

**CAMDEN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2008 6:00 PM
COUNTY ANNEX, 107 GROSS ROAD
KINGSLAND, GEORGIA**

A regular meeting of the Camden County Board of Commissioners was held at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, September 16, 2008 at the County Annex in Kingsland, Georgia.

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

Chairman Rhodes delivered the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The roll call indicated that Chair Preston Rhodes, Vice-Chair Katherine Nisi Zell, Commissioner David Rainer, Commissioner Stephen L. Berry, Commissioner Charlene Sears, County Administrator Steve L. Howard, County Attorney Brent Green and County Clerk Jodi Gregory were present.

AGENDA AMENDMENTS:

No amendments were offered.

MOTION TO ADOPT THE AGENDA:

Vice-Chair Zell made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Sears, to adopt the agenda.

The motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Vice-Chair Zell made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Rainer, to approve the minutes of the September 2, 2008, Regular Meeting.

The motion carried unanimously.

PRESENTATIONS:

- **Integra Water LLC**

Integra Water LLC presented a franchise proposal to the Board. It was the Board's consensus to consider the matter during the second meeting in October.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

No comments were offered.

Consent Agenda

1. Approve and authorize the execution of the Tax Release Applications.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Digest Year</u>	<u>Bill No.</u>	<u>Relief Granted</u>
Bruce McPeters	2007	16639	\$1,718.39
John Winnie	2007	28378	140.91
John Winnie	2008	30414	139.34
Tonia Barksdale	2003	M1197	262.70
Thomas Taylor	1997	1605	127.86
Pineapple Patch	2007	19408	157.68
ABB Structured Finance	2005	21	327.65

2. Approve and authorize FY 2008/2009 Budget Amendment.

A RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE 2008-2009 FISCAL BUDGET RESOLUTION FOR THE CAMDEN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

BE IT RESOLVED by the Camden County Board of Commissioners, Camden County, Georgia in regular session lawfully assembled for County purposes:

That it is necessary to adjust the RDC contract and dues back to the control of general government,

That the above transaction can be fulfilled by changing the following budget accounts in the General Fund:

<u>Budget Account</u>	<u>Adopted Budget</u>	<u>Net Change</u>	<u>Proposed Budget</u>
1500 – 52.1218	\$ 0	\$ 60,000	\$ 60,000
1500 – 52.3600	\$ 10,226	\$ 48,500	\$ 58,726
7000 – 52.1218	\$ 60,000	(\$ 60,000)	\$ 0
7000 – 52.3600	\$ 49,500	(\$ 48,500)	\$ 1,000

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Camden County Board of Commissioners does hereby ordain, resolve, and enact the foregoing budget amendments for Camden County, Georgia.

3. Approve Surplus Auction Equipment List.

SURPLUS AUCTION EQUIPMENT LIST

Item/Lot	Dept	Fixed Asset #	Description	Serial #
1	2500		Epson FX890 Impact Printer	E8BY170321
2	2500		Epson FX890 Impact Printer	E8BY116312
3	2500		Epson FX890 Impact Printer	E8BY114425
4	7140		Pitney Bowes C145 Copier	9090063
5	7140		Dell Monitor – Model 770P	MX0832DX-47801-088-H28R
6	3800		US Robotics 28.8 Fax Modem	0008390145768277
7	3800		Motorola Securenet T3014BX-digital encryption	4240P00010
8	3800		Fujitsu Scanner FI-4120C	001705
9	3800		Fujitsu Scan Snap Scanner- Model fi-5110EOX2	010213
10	3800		Fujitsu Scan Snap Scanner- Model fi-4110EOX2	719623
11	3800		TMI 911 System Model #TC1200-001-P2	001227
12	3800		TMI 911 System Model #TC1200-002-P2	001230
13	3800		Motorola UDS 2440 Modem	033430

Commissioner Sears made a motion, seconded by Vice-Chair Zell, to approve and authorize Consent Agenda Items 1 through 3.

The motion carried unanimously.

Regular Agenda

4. Consideration of refunding 2007 tax bill interest and penalties for Bruce McPeters and Lori Sirovy, Map/Parcel 160C-0-414, Lot 414, Cumberland Harbour Subdivision, Phase 3.

Commissioner Sears made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Rainer, refund interest and penalties on the 2007 tax bill for Bruce McPeters and Lori Sirovy on Map/Parcel No. 160C-0-414, Lot 414 Cumberland Harbour Subdivision, Phase 3 in the amount of \$235.60.

The motion carried unanimously.

5. Consideration of correcting an erroneous assessment value and refund of interest and penalties on the 2007 tax bill for Michael and Jana Mancini, Map/Parcel No. 122E-102, Lot 102, Osprey Cove, Phase 3A.

Commissioner Rainer made a motion, seconded by Vice-Chair Zell, to adjust the fair market value on the 2007 tax bill for Michael and Jana Mancini on Map/Parcel Number 122E-102 to the 2008 value, direct the Tax Commissioner to adjust the 2007 tax bill accordingly and re-bill, and waive all interest and penalties on the 2007 tax bill.

The motion carried unanimously.

6. Annexation by the City of Kingsland of real property consisting of 8.13± acres of Tax Map/Parcel No. 120 8E.

This item is for informational purposes only. Commissioner Berry stated to include his comments in the record, which are as follows:

“There is not much we can say about this because it is an island, but it’s just a horrible idea. That’s a C2 property sitting there. They can put anything they want on that land now, sitting there, that virgin area right out there, and destroy that whole area out there, depending on what they put out there, with little or no control on.”

Planning Director Loretta Hylton advised that the applicant is still putting a mini storage on the site, but has submitted a different plan to Kingsland.

Commissioner Berry continued, “But he is not required to. It’s C2. He can do whatever he wants as long as it meets the C2 requirements and C2 is a pretty big area. There is a lot you can do in C2.

Attorney Green asked if the City’s ordinance was the same as the County’s, and Mrs. Hylton advised that Kingsland’s is more liberal.

Commissioner Berry continued, “Is this the property with all the trees on it?”

Mrs. Hylton affirmed, and Commissioner Berry said, “Beautiful property with all those oaks and trees that will be leveled because the cities have no tree control and they’ll bulldoze everything to the ground.”

Mrs. Hylton stated that Kingsland has a landscape ordinance, and Commissioner Berry stated, “Doesn’t replace 100 year old oaks. Not much we can do to stop it. It’s just a horrible, horrible idea.”

Chair Rhodes asked if a message could be sent.

Commissioner Berry answered with, "Not until the cities redo their zoning and start doing things a little stricter and a little more careful. Until they tighten up their regulations in the cities you pretty much can do whatever you want to in the cities."

Commissioner Rainer stated the County should not tell the cities what to do with annexed property.

Commissioner Berry said, "I'm not trying to tell them what to do, but I have to drive by it everyday and live in the community and at some point the government has got to stand up and start doing something about the way the aesthetics of this community is, and it's just not being done in the cities. They're not doing their job down there. Now we've just turned over this property, which we can't stop, its going to be C2. They can do anything they want on that piece of property now. There's not a thing we can do. And, that's going to set the tone for that whole area right there of what goes on this property right now. There's not much we can do about it. If the County touched it, we could because we could object because they are changing the characterization of the zoning, but since no County touches it, there's nothing we can do.

No action taken.

7. Ross & Associates proposal regarding a Master Land Use Plan for Camden County.

Commissioner Sears made a motion, seconded by Vice-Chair Zell, to approve the revision to amend the contract with Ross & Associates for a lump sum of \$65,000, to establish procedures and standards for rezoning and to create a Master Land Use Plan.

The motion carried unanimously.

Reports

- ***Calendar – September/October***

The September, October, and November calendars were read by County Clerk Jodi Gregory.

- ***County Administrator's Report***

Mr. Howard reported the following:

- Conn Cole, Erosion and Sedimentation Control Investigator, saved a man from drowning on September 10th.
- The Finance and Budget Department received a Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting for FY 2007.

- He attended a property tax conference sponsored by ACCG.
- A program to measure performance accountability has been implemented.
- He attended a GDOT conference regarding the development of transportation strategies.

ADDITIONAL PUBLIC COMMENTS:

None were offered.

ADJOURNMENT:

Commissioner Sears made a motion, seconded by Vice-Chair Zell, to adjourn the September 16, 2008 meeting. The vote was unanimous to adjourn the meeting at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Preston Rhodes, Chairman

Jodi Gregory, Clerk