

**CAMDEN COUNTY, GEORGIA
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
JUNE 2, 2020, 6:00 PM**

Present via Teleconference: Chairman James H. Starline; Vice-Chairman Gary Blount; Commissioner Lannie Brant; Commissioner Ben L. Casey; Commissioner Chuck Clark; County Administrator Steve Howard; Deputy County Administrator Shawn Boatright; 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.

Agenda Amendments:

No amendments were offered during this time.

Motion to Adopt the Agenda:

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

The motion carried unanimously.

Approval of the Minutes

- May 5, 2020 Public Hearing and Regular Meeting minutes

Commissioner Brant made a motion, seconded by Vice-Chairman Blount to approve the May 5, 2020 Public Hearing and Regular Meeting minutes.

The motion carried unanimously.

Presentations

- Proclamation recognizing Healthcare Professionals, First Responders, and Essential Workers during the Covid-19 pandemic.

County Clerk Katie Bishop read the proclamation recognizing Healthcare Professionals, First Responders, and Essential Workers during the Covid-19 pandemic, and announced that it will be presented in person at a later date.

- Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA), of the United States and Canada, recognizes the Camden County Finance & Budget Department's work on the annual budget for the fiscal year 2019-2020, beginning July 1, 2019 with the Distinguished Budget Presentation Award.

County Clerk Katie Bishop announced the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA), of the United States and Canada, recognizes the Camden County Finance & Budget Department's work on the annual budget for the fiscal year 2019-2020, beginning July 1, 2019 with the Distinguished Budget Presentation Award.

Public Comments

Jeff Edwards, Advance Disposal

Mr. Edwards appealed to the Board to vote in favor of the CPI increase for Advance Disposal. He stated that many services are provided on a monthly basis to 53,000 homes or businesses throughout the County. He stated that after some difficult times last summer he believes the service has improved, they are in better shape and doing a better job. He asked the board to vote in favor of this item.

Tom Canning, St. Marys

Mr. Canning stated that his comment is regarding item 7 on the agenda. He stated that there are some differences in the information submitted to the County and that of what was submitted to the City for approval. He asked the Board to address this issue and look further at the project.

Vice-Chairman Blount made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Brant to adjourn the Regular Meeting and convene a Public Hearing at 6:14 PM.

The motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Starline convened the Public Hearing at 6:14 PM.

Public Hearing

- Request for Special Use approval to allow an apartment building to be built in an R-2 zone. Tax Map 120 002D. Property is located on Winding Rd., Wellington Way Housing. LLLP, applicant, Troy Meridith, Owner.

No comments were taken from the public either in favor or in opposition of this item.

Vice-Chairman Blount made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Brant to adjourn the Public Hearing and convene the Solid Waste Authority Meeting at 6:23 PM.

The motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Starline convened the Solid Waste Authority Meeting at 6:23 PM.

Solid Waste Authority Meeting (SWA)

Adoption of SWA Agenda

Lannie Brant made a motion, seconded by Gary Blount to approve the SWA agenda as presented.

The motion carried unanimously.

SWA Approval of Minutes

- February 4, 2020 SWA meeting minutes

Lannie Brant made a motion, seconded by Gary Blount to approve the SWA February 4, 2020 minutes.

The motion carried unanimously.

SWA Public Comments

No comments were offered during this time.

SWA Agenda

1. Consideration to approve request from Advanced Disposal for a rate adjustment.

Ben Casey made a motion, seconded by Lannie Brant to deny the request from Advanced Disposal for a rate adjustment.

The motion carried unanimously.

2. Approval of final drive repair to D6 dozier.

Lannie Brant made a motion, seconded by Chuck Clark to approve the final drive repair to D6 dozier.

The motion carried unanimously.

Additional SWA Public Comments

No comments were offered during this time.

SWA Adjournment and Reconvene Regular Meeting

Lannie Brant made a motion, seconded by Gary Blount to adjourn the SWA meeting and reconvene the Regular Meeting at 6:31 PM.

The motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Starline reconvened the Regular Meeting at 6:31 PM.

Consent Agenda

1. Approval of Purchase Order Requisition for Ten 8 Fire & Safety Equipment of Georgia to purchase Nozzles, Gated WYE, and attachments to stock three (3) Reserve Engines.
2. Memorandum of Understanding between Coastal Pines Technical College and Camden County Fire Rescue to provide instruction and practice.
3. Memorandum of Understanding between the Board of Regents of the University of System of Georgia for the provision of Cooperative Extension Services and Personnel.
4. Annual Contract with Cooperative Extension Services for Personnel.
5. Approval of final drive repair to D6 dozier.
6. Approval to purchase annual software licensing for the Sheriff Office.

Vice-Chairman Blount made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Casey to approve the Consent Agenda items as presented.

The motion carried unanimously.

Regular Agenda

Vice-Chairman Blount made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Casey to approve the Text to 911 feature for the Camden County Sheriff's Office.

The motion carried unanimously.

7. Consideration of Request for Special Use approval to allow an apartment building to be built in an R-2 zone. Tax Map 120 002D. Property is located on Winding Rd., Wellington Way Housing. LLLP, applicant, Troy Meridith, Owner.

Chairman Starline made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Brant to approve the request for a Special Use approval to allow an apartment building to be built in an R-2 zone. Tax Map 120 002D. Property is located on Winding Rd., Wellington Way Housing. LLLP, applicant, Troy Meridith, Owner.

The motion carried unanimously.

8. Request to approve Fiscal Year 2021 Contract with the Coastal Regional Commission to provide GIS services.

Commissioner Brant made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Clark to approve the Fiscal Year 2021 Contract with the Coastal Regional Commission to provide GIS services.

The motion carried unanimously.

9. Consideration to approve request from Advanced Disposal for a rate adjustment.

Vice-Chairman Blount made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Brant to deny the request from Advanced Disposal for a rate adjustment.

The motion carried unanimously.

Reports

- **Calendar – June & July**

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

- **County Administrator Comments**

County Administrator Steve Howard announced that he would like to applaud the fire department for the award they received in May and the Finance Team under the leadership of Nancy Gonzalez. He stated that the Government Finance Officers Association award is an amazing accomplishment, he thanked them for their hard work, as well as all the other employees whom have worked through this COVID-19 pandemic as we continue to telework, some employees are back in the office doing an amazing job. He stated that it is a great thing that the employees have done continuing to rise above these challenging times, they shine. He congratulated Commissioner Clark for the birth of his new grandbaby.

Additional Public Comments

Chief Terry Smith, Camden County Fire Rescue

Chief Smith thanked the Board for continuing to support the Fire Rescue Department on the consent item on the agenda this evening. He applauded the Board for continuing to improve the fire rescue department and updating our equipment over the years. He thanked the Board for their continued support.

Adjournment:

Commissioner Clark made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Blount to adjourn the June 2, 2020 regular meeting. The vote was unanimous to adjourn the meeting at 6:45 PM.

The motion carried unanimously.