



FLOYD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

March 9, 2021

Forum River Center

Caucus—Floyd Room

4:30 pm

Regular Meeting—Ballroom

6:00 pm

PRESENT: COMMISSIONERS: WRIGHT BAGBY, ALLISON WATTERS, RHONDA WALLACE, LARRY MAXEY, AND SCOTTY HANCOCK; ASSISTANT COUNTY MANAGER GARY BURKHALTER, COUNTY CLERK ERIN ELROD, AND COUNTY ATTORNEY CHRIS JACKSON; HOLLIS BARTON, LAUREN CHUMBLER, COREY TOWNSEND, ART NEWELL, OLIVIA MORLEY, BOB HENDERSON

PRESENT VIRTUALLY: BRUCE IVEY, JOHN BLALOCK, SUISE GASS, BILL GILLILAND, RANDY SELF

CAUCUS

1. Update on the E-911 Department

CHAIR BAGBY CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER. MR. BLALOCK UPDATED THE COMMISSION ON THE E-911 DEPARTMENT. HE ALSO COMMENTED ON THE NEW PUBLIC SAFETY DIVISION DIRECTOR POSITION. CHAIR BAGBY BEGAN THE REVIEW OF THE AGENDA. MR. NEWELL INTRODUCED THE ITEMS UNDER FIRST READING FROM THE PLANNING COMMISSION. MR. JACKSON FURTHER EXPLAINED THE ORDINANCE CHANGE. MR. CLIFF BABB SPOKE IN SUPPORT OF CHICKENS ON PROPERTY ON ACREAGE LESS THAN ONE ACRE. MR. NEWELL REVIEWED THE TWO REMAINING PLANNING REQUESTS. CHAIR BAGBY AND MR. BURKHALTER THEN REVIEWED THE REMAINING ITEMS ON THE AGENDA. COMMISSIONER HANCOCK RECUSED HIMSELF FOR THE DISCUSSION CONCERNING THE EMPLOYEE WELLNESS CLINIC AND EXITED THE ROOM.

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO FLAG—Commissioner Scotty Hancock

III. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

IV. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- 1. Adopt minutes of Caucus, Regular Meeting, and Executive Session of February 23, 2020.**

VI. SPECIAL RECOGNITION

VII. PROCLAMATION

1. Red Cross Proclamation

VIII. FIRST READING

(SECOND READING HELD MARCH 23, 2021 AT 6PM)

1. Adopt an ordinance to amend Article 3 and 4 of the Unified Development Code of Rome and Floyd County, Georgia (The “ULDC”); related to hobby farms and wildlife parks or zoos; in the agricultural residential (AR), and suburban residential (SR) zoning districts; to repeal conflicting ordinances; and for other purposes. The planning commission recommended approval by a vote of 7-1.
2. File Z21-03-03 requesting rezoning from light industrial (LI) to heavy industrial (HI) for the property located at 0 Pinson Road, Rome, GA; Tax Parcel M10W039. Staff recommends approval. The planning commission recommended approval by a vote of 8-0.
3. File Z21-03-02 requesting rezoning from agricultural residential (AR) to heavy commercial (HC) for the portion of the property shown on the plat for the property located at 9435 Alabama Highway, Rome, GA; Tax Parcel A14O03. Staff recommends approval. The planning commission recommended approval by a vote of 8-0.

IX. SECOND READING

X. PUBLIC HEARINGS

XI. RESOLUTIONS

XII. CHAIRMAN’S REPORT

1. Appoint Virginia L. Gudermuth to a position on the Rome-Floyd Citizens Advisory Committee. This is a one-year term that expires December 31, 2021.
2. Reappoint Megan Van Meter to serve on the Georgia Department of Behavioral Health Board. This will be her first full term on the Board. This term is set to expire June 30, 2024.
3. Reappoint Corey Townsend to serve on the Development Authority of Floyd County. This will be his first full term on the Authority. This term is set to expire April 30, 2025.

4. Reappoint Larry Morrow to serve on the Development Authority of Floyd County. This will be his second term on the Authority. This term is set to expire April 30, 2025.
5. Reappoint Clint Wilder to serve on the Development Authority of Floyd County. This will be his second term on the Authority. This term is set to expire April 30, 2021.
6. Reappoint Michael McElveen to serve on the Highland Rivers Community Service Board. This will be his first full term on the Board. This term is set to expire June 30, 2023.
7. Reappoint Charles Love to serve on the Floyd County DFCS Board. This will be his second term on the Board. This term is set to expire June 30, 2026.

XIII. COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

1. **Administrative Services Committee – Commissioners Allison Watters and Scotty Hancock**
 - a. Next Meeting, Thursday, March 18, 2021, at 9:00am.
2. **Public Safety Committee – Commissioners Scotty Hancock and Rhonda Wallace**
 - a. Next Meeting, Thursday, April 1, 2021, at 9:00am.
3. **Public Utilities & Transportation Committee – Commissioners Larry Maxey and Wright Bagby**
 - a. Next Meeting, Wednesday, April 21, 2021, at 9:00am.
4. **Elected Officials Committee – Commissioners Rhonda Wallace and Larry Maxey**
 - a. Next Meeting, Friday, May 7, 2021, at 2:00pm
5. **Special Committee Reports**
 - a. **Fire Overview Committee—Commissioners Wright Bagby and Scotty Hancock**
 - i. Next Meeting, Tuesday, May 12, 2021, at 10:30am.
 - b. **Joint Services Committee—Commissioners Wright Bagby and Allison Watters**
 - i. Next Meeting, Tuesday, April 6, 2021, at 8:00am.
 - c. **Rome-Floyd Planning Commission—Commissioner Larry Maxey**

- i. Next Meeting, Thursday, April 1, 2021, at 2:30pm.
- d. **Joint Development Oversight Committee—Commissioners Wright Bagby and Allison Watters**
- i. Next Meeting, Tuesday, May 4, 2021, at 10:00am.
- e. **Joint Solid Waste Commission—Commissioners Allison Watters and Larry Maxey**
- i. Next Meeting, Tuesday, March 23, 2021, at 8:30am.
- f. **Transportation Policy Committee—Commissioner Larry Maxey**
- i. Next Meeting, Wednesday, March 17, 2012, at 10:00am.
- g. **Airport Commission—Commissioners Scotty Hancock and Rhonda Wallace**
- i. Next meeting, Tuesday, March 16, 2021, at 4:00pm.
- h. **SPLOST Project Overview Committee—Commissioners Scotty Hancock and Rhonda Wallace**
- i. Next meeting, TBD
- i. **RFPR Advisory Committee—Commissioner Rhonda Wallace**
- i. Next Meeting, Tuesday, March 17, 2021, at 12:00pm.
- j. **Judicial Committee/(CJIS) –**
- k. **Floyd County Library Board—Commissioner Allison Watters**
- i. Next Meeting, Thursday, May 20, 2021, at 4:00pm.

XIV. MANAGER’S REPORT

XV. ATTORNEY’S REPORT

XVI. CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approve surplus designation of a Cessna 172N from Richard B. Russell Regional Airport.
2. Approve request for a budget revision to the District Attorney’s Equipment in the amount of \$3,830.00 to purchase Dell Computers. The remaining total will come from the DA’s Forfeiture funds account.

3. Approve request for a lease from Wells Fargo Financial Leasing, Inc. for two John Deere Mowers for a period of 49 months in the amount of \$1,040.60 monthly. An additional \$200 administrative fee will be included on the first invoice. The mowers are 9009A Terrain Cut Model and 7400 Terrain Cut Model for the ball fields.

XVII. OLD BUSINESS

XVIII. NEW BUSINESS

1. Approve grading of the Floyd County Jail retention pond in conjunction of the Jail Medical construction by Wilson Boys Enterprises, LLC in the amount of \$44,000.00. This was budgeted as the 2017 SPLOST Jail Medical project.
2. Approve purchase of four (4) 2021 Dodge Charger Police Pursuit vehicles for the Floyd County Police Department from Ginn Chrysler Jeep Dodge, LLC—Commercial in the amount of \$102,548.00 (\$25,338.00 each; \$25,637.00 each with additional features) for the Floyd County Police Department. This was budgeted in the 2017 SPLOST.
3. Staff recommendation for the Rome-Floyd Employee Wellness Center.

XIX. OTHER BUSINESS

XX. ADJOURN