

**CAMDEN COUNTY, GEORGIA  
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
REGULAR MEETING  
APRIL 19, 2022, 6:00 PM**

**Present:** Chairman Gary Blount; Vice-Chairman Ben L. Casey; Commissioner Clark; Commissioner Lannie Brant; Commissioner Trevor Readdick; County Clerk Katie Bishop; County Administrator Steve Howard and Deputy County Administrator Shawn Boatright.

**Attended via WebEx:** County Attorney John S. Myers

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

Commissioner Brant delivered the invocation.

Chairman Blount led the Pledge of Allegiance.

## **Agenda Amendments:**

### **Addition of Presentation**

- Proclamation recognizing the week of April 24 - 30, 2022 as Camden County Crime Victims' Rights Week read by County Clerk Katie Bishop.

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

***The motion carried unanimously.***

### **Motion to Adopt the Agenda:**

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

***The motion carried unanimously.***

### **Approval of the Minutes**

- April 5, 2022 Public Hearing and Regular Meeting minutes

Commissioner Readdick made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Brant to approve the April 5, 2022 Public Hearing and Regular Meeting minutes

***The motion carried unanimously.***

### **Presentation**

- Proclamation recognizing the week of April 24 - 30, 2022 as Camden County Crime Victims' Rights Week read by County Clerk Katie Bishop.

County Clerk Katie Bishop presented the Proclamation recognizing the week of April 24 - 30, 2022 as Camden County Crime Victims' Rights Week.

- 2022 Legislative Update presented by Deputy County Administrator Shawn Boatright

Deputy County Administrator Shawn Boatright presented a PowerPoint presentation of the 2022 Legislative Update during this time.

## **Public Comments**

No comments were offered during this time.

Commissioner Readdick made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Brant to adjourn the Regular Meeting and Convene a Public Hearing at 6:27 PM.

***The motion carried unanimously.***

## **Public Hearing**

- Request to transfer an alcohol license from Michael Botkins and Kampgrounds of America, Inc. to Kingsland Bay RV Resort LLC and D/B/A Jacksonville North/St. Marys KOA Holiday for Retail Sales of Malt Beverages, Beer & Wine. This property is located at 2970 Scrubby Bluff Rd. Parcel 108 029.

No comments were offered neither in favor, nor in opposition of this item.

Commissioner Readdick made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Brant to adjourn the Public Hearing and Reconvene the Regular Meeting at 6:28 PM.

***The motion carried unanimously.***

## **Regular Agenda**

1. Consideration of Request for a transfer of an alcohol license from Michael Botkins and Kampgrounds of America, Inc. to Kingsland Bay RV Resort LLC and D/B/A Jacksonville North/St. Marys KOA Holiday for Retail Sales of Malt Beverages, Beer & Wine. This property is located at 2970 Scrubby Bluff Rd. Parcel 108 029.

Vice-Chairman Casey made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Clark to approve the request for a transfer of an alcohol license from Michael Botkins and Kampgrounds of America, Inc. to Kingsland Bay RV Resort LLC and D/B/A

Jacksonville North/St. Marys KOA Holiday for Retail Sales of Malt Beverages, Beer & Wine. This property is located at 2970 Scrubby Bluff Rd. Parcel 108 029.

***The motion carried unanimously.***

- 2. Consideration to use ARPA funds to cover remaining costs of the construction of a new County Health Department.

Commissioner Brant made a motion, seconded by Vice-Chairman Casey to approve the request to use ARPA funds to cover remaining costs of the construction of a new County Health Department.

***The motion carried unanimously.***

**Reports**

- **Calendar** - April & May 2022

County Clerk Katie Bishop noted that there were no changes to the calendar.

- **County Administrator Comments**

No comments were offered during this time.

**Additional Public Comments**

Father James Barnhill, Harriett's Bluff  
Father Barnhill expressed his concerns regarding the Spaceport Project and the proximity to his home in which he and his wife recently retired too in Serenity Farms. He explained that they were aware the contaminated property was there when purchasing and building their home but they made sure they were within a distance that it would not affect them. He stated that now that the Spaceport Project is underway he has concerns regarding the disturbance of the land and ground water contamination. He asked the Board if this body has asked that the referendum opposing Spaceport be overturned. He asked that his objections to not being answered at this time be noted.

**Executive Session**

Commissioner Readdick made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Brant to adjourn the regular meeting and convene an Executive Session for the purpose of discussing items exempt under O.C.G.A. § 50-14-3(b)(4) at 6:39 PM.

***The motion carried unanimously.***

Chairman Blount convened the Executive Session for the purpose of discussing items exempt under O.C.G.A. § 50-14-3(b)(4) 6:39 PM.

**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 19<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2022, with the following Commissioners being present, Chairman Gary Blount; Vice-Chairman Ben Casey; Commissioner Trevor Readdick; and Commissioner Lannie Brant, the Board of Commissioners entered into closed session for the purpose of discussing items exempt under O.C.G.A. § 50-14-3(b)(4). 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:

Also present were County Administrator Steve Howard; County Clerk Katie Bishop; Deputy County Administrator Shawn Boatright; Information Technology Director Louis Foltzer and Camden County Sheriff's Office CPAK, Strategic Technology Officer Dane Studstill.

(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, Gary A. Blount, 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 19<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2022.

(2) The subject matter of the closed portion of the meeting which was closed for the purposes of discussing items exempt under O.C.G.A. § 50-14-3(b)(4), and 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 19<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2022

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Chairperson/Presiding Officer

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 19<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2022.

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Notary Public

Commissioner Clark made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Readdick to adjourn the Executive Session and reconvene the Regular Meeting at 6:53 PM.

***The motion carried unanimously.***

Chairman Blount reconvened the Regular Meeting at 6:52 PM.

Commissioner Readdick made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Clark to approve the purchase of computer equipment for the Camden County Sheriff's Office.

***The motion carried unanimously.***

Commissioner Readdick made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Clark to approve the renewal of contract for computer software for the Camden County Information Technology Department.

***The motion carried unanimously.***

### **Adjournment:**

Commissioner Clark made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Brant to adjourn the April 19, 2022 regular meeting. The vote was unanimous to adjourn the meeting at 6:53 PM.

***The motion carried unanimously.***