

CLAYTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Regular Business Meeting
7:00 P.M.

February 3, 2015

POST SUMMARY MINUTES

PRESENT: Chairman Jeffrey E. Turner, Vice-Chairman Gail Hambrick, Commissioner Sonna Gregory, Commissioner Michael Edmondson, Commissioner Shana M. Rooks, and Clerk Sandra T. Davis.

1. Chairman Turner called the meeting to order.
2. Invocation was given by Pastor Roger Allen from Jonesboro First Baptist Church, of Jonesboro, Georgia. Pledge of Allegiance to the flag was led by Chairman Turner.
3. Amended the agenda by removing Item No. 12, Resolution 2015-31 - A Resolution authorizing Clayton County to enter into a Real Estate Purchase and Sale Agreement with EF Golf I, LLC to purchase real property in connection with the 2009 special one percent sales and use tax; Removed Item No. 20, Appointment to the Development Authority Board / Redevelopment Authority Board to fill the expiring term of Chandler Sharma. The term is for four years expiring on March 1, 2019. (Full-Board Appointment), and Item No. 22, Appointment to the Urban Redevelopment Agency of Clayton County to fill the expiring term of Chandler Sharma. The term is for four years expiring on March 1, 2019. (Full-Board Appointment). Vote unanimous. Approved the adoption of the agenda with amendments. Vote unanimous.
4. Approved the January 20, 2015 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, a Clayton County resident, spoke in reference to the Friday, December 28, 2012 Clayton News Daily newspaper article entitled BOC's Turner and Rooks Pledge Transparency in Government. Dr. Anderson emphasized that Commissioner Rooks stated she wanted the constituents in her area to feel as though they were connected and that their voices mattered. He also referenced that Chairman Turner pledged to speak with candor, clarity and frank honesty concerning the issues that are faced here in Clayton County and pledged transparency and a more community oriented attitude concerning county government. Dr. Anderson commended Commissioner Rooks and Chairman Turner for keeping their commitments, by way of airing the county board meetings, providing minutes to the meetings, releasing financial department supporting documents, as well as documentation from Human Resources.

Dr. Anderson continued to state that the information was very valuable and powerful that is presented to the Board for approval. He stated that the information that is disclosed is very powerful information and outlines in great detail the money that is spent by the county.

2. Judy Simon, a Clayton County resident, is in attendance representing Fix Georgia Pets, an organization that will provide spay and neuter services for pet owners in Georgia. She expressed that there is a huge need within the county for spay and neuter services, and wanted to give a special thanks to Sheriff Victor Hill and the Sheriff's Office, and also a big thanks to the Clayton County Police Department, the Animal Control Unit and the Clayton County Humane Society. She questioned the Board that if funds were exhausted, if the County would be able to assist.

Commissioner Rooks questioned Ms. Simon if the spay and neutering services were offered free of charge. She replied that they were free, but the goal is to collect copays from each client to aid in spreading the funds out that they have as long as possible, as well as, provide coverage for the rabies vaccination.

Chairman Turner confirmed with Ms. Simon that Fix Georgia Pets has been working in conjunction with the police department to get this initiative going, and she confirmed.

6. PROCLAMATION: "Clayton County Observes February 2 - 6, 2015 as Severe Weather Awareness Week". (Presented by Chairman Jeffrey E. Turner)
7. PROCLAMATION: "Clayton County Recognizes the Art Club at Hawthorne Elementary School". (Presented by Commissioner Shana M. Rooks)
8. Debra Brewer, Director of Central Services, presented the Board with the following item which resulted in the following Board action:

(NOTE: The entire Purchasing Ordinance for Clayton County, Georgia can be viewed on the MuniCode website. Citizens can access this website via the following website address: <http://library.municode.com/index.aspx?clientId=10562>.)

- 1) Approved the **Request to Sell County Surplus Items, utilizing GovDeals.com**. (As requested by the Central Services Department). Vote unanimous.

The list of items is as follows:

- a. 445 - 21 Printers, 9 Scanners & 20 Fax Machines

- b. 446 - Pallet of VCR's, Surveillance Equipment & Monitors
- c. 447 - 16 Pieces of Camera / Copy Machine Items
- d. 448 - 16 Pieces of Kitchen Type Items

- e. 449 - 33 Pieces of Entertainment Equipment
- f. 450 - 2 Nortel Network Units, 1 Tester & 85 Phones
- g. 451 - 107 Police Type Items (receivers, lasers, radios, etc.)
- h. 452 - 2 Pallets of Assorted Brand Telephones
- i. 453 - 134 Computer Type Misc. Items
- j. 454 - 4 Pallets of Assorted Brand Telephones
- k. 455 - 3 Desks, 1 Bookcase & 1 Rolling Table
- l. 456 - 3 Desks, 2 Tables & 1 Bookcase
- m. 457 - 2 Desks, 1 Cabinet & 2 Printer Stands
- n. 458 - One Glass Display Cabinet
- o. 459 - 27 Cartons of I-Cups & 1 Carton of Intoxilizer Tubes
- p. 460 - Fire Training System & Accessories
- q. 461 - 3 Wing Back Chairs & 1 Loveseat
- r. 462 - Pallet of Overhead Projectors & Equipment
- s. 463 - 4 Podiums, Map Holder & Metal Desk
- t. 464 - 14 Pieces of Printing Equipment
- u. 465 - 3 Treadmills

9. Ramona Thurman Bivins, Chief Financial Officer, presented three (3) budget amendments and three (3) refund requests which resulted in the following Board actions:

1) Approved Budget Amendment #2-17/Police/FYE 6-30-15 – To replace one Police vehicle where repair costs exceed the value of the vehicle, in the amount of \$35,000. Vote unanimous.

2) Approved Budget Amendment #2-18/Library/FYE 6-30-15 – To replace a van used by the Library damaged beyond repair in an accident, in the amount of \$24,800. Vote unanimous.

3) Approved Budget Amendment #4-91/2015 SPLOST - Bond Funds/FYE 6-30-15 – To amend the budget for funding to replace an ambulance in the current fleet that is a total loss, in the amount of \$144,000. Vote unanimous.

Vice-Chairman Hambrick questioned if there was insurance on the vehicles that would need to be repaired that were involved in an accident. She was advised by Ms. Bivins that the vehicles are covered under insurance.

4) Approved Request for Refund of Business License fees paid by Ms. Tiajuana Scandrett d/b/a Sensible Decors, due to the building to operate the business did not pass inspections, in the amount of \$72.00. Vote unanimous.

5) Approved the Request for Refund of permit fees for an Electrical Reconnect permit paid by Ms. Cursandra Slaton for property located at 382 River Brook Trail, Riverdale, Ga due to the property being located within the city limits of Riverdale and therefore not in Clayton County's permitting district, in the amount of \$50.00. Vote unanimous.

6) Approved the Request for Refund of Alcohol License fees paid by Mr. Jorge Maciel d/b/a La Casa Mexican Restaurant due to the non-recommendation by the Clayton County Police Department for criminal history, in the amount of \$2,700.00. Vote unanimous.

10. Ordinance 2015-29 - An Ordinance adopted under the Home Rule Powers granted to Clayton County Pursuant to Article IX, Section II, Paragraph 1 of the Constitution of the State of Georgia of 1983, amending the Clayton County Code of Ordinances, specifically relevant sections of the Clayton County, Georgia Public Employee Retirement System to define the term "Leased Employee" as such term is used by the plan. **(First Read)**

Synopsis: This Ordinance will amend the Pension Plan to add a definition for the term "leased employee" as requested by the Internal Revenue Service.

11. Approved Resolution 2015-30 - A Resolution authorizing Clayton County to enter into a License Agreement to allow Real Help! Network, Inc. to sponsor and host a Soup Tasting Competition at the South Clayton Recreation Center. Vote unanimous.

Synopsis: This Resolution will allow Real Help! Network, Inc. to sponsor and host a soup tasting competition on February 21, 2015 from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm at the South Clayton Recreation Center to raise funds to benefit the Clayton County Drug Free Community Youth Coalition.

12. Approved Resolution 2015-32 - A Resolution authorizing Clayton County to enter into a Settlement Agreement settling all claims set forth in the matters involving Lawrence King and Jonathon King. Vote unanimous.

Synopsis: This Resolution will allow for the settlement amount of \$1,000.00 and release from all claims, suits, and causes of actions, grievance or other liability asserted against the County.

13. Approved Resolution 2015-33 - A Resolution authorizing the Clayton County Department of Senior Services, on behalf of Clayton County, to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding

with the Atlanta Regional Commission providing for the terms and conditions pertaining to the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program. Vote unanimous.

Synopsis: This Resolution will continue to allow Senior Services, through a MOU, to provide civic engagement opportunities for older adults via education, outreach and involvement around issues related to helping older adults maintain independent, healthy lifestyles and the creation of sustainable lifelong communities.

Commissioner Gregory asked Ms. Strauter what the grant from Atlanta Regional Commission (ARC) would be used for. Ms. Strauter replied that the grant would provide volunteer opportunities for the seniors so that they are able to speak about the services that are provided by Senior Services, or it would aid to provide training for those that are receiving Medicaid.

Commissioner Gregory asked if the funds would be used as a stipend. Ms. Strauter advised that the participants would be reimbursed \$40.00 for gas and mileage to and from their destination.

14. Approved Resolution 2015-34 - A Resolution to amend the Clayton County PY2012 and PY2013 Annual Action Plans to allow for the recapture and reuse of funding for projects supported by the Community Development Block Grant and Emergency Solutions Grant Programs. Vote unanimous.

Synopsis: This Resolution provides for funds left over from other completed projects to be reallocated to "shovel-ready" projects serving low-and-moderate-income households and/or communities.

15. Approved Resolution 2015-35 - A Resolution authorizing Clayton County to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with Trane U.S., Inc. providing for the terms and conditions under which a study will be conducted under Trane's Pact Program evaluating lighting at five athletic fields. Vote unanimous.

Synopsis: A Resolution that will allow for Trane U.S. Inc. to evaluate potential lighting upgrades and present its finding for five facilities operated by Clayton County Parks and Recreation.

16. Approved Resolution 2015-36 - A Resolution authorizing Clayton County to enter Lease Agreements with Georgia Power Company for the provision of lighting services and equipment. Vote unanimous.

Synopsis: This Resolution will allow Clayton County to enter Lease Agreements to provide certain lighting equipment and services in the parking areas owned by Clayton County located at 3161 Anvil Block Road, Ellenwood, GA 30294 and 7840 Highway 85, Riverdale, GA 30274.

Christie Barnes, Chief Staff Attorney, requested an Executive Session for litigation and personnel matters.

17. Approved the appointment of Charlton Bivins to the Library Board to fill the unexpired term of Jeanell Bridges (resigned). This term expires on June 30, 2016. (Full-Board Appointment) Vote unanimous.
18. Held action on appointment to the Hospital Authority Board to fill the unexpired term of Cephus Jackson (resigned). This term expires on October 31, 2015. (Full-Board Appointment)
19. Approved the reappointment of Kalanos Johnson to the Development Authority Board / Redevelopment Authority Board to fill the expiring term of Kalanos Johnson. The term is for four years expiring on March 1, 2019. (Full-Board Appointment) Vote unanimous.
20. Approved the reappointment of Kalanos Johnson to the Urban Redevelopment Agency of Clayton County to fill the expiring term of Kalanos Johnson. The term is for four years expiring on March 1, 2019. (Full-Board Appointment) Vote unanimous.

Motion by Commissioner Rooks, second by Chairman Turner, to go into Executive Session in the Commissioner's Conference Room at 7:36 p.m. Vote unanimous.

Motion by Commissioner Edmondson, second by Chairman Turner, to go out of Executive Session at 8:11 p.m. Vote unanimous.

Motion by Commissioner Rooks, second by Commissioner Edmondson, to reconvene the Regular Business Meeting in the Commissioner's Boardroom at 8:13 p.m. Vote unanimous.

Approved, Ms. Barnes' request she presented on behalf of the Clayton County Board of Commissioners, requesting the Clayton County Legislative Delegation to present a request for; an increase from 16% of the Superior Court Judges state salary, to 22% for the district commissioners and to request an increase in the annual supplement from \$3,000.00 to \$6,000.00 for the district commissioners and for an increase in the annual supplement of \$5,000.00 to \$6,000.00 for the Chairman of the Board. Vote unanimous.

Motion by Commissioner Edmondson, second by Chairman Turner To adjourn the Regular Business Meeting of February 3, 2015 at 8:14 p.m. Vote unanimous.