

CAMDEN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2000, 6:00 P.M.
WOODBINE, GEORGIA

A regular meeting of the Camden County Board of Commissioners was held on Tuesday, November 7, 2000, at 6:00 p.m. in the Commissioners' Meeting Room at the Courthouse in Woodbine, Georgia.

Present: Chairman Robert G. Becker; Vice-Chairman James H. Foddrell; Commissioner E. B. Herrin, Jr.; Commissioner Kenneth G. Hase; County Administrator Barrett T. King; County Attorney O. Brent Green; and Assistant County Administrator Nancy C. Weisensee. (Commissioner Dawson was absent.)

Chairman Becker convened the work session at 6:00 p.m.

Misdemeanor Probation Services:

Mr. Steve Queen of Misdemeanor Probation Services did a presentation regarding the service their company provides to supervise those on probation. The cost is approximately \$8.00 - \$9.00 per day for the offender to pay. This service is totally funded by the offenders, and they have had an 85-90% success rate. This agreement before the Board tonight is for Superior Court cases. The Magistrate Court would be a separate contract.

Discussion of Commissioners compensation:

After general discussion regarding increased compensation, the Commissioners agreed to leave out the COLA.

Correction to October 7, 2000, minutes:

Attorney Green explained the correction was needed by deleting Item 4. First reading of Water Waste/Water Standards Ordinance in the October 7, 2000, minutes. The Clerk called attention to the fact that the first reading needs to be advertised. The first reading has been advertised and will be included in the November 7th minutes.

Citizens wishing to address the Board:

Mr. Roccoa Spurlin, a resident of the area St. Marys intends to annex, addressed the Board to ask that they do anything they can to stop the annexation. Mr. Spurlin stated that he has a petition signed by 55 residents of the area who do not want annexation. Mr. Spurlin said that he believed the City of St. Marys lied about the cost of trash pickup and the ISO rating.

Mr. Sonny Trapnell stated that he also is opposed to the annexation. Mr. Trapnell stated that by law, the City has to provide all services within a year. Mr. Trapnell asked that the Commissioners not give the streets to the City of St. Marys, and then they could not annex the area.

Mr. William Small asked the Board to put Jack Small Road on the paving list. Chairman Becker stated that Jack Small Road is on the list and it will have to go through the process.

Chairman Becker stated that there was a request to add two items to the agenda:

1. Acceptance of contract with Underground Utility Contractors for Phase I Grading for the new Courthouse.
2. Acceptance of the Governor's Emergency Fund \$12,000 grant award for improvements at the Old Woodbine Elementary School.

The Board agreed to add these items to the agenda as Items 9A and 9B.

Chairman Becker called the meeting to order at 6:40 p.m.

Nancy Weisensee delivered the invocation.

Chairman Becker led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Roll Call revealed that all were present except for Commissioner Dawson.

1. Adoption of Agenda:

Motion by Commissioner Hase, seconded by Commissioner Foddrell, and voted unanimously to adopt the agenda as amended by adding Item 9A. Acceptance of contract with Underground Utility Contractors for Phase I Grading for the new Courthouse, and Item 9B. Acceptance of the Governor's Emergency Fund \$12,000 grant award for improvements at the Old Woodbine Elementary School.

2. Approval of minutes for October 17, 2000:

Motion by Commissioner Hase, seconded by Commissioner Herrin, and voted unanimously to approve the minutes with the deletion of Item 4. First Reading of Water and Wastewater Ordinance.

3. Misdemeanor Probation Services agreement:

Motion by Commissioner Herrin, seconded by Commissioner Hase, and voted unanimously to accept the Misdemeanor Probation Services agreement between the Superior Court of Camden County, the Board of Commissioners of Camden County, and Detention Management Services, Inc.

(A copy of the five page agreement is on file in the County Administrator's Office.)

4. First reading of the Water/Waste Water Standards Ordinance:

Motion by Commissioner Hase, seconded by Commissioner Herrin, and voted unanimously to waive the first reading of the Water/Waste Water Standards Ordinance and hold the second reading on November 21, 2000.

5. Review compensation for the Board of Commissioners:

Motion by Commissioner Hase, seconded by Commissioner Becker, and voted unanimously to delete the last sentence in the Resolution regarding compensation for the Board of Commissioners. Delete "It is further resolved that the monthly pay for a commissioner is subject to a yearly increase based on the cost of living allowance (COLA) as established in the yearly budget for the employees of Camden County."

Motion by Commissioner Foddrell, seconded by Commissioner Hase, and voted unanimously to accept the Resolution regarding compensation for the Board of Commissioners as amended.

RESOLUTION

Whereas, it is the policy of the Camden County Board of Commissioners to serve in their official capacity; and

Whereas, the Camden County ordinance, Article I, Division 1, Section 109, allows the Camden County Board of Commissioners to establish and fix their own compensation either on a per diem or salary basis; and

Whereas, the Commissioners' current salary is established at \$528.00 per commissioner per month; and

Whereas, the Commission has determined that the monthly salary of \$528.00 is inadequate to cover the duties required of a commissioner;

Now Therefore Be It Resolved that the Camden County Board of Commissioners hereby establish their monthly salary to be \$850.00 per month per commissioner with the

chairman of the Board of Commissioners receiving an additional \$200.00 per month for his required additional duties as the chairman. Said salary adjustment shall take effect at the signing of this Resolution.

6. Proclamation for Retired Educators' Day:

Motion by Commissioner Foddrell, seconded by Commissioner Hase, and voted unanimously to approve the following Proclamation:

A PROCLAMATION

RETIRED EDUCATORS DAY

WHEREAS, The Governor of the State of Georgia has proclaimed the day of Sunday, November 12, 2000, to be known as Georgia Retired Educators Day; and

WHEREAS, There are more than 43,000 retired educators in Georgia, 15,000 of whom are members of the Georgia Retired Educators Association (GREA); and

WHEREAS, The retired educators of Georgia and particularly those affiliated with the Georgia Retired Educators Association and Local Units of Retired Educators Associations return to the state, without compensation, hundreds of thousands of hours of vital community service; and

WHEREAS, It is fitting that a day be set aside for citizens to express their thanks and appreciation for the outstanding service provided by the retired educators of Georgia; and

WHEREAS, Local Churches will recognize the lasting contributions made and being made by retired educators in this community; now

THEREFORE, I, Robert G. Becker, Chairman of the Camden County Board of Commissioners do hereby proclaim the day of November 12, 2000, as

“GEORGIA RETIRED EDUCATORS DAY”

and I call upon the citizens of this community to observe that day in an appropriate manner honoring the retired educators in our midst.

Given unto my hand and seal at Camden County, Georgia, on this 7th day of November, in the year of our Lord 2000.

7. Tax refund requests:

Motion by Commissioner Hase, seconded by Commissioner Foddrell, and voted unanimously to the tax credit requests as submitted by the Tax Assessor's Office.

(A list of the tax credit requests is attached to these minutes and on file in the County Clerk's Office.)

**8. Bid acceptance – a. Camden County Health Department
b. Public Library roof.**

Teresa Smith, Purchasing Officer, presented the following bid information:

a. Camden County Health Department:

Three bids were received:

Collins Construction, Savannah, GA	\$354,300.00
Satilla Construction, Blackshear, GA	\$233,600.00
W. H. Gross Construction, Kingsland, GA	\$241,250.00

Buckley and Associates recommended acceptance of the low bid from Satilla Construction, Blackshear, Georgia, in the amount of \$233,600.00.

Motion by Commissioner Hase, seconded by Commissioner Foddrell, and voted unanimously to accept the low bid from Satilla Construction, Blackshear, Georgia, in the amount of \$233,600.00, for the renovations at the Camden County Health Department in Kingsland, to be funded with \$33,600.00 from contingency and the balance from 1% S.P.L.O.S.T.

RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE 2000-2001 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 reallocate funds due to the agreement for renovation of the Health Department located in Kingsland. The money will be transferred to the Capital Improvements Fund;

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

Budget Account	Adopted Budget	Net Change	Proposed Budget
1503-61.1000	\$400,000	\$ 33,600	\$433,600
1505-57.3000	\$237,330	(\$ 33,600)	\$203,730

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.

Adopted this 7th day of November 2000.

b. Public Library Roof:

One bid was received from B.R.C., Inc., Hoboken, Georgia, in the amount of \$32,650.00 for the replacement of the roof at the Camden County Public Library. John Poston, Facilities Management Supervisor recommended acceptance of the sole bid based on the reputation of this company.

Motion by Commissioner Hase, seconded by Commissioner Becker, and voted unanimously to accept the bid from B.R.C., Inc., Hoboken, Georgia, in the amount of \$32,650.00 for replacement of the roof at the Camden County Public Library, to be paid from 1% S.P.L.O.S.T.

9. Correction to minutes for October 17, 2000:

Motion by Commissioner Hase, seconded by Commissioner Foddrell, and voted unanimously to delete Item 4. First reading of water and wastewater ordinance from the October 17, 2000, minutes.

9A. Acceptance of contract with Underground Utility Contractors for Phase I Grading for the new Courthouse:

Underground Utility Contractors' bid in the amount of \$181,183.50 was approved at the October 3, 2000, Commissioners' meeting.

Motion by Commissioner Foddrell, seconded by Commissioner Hase, and voted unanimously to accept the contract in the amount of \$181,183.50 from Underground Utility Contractors for Phase I, Grading at the new Courthouse.

(A copy of the four-page agreement is on file in the County Administrator's Office.)

9B. Acceptance of Governor's Emergency Fund \$12,000 grant award for improvements at the Old Woodbine Elementary School:

In accordance with the agreement between the County and the Woodbine School Renovation Committee, substantial renovations must be completed by June 30, 2001. The \$12,000 grant will be used for improvements and will be administered by the County.

Motion by Commissioner Foddrell, seconded by Commissioner Hase, and voted unanimously to accept the Governor's Emergency Fund \$12,000 grant award for improvements at the Old Woodbine Elementary School.

(A copy of the grant is on file in the County Administrator's Office.)

10. Recess:

Motion by Commissioner Hase, seconded by Commissioner Foddrell, and voted unanimously to recess the meeting until Thursday, November 9, 2000, at 6:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert G. Becker
Chairman

Nancy C. Weisensee
Assistant County Administrator