

**CAMDEN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2004 6:00 PM
WOODBINE, GEORGIA**

A regular meeting of the Camden County Board of Commissioners was held on Tuesday, October 5, 2004, at 6:00 p.m. in the Courtroom of the Historic Camden County Courthouse, Woodbine, Georgia.

Present: Chairman David L. Rainer; Vice-Chairman E.B. Herrin, Jr.; Commissioner Preston Rhodes; Commissioner Stephen L. Berry; Commissioner Sanford S. Feller; Charles Akridge and County Attorney Brent Green.

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

Reverend Hamm delivered the invocation.

Chairman Rainer led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The roll call indicated all Commissioners were present.

AGENDA AMENDMENTS:

Chairman Rainer announced that the consideration to designate Pinewood Avenue as pedestrian only under Item 10 – Old Business, would not be acted and is no longer being considered by the Board of Commissioners and that Pinewood Avenue would remain as it is now.

MOTION TO ADOPT THE AGENDA:

Commissioner Rhodes made a motion, seconded by Vice-Chairman Herrin and voted unanimously to adopt the agenda with the fact that the Board would not act on Item 10 in Old Business regarding the Pinewood Avenue issue.

The motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Commissioner Feller made a motion to approve the minutes of September 22, 2004, Vice-Chairman Herrin seconded the motion and it was voted unanimously to approve the minutes of September 22, 2004.

The motion carried unanimously.

REPORTS:

A. Calendar

The October/November 2004 calendar was read.

B. County Manager's Report

County Manager Charles Akridge reported that all county roads were now open after the storms that came through the County.

Mr. Akridge stated that the county has been picking up yard debris due to the storms, but that the County would have to cut off the yard debris pick up. The last day for this service will be October 15, 2004.

County Manager Charles Akridge stated that the trailer that was being used by the District Attorney's Office has been removed.

Mr. Akridge announced that he has named Mercy Thompson as Road Superintendent for the Road Department. Ms. Thompson had been the interim superintendent since Larry Lampe retired from the County. Mr. Akridge stated that it was his opinion that Mercy Thompson had proved herself as worthy of this position especially over the last few weeks due to the storms.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Bill Blankenship approached the Board and stated that he had talked to residents of the County and he was concerned about the mosquito problem right now. He asked that if it was in the budget for the County to hire a vender to use a helicopter for mosquito eradication. Mr. Blankenship also stated that he wanted to thank Charles Akridge, Mercy Thompson and all the road department crews for all the hard work they have done to keep them passable.

Bernard Ripley addressed the Board of Commissioners regarding Springhill Circle. Mr. Ripley showed the Board photographs of the road when Hurricane Frances came through the area and Ripley stated that there needed to be work done on the road. Chairman Rainer explained to Mr. Ripley that Springhill was not a County owned road and that the owner/owners of this road would have to turn the road over to the county before the County could maintain the road. County Attorney Brent Green stated that he would work with the residents to attempt to find out who the owner(s) of the road are.

Lawton Teston addressed the Board and stated that he could not understand why the County would let Durango out of their taxes. Mr. Teston asked if the County is unable to tax the property until 2010 or if the County cannot levy taxes on the property until 2010.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Approval of Tax Release Application for:

**Eldon Daniel Woolard, Sr.
Harriet E. Witt
Pacific Rim Capital**

Commissioner Rhodes made a motion to approve the tax release applications for Eldon Daniel Woolard, Sr., Harriet E. Witt and Pacific Rim Capital and seconded by Vice-Chairman Herrin seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous to approve the tax applications for Eldon Daniel Woolard, Sr., Harriet E. Witt and Pacific Rim Capital.

The motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion made by Commissioner Rhodes, seconded by Vice-Chairman Herrin. The vote was unanimous to adjourn the meeting at 6:24 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

David L. Rainer
Chairman

Diana Smith
Executive Assistant/Clerk