Kirby answered she has applied for all of this information through an Open Records request, and she was denied information about euthanasia records. She had spoken to Captain Jackson this afternoon and had been told there is no rescue coordinator or vet tech yet.

5) LaTonya Jackson, a Clayton County resident, voiced concerns about inadequate parking at the Social Security Office in Morrow, Georgia and the systematic booting/towing of cars at this location. She suggested that the Social Security Office be relocated inside Southlake Mall because there is plenty of parking outside the mall area. Ms. Jackson also felt that different businesses; i.e., utility companies and satellite post offices, should relocate to the mall to help attract shoppers and boost the low retail sales there. Her mother's car was booted at the Social Security Office for a fine of \$75.00. That amount of money is too much for persons on fixed incomes. Ms. Jackson urged the Board to consider her concerns and put in a variety of businesses in Southlake Mall to keep it open.

6) Synamon Baldwin, a Clayton County resident, informed the Board that her attorney had told her not to appear before the Board tonight because she has a lawsuit against the County. She just wanted to express that the resolution on tonight's agenda for voting on Sunday is very important. Ms. Baldwin added that she had attended a Board of Elections meeting today and everyone approved Sunday voting. Since she was unable to say much at this meeting, Ms. Baldwin told the Board that the person who would speak after her tonight would be able to echo her sentiments about voting.

7) Winter Jones, a sixth grader at the M.D. Roberts Performing Arts Magnet School, stated that she had learned about suffrage last year and the laws that protect public voting. She also learned about community leaders who helped stop intimidation tactics and economic pressures which discouraged citizens to participate in the voting process. Ms. Jones trusted that her community leaders would respond to any threats against the democratic system, but she wondered what Clayton County leaders are doing to prevent hidden threats. There was recently a newscast about Sunday voting in DeKalb County. If this service is provided in Clayton County, more citizens will have the opportunity to vote. She listed the benefits of Sunday voting

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as follows: a.) More adults are off work on Sundays; b.) More neighbors are available to provide rides to the polls, and c.) More neighbors are available to babysit for single moms and dads while they vote. For these reasons alone, economic pressures which many households face can be stopped in this county. Despite being eleven years old, Ms. Jones described herself as a responsible and dedicated child who will someday inherit a county based on decisions of adults and policymakers. She beseeched the Board to take an active stand against voting discrimination and allow Sunday voting in Clayton County.

8) Stephen Fincher, President of Clayton House, Inc. on Broad Street, stated that a former Clayton County Police Chief assisted in establishing Clayton House, Inc. thirty years ago. Clayton House, Inc. is asking for a \$10,000.00 grant this year (or more if possible) that is critically needed to provide space for families of recovering alcoholics/drug addicts and feed 150 or more of them all day long. This space is open throughout the year because many recovering alcoholics and addicts have nowhere to go during the holidays. On Saturday nights, Clayton House, Inc. provides karaoke and a dance so that persons in recovery will not go to a bar. Between 2,500 and 3,000 court ordered people are serviced monthly and, unfortunately, most of the operations depend on donations that come through a "basket pass." He acknowledged that the majority of court ordered persons do not put any money in the basket. For example, this past April, donations from AA and similar agencies amounted to \$1,380.00. Expenses were \$500.00 for cleaning, \$235.00 for literature, \$120.00 for a security system (resulting from two break-ins/vandalisms last December), \$502.30 for gas service, \$70.00 for trash pickup, and \$90.30 for water. The utilities alone totaled \$940.54. Overall expenses amounted to \$1,860.04, which created a deficit of \$480.04 in April. Clayton House, Inc. essentially operates every month "in the hole" and wants to provide the same services as it has done over the past thirty years for this county. If it does not receive the grant, Clayton House, Inc. cannot continue servicing the county. In December of last year, vandalism damages totaled \$1,000.00 and a few months ago vandalism damages totaled \$800.00. Mr. Fincher admitted that Clayton House, Inc. needs the money to operate. He, too, is a recovering alcoholic and has remained sober as a result of receiving help from Clayton House, Inc. Due to his gratitude for recovery assistance, Mr. Fincher stated that he works there every day free of charge and the staff is comprised of volunteers. Only the cleaning crew gets a salary. He invited the Board to visit Clayton House, Inc. on Halloween when there is a fundraiser. Kids are given candy and can participate in fun activities. Other activities to raise monies are conducted all year long to keep Clayton House, Inc. functioning for the people of Clayton County.

Chairman Turner asked Mr. Fincher if he had ever applied for one of the County's grants.

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Mr. Fincher replied yes, he had applied for one this year. (NOTE: Clayton House, Inc. was listed as a grant recipient in Resolution 2014-236, pending a Board vote for approval tonight.)

6. PROCLAMATION: "Clayton County Observes September 17-23, 2014 as Constitution Week" (presented by Chairman Jeffrey E. Turner). (NOTE: Clerk Haywood read the proclamation for the benefit of the honorees, Board of Commissioners, and the audience. A group photo was taken of everyone.)

Chief Staff Attorney Christie Barnes requested that one of the agenda items under Ramona Thurman, Interim Purchasing Agent of Central Services, be held tonight. That item was discussed in the 6:30 p.m. business pre-meeting tonight and identified as **RFP #14-33 SPLOST Program Manager for Clayton County, Annual Contract** with Jacobs Project Management Company, located in Atlanta, Georgia, for \$1,175,180.16 – funded by the 2004, 2009, and 2015 SPLOST programs. Ms. Barnes noted that the contract for this RFP had not been provided to Clerk Haywood at the close of business on Wednesday prior to tonight's meeting, per the parliamentary procedures in the County Code of Ordinances. The code states that such late items will be held over to the next business meeting. This Board motion then ensued:

Motion by Chairman Turner, second by Vice-Chairman Rooks, to hold RFP #14-33 SPLOST Program Manager for Clayton County, Annual Contract with Jacobs Project Management Company until the next business meeting on October 7, 2014. Vote unanimous.

7. Ramona Thurman, Interim Purchasing Agent of Central Services, presented the following items which resulted in these Board actions:

1) Approved **RFP Pkg. #11-12 Tennis Management for Clayton County International Park Tennis Center, Annual Contract, Request for 30-Day Contract Extension, Second Contract Amendment** (Premier Sport Facility Management, LLC, located in Atlanta, Georgia), as requested by the Parks & Recreation Department. Per Section 2-136 (2) of the Clayton County Purchasing Ordinance, Clayton County utilizes the competitive sealed proposal method when the competitive sealed bid method is neither practical nor advantageous and when cost is not the primary consideration. The competitive sealed proposal method will be used when the costs of goods and services exceed \$25,000.00. All goods and services in the excess of \$25,000.00 are required to be purchased through the sealed proposal process, or negotiated by the Director of Central Services with full Board of Commissioners' approval. The Clayton County Board of Commissioners makes the final award for all non-budgeted proposals of \$35,000.00 and greater. Vote unanimous.

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2) Approved **RFB Pkg. #12-58 Widening and Reconstruction of Forest Parkway/Panola Road from East of Ellenwood Road to Henry County Line, Commission District #1, Clayton County, Georgia, Change Order Request, Second Contract Amendment** (Construction Management Engineering Services, Inc., located in Lilburn, Georgia; \$39,761.25. Funding is available through the 2004 SPLOST Funds), as requested by the Transportation and Development Department. Per Section 2-136 (1) of the Clayton County Purchasing Ordinance, Clayton County utilizes the competitive sealed bid method when the costs of goods and services are in excess of \$25,000.00. The Clayton County Board of Commissioners has the final award approval for all non-budgeted bids \$35,000.00 and greater. All approved budgetary goods and services and annual contract purchases can be authorized by the Finance Director and purchased by the Director of Central Services without Board of Commissioners' approval. Vote unanimous.

3) Approved **RFP Pkg. #13-41 Telecommunication and Data Services, Annual Contract, First Contract Amendment** (AT&T Corporation, located in Bedminster, New Jersey. Funding is available through the Information Technology and County's General Funds FYE 2015), as requested by the Information Technology Department. Per Section 2-136 (2) of the Clayton County Purchasing Ordinance, Clayton County utilizes the competitive sealed proposal method when the competitive sealed bid method is neither practical nor advantageous and when cost is not the primary consideration. The competitive sealed proposal method will be used when the costs of goods and services exceed \$25,000.00. All goods and services in the excess of \$25,000.00 are required to be purchased through the sealed proposal process, or negotiated by the Director of Central Services with full Board of Commissioners' approval. The Clayton County Board of Commissioners makes the final award for all non-budgeted proposals of \$35,000.00 and greater. Vote unanimous.

4) Approved **RFB Pkg. #13-47 Thomas Road Sidewalk, Clayton County, Georgia, Clayton County Commission District #3, Clayton County, Georgia, Request for Contract Extension, First Contract Amendment** (Quality Construction by McLeRoy, Inc., located in Zebulon, Georgia, at no additional cost to the County), as requested by the Transportation and Development Department. Per Section 2-136 (1) of the Clayton County Purchasing Ordinance, Clayton County utilizes the competitive sealed bid method when the costs of goods and services are in excess of \$25,000.00. The Clayton County Board of Commissioners has the final award approval for all non-budgeted bids \$35,000.00 and greater. All approved budgetary goods and services and annual contract purchases can be authorized by the Finance Director and purchased by

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the Director of Central Services without Board of Commissioners' approval. Vote unanimous.

5) Approved **RFB Pkg. #14-40 Clayton County Alarm and Sprinkler System Inspections and Services, Annual Contract** (VSC Fire and Security, Inc., located in Norcross, Georgia. Funding is available through the Building Maintenance 2015 General Budget), as requested by the Building Maintenance Department. Per Section 2-136 (1) of the Clayton County Purchasing Ordinance, Clayton County utilizes the competitive sealed bid method when the costs of goods and services are in excess of \$25,000.00. The Clayton County Board of Commissioners has the final award approval for all non-budgeted bids \$35,000.00 and greater. All approved budgetary goods and services and annual contract purchases can be authorized by the Finance Director and purchased by the Director of Central Services without Board of Commissioners' approval. Vote unanimous.

Vice-Chairman Rooks noted that VSC Fire and Security, Inc. had been awarded the contract as the lowest responsive bidder for RFB Pkg. #14-40 Clayton County Alarm and Sprinkler System Inspection and Services, Annual Contract.

Building and Maintenance Director Les Markland replied that was correct.

Vice-Chairman Rooks stated that the commissioners had received two (2) different, distinct charts starting on page 105, and the first one denoted the lowest bidder as Alliance Fire Protection.

Mr. Markland explained that when he first received this information, it was in color. A problem arose because there were three (3) different colors across the top with the first, second, and third lowest bidders spread across two (2) sheets and each column was listed in a different color. Additionally, the verbiage above each column did not depict the lowest bidder.

Vice-Chairman Rooks surmised that although VSC Fire and Security, Inc. is denoted as the third lowest bidder, it is not really the third lowest bidder.

Mr. Markland agreed that Vice-Chairman Rooks was correct. He further stated that when he originally got his copies, they were color-coded (yellow – lowest; blue – second lowest, etc.) and the columns being on two separate sheets did not correctly indicate the lowest bidder.

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Vice-Chairman Rooks wanted further clarification on VSC Fire and Security, Inc. She wondered if the County would not have any protection or sprinkler services where this company was listed as having “no bid.”

Mr. Markland responded no. The biggest concern he had was that VSC Fire and Security, Inc. came in with an extremely low bid and he did not know if this company intended to “make it up on the back end.”

Vice-Chairman Rooks stated this was going to be her next question.

Mr. Markland assured Vice-Chairman Rooks that he had contacted all references on VSC Fire and Security, Inc. They had all told him that they had not experienced any problems with this company and have actually renewed a contract for a second year. He was, therefore, willing to honor the contract and ensure that nothing is made up on the back end in the future.

Vice-Chairman Rooks noted that VSC Fire and Security, Inc. did not bid on the Child and Adolescent Center. She wanted to know if the Child and Adolescent center did not need any sprinkler services.

Mr. Markland clarified that some of the locations listed were not County-owned buildings. They were struck from the list because they were not county buildings or state buildings that the County oversees.

Vice-Chairman Rooks asked if the County oversees the DFCS building.

Mr. Markland stated that DFCS pays for its own services. The County only maintains and repairs the DFCS building.

6) Approved **Annual Contract Renewals** (listed below). Per Section 2-136 (6) of the Clayton County Purchasing Ordinance, Clayton County has developed annual contracts for frequently used items and services. These contracts are a result of a sealed bid. The contract allows the county to order goods and services directly from the awarded suppliers through the use of an annual contract document. Vote unanimous.

- a. **RFP #12-18 Non-Emergency Medical Transportation Services for the Clayton County Aging Program – Annual Contract with MLB**

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Transportation, Inc., located in Tucker, Georgia. The renewal period will be from October 1, 2014 through September 30, 2015. The remaining renewal on this contract is for one (1) additional one (1) year period. The Board of Commissioners approved this proposal on September 4, 2012.

b. RFP #13-25 Provision of Congregate and Home Delivered Meals for the Clayton County Senior Department – Annual Contract with Project Open Hand/Atlanta, Inc., located in Atlanta, Georgia. The renewal period will be from October 1, 2014 through September 30, 2015. The remaining renewal on this contract is for two (2) additional one (1) year periods. The Board of Commissioners approved this proposal on July 16, 2013.

8. Ramona Thurman, Chief Financial Officer, presented these requests which resulted in the following Board motions.

1) Approved Budget Amendment #2-59 – Professional Services/FYE 6-30-14 – to cover additional fees, utilities, advertisement, evidence expenses, and claims for FY-2014, in the amount of \$1,573,960.00. Vote unanimous.

2) Approved Budget Amendment #2-63 – Domestic Seminars Fund/FYE 6-30-14 – to cover additional other contract service fees for FY-2014, in the amount of \$1,431.00. Vote unanimous.

3) Approved Budget Amendment #2-69 – Central Services/FYE 6-30-14 – to cover additional meeting and rental expenses for FY-2014, in the amount of \$1,297.00. Vote unanimous.

4) Approved Budget Amendment #2-05 – Other General Government/FYE 6-30-15 – to amend the budget to roll over donations received prior to FY-2014 year end; to recognize a donation from Stephens Construction and re-appropriate funds to complete installation of four (4) pavilions in Clayton County Parks and other various projects throughout the department, in the amount of \$206,474.00. Vote unanimous.

5) Approved Budget Amendment #4-17 – Fund 307 – 2009 Reimposition SPLOST/FYE 6-30-15 – to amend the budget for field renovations to one half of the Lovejoy Regional Park Fields, in the amount of \$512,120.00. Vote unanimous.

9. Renee Bright, Director of Human Resources, presented this request which resulted in the

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following Board motion.

1) Approved a Request to approve a 10% salary increase (\$9,410.80) for the Director of Community Development. Director Patrick Ejike assumed the duties of the Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Administrator position that is vacant per HUD recommendations to reduce Community Development's Administrative Staffing cost. (NOTE: This increase will be set up as a supplement.) The motion carried 4-1. Commissioner Edmondson opposed.

The HUD Administrator position was filled when the Office of HUD Programs was assigned to the Community Development Department. On April 3, 2013, the HUD Administrator resigned and the position has been vacant for the past seventeen months. During this transition period, Clayton County Office of HUD programs was audited by the Department of Housing and Urban Development. There were findings from the audit and the findings cited were corrected. Also recommended from the audit was that Clayton County reduce administrative staffing cost. Community Development reduced staffing levels by eliminating three positions. Job duties were reshuffled and staff picked up two of the position duties. Mr. Ejike assumed the duties of the Program Administrator position since it requires direct interface with HUD.

The Community Development Department has a unique responsibility of implementing the following Codes/Ordinances: Building, Mechanical, Electrical, Plumbing, Zoning, Business License, Alcohol, and HUD regulations. The complexity of HUD rules, regulations, policies, and procedures demands administrative level type oversight.

Mr. Ejike's request is to continue in the role of Administrator of HUD Programs for Clayton County. The position of HUD Administrator will not be filled and the 10% increase will come from salary savings of the HUD Administrator position. The additional duties Mr. Ejike assumed will allow Community Development's staffing levels to be consistent with the Department of Housing and Urban Development's recommendation.

This request does not impact the General Fund. It will be funded out of the Administrative cap of the County's HUD funding.

Vice-Chairman Rooks asked Community Development Director Patrick Ejike why the HUD audit had not been provided to the Board tonight.

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Commissioner Edmondson interjected that the HUD audit was done a year or so ago.

Mr. Ejike replied the audit was done a year ago, and that was the first time HUD audited the County. As everyone was aware, the County took over the HUD administration of this program from a consultant. Some of the audit findings indicated that the staff should be reduced, so all findings were corrected and the staff was reduced. He stated that there was never an intention to empty the divisions, but the HUD Administrator resigned and he had to assume that role because no one else was able to do so.

Vice-Chairman Rooks questioned if the pension portion came out of federal or county funding.

Ms. Bright responded she believed all of the funding came from HUD.

Commissioner Gregory noted that there was a difference of opinion in the Finance Department.

Commissioner Edmondson interjected that monies also come from CDBG that can be used for other projects.

Ms. Thurman stated that the supplement itself is not subject to a pension.

Commissioner Edmondson commented that this supplement is not from additional CDBG funds. He wondered if this is money that would or could be used for other projects within the CDBG program.

Mr. Ejike answered that is not quite correct. HUD caps all monies given to the County, and these funds come from the administrative cap.

Vice-Chairman Rooks asked if the prior HUD Administrator had been paid out of the CDBG funds.

Mr. Ejike replied yes.

Vice-Chairman Rooks then inquired if a pension had to be paid.

Ms. Thurman stated that the County's Pension Ordinance specifies which employees with supplements are subject to a pension, and the HUD Administrator position is not subject to a pension. This position would, however, be subject to FICA and Medicare taxes. In that case, the 10% salary increase would be reduced by approximately \$1,200.00.

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Commissioner Hambrick asked Mr. Ejike how many jobs he was presently doing.

Mr. Ejike answered that he was assuming additional duties from the previous HUD administrator as well as some of the employees who left the office. This HUD program cannot be reorganized because some of the positions are administrative in nature.

Vice-Chairman Rooks asked if the FICA would come out of the General Fund.

Ms. Thurman responded that FICA and Medicare would come out of CDBG funds, and the supplement is not eligible to a pension.

Chairman Turner questioned what would happen if the funding goes away.

Ms. Thurman answered if the funding goes away, then the duties and the money go away.

Vice-Chairman Rooks finally asked what the prior HUD Administrator earned.

Mr. Ejike responded that the prior HUD Administrator's salary was approximately \$73,000.00.

10. Approved Resolution 2014-233, a Resolution to correct certain errors pertaining to previously approved increases in supplemental compensation for the District Attorney's Office; to authorize the Chief Financial Officer to amend the budget where necessary to reflect an appropriate revenue source and expense; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes. The motion carried 3-2. Commissioners Gregory and Hambrick opposed.

According to Ms. Barnes, this resolution will correct (by reduction) the previously approved supplement for Assistant Billy Dixon from \$16,622.00 to \$5,269.00. It will also remove any supplemental compensation affixed to a vacant Executive Assistant District Attorney position that has been eliminated.

11. Approved Resolution 2014-234, a Resolution of the Clayton County Board of Commissioners authorizing an additional day of advance voting (Sunday, October 26, 2014, from 12:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.) wherein electors may vote in the November 4, 2014 General and Special Election; to authorize the Chairman to perform all other acts necessary to accomplish the intent of this resolution; to authorize the Chief Financial Officer to amend the budget where necessary to reflect an appropriate revenue source and expense; to provide an effective date of this resolution; and for other purposes. Vote unanimous. (NOTE: Commissioner Gregory requested that the voting location of Morrow Municipal Center be removed and replaced with

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the Carl Rhodenizer Recreation Center. The Board agreed to do so in this vote. Other enumerated voting locations were the Clayton County Elections and Registration Office, South Clayton Recreation Center, and the Virginia Burton Gray Recreation Center.)

12. Approved Resolution 2014-235, a Resolution authorizing Clayton County to enter into a Settlement Agreement settling all claims set forth in the matters involving ~~Jerrica Phillips and~~ Sheila Rose Edwards; to authorize the Chairman to execute the agreement and otherwise perform all acts necessary to accomplish the intent of this resolution; to authorize the Chief Financial Officer to amend the budget where necessary to reflect an appropriate revenue source and expense, all as may be required under the terms of the settlement agreement; to provide an effective date of this resolution; and for other purposes. Vote unanimous. (NOTE: Ms. Barnes indicated that the name of Jerrica Phillips will be removed from this resolution, and the corrected version will be given to the Board for proper execution. The Board agreed to this correction in its vote.)

13. Approved Resolution 2014-236, a Resolution authorizing Clayton County to enter into Articles of Agreements with certain community charitable organizations, governmental agencies, and professional service providers located and conducting business in Clayton County; to authorize the Chairman to execute the agreements, and otherwise perform all acts necessary to accomplish the intent of this resolution; to authorize the Chief Financial Officer to amend the budget where necessary to reflect an appropriate revenue source and expense, all as may be required under the terms of the agreement; to provide an effective date of this resolution; and for other purposes. Vote unanimous.

Commissioner Edmondson noted that Vice-Chairman Rooks had voiced concerns over the Articles of Agreements process and recipients of these grant funds last year. He also shared those concerns and did not recollect any policy shifts since that time. Commissioner Edmondson asked Vice-Chairman Rooks if she recalled any policy changes.

Vice-Chairman Rooks answered no, she did not think any policy changes had occurred. She was sure there were many department heads or heads of organizations in the audience tonight regarding these grant funds.

Ms. Barnes stated that Vice-Chairman Rooks was correct. The Legal Office had contacted all of the organizations listed in Resolution 2014-236 and asked that they have a representative present to answer any questions from the Board tonight. She also noted that Articles of Agreement are attached for each organization to the resolution. This is the first time representatives have appeared before the Board in such a process.

For the sake of transparency, Vice-Chairman Rooks requested that all charitable

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organizations/governmental agencies/professional service providers present to the Board tonight the percentage of the county's contribution to their overall budget and services provided to citizens. Following are the presenters and a synopsis of the requested information.

Janice Coye, Executive Director of Alzheimer's Support Services, Inc.

Amount of County Grant: \$35,000.00

Alzheimer's Support Services, Inc.'s Budget: \$500,000.00 to \$600,000.00

Population Served: Currently, 46 clients are in the center. Over time, the center has had over 90 clients.

Services: Service Caregivers and provide support groups, overnight care, referrals, etc.

Linda Summerlin, Executive Director of Arts Clayton (NOTE: Chairman Turner stated that Ms. Summerlin was absent tonight due to a prior commitment.)

Amount of County Grant: \$85,000.00

Christy Taylor, Outreach Services Advocate, of Clayton County Association Against Family Violence, Inc. (Securus House)

Amount of County Grant: \$60,000.00

Securus House's Budget: Unknown

Population Served: All of Clayton County as well as any other county or state that has a domestic violence situation or needs an emergency shelter.

Population Currently Served: There are six (6) families in the shelter, and up to three (3) single women can be serviced at any time.

Services: Emergency Shelter services for single women and families experiencing domestic violence.

Tawana Tarno of Calvary Refuge, Inc.

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Amount of County Grant: \$25,000.00

Calvary Refuge, Inc.'s Budget: \$559,000.00

Population Served: 1,107 men, women, and children last year

Services: Only emergency shelter open from 6:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. in Clayton County that services men, women, and children. There is also a long-term transitional program that services families on site, and the shelter houses 117 beds.

Beechie Yates, Executive Director of Clayton County Community Services Authority, Inc.

Amount of County Grant: \$264,000.00

Community Services Authority, Inc.'s Budget: \$8,000,000.00

Population Served: 25,000 to 30,000 (County-wide)

Services Provided: General Assistance and Rent/Utilities Assistance

Dr. Aundria Cheever, Executive Director of Clayton Community Mental Health/Developmental Disabilities/Addictive Diseases Board aka Clayton Center

Amount of County Grant: \$424,000.00

[NOTE: The County's grant comprises only 4% of Clayton Center's Budget.]

Population Served: 6,500 unduplicated persons yearly {not counting persons who come in multiple times a year}

Services: Outpatient Services in the areas of mental health, developmental disabilities, and addictive diseases, including outpatient treatment in psychiatry or nursing facility; youth group therapy, residential services for the homeless, extensive transportation services, etc.

Dr. Alpha Bryan, District Health Director/Clayton County Board of Health

Amount of County Grant: \$698,000.00 (3%-4% of Clayton County Board of Health's Budget)

Clayton County Board of Health's Budget: \$20,000,000.00 (NOTE: The previous budget was

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only \$9,000,000.00 before Dr. Bryan came on board.)

Population Serviced: County-wide

Services: Child Health Services (immunizations, special babies/kids, birth assessments and home care to assist with needs of mother and child, etc.); Women's Services (family planning, breast cancer tests/cervical cancer tests, mammography screening, uninsured women, etc.); Men's Services (prostate cancer tests and sexual health testing); Emergency Preparedness for the County; and Environmental Health Services (inspections of restaurants, swimming pools, tourist accommodations, septic systems, etc.).

Cynthia Jenkins of Clayton County Family Care, Inc.

Amount of County Grant: \$22,600.00

Clayton County Family Care, Inc.'s Budget: \$150,000.00

Population Serviced: Overflow of people who need one-time assistance with their mortgage/rental/utility payments, on a first-come first-served basis, for as much as \$450.00 at one time for their housing or \$70.00 for utilities (more or less depending on amount owed). Last year, 350 families were helped and one family could be comprised of four (4) to five (5) individuals. Calls have now doubled, and most of them have come from Riverdale residents.

Services: Budget and Job Assistance. The center also provides assistance in getting higher paid jobs.

Stephen Fincher, President of The Clayton House, Inc.

Amount of County Grant: \$10,000.00

Mr. Fincher thanked the Board for listening to him earlier. He stated that The Clayton House, Inc. is one of the few centers that has "open AA meetings" where a mother can bring her children. Supplies are provided for the kids to play and color, and the whole family is therefore serviced. Volunteers really help him run the organization. Some of them are recovering alcoholics.

Clayton County Department of Family and Children Services (NOTE: No representative

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was available for this meeting.)

Amount of County Grant: \$116,825.00

Hearts to Nourish Hope, Inc. (NOTE: No representative was available for this meeting.)

Amount of County Grant: \$15,000.00

Mr. Curtis Green, Chairman of the Housing Authority of Clayton County

Amount of County Grant: \$10,000.00 (6% of the HACC's budget)

Housing Authority of Clayton County's Budget: \$160,000.00

Population Serviced: First-come, First Served Basis (County-wide)

Services: Housing Rehabilitation, electrical problems, roof leaks, etc.

Tammy Miller, Executive Director of Prevention Plus, Inc.

Amount of County Grant: \$15,000.00 (10% of Prevention Plus, Inc.'s budget) Funding from the Department of Labor was lost last year due to the competitiveness of the grant program.

Status: 501(c)3 Non-Profit SACS Accredited High School and GED Preparatory Program (formerly known as Forest Park Street School)

Population Serviced: 50 to 75 students a year (depending on where they are and what their needs are)

Services: Work is grounded in helping young people who have not been successful in the public school system. This agency offers support to public schools and also has its own high school. Assistance is given to young people after college to keep them on track.

Polly Adams, Executive Director of Rainbow House, Inc.

Amount of County Grant: \$175,000.00 (22.7% of Rainbow House, Inc.'s budget)

Rainbow House, Inc.'s Budget: \$769,000.00 (a decrease from previous years of a \$900,000.00)

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budget)

Population Serviced: 62 children last year and some of them stayed over a year

Services: Placement of children during DFCS custody and protective custody. Also conducted 250 interviews at the Child Advocacy Center and provided health services (mental health and support while going through the process).

Christy Gluton(?), Program Coordinator of Southern Crescent Sexual Assault Center, Inc.

Amount of County Grant: \$30,000.00 (9% of Southern Crescent Sexual Assault Center, Inc.'s budget)

Years in Existence: 20 years

Population Serviced: 285 persons (40% Clayton County residents)

Services: Support for Sexually Assaulted Victims

Kim Riley of the University of Georgia Cooperative Extension Service, Inc.

Amount of County Grant: \$288,975.00 (1/4th of UGA Cooperative Extension Service, Inc.'s budget)

Other Grant Sources: UGA and Board of Education

Population Serviced: 32 Elementary Schools plus High School Students, totaling 3,200 students

Services: 4-H Program, family and child development, HUD counseling, agricultural/environmental/horticultural services, parenting education, budgeting, nutrition programs, etc.

Soil and Water Conservation District (NOTE: No representative was available for this meeting.)

Amount of County Grant: \$4,200.00

Good Shepherd Clinic, Inc. (NOTE: No representative was available for this meeting.)

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Amount of County Grant: \$20,000.00

Fran Fuller, President of the Vietnamese Social Services Center, Inc. (NOTE: She brought a family with her tonight who just received U.S. Citizenship and attended their first public meeting as citizens.)

Amount of County Grant: \$2,500.00

Population Serviced: 50 to 70 persons (depending on who comes in the doors). Ms. Fuller stated she would like to include the 8,300 service men and women who were sent cards last year as a part of a large outreach program.

Services: The Vietnamese Social Services Center, Inc. functions as a Multi-cultural Learning Center. This center serviced 50-75 children to obtain library cards and taught English as a Second Language, Citizenship, Vietnamese Language/Culture (to children born in the United States), Microsoft/Beginning Computer, and Chinese. Every subject taught is very economical, and teachers volunteer their services. Monies from the County and the teachers go into the General Fund to pay utilities, sponsor veteran programs, and assist Latino families with utility issues.

Barbara Emert, President of Historical Jonesboro, Clayton County, Inc.

Amount of County Grant: \$10,000.00

Budget: Grant-based to perform various projects

Population Serviced: County-wide

Services: Preservation of buildings, artifacts, relics, papers, stories, and the heritage of the County. This information is shared with local citizens and tourists alike. Historical Jonesboro, Clayton County, Inc. is one of the top two (2) attractions in the county and brings in tax revenue from people who like to shop and stay overnight.

Commissioner Edmondson noted that last year was the first year the County granted \$10,000.00 to Historical Jonesboro, Clayton County, Inc. for a garden. He wondered if this year's amount of \$10,000.00 was in addition to last year's amount. A year has now transpired and that garden has not come to fruition.

Ms. Emert agreed that Commissioner Edmondson was right about the garden. Due to a hold-up

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of putting in water lines before paving the area (as required by the SPLOST funding in Jonesboro), the garden has not been implemented.

Commissioner Edmondson questioned if Ms. Emert had received the \$10,000.00 from the County last year and, if so, she had received double payment for the same project.

Ms. Emert replied that she had indeed received the \$10,000.00, but this year's money is not for the same project. Last year's money was for the old Blalock Garden project. This year's money is for the Stately Oaks project in which old brick sidewalks need to be renovated or replaced. She stated that these sidewalks present a very dangerous situation because a lady fell two (2) weeks ago and wounded her head on them. Fortunately, this lady was not gravely injured. Not only do the sidewalks present a safety issue, but they are a part of beautification for the area. Ms. Emert added that the garden will help to correct a serious drainage problem in a totally different area of properties.

Martha Harley, Executive Director of Amazing Grace Evangelical International Ministries, Inc./located off Pointe South Parkway

Amount of County Grant: \$10,000.00

Budget: \$54,000.00

Population Serviced: 1,128 individuals who came through the door last year (235 youth and children, including babies with no clothes and shoes); 21 people came for community service; 65 people attended a women's conference hosted twice a year (including women who have lost their homes and who were given a small scholarship to help them survive); 218 students who needed school supplies; 111 individuals participated in a health screening (including a woman who is living today because she received a health screening); 40 persons attended a community education and Christmas party (including two families who were adopted and given food for a week); etc.

Ms. Harley informed the Board that this is the first time her organization has received help from the County. She also stated that she had a better sign on her building for greater visibility in the area.

Services: Community Center that provides free food and clothes for individuals and families

14. Approved Resolution 2014-237, a Resolution authorizing the placement of a plaque in memory of L.C. Reeves in recognition of over 40 years of dedication to J.W. Arnold Park; to authorize the Chairman to otherwise perform all acts necessary to accomplish the intent of this

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resolution; to provide an effective date of this resolution; and for other purposes. Vote unanimous.

15. Approved Resolution 2014-238, a Resolution authorizing Clayton County to enter into a Memorandum of Agreement with the Clayton County Board of Health to accept grant funds to facilitate a Teen Pregnancy Prevention program for youths in Clayton County; to authorize the Chairman and the Director of the Parks and Recreation Department to perform all acts necessary to accomplish the intent of this resolution; to authorize the Chief Financial Officer to amend the budget where necessary to reflect an appropriate revenue source and expense; to provide an effective date of this resolution; and for other purposes. Vote unanimous.

16. Approved Resolution 2014-239, a Resolution to provide for the adoption and submission to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development of the Clayton County PY2013-PY2014 Consolidated Annual Performance Evaluation Report (CAPER); to authorize the Chairman to execute any documents required for submission; to provide an effective date of this resolution; and for other purposes. Vote unanimous.

Vice-Chairman Rooks questioned a statement at the bottom of page 9 in the CAPER document which indicated Mr. Ejike planned to move forward with posting this document online. She wanted to know his anticipated date to post the CAPER document online.

Mr. Ejike anticipated that the CAPER document would be posted online by the end of next month.

Vice-Chairman Rooks asked if the public could access any documents right now.

Mr. Ejike stated that the public could call and request information. He would email documents in response to such requests, but sometimes the documents are too large to email. Once documents are posted online, the public will be able to see everything that the Board sees.

17. Approved Resolution 2014-240, a Resolution authorizing Clayton County, on behalf of Clayton County Extension Service, to enter into a Grant Agreement with United Way of Metropolitan Atlanta and, in accordance therewith, to accept grant funds for the purpose of providing parenting education; to authorize the Chairman to execute the agreement and otherwise perform all acts necessary to accomplish the intent of this resolution; to authorize the Chief Financial Officer to amend the budget where necessary to reflect an appropriate revenue source and expense, all as may be required under the terms of the agreement; to provide an effective date of this resolution; and for other purposes. Vote unanimous.

18. Approved Resolution 2014-241, a Resolution authorizing Clayton County, on behalf of its Department of Information Technology, to enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement with

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Gwinnett County to provide for interoperable communications between the Counties' Public Safety Digital Networks; to authorize the Chairman, or the Director of Information Technology as his designee, to execute the agreement and otherwise perform all acts necessary to accomplish the intent of this resolution; to provide an effective date of this resolution; and for other purposes. Vote unanimous.

19. Approved Resolution 2014-242, a Resolution authorizing Clayton County to enter into a Professional Services Agreement with PATH Foundation, Inc. providing for the terms and conditions under which services related to designing a greenway trail from the Reid Stephens property to the Lake Spivey Golf Club's Clubhouse will be administered, and set forth the responsibilities of Project Manager for trail construction; to enter into a Project Agreement with PATH Foundation, Inc. to complete the design documents; to authorize the Chairman to execute the agreements and otherwise perform all acts necessary to accomplish the intent of the resolution; to provide an effective date of this resolution; and for other purposes. Vote unanimous.

20. Approved Resolution 2014-243, a Resolution authorizing Clayton County to enter into a Professional Services Agreement with PATH Foundation, Inc. providing for the terms and conditions under which final services related to designing a greenway trail in and around Clayton County International Park will be administered, and set forth the responsibilities of Project Manager for trail construction; to enter into a Project Agreement with PATH Foundation, Inc. to complete the design documents; to authorize the Chairman to execute the agreements and otherwise perform all acts necessary to accomplish the intent of the resolution; to provide an effective date; etc. Vote unanimous.

21. Approved Resolution 2014-244, a Resolution to amend Resolution No. 2014-212, which allowed the County to enter into a License Agreement with Lake Spivey Community, Inc. to host the "Celebrate Lake Spivey" community event at the Lakeview Amphitheater at Clayton County International Park; to authorize the Chairman to perform all acts necessary to accomplish the intent of this resolution; and for other purposes. Vote unanimous.

22. Approved Resolution 2014-245, a Resolution to enter into a License Agreement with William E. Tate Chapter #1 Disabled American Veterans Department of Georgia, Inc. to host a Veterans Cookout at Clayton County International Park; to authorize the Chairman to perform all acts necessary to accomplish the intent of this resolution; to provide an effective date of this resolution; and for other purposes. Vote unanimous.

23. Approved Resolution 2014-246, a Resolution authorizing Clayton County, on behalf of the Clayton County Senior Services Department, to accept donated funds from United Way and clients of the Aging Program to be used in connection with the Meals on Wheels program and

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transportation purposes; to authorize the Chairman to accept the donations on behalf of Clayton County and to execute any documents necessary, and otherwise to perform all acts necessary to accomplish the intent of this resolution; to authorize the Chief Financial Officer to amend the budget where necessary to reflect an appropriate revenue source and expense, all as may be required; to provide an effective date of this resolution; and for other purposes. Vote unanimous.

24. Approved Resolution 2014-247, a Resolution authorizing Clayton County to enter into a Facility Use Contract with Clayton County Public Schools for use of the S. Truett Cathy Professional Learning Center to conduct a Public Hearing Open House meeting in connection with the Mt. Zion Boulevard/Battle Creek Road Widening project; to authorize the Chairman to execute the Facility Use Contract and otherwise to perform all other acts necessary to accomplish the intent of the resolution; to provide an effective date of this resolution; and for other purposes. Vote unanimous.

Ms. Barnes requested an Executive Session on litigation and personnel matters tonight. The Board generally consented to hold an Executive Session for the aforementioned reasons.

25. Chief Operating Officer Arrelle Anderson recommended the appointment of Courtney A. Hunt, Senior Buyer of the Fulton County Schools' Contracting Department, as the Director of Central Services. This Board motion ensued upon her recommendation:

Motion by Chairman Turner, second by Vice-Chairman Rooks, to appoint Courtney A. Hunt as the Director of Central Services. The motion failed by a 2-3 vote. Commissioners Edmondson, Gregory, and Hambrick opposed.

(NOTE: The following discussion took place prior to the above-mentioned vote on the Director of Central Services.)

Ms. Anderson stated she was present to make a recommendation for the Director of Central Services position. On Wednesday, July 30, 2014, and Monday, August 4, 2014, a panel consisting of her, CFO Ramona Thurman, Human Resources Director Renee Bright, and Chief Staff Attorney Christie Barnes conducted interviews for this position and assisted in making a recommendation for the strongest candidate. This panel assessed education, management and leadership skills, purchasing, contracts, and risk management experience, financial and budget management, and small business enterprise experience. Through the interviews, the panel assessed strategic thinking, communications, and professionalism. Seven (7) candidates were interviewed, and Ms. Anderson recommended that the Board consider appointing Ms. Courtney Hunt (a Clayton County resident) who earned 70 points out of the average 90 matrix evaluation points. Ms. Hunt earned a Master's degree in Public Administration/Public Management at

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Central Michigan University and a Bachelor's degree in Business Administration at Clayton State University. She possesses over 18 years of work experience, with seven (7) years in management and ten (10) years in local government and purchasing, contracting and operations for Fulton County Schools and the City of Atlanta. Some of Ms. Hunt's notable accomplishments include a revision of the purchasing code for Fulton County Schools; implementation of an Oracle database for the City of Atlanta; implementation of an automation system to assist with more efficiency in contract approval from the Board; and management of the Procurement Card (P-Card) Program for Fulton County Schools. Additionally, Ms. Hunt monitors annual contracts in excess of \$10 million for Fulton County Schools. The recommended salary for Ms. Hunt is \$85,204.00 (Grade 36/1; currently budgeted; no budgetary impact; savings to the county). Ms. Anderson requested that the Board strongly consider her recommendation of Ms. Courtney Hunt for the Director of Central Services position.

Vice-Chairman Rooks questioned if Human Resources Director Renee Bright had recommended the salary of \$85,204.00.

Ms. Anderson answered that Ms. Bright had recommended that salary.

Vice-Chairman Rooks asked Ms. Anderson to quote the posted salary amount.

Ms. Anderson clarified that the salary before the Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA) was \$82,723.00.

Vice-Chairman Rooks wanted to know why there was a recommended increase.

Chairman Turner explained that the 3% COLA brings the salary up to \$85,204.00. The posted salary was in May 2014 (before the COLA was approved in the FYE 2015 budget).

Chairman Turner made a motion to accept the recommendation of Ms. Courtney Hunt to be appointed as the Director of Central Services. Vice-Chairman Rooks seconded the motion.

Commissioner Edmondson questioned how many people work in the Central Services Department and how many people work in the Community Development Department.

Ms. Anderson responded there are twenty-five employees in Central Services and fifty-four employees in Community Development.

Chairman Turner asked for a vote on the motion that was on the floor. The motion failed by a vote of 2-3. Commissioners Edmondson, Gregory, and Hambrick opposed.

26. Approved the reappointment of Mr. Demont Davis to the Board of Appeals. The term of Mr. Davis expired on September 2, 2014. New term is for three (3) years, expiring on

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September 2, 2017. The motion carried 4-1. Commissioner Edmondson opposed.

27. Appointments to the Clayton Community Service Board, as mandated by House Bill 100 and Senate Bill 349.

The Board held the appointments of the following Clayton County Citizens:

- Birney Bowmaster, who has been serving on the CSB as a Development Disabilities representative
- Martin Thompson, a retired Army Veteran to represent Veteran Services
- Bryan Flowers, a school teacher to represent Child and Adolescent Services

Vice-Chairman Rooks stated that she had received a lot of resumes on these candidates from Dr. Cheever and did not know any of them. She wanted to have the pleasure of talking to those candidates in her district since she had not had an opportunity to do so.

Chairman Turner replied that her comments were duly noted.

Chairman Turner noted that the next segment of CSB appointments pertained to elected officials. He had talked to Mayor Joy Day of Jonesboro and wished to make a motion for Mayor Day to serve on the CSB Board. Vice-Chairman Rooks seconded the motion. The motion failed by a vote of 2-3. Commissioners Edmondson, Gregory, and Hambrick opposed.

At the request of Clayton Center, the Board approved the appointments of the following elected officials to the Community Service Board.

- Dr. Alieka Anderson from the Clayton County School Board
- An'Cel Davis from the Riverdale City Council

Vote unanimous.

**28. ZONING PETITION: TRAVELERS REST MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH/
CUP-14/06-6**

The Board consented to defer the request of the Applicant, Yvonne Ellis on behalf of Travelers Rest Missionary Baptist Church, to have a conditional use permit (CUP) from Article 3.1 Agricultural District (AG) to allow for a Skills Teaching Center, to the October 21, 2014 Regular Business Meeting. The subject property is located at 6021 Maddox Road, Morrow, Georgia 30260 and otherwise known as parcel number 12141A B013. The subject property contains approximately 3.3 acres of land and it is currently zoned Agricultural (AG). Applicant

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**Commission District # 1 – Commissioner Sonna Gregory
Planning & Zoning Staff Recommendation: Approval**

Yvonne Ellis was not present at this meeting. Several church members appeared before the Board, including a Mrs. Smith, and they stated that they were renting the gym from the church.

Commissioner Gregory asked Zoning Administrator Kc Krzic if the church had made the petition.

Ms. Krzic affirmed that Travelers Rest Missionary Baptist Church had made the petition.

Commissioner Gregory questioned if the persons who were renting from the church could properly represent tonight.

Mrs. Smith replied that she and her group were the only ones present tonight.

Commissioner Gregory stated that she understood that, and she also knew that this church recently lost its pastor. She was somewhat confused about this situation.

Commissioner Edmondson believed this was a legal question. He did not know if someone who is not a petitioner could represent the petitioner.

Commissioner Gregory stated that given the instability of the church right now, she was concerned about voting on this petition without a representative from the actual church.

Mrs. Smith responded that she just wanted the Board to know she and others were present at this meeting.

Chairman Turner stated he understood what Mrs. Smith said, but he recommended that this petition be held from the agenda tonight.

Commissioner Edmondson noted that the Board has to have the consent of the petitioner to hold this petition tonight; however, the petitioner is not present.

Ms. Barnes clarified that the Board can decide on its own to hold this petition if there is no party present to consent with to hold it.

Commissioner Gregory requested to hold this petition until October 21, 2014 to have plenty of time.

Commissioner Edmondson questioned if Ms. Krzic would have to re-advertise this petition.

Ms. Barnes affirmed that Ms. Krzic would have to re-advertise a new public hearing date for this

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petition.

29. ZONING PETITION: **JUANA L. LEARY/CUP-14/06-7**

Approved the request of the Applicant, Juana L. Leary, to have a conditional use permit (CUP) from Article 3.7 RS-110 Residential District (RS-110) to allow for a home-based food/baking business. The subject property is located at 5569 Sapphire Circle, Ellenwood, GA 30294 and otherwise known as parcel number 12173B C052. The subject property contains approximately 0.17 acres of land and it is currently zoned Residential (RS-110). Vote unanimous.

**Commission District # 1 – Commissioner Sonna Gregory
Planning & Zoning Staff Recommendation: Approval**

Clerk Haywood asked if there were any opposition to this petition. No one responded.

Commissioner Gregory stated she was ready to move forward with this petition. She had talked to the HOA members and they were settled on this petition. Commissioner Gregory made a motion to accept Ms. Leary's petition for a cottage food/baking business. Vice-Chairman Rooks seconded the motion. Vote unanimous.

30. ZONING PETITION: **JOHN BARNETT/CUP-14/07-8**

Approved the request of the Applicant, John Barnett, to have a conditional use permit (CUP) from Article 3.25 Neighborhood Mixed Use District (NMX) to allow for gasoline sales. The subject property is located at 2240 Forest Parkway, Morrow, Georgia 30260 and otherwise known as parcel number 12180C F007. The subject property contains approximately 1.17 acres of land and it is currently zoned Neighborhood Mixed Use (NMX). Vote unanimous.

**Commission District # 1 – Commissioner Sonna Gregory
Planning & Zoning Staff Recommendation: Approval**

Mr. John Barnett asked the Board to give him permission for a Conditional Use Permit (CUP) because gasoline sales are needed in the area. There is a convenience store on State Highway 331 (Forest Parkway); the nearest convenience store to the east is a half mile; the nearest convenience store to the west is 2.4 miles; and there are no sidewalks on Forest Parkway. He also stated that a lot of community residents have to walk down Forest Parkway with no sidewalks. The trees are basically growing over the area, so persons walking there are practically in the state highway. The community itself provides an area for gatherings and

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socialization. Per Mr. Barnett, this building was basically operating as a convenience store/restaurant for five (5) years. Due to a small incident with the restaurant, the building was closed down for a few years. This is why a Conditional Use Permit is being requested. He described the building as being relatively new. The Board approved the zoning of this building in 2004, and Mr. Barnett said he was just asking for permission to continue gasoline sales.

Mr. Larry O’Keeffe, a Clayton County resident, questioned the address of the petitioner’s building and wondered if there had been a misunderstanding. When he googled the address of 2240 Forest Parkway, the city came up as Lake City, Georgia instead of Morrow, Georgia.

Mr. Barnett informed Mr. O’Keeffe that the address is in Morrow, Georgia.

Mr. O’Keeffe said the reason he questioned the address is because it shows up as being at an intersection on Jonesboro Road. He was familiar with this building that has been closed for a while. When he pulled up the address, it shows the building is next to an Auto Zone (a mechanical service building).

Ms. Krzic stated this address is in an unincorporated Clayton County jurisdiction that ties to a zip code.

With that being said, Mr. O’Keeffe withdrew his questioning of this petition.

Commissioner Gregory stated this petition only entails a “do-over.” Mr. Barnett had this Conditional Use Permit before, and she was prepared to make a motion to side with the ZAG recommendation to approve this petition. Commissioner Hambrick seconded the motion. Vote unanimous.

Motion by Chairman Turner, second by Vice-Chairman Rooks, to go into Executive Session in the Commissioners’ Conference Room at 9:00 p.m. Vote unanimous.

Motion by Vice-Chairman Rooks, second by Chairman Turner, to go out of Executive Session at 9:42 p.m. Vote unanimous.

Motion by Vice-Chairman Rooks, second by Chairman Turner, to reconvene the Regular Business Meeting in the Commissioners’ Boardroom at 9:44 p.m. Vote unanimous.

There being no further business to discuss, motion by Vice-Chairman Rooks, second by Chairman Turner, to adjourn the Regular Business Meeting of September 16, 2014 at 9:44 p.m.

Regular Business Meeting
7:00 P.M.

September 16, 2014

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Vote unanimous.