

**CAMDEN COUNTY, GEORGIA
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
JANUARY 9, 2018, 6:00 PM**

Present: Chairman James H. Starline; Vice-Chairman Chuck Clark; Commissioner Ben L. Casey; Commissioner Lannie E. Brant; Commissioner Gary Blount; 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 Executive Session – Litigation

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

The motion carried unanimously.

Motion to Adopt the Agenda:

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

The motion carried unanimously.

Approval of the Minutes

- December 12, 2017 Public Hearing and Regular Meeting minutes;

Commissioner Blount made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Brant to approve the December 12, 2017 Public Hearing and Regular Meeting minutes.

The motion carried unanimously.

Public Comments

No comments from the public were offered during this time.

Commissioner Blount made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Brant to adjourn the Regular Meeting and convene a Public Hearing at 6:02 PM.

The motion carried unanimously.

Public Hearing

To consider and receive comments from the public regarding the following items:

- Request by Harold Gay Sr., owner and Loren McLeod, applicant for Special Use approval to allow an outdoor sales lot for portable building sales in C-G zoning, parcel is 2.93 acres shown on Tax Map 108 002.

No comments were offered either in favor or against this item during this time.

Commissioner Blount made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Brant to adjourn the Public Hearing and reconvene the Regular Meeting at 6:03 PM.

The motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Starline called the Regular Meeting to order at 6:03 PM.

Regular Agenda

1. Consideration of request by Harold Gay Sr., owner and Loren McLeod, applicant for Special Use approval to allow an outdoor sales lot for portable building sales in C-G zoning, parcel is 2.93 acres shown on Tax Map 108 002.

Vice-Chairman Clark made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Brant to approve the request by Harold Gay Sr., owner and Loren McLeod, applicant for Special Use approval to allow an outdoor sales lot for portable building sales in C-G zoning, parcel is 2.93 acres shown on Tax Map 108 002.

The motion carried unanimously.

2. Approval to submit the Federal Emergency Management Agency Hazard Mitigation grant.

Commissioner Blount made a motion, seconded by Vice-Chairman Clark to approve the Federal Emergency Management Agency Hazard Mitigation grant.

The motion carried unanimously.

3. Approval of Resolution authorizing membership in the ACCG Interlocal Risk Management Agency and acceptance of Intergovernmental Contract.

Vice-Chairman Clark made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Blount to approve the Resolution authorizing membership in the ACCG Interlocal Risk Management Agency and acceptance of Intergovernmental Contract.

The motion carried unanimously.

4. Approval of Resolution Establishing Qualifying Fees.

Commissioner Blount made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Brant to approve the Resolution Establishing Qualifying Fees.

The motion carried unanimously.

Reports

- **Calendar – January & February 2018**

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

- **County Administrator Comments**

County Administrator Steve Howard thanked staff both county / city wide, and all agencies involved during the recent winter storm.

County Attorney John Myers announced the passing of Alice Sue Crews. He explained that Mrs. Crews served many years in various County functions such as the County Extension Agent and Chief Registrar. He asked the Board to look into preparing a Proclamation honoring her life for her family.

Additional Public Comments

Steve Weinkle, Harriett's Bluff

Mr. Weinkle read a prepared statement regarding Spaceport America. He then urged the Board to not move forward with Spaceport Camden without any kind of business plan. He stated that Camden has approached the development of a Spaceport all wrong.

Jeremy Wright, Kingsland

Mr. Wright stated that he had several questions this evening. He asked why the complete Commissioner packets are not available on the County website for the public to view. He stated that an organizational analysis was paid for while the Firefighters Against Corruption Facebook page had already made many of the

points in the analysis known. He stated that he has concerns with Engine 17 mechanical issues not being addressed and explained that citizens and visitors to our County expect equipment to work properly in an emergency. He stated that during both Hurricane Matthew and Irma a tanker was parked at the Emergency Operations Center to provide water for flushing toilets to staff. He stated that the fire on Ben Butler Lane, where two deaths occurred, could have used that tanker.

Ann Weston, Kingsland

Ms. Weston stated that she would like to see the Thiokol Memorial moved from in front of the Ralph Bunche Complex back to the Bayer site of where the tragedy occurred or to the park closer to Bayer site. She explained that the park in front of the Ralph Bunche Complex is frequently vandalized. She urged the Board to consider moving the memorial back to where it came from years ago.

John Wojcik, Kingsland

Mr. Wojcik announced the passing of Mrs. Betty Murray. He stated that her arrangements are with Allison Memorial Chapel; the viewing is Wednesday from 5:00 – 7:00 PM and the funeral will be Thursday at 2:00 PM.

Barbara Haughn, Kingsland

Ms. Haughn stated that she lives in Sheffield Plantation where there is one road in and out. She stated that as the development has become more populated the road condition is deteriorating. She stated that there is some problem with paving this road due to one resident not wanting the road paved. She explained that they need some sort of better bed put down on this road so when it rains they do not have to worry if they will be able to get in and out of the homes. She stated that it has become a safety hazard where cars are running off into the ditches. She asked that the Board look into this issue real seriously.

Adjournment:

Vice-Chairman Clark made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Blount to adjourn the January 9, 2018 regular meeting. The vote was unanimous to adjourn the meeting at 6:27 PM.

The motion carried unanimously.