



FLOYD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

February 8, 2022

County Administration Building

Caucus—Suite 204

4:30 pm

Regular Meeting—Suite 206

6:00 pm

PRESENT: COMMISSIONERS: WRIGHT BAGBY, ALLISON WATTERS, RHONDA WALLACE, LARRY MAXEY, & SCOTTY HANCOCK; COUNTY MANAGER JAMIE MCCORD, COUNTY CLERK ERIN ELROD, COUNTY ATTORNEY VIRGINIA HARMAN, LAUREN CHUMBLER, OLIVIA MORLEY, AMY DAWKINS, CAPTAIN NATHAN BLANTON, AND ARTAGUS NEWELL

CAUCUS

CHAIR BAGBY OPENED THE CAUCUS SESSION. HE AND MR. MCCORD BEGAN THE REVIEW OF THE AGENDA. MR. NEWELL REVIEWED THE PLANNING ITEMS UNDER THE FIRST READING. CHAIR BAGBY AND MR. MCCORD CONTINUED WITH THE REVIEW OF THE AGENDA. CAPTAIN BLANTON AND MRS. DAWKINS PRESENTED ITEMS UNDER NEW BUSINESS.

COMMISSIONER MAXEY MADE A MOTION TO ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS PROPERTY ACQUISITION. COMMISSIONER WALLACE SECONDED THE MOTION. THE MOTION CARRIED 5-0.

I. CALL TO ORDER — CHAIR BAGBY CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER.

II. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO FLAG — COMMISSIONER MAXEY LED THE COMMISSION IN THE INVOCATION AND THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

III. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA — APPROVED AS SUBMITTED BY COMMON CONSENT.

IV. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

1. David Smith was there to discuss Covid-19 masking protocol.

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES — THE MINUTES WERE APPROVED AS SUBMITTED BY COMMON CONSENT.

1. Adopt minutes of Caucus, Regular Meeting, and Executive Session of January 28, 2021.

VI. SPECIAL RECOGNITION

1. **Rome-Floyd Fire Department Members** — MR. MCCORD RECOGNIZED CHIEF TROY BROCK FOR THE GEORGIA ASSOCIATION OF FIRE

CHIEFS FIRE CHIEF OF THE YEAR 2021 AND CAPTAIN BENJI SMITH ENGINE 1, SGT. JOHN WIGGINS, ENGINE 1, AND CPL. DANNY MCGHEE ENGINE 1 WHO WERE AWARDED WITH LIFE SAVING VALOR AWARD FOR A REPORT OF MERITORIOUS ACT BY THE GEORGIA STATE FIREFIGHTERS ASSOCIATION.

2. **Marcus Roberts** — COMMISSIONER HANCOCK RECOGNIZED FLOYD COUNTY POLICE OFFICER MARCUS ROBERTS WHO WILL BE DEPLOYING AS A MILITARY POLICE OFFICER FOR THE ARMY NATIONAL GUARD WHERE HAS SERVED FOR SIXTEEN YEARS. THIS WILL BE HIS EIGHTH DEPLOYMENT.

3. **Employees Recognition for Years of Service**

- a. Ten Years of Service
 - i. Sharon Poe, Sheriff's Office
 - ii. Monika Combs, Sheriff's Office
 - iii. James Osborn, Facilities
 - iv. Matthew Henry, Police
- b. Fifteen Years of Service
 - i. David Wise, Public Works
 - ii. Vicki Alexander, Sheriff's Office
 - iii. Benjamin Phillips, Prison
 - iv. Jeramy Penny, Police
 - v. David Williams, Police
 - vi. Dieshyllle Wiggins, Police
- c. Twenty Years of Service
 - i. Ojilvia Lom, Police
- d. Thirty Years of Service
 - i. Jerome Poole, Police

VII. PROCLAMATION

1. **Georgia Day** — VICE CHAIR WATTERS PRESENTED THE PROCLAMATION TO THE CROWD.
2. **Arbor Day** — COMMISSIONER WALLACE PRESENTED THE ARBOR DAY PROCLAMATION TO HANNAH BAGLEY REPRESENTING KEEP ROME-FLOYD BEAUTIFUL. MS. BAGLEY THANKED THE COMMISSION FOR THEIR SUPPORT OF ARBOR DAY.

VIII. FIRST READING — MR. NEWELL PRESENTED THE ITEMS FOR FIRST READING.

(SECOND READING WILL BE HELD FEBRUARY 22, 2022 AT 6PM)

1. File Z22-02-02 requesting rezoning from Heavy Industrial to Split Zones— Suburban-Residential/Multi-Family Residential located at 0 Calhoun Highway, Floyd County Tax Parcel L11Z003. Staff recommended approval on the condition that parcels are formally subdivided before the development begins. The planning commission recommended denial (4-3).
2. File Z22-02-03 requesting rezoning from Suburban Residential to Community Commercial located at 0 Rockmart Highway Floyd County Tax Parcel K17085, K17086, and K17087. Staff recommended denial. The planning commission recommended approval (5-2).

IX. SECOND READING/PUBLIC HEARING

(FIRST READING WAS HELD JANUARY 25, 2022 AT 6PM)

1. **Adopt a resolution of Floyd County, Georgia, to approve the adoption of a timber harvesting ordinance.** — CHAIR BAGBY OPENED THE PUBLIC HEARING. SEEING NO ONE TO SPEAK IN FAVOR OR OPPOSITION OF THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE, CHAIR BAGBY CLOSED THE PUBLIC HEARING. COMMISSIONER MAXEY MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER WALLACE. THE MOTION CARRIED 5-0.

X. PUBLIC HEARING

XI. RESOLUTIONS

1. **Adopt a resolution declaring certain property of the County unserviceable and authorizing the transfer of said property to Rome-Floyd County Land Bank Authority.** — CHAIR BAGBY PRESENTED THE RESOLUTION TO THE COMMISSION. VICE CHAIR WATTERS MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER WALLACE. THE MOTION CARRIED 5-0.
 - a. King Bee Circle, Tax Parcel J13I-029
 - b. 303 Ross Street, Tax Parcel J13J-021
 - c. 106 Brookwood Avenue, Tax Parcel I13X-291
 - d. 420 Branham Avenue, Tax Parcel I14W-443

XII. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT — NO REPORT

XIII. COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

- 1. Administrative Services Committee – Commissioners Watters & Bagby**
 - a. Next Meeting, Thursday, February 24, 2022, 9:00am
- 2. Public Safety Committee – Commissioners Hancock & Wallace**
 - a. Next Meeting, Thursday, February 17, 2022, 9:00am
- 3. Public Utilities & Transportation Committee – Commissioner Maxey & Hancock**
 - a. Next Meeting, Wednesday, February 16, 2022, 9:00am
- 4. Elected Officials Committee – Commissioner Wallace & Maxey**
 - a. Next Meeting, Friday, March 4, 2022, 2:30pm
- 5. Special Committee Reports**
 - a. Fire Overview Committee — Commissioners Bagby & Hancock**
 - i. Next Meeting, Tuesday, February 8, 2022, 10:30am
 - b. Joint Services Committee — Commissioners Watters & Maxey**
 - i. Next Meeting, Tuesday, April 5, 2022, 8:30am
 - c. Rome-Floyd Planning Commission — Commissioners Maxey & Watters**
 - i. Next Meeting, Thursday, March 3, 2022, 2:30pm
 - d. Joint Development Oversight Committee — Commissioners Bagby & Watters**
 - i. Next Meeting, Tuesday, May 3, 2022, 10:00am
 - e. Joint Solid Waste Commission — Commissioner Watters & Maxey**
 - i. Next Meeting, Tuesday, March 22, 2022, 8:30am
 - f. Transportation Policy Committee — Commissioner Maxey**
 - i. Next Meeting, Wednesday, March 16, 2022, 10:00am

- g. Airport Commission — Commissioners Hancock & Wallace**
 - i. Next meeting, Tuesday, February 15, 2022, 4:00pm
- h. SPLOST Project Overview Committee — Commissioners Wallace & Hancock**
 - i. Next meeting, Thursday, March 10, 2022, 5:30pm
- i. RFPR Advisory Committee — Commissioner Wallace**
 - i. Next Meeting, Tuesday, March 15, 2022, 12:00pm
- j. Floyd County Library Board — Commissioner Watters**
 - i. Next Meeting, Thursday, February 17, 2022, 4:00pm

XIV. MANAGER’S REPORT — MR. MCCORD UPDATED THE COMMISSION ON A SITE VISIT AND MEETING WITH THE DEVELOPER AT THE EMERALD OAKS SUBDIVISION.

XV. ATTORNEY’S REPORT — NO REPORT BUT SHE WELCOMED MS. SUZANNE PEEK TO THE MEETING.

XVI. CONSENT AGENDA — MRS. ELROD REPORTED THE CONSENT AGENDA WAS IN ORDER. COMMISSIONER MAXEY MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HANCOCK. THE MOTION CARRIED 5-0.

- 1.** Consider recipient/sub-recipient agreement for Covid-19 DC-4501.
- 2.** Consider request for Floyd County Police GEMA Homeland Security Grant for the Floyd County Bomb Squad in the amount of \$17,475.00 to purchase equipment for the Floyd County SWAT Team.
- 3.** Consider request from Floyd County Police to move funds from the equipment budget into the capital budget to cover the cost of a new garage at the special operations building in the amount of \$16,000.00.
- 4.** Ratify change order with Lewallen Construction Company in the amount of \$17,830.00 for a gravel access road on the Redmond Trail.
- 5.** Consider the request from Purchasing to approve the purchase of a Bobcat T770 Skid Steer Loader and a Better Built 8 Ton Trailer or equal for the Floyd County Water Department from Rhinehart Equipment Co in the amount of \$73,365.00. This was budgeted at \$75,000.00 in the 2022 budget.

6. Consider the request from Finance to approve a fee increase of \$4,000.00 with the County auditor. This will increase the annual fee to \$58,500.00 plus any single audit fees for grant funds which are charged on an hourly basis.

XVII. OLD BUSINESS — NO OLD BUSINESS

XVIII. NEW BUSINESS

1. **Consider Crawford, Murphy, & Tilly (CMT) Task Order 03 for Professional Services for the Runway 1/19 Rehabilitation and Overlay/Design and Bidding Process Services for the Richard B. Russell Regional Airport (RMG), Floyd County, Georgia in the amount of \$44,060.00. — MR. MCCORD PRESENTED THE REQUEST TO THE COMMISSION FOR APPROVAL. IT IS A 95/5/5 PROJECT WITH 95% FEDERAL AND 5% STATE FUNDS COMBINED WITH 5% LOCAL FUNDS. COMMISSIONER WALLACE MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY VICE CHAIR WATTERS. THE MOTION CARRIED 5-0.**
2. **Consider the adoption of a professional services contract with ICOTECH for the maintenance of operating and video controls of the Floyd County Sheriff's Office. -- MR. MCCORD PRESENTED THE REQUEST TO THE COMMISSION FOR APPROVAL. COMMISSIONER WALLACE MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HANCOCK. THE MOTION CARRIED 5-0.**
3. **Consider Granicus Peak Agenda Management and Granicus GovMeetings Live Cast for Floyd County Board of Commissioners Meetings in the amount of \$17,575.00 in 2022, \$15,515.00 in 2023, and \$16,605.00 in 2024. This was budgeted at \$15,155.00 in 2022 and would require a budget increase of \$2,420.00. -- MR. MCCORD PRESENTED THE REQUEST TO THE COMMISSION FOR APPROVAL. VICE CHAIR WATTERS MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER WALLACE. THE MOTION CARRIED 5-0.**
4. **Consider recommendation from Purchasing to approve the purchase of a 2022 Explorer Base XLT 4x4 for the Floyd County Prison from Prater Ford, LLC in the amount of \$31,655.00. This was budgeted in the 2017 SPLOST at \$39,000.00 to be purchased in 2022. -- MR. MCCORD PRESENTED THE REQUEST TO THE COMMISSION FOR APPROVAL. COMMISSIONER MAXEY MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER WALLACE. THE MOTION CARRIED 5-0.**
5. **Consider agreement with Williams Communication in the amount of \$470,905.00 for radio site and user terminal maintenance. — MR. MCCORD PRESENTED THE REQUEST TO THE COMMISSION FOR APPROVAL. COMMISSIONER MAXEY ASKED IF THIS WAS A YEARLY CHARGE.**

MR. MCCORD RESPONDED THAT IT WAS. VICE CHAIR WATTERS MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HANCOCK. THE MOTION CARRIED 5-0.

XIX. OTHER BUSINESS

CHAIR BAGBY ANNOUNCED THAT THE COMMISSION HAD ENTERED INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION DURING CAUCUS TO DISCUSS THE ACQUISITION OF PROPERTY. NO ACTION WAS TAKEN.

XX. ADJOURN — THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED BY COMMON CONSENT.