

**CAMDEN COUNTY, GEORGIA
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
AUGUST 16, 2011, 6:00 PM**

A regular meeting of the Camden County Board of County Commissioners was held at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, August 16, 2011, in the Board of County Commissioners' Meeting Chambers of the Government Services Building, Woodbine, Georgia.

Chair Rainer called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Finance & Budget Director Mike Fender delivered the invocation.

Chair Rainer led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present: Chair David L. Rainer; Vice-Chair Willis R. Keene, Jr.; Commissioner Chuck Clark; Commissioner Jimmy Starline; Commissioner Gary Blount; County Administrator Steve Howard; County Attorney Brent Green; and County Clerk Kathryn Bishop.

Agenda Amendments:

Removal under Regular Agenda:

4. Annual Engineering, Environmental, and Survey Agreement with P & A Engineering, Inc.
5. Annual Engineering, Environmental, and Survey Agreement with Cumberland Land Surveyor's.

Addition under Regular Agenda:

10. Resolution of Support of the proposal by Representative Jason C. Spencer and Representative Mark Hatfield regarding the redistricting of the House, Senate, and Congressional districts in Southeast Georgia.
11. Acceptance of Solid Waste Authority resignation from Steve Howard and appointment of Chuck Clark to serve in this capacity.

Vice-Chair Keene made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Blount to approve the agenda amendments as presented by staff.

The motion carried unanimously.

Motion to Adopt the Agenda:

Vice-Chair Keene made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Clark to approve the Agenda as amended.

The motion carried unanimously.

Approval of Minutes

- August 2, 2011 Regular Meeting minutes

Commissioner Clark made a motion, seconded by Vice-Chair Keene to approve August 2, 2011 Regular Meeting minutes

The motion carried unanimously.

Presentations

- Proclamation recognizing the week of August 28 through September 3, 2011 as Camden County Fire Fighter Appreciation Week.

County Clerk Katie Bishop read the Proclamation recognizing the week of August 28 through September 3, 2011 as Camden County Fire Fighter Appreciation Week and Chairman David Rainer presented the proclamation to Fire Rescue Personnel.

- Proclamation of Appreciation to the Georgia Missionary Baptist Convention (GMBC) Congress of Georgia

County Clerk Katie Bishop read the Proclamation of Appreciation to the Georgia Missionary Baptist Convention (GMBC) Congress of Georgia.

- Presentation of the 2011 Tax Digest & Local Option Sales Tax Projections (L.O.S.T.)

Finance and Budget Director Mike Fender presented a power point presentation on the 2011 Tax Digest & Local Option Sales Tax Projections (L.O.S.T.) to the Board.

Public Comments

Danny Daniels, Kingsland

Mr. Daniels stated that he would like to know how exactly the County comes up fifty million dollars short in the digest.

Regular Agenda

1. Approval of Chair to execute Tax Release Applications.

Vice-Chair Keene made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Blount to approve the Chair to execute Tax Release Applications.

The motion carried unanimously.

- 2. Approval of Memorandum of Understanding between Camden County Public Works and the City of St. Marys Public Works

Commissioner Blount made a motion, seconded by Vice-Chair Keene to approve to Memorandum of Understanding between Camden County Public Works and the City of St. Marys Public Works.

The motion carried unanimously.

- 3. Consideration of Fullard Road Right-of-Way Request.

Public Works Director Scott Brazell stated that a request has been received from the Welch Family to deed Fullard Road to the property owners. He stated that staff has determined that the right-of-way of the road was required by the Board of County Commissioners for \$1.00 in February 1979, and again in May 1981 from the owner Billy Fullard, out of his surrounding property. He explained that the surrounding property was then purchased by the Welch brothers in July 1997 from Mr. Fullard. He further stated as Camden County owned Fullard Road the Welch brothers did not purchase it in the sale. He explained that Camden County applied "GAB" granite and "hard plan" soil to the road in 2004. He stated that the cost of the material to perform this improvement was \$2, 232.55 and the condition of the road is normal and passable with minimal maintenance being performed in recent years. He stated that if the request is granted, Fullard Road would cease to be a public road in its entirety from Highway 17 to the end and would not require further modification by the County.

Public Comment:

Larry T. Welch, Woodbine

Mr. Welch stated that Fullard Road is a dead end, dirt road and he is the owner of the marsh front where the road ends. He explained that the road is surrounded by his family's property. He stated that he and his family members wish to maintain the road and request the Board deed this road back to the surrounding property owners.

Chair Rainer made a motion, seconded by Vice-Chair Keene to table this item until the September 20, 2011 Regular Meeting of the Board.

The motion carried unanimously.

- 4. Annual Engineering, Environmental, and Survey Agreement with P & A Engineering, Inc.
- 5. Annual Engineering, Environmental, and Survey Agreement with Cumberland Land Surveyor's.

These items (4 & 5) were removed during agenda amendments.

6. Agreement between Camden County and the City of St. Marys for Mutual Aid and Primary Response Areas

Commissioner Starline made a motion, seconded by Vice-Chair Keene to approve the Agreement between Camden County and the City of St. Marys for Mutual Aid and Primary Response Areas

The motion carried unanimously.

7. Budget Amendments for Fiscal Year 2011.

Vice-Chair Keene made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Blount to approve the Budget Amendments for Fiscal Year 2011.

The motion carried unanimously.

8. Resolution to adopt the Benefits (Cafeteria) Plan and Flexible Spending Account (FSA) as required by Internal Revenue Service regulations.

Commissioner Starline made a motion, seconded by Vice-Chair Keene to approve the Resolution to adopt the Benefits (Cafeteria) Plan and Flexible Spending Account (FSA) as required by Internal Revenue Service regulations.

The motion carried unanimously.

9. 2011 Tax Digest / Fiscal Year 2012 Budget

County Administrator Steve Howard asked each Commissioner to provide input back to him regarding the 2011 Tax Digest / Fiscal Year 2012 Budget to gather what direction staff needs to take regarding the budget shortfall.

No official action taken concerning this item.

10. Resolution of Support of the proposal by Representative Jason C. Spencer and Representative Mark Hatfield regarding the redistricting of the House, Senate, and Congressional districts in Southeast Georgia.

Chair Rainer made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Blount to approve the Resolution of Support of the proposal by Representative Jason C. Spencer and Representative Mark Hatfield regarding the redistricting of the House, Senate, and Congressional districts in Southeast Georgia.

The motion carried unanimously.

11. Acceptance of Solid Waste Authority resignation from Steve Howard and appointment of Chuck Clark to serve in this capacity.

Commissioner Starline made a motion, seconded by Chair Rainer to accept the resignation

from Steve Howard and appointment of Chuck Clark to serve in this capacity.

The motion carried unanimously.

Reports

- Calendar - ***August & September 2011***

County Clerk Kathryn Bishop read the calendars for August & September 2011.

- County Administrator's Report

County Administrator Steve Howard announced that he would like to thank the participants of the Employee of the Quarter event.

He stated that there is a work session regarding the redistricting plan to be held at 5:00 P<, September 6, 2011.

Additional Public Comments:

No additional comments were offered during this time.

Adjournment:

Commissioner Blount made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Clark to adjourn the August 16, 2011 meeting. The vote was unanimous to adjourn the meeting at 6:43 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

David L. Rainer, Chair

Kathryn A. Bishop, County Clerk