

**CAMDEN COUNTY, GEORGIA  
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
SPECIAL CALLED MEETING  
JUNE 29, 2010, 5:30 PM**

**A Special Called Meeting of the Camden County Board of County Commissioners was held at 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday, June 29, 2010, in the Board of County Commissioners' Meeting Chambers of the Government Services Building, Woodbine, Georgia.**

Chair Rainer called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Planning Director John Peterson delivered the invocation.

**Present: Chair David L. Rainer; Vice-Chair Katherine Nisi Zell; Commissioner Willis R. Keene, Jr.; County Attorney Brent Green and Connie Smith.**

**Absent: Commissioner Charlene Sears; Commissioner Stephen L. Berry; County Administrator Steve Howard and County Clerk Kathryn Bishop.**

### **Agenda Amendments**

#### **Addition under Presentations:**

Proclamation recognizing the National Council of Negro Women & Associated Men, Inc. 2010 Honorees.

Public Safety Employer - Employee Cooperation Act of 2009 - Federal Legislation

Vice-Chair Zell made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Keene to approve the Agenda Amendments as presented.

***The motion carried unanimously.***

### **Adoption of Agenda**

Commissioner Keene made a motion, seconded by Vice-Chair Zell to adopt the Agenda as amended.

***The motion carried unanimously.***

### **Presentations**

- Proclamation recognizing the National Council of Negro Women & Associated Men, Inc. 2010 Honorees.

*The Proclamation recognizing the National Council of Negro Women & Associated Men, Inc. 2010 Honorees was recorded into the Official Minutes of the Board of County Commissioners.*

- Public Safety Employer - Employee Cooperation Act of 2009 - Federal Legislation

Adam Kabasakalian presented the Board with information regarding the Public Safety Employer - Employee Cooperation Act of 2009 - Federal Legislation, amendment 4174 . He explained that staff is seeking a consensus of the Board to draft a letter, to be signed by Chair Rainer, opposing the Amendment 4174 to the Employee Cooperation Act of 2009, brought forward by Senator Reid. He stated that Amendment 4174 would establish a precedent for federal interference in all employee-employer relationships between state, county and municipal governments and their employees. He stated that while a majority of states currently provide collective bargaining for public safety employees, agreements may vary from state to state and even county to county within a state. He explained that the Federal Labor Relations Authority (FLRA) would review each state's collective bargaining agreement to determine if it complies with the FLRA

regulations. He further stated that those states who fail to meet the FLRA criteria would have to change their laws to come into compliance, or they would be subject to regulation of collective bargaining agreements by the FLRA. Mr. Kabasakalian stated that all states may be impacted, including those with collective bargaining agreements, because the legislation provides no exemption for these states. He conveyed to the Board that this legislation potentially has serious fiscal and administrative implications on counties because no funding is provided for state or local implementation, as well as states could exempt political jurisdictions with populations of less than 5,000 or fewer than 25 full-time employees within the state.

***A consensus of the Board was taken at this time:***

**Consensus:**

Chair Rainer - Yes

Vice-Chair Zell - Yes

Commissioner Keene - Yes

The consensus of The Board was unanimous to draft a letter, to be signed by Chair Rainer, opposing the Amendment 4174 to the Employee Cooperation Act of 2009.

**Public Comments**

No comments were offered.

**Special Called Agenda**

1. Adoption of the Resolution for the Capital Improvements Element 2010 Annual Update.

Commissioner Keene made a motion, seconded by Vice-Chair Zell to adopt the Resolution for the Capital Improvements Element 2010 Annual Update.

**The motion carried unanimously.**

**Additional Public Comments**

No comments were offered.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Vice-Chair Zell made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Keene to adjourn the June 29, 2010, Special Called Meeting. The vote was unanimous to adjourn the meeting at 5:46 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



David L. Rainer, Chair



Kathryn A. Bishop, Deputy Clerk