

**CAMDEN COUNTY, GEORGIA
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
MARCH 3, 2020, 6:00 PM**

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

Absent: Commissioner Chuck Clark

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:

Addition under Presentations:

- Update regarding the Coronavirus (COVID-19) presented by Terry Ferrell, Environmental Health County Manager, Georgia Department of Public Health

Motion to Adopt the Agenda:

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

The motion carried unanimously.

Approval of the Minutes

- February 18, 2020 Regular Meeting minutes

Commissioner Brant made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Casey to approve the February 18, 2020 Regular Meeting minutes

The motion carried unanimously.

Presentation

- Update regarding the Coronavirus (COVID-19) presented by Terry Ferrell, Environmental Health County Manager, Georgia Department of Public Health

Terry Ferrell, Environmental Health County Manager, Georgia Department of Public Health presented an overview of Camden's readied response to the recent Coronavirus (COVID-19).

At this time Chairman Starline asked if there was anyone in the audience with questions regarding this matter.

Public Comments

No comments were offered during this time.

Commissioner Brant made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Casey to adjourn the Regular Meeting and convene a Public Hearing at 6:06 PM.

The motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Starline convened the Public Hearing at 6:06 PM.

Public Hearing

- **Special Use – SU2020-02** – Request for a Special Use approval to allow a place of assembly. Property is located on 496 Stoney Brook Lane. Tax Map 077 019T. Daniel & Kelly Wagner, owners & applicant. **District 1 – Commissioner Lannie Brant**

No comments were taken from the public neither in favor nor in opposition of this item.

- 2020 Capital Improvement Element (CIE) Draft of the Comprehensive Plan for Camden County.

Steve Weinkle, Harriett's Bluff

Mr. Weinkle asked were there any projects related to Spaceport Camden in the 2020 Capital Improvement Element (CIE) Draft of the Comprehensive Plan for Camden County.

County Attorney John Myers stated no, it did not appear there were any items related to Spaceport Camden in the document.

Commissioner Brant made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Casey to adjourn the Public Hearing and reconvene the Regular Agenda at 6:11 PM.

The motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Starline reconvened the Regular Meeting at 6:11 PM.

Regular Agenda

1. Approval to submit the Assistance to Firefighters Grant.

Commissioner Brant made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Casey to approve the submittal of the Assistance to Firefighters Grant as presented by staff.

The motion carried unanimously.

2. Association of County Commissioners of Georgia County Internship Program Grant Award.

Commissioner Casey made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Brant to accept the Association of County Commissioners of Georgia County Internship Program Grant Award.

The motion carried unanimously.

3. Consideration of Request for a Special Use approval to allow a place of assembly. Property is located on 496 Stoney Brook Lane. Tax Map 077 019T. Daniel & Kelly Wagner, owners & applicant. ***District 1 – Commissioner Lannie Brant***

Commissioner Brant made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Casey to table the request for a Special Use approval to allow a place of assembly. Property is located on 496 Stoney Brook Lane. Tax Map 077 019T. Daniel & Kelly Wagner, owners & applicant.

The motion carried unanimously.

4. Approval of 2020 Capital Improvement Element (CIE) Draft of the Comprehensive Plan for Camden County by Resolution.

Commissioner Brant made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Casey to approve the 2020 Capital Improvement Element (CIE) Draft of the Comprehensive Plan for Camden County by Resolution.

The motion carried unanimously.

5. Consideration of Bid Award for Fire Station Emergency Generators.

Commissioner Casey made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Brant to award the bid for Fire Station Emergency Generators to Satilla Air and Electrical Contractors in the amount of \$221,626 with a local match of \$33,243.90.

The motion carried unanimously.

6. Approval of Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Mutual Aid Agreement between Camden County Fire Rescue and Charlton County EMS.

Commissioner Casey made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Brant to approve the Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Mutual Aid Agreement between Camden County Fire Rescue and Charlton County EMS.

The motion carried unanimously.

7. Consideration of approval of repairs to C & D Site D6 Dozer.

Commissioner Brant made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Casey to accept insurance claim payment from Cincinnati and authorize the repairs to the C & D Site D6 Dozer.

The motion carried unanimously.

Reports

- **Calendar – March & April 2020**

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

- **County Administrator Comments**

Deputy County Administrator Shawn Boatright announced that Camden County has been selected as the recipient of the Association of County Commissioners of Georgia (ACCG) Excellence Award for the Camden County Fire Rescue Recruit Class Program. He stated that the award will be given at the upcoming April conference in Savannah.

Additional Public Comments

Steve Weinkle, Harriett's Bluff

Mr. Weinkle stated that he asked last week to be placed on the agenda for official action by the Board regarding his invitation to the Spaceport Camden debate where he has challenged County Administrator Steve Howard. He stated that County Administrator Steve Howard has called this a publicity stunt and sited

off several instances that he believed were publicity stunts by the County. He stated that he is paying for the rental of the room at the Public Service Authority himself which has been reserved for March 20th. He further stated that recently Mr. Howard was quoted in the Brunswick News as stating that nobody attends a debate where the parameters are already set. He gave the Board a deadline of 6:00 PM on Friday, March 6th to provide the names of three (3) debate moderators. Mr. Weinkle stated that he will choose one (1) name from the list of three (3) provided to moderate the debate and the topic stays the same. He explained the debate will take place with or without Spaceport Camden Project Lead County Administrator Steve Howard.

Adjournment:

Vice-Chairman Blount made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Clark to adjourn the March 3, 2020 regular meeting. The vote was unanimous to adjourn the meeting at 6:23 PM.

The motion carried unanimously.