

**CAMDEN COUNTY, GEORGIA
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
SEPTEMBER 24, 2014, 6:00 PM**

A regular meeting of the Camden County Board of County Commissioners was held at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, September 24, 2014, in the Board of County Commissioners' Meeting Chambers of the Government Services Building, Woodbine, Georgia.

Chairman Starline called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Finance & Budget Director Mike Fender delivered the invocation.

Chairman Starline led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present: Chairman James H. Starline; Vice-Chairman Chuck Clark; Commissioner Willis R. Keene, Jr.; Commissioner Tony Sheppard; Commissioner Gary Blount; County Administrator Steve Howard; County Attorney John S. Myers and County Clerk Kathryn A. Bishop.

Agenda Amendments:

Addition to Regular Agenda:

Item 7. Appointment to the Camden County Planning Commission

Commissioner Keene made a motion, seconded by Vice-Chairman Clark to adopt the agenda amendments as presented.

The motion carried unanimously.

Motion to Adopt the Agenda:

Vice-Chairman Clark made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Keene to adopt the agenda as amended.

The motion carried unanimously.

Approval of Minutes

- September 2, 2014 regular meeting minutes

Commissioner Keene made a motion, seconded by Vice-Chairman Clark to approve the September 2, 2014 regular meeting minutes.

The motion carried unanimously.

Public Comments

Charlie Smith, Jr., Chairman Joint Development Authority

Mr. Smith addressed the board and requested ten (10) minutes to make his comments.

The Chairman granted Mr. Smith's request for ten (10) minutes.

Mr. Smith's comments were regarding the discussion and agenda item to increase the County's millage rate and allocate 1.00 mil to the Joint Development Authority for economic development. He presented the board and the audience with an update of Joint Development Authority's recent accomplishments and potential business prospects interested in Camden County. He urged the board to allocate the full 1.00 mil to the Joint Development Authority budget.

Commissioner Keene made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Sheppard to adjourn the regular meeting at 6:15 PM.

The motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Starline convened the public hearing at 6:15 PM.

Public Hearing

- To receive comments from the public regarding amendments to the Unified Development Code Section 228 – Table 2.2 by adding NAICS Code Sections line items for Aerospace uses; and Telecommunications, Section 325 Purpose, Section 328(c)(1), Section 328(c)(2) and Section 1249 (a).

Interim Director Eric Landon presented a power point presentation to the board detailing the Unified Development Code (UDC) amendments. He explained the first proposed amendments add potential aerospace uses to the UDC in anticipation of the spaceport project. He stated the second proposed amendments create the opportunity to allow County emergency response communication equipment to be located on telecommunication towers. He further stated that the Planning Commission unanimously voted to recommend approval of the proposed amendments on August 27, 2014.

Public Hearing Comments

No comments from the public were offered regarding either Unified Development Code amendment during this time.

Commissioner Keene made a motion, seconded by Vice-Chairman Clark to adjourn the public hearing at 6:17 PM.

The motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Starline reconvened the regular meeting at 6:17 PM.

Regular Meeting

1. Second reading and adoption of the following proposed amendments to the Unified Development Code Section 228 – Table 2.2 by adding NAICS Code Sections line items for Aerospace uses.

Commissioner Keene made a motion, seconded by Vice-Chairman Clark to waive the second reading and adopt the proposed amendments to the Unified Development Code Section 228 – Table 2.2 by adding NAICS Code Sections line items for Aerospace uses.

The motion carried unanimously.

2. Second reading and adoption of the following proposed amendments to the Unified Development Code, Telecommunications, Section 325 Purpose, Section 328(c)(1), Section 328(c)(2) and Section 1249 (a).

Commissioner Keene made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Sheppard to waive the second reading and adopt the proposed amendments to the Unified Development Code, Telecommunications, Section 325 Purpose, Section 328(c)(1), Section 328(c)(2) and Section 1249 (a).

The motion carried unanimously.

3. 2014 Performance Award Partnership Agreement, Base Award, and Training Grant.

Commissioner Blount made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Keene to approve the 2014 Performance Award Partnership Agreement, Base Award, and Training Grant.

The motion carried unanimously.

4. Memorandum of Understanding between Rescue Training, Inc. and Camden County Fire Rescue for EMS students to participate in clinical rotations onboard Camden County ambulances as per training guidelines of Georgia EMS standards.

Commissioner Sheppard made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Keene to approve the Memorandum of Understanding between Rescue Training, Inc. and Camden County Fire Rescue for EMS students to participate in clinical rotations onboard Camden County ambulances as per training guidelines of Georgia EMS standards.

The motion carried unanimously.

5. Consideration of Fiscal Year 2014 budget amendments.

Vice-Chairman Clark made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Sheppard to approve the Fiscal Year 2014 Budget Amendments.

The motion carried unanimously.

6. Consideration of Fiscal Year 2015 Millage Rate.

Chairman Starline made a motion, seconded by Vice-Chairman Clark to set the General Fund Countywide millage rate at 11.70 general operating budget for county and 0.50 for the Joint Development Authority, economic development.

Chairman Starline made a motion, seconded by Vice-Chairman Clark to withdraw the previous motion.

Commissioner Blount made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Keene to set the millage rate at the recommended rollback rate of 11.94.

Commissioner Blount made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Keene to withdraw the previous motion.

Vice-Chairman Clark made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Sheppard to approve the Resolution to set the General Fund Countywide millage rate at the recommended rollback rate of 11.94 for the general operating budget for the county, 1.00 for the Joint Development Authority for economic development, 1.40 for the Incorporated Service District, 0.67 for the Unincorporated Service District, as well as approve the Resolutions for the maintenance and operations budget of the Camden County School Board at 15.82, and the General State Budget millage rate at 0.10.

The motion carried unanimously.

General Fund Countywide millage rate

- 11.94 general operating budget for county
- 1.00 Joint Development Authority, economic development

Tax Service District millage rate

- 1.40 Incorporated Tax District
- 0.67 Unincorporated Tax District

State of Georgia

- 0.10 General State Budget

Camden County School Board

15.82 for the maintenance and operations budget

7. Appointment to the Camden County Planning Commission.

Vice-Chairman Clark made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Keene to appoint James Felton Elders, III to the Camden County Planning Commission (*District 2*).

The motion carried unanimously.

Reports

Calendar – September & October 2014

County Clerk Kathryn Bishop read the calendars for September & October 2014.

County Administrator's Report:

County Administrator Steve Howard announced that the Camden Roundtable will meet next Monday, September 29th, at the Laurel Island Golf Links beginning at 8:30am for a buffet breakfast, followed by the meeting at 9:00am. He encouraged the board to attend.

He announced that the Camden County Joint Development Authority is submitting an application to host a County Prosperity Summit through the National Association of Counties (NACo).

Additional Public Comments:

No additional comments from the public were offered during this time.

Adjournment:

Vice-Chairman Clark made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Keene to adjourn the September 24, 2014 meeting. The vote was unanimous to adjourn the meeting at 7:20 PM.