

**CAMDEN COUNTY, GEORGIA
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
FEBRUARY 21, 2017, 6:00 PM**

Present: Chairman James H. Starline; Vice-Chairman Chuck Clark; Commissioner Gary Blount; Commissioner Lannie E. Brant; Commissioner Ben L. Casey; County Administrator Steve Howard; County Attorney John S. Myers and County Clerk Kathryn A. Bishop

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

Commissioner Lannie Brant delivered the invocation.

Chairman Starline led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Agenda Amendments:

Removal of item under Presentations:

- Presentation of the Occupant Protection (Seatbelt) Grant by Sgt. Christopher Fedd

Removal of Item 9 under Regular Agenda and renumber the agenda accordingly.

Addition of Executive Session - Litigation

Commissioner Blount made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Brant to approve the agenda amendments as presented.

The motion carried unanimously .

Motion to Adopt the Agenda:

Commissioner Blount made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Brant to adopt the agenda as amended.

The motion carried unanimously .

Approval of the Minutes

- February 7, 2017 Regular Meeting minutes

Commissioner Blount made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Brant to approve the February 7, 2017 Regular Meeting minutes.

The motion carried unanimously .

Presentation

- Recognition of the 2016 Showcase Camden County Photo Contest Winners presented by County Clerk Katie Bishop

County Clerk Katie Bishop announced the recipients of the 2016 Showcase Camden County Photo Contest:

- Priscilla Krupp for “Nature” category and “Overall” Winner
- Belinda Groover for “People” category
- Cody Haynes for “Landscape” category
- Michael Alling for “Transportation category

Public Comments

No comments were offered from the public during this time.

Commissioner Blount made a motion, seconded by Vice-Chairman Clark to adjourn the regular meeting and convene a public hearing at 6:09 PM.

The motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Starline convened the public hearing at 6:09 PM.

Public Hearing

- To consider and receive public comments from the public on amendments to the Official Code of Camden County, Georgia, Chapter 50 Solid Waste, Article I - Residential Curbside Collection, Section 8 Exemptions.

Finance & Budget Director Mike Fender gave a brief overview of the amendments to the Official Code of Camden County, Georgia, Chapter 50 Solid Waste, Article I - Residential Curbside Collection, Section 8 Exemptions.

No public comments were offered either in favor or in opposition of this item during this time.

Vice-Chairman Clark made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Blount to adjourn the public hearing at 6:10 PM.

The motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Starline reconvened the regular meeting at 6:10 PM.

Regular Agenda

1. Acceptance of Deed from the Southeastern Trust for Parks and Land.

Commissioner Blount made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Brant to accept the Deed from the Southeastern Trust for Parks and Land for 296.23 acres for passive park use, and approval of the Memorandum of Understanding concerning future land use.

The motion carried unanimously.

2. Second reading & consideration of Adoption of amendments to the Official Code of Camden County, Georgia, Chapter 50 Solid Waste, Article I - Residential Curbside Collection, Section 8 Exemptions.

Commissioner Blount made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Brant to waive the second reading and adopt the amendments to the Official Code of Camden County, Georgia, Chapter 50 Solid Waste, Article I - Residential Curbside Collection, Section 8 Exemptions.

The motion carried unanimously.

3. Consideration of Appointment to the Bryan Lang Historical Archives Board of Directors.

Commissioner Blount made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Casey to appoint Al Chapman to the Bryan Lang Historical Archives Board of Directors to serve a term of three (3) years.

The motion carried unanimously.

4. Approval of 2017 Action Agenda for Strategic Plan

Commissioner Blount made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Brant to approve the 2017 Action Agenda for Strategic Plan.

The motion carried unanimously.

5. Approval of Resolution with State of Georgia Employee Retirement System.

Vice-Chairman Clark made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Blount to approve the Resolution with the State of Georgia Employee Retirement System for the Juvenile Judge.

The motion carried unanimously.

6. Approval of Professional Services Contract with Coastal Regional Commission for Fiscal Year 2017

Commissioner Blount made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Brant to approve the Professional Services Contract with Coastal Regional Commission for GIS Staff Services for Fiscal Year 2017.

The motion carried unanimously.

7. Approval of Professional Services Contract with Coastal Regional Commission for Fiscal Year 2018

Commissioner Blount made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Brant to approve the Professional Services Contract with Coastal Regional Commission for GIS Staff Services for Fiscal Year 2018.

The motion carried unanimously.

8. Consideration of approval for contract with Rx Connection.

Commissioner Blount made a motion, seconded by Vice-Chairman Clark to approve the contract with Rx Connection for consultant services in the bidding process for Pharmacy Administration.

The motion carried unanimously.

9. Approval to submit the Federal Emergency Management Agency - Section 404 Grant (Hurricane Matthew)

Vice-Chairman Clark made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Blount to approve the submittal of the Federal Emergency Management Agency - Section 404 Grant (Hurricane Matthew).

The motion carried unanimously.

10. Approval to submit the Georgia Homeland Security Grant - Project Investment Justification Grant (Sheriff's Office)

Vice-Chairman Clark made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Brant to approve the submittal of the Georgia Homeland Security Grant - Project Investment Justification Grant (Sheriff's Office)

The motion carried unanimously.

11. Approval to submit the Firehouse Subs Grant (Candidate Physical Ability Test equipment)

Vice-Chairman Clark made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Brant to approve the submittal of the Firehouse Subs Grant (Candidate Physical Ability Test equipment)

The motion carried unanimously.

12. Approval to submit the Georgia Transportation Infrastructure Bank Grant (Resurfacing of Horse Stamp Church Road)

Commissioner Brant made a motion, seconded by Vice-Chairman Clark to approve the submittal of the Georgia Transportation Infrastructure Bank Grant (Resurfacing of Horse Stamp Church Road).

The motion carried unanimously.

13. Acceptance of the grant award from the Association of County Commissioners of Georgia (ACCG) - Georgia County Internship Program (GCIP).

Commissioner Blount made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Brant to approve the acceptance of the grant award from the Association of County Commissioners of Georgia (ACCG) - Georgia County Internship Program (GCIP).

The motion carried unanimously.

Reports

- **Calendar - February & March 2017**

County Clerk Katie Bishop stated there were no changes to the calendar at this time.

- **County Administrator Comments**

Chief Mark Crews presented a PowerPoint presentation regarding Fire Rescue fleet upgrades.

County Administrator Steve Howard announced that staff is currently scheduling a FEMA National Emergency Prep Workshop to take place in April. He encouraged everyone to attend and stated that the invitation is open to the cities, and others as well.

Commissioner Blount made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Brant to adjourn the regular meeting and convene Executive Session for the purpose of discussing litigation at 6:47 PM.

The motion carried unanimously.

Executive Session - Litigation

RESOLUTION OF THE CAMDEN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

BE IT RESOLVED by the Camden County Board of Commissioners as follows: At the meeting held on the 21st day of February, 2017, with the following Commissioners being present, Chairman James H. Starline; Vice-Chairman Chuck Clark; Commissioner Gary Blount; Commissioner Lannie E. Brant; Commissioner Ben L. Casey; the Board of Commissioners entered into closed session for the purpose of discussing Litigation. At the close of the discussions on this subject, the Board did agree to reconvene into open session and herewith takes the following action in open session:

- (1) The actions of the Board and the discussion of the same regarding the matter set forth for closed session purposes are hereby ratified.
- (2) Each member of this body does hereby confirm to the best of their knowledge, based upon the advice of the County Attorney, who was present during said closed session portion was devoted to matters within the exceptions provided by law and the specific relevant exception is the subject matter as set forth above.
- (3) The Chairman of this Board, or the presiding officer, is hereby authorized and directed and pursuant to the Resolution shall execute an affidavit, in full support of the members of this Board, in order to comply with O.C.G.A. § 50-14-4(b).
- (4) The affidavit shall be included and filed with the official minutes of the meeting and shall be in a form as required by the statute, which shall be substantially as follows:

AFFIDAVIT AS REQUIRED UNDER O.C.G.A. § 50-14-4(b)

Personally appeared before the undersigned attesting officer duly authorized to administer oaths, James H. Starline, who, after being duly sworn, deposes and on oath states the following:

- (1) I was the chairperson/presiding officer of a meeting of the Camden County Board of Commissioners held on the 21st day of February 2017.
- (2) The subject matter of the closed portion of the meeting which was closed for the purposes of discussing litigation as allowed by the O.C.G.A. § 50-14-2 and § 50-14-3 was devoted to matters within those exceptions and as provided by law.
- (3) This affidavit is being executed for the purpose of complying with the mandate of O.C.G.A. § 50-14-4-(b) that such an affidavit be executed.

This 21st day of February, 2017.

Chairperson/Presiding Officer

Sworn to and subscribed before me
This 21st day of February, 2017.

Notary Public

Chairman Starline reconvened the regular meeting at 7:57 PM.

No action was taken as a result of the Executive Session for the purpose of discussing litigation.

Additional Public Comments

No comments from the public were offered during this time.

Adjournment:

Vice-Chairman Clark made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Blount to adjourn the February 21, 2017 regular meeting. The vote was unanimous to adjourn the meeting at 7:57 PM.

The motion carried unanimously.