

**CAMDEN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING  
TUESDAY, JANUARY 4, 2005 6:00 PM  
WOODBINE, GEORGIA**

**A regular meeting of the Camden County Board of Commissioners was held on Tuesday, January 4, 2005, 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.**

**Commissioner Rhodes delivered the invocation.**

**Chairman Rainer led the Pledge of Allegiance.**

**The roll call indicated all Commissioners were present.**

**SWEARING IN CEREMONY:**

Commissioners David L. Rainer, Steven Berry and Preston Rhodes were sworn in by Judge Martin Gillette.

Judge Martin Gillette also swore in Tax Commissioner Brenda Wainright.

**ELECTIONS AND APPOINTMENT:**

Commissioner Preston Rhodes made a motion, seconded by Vice-Chairman E.B. Herrin to elect David L. Rainer as Chairman, E.B. Herrin as Vice-Chairman and to appoint Brent Green as County Attorney.

**So voted 4-1**

**Chairman Rainer – yea**

**Vice-Chairman Herrin – yea**

**Commissioner Rhodes – yea**

**Commissioner Berry – yea**

**Commissioner Feller – nay**

**The motion carried.**

**AGENDA AMENDMENTS:**

Chairman David Rainer requested adding the personnel issues listed under New Business 14J to the work session to allow County Manager Charles Akridge and Human Resources Director Penny Woodard an opportunity to explain each item and give any employees an opportunity to speak regarding these issues.

Chairman Rainer also requested adding the Facilities Maintenance Water Sewer Project – Bid Award Recommendation as Item 14Q under New Business and removing Items 14 K, L, M, and N from the agenda.

Commissioner Feller made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Rhodes to add the personnel issues listed as Item 14J on the agenda to the work session, adding the Facilities Maintenance Water Sewer Project – Bid Award Recommendation as Item 14Q under New Business and removing Items 14 K, L, M, and N from the agenda. The motion was unanimous to add the personnel issues listed as Item 14J on the agenda to the work session, adding the Facilities Maintenance Water Sewer Project – Bid Award Recommendation as Item 14Q under New Business and removing Items 14 K, L, M, and N from the agenda.

**The motion carried unanimously.**

**WORK SESSION:**

- A. Consideration of Personnel Policy Amendments:
  - Change of vacation time for new hires from three (3) weeks per year to two (2) weeks per year

Discussion:

County Manager Charles Akridge stated that this amendment would change the vacation time for new hires as of January 1, 2005 from three (3) weeks to two (2) weeks per year.

- Additional category to include vacation accrual for employees with 15+ years of service at six (6) weeks per year;

Discussion:

County Manager Charles Akridge stated that this would add an additional category to the Personnel Policy to include vacation accrual for employees with 15+ years of service at six (6) weeks per year.

Chairman Rainer stated that this category was to give recognition to those employees who have served the longest amount of time with the county. He stated that it does not

necessarily cost anymore, it does mean that people would not be at work, but as far as cost, it does not really cost the county any additional monies.

- Increase public safety sick leave accrual from four (4) hours per month to eight (8) hours per month; and

Discussion:

County Manager Charles Akridge stated that this policy amendment would increase the public safety sick leave accrual from four (4) hours per month to (8) eight hours per month to keep the leave accrual consistent with the hours worked based in the shifts that the public safety personnel work.

Chairman Rainer stated that when he spoke with Mrs. Woodard previously regarding this issue, his question was why there was a need to increase public safety personnel to eight hours of sick leave per month from four hours of sick leave per month. He stated that it is his understanding after speaking with Mrs. Woodard that the reason for this is because of the shifts that these employees work, it would take a considerable amount of time to accumulate enough time off to take off one day if that person was sick.

- Maximum Allowable Rollover of Accumulated Leave of 240 hours plus an additional 120 hours for Personal use.

Discussion:

County Manager Charles Akridge stated that the maximum allowable rollover of accumulated leave that is currently allowed is 240 hours, it is being asked to add an additional 120 hours for personal use with the caveat that it cannot be donated or paid out upon leaving the employment of Camden County.

Commissioner Berry asked if the 240 hours included vacation. Human Resources Director Penny Woodard stated that the 240 hours is vacation. Commissioner Berry then stated that if an employee has worked for the county ten years then they would receive four weeks of vacation. He then stated that this would be 160 hours and then you would accrue an additional 80 on top of that by working per month to equal 240 hours. Then with the 240 hours the employee can do whatever they want with those hours. Commissioner Berry asked if there are any questions asked about that. Ms. Woodard stated that the employee submits the leave request to the department head and that the employee really does not have to have a reason because the leave is the employee's to use. She stated that most employees will state what they are using the time for. Commissioner Berry then said that the time is the employees to use as long as it does not interfere with the ongoing operations of something of urgency. He then asked if the proposal was to add another 120 hours on top of the 240 hours. Ms. Woodard stated that right now the 240 hours is the carry over from one year to another. The maximum is 260 hours. She stated that what is being asked is not to lose the additional 120 hours and that

120 hours be set aside for that particular employee only. Commissioner Berry stated that this was where he needed clarification. He stated that the employee has 240 hours which is the maximum you can accrue right now. Mrs. Woodard stated that this is the maximum that an employee may rollover. She stated that the maximum is 360 hours but the carryover is 240 hours. Commissioner Berry asked how an employee would accrue the additional 120 hours. Chief Danny Daniels stated that those hours could be accumulated by not taking leave during the year. Commissioner Berry stated that if you do not take leave, the employee could rollover an additional 120 hours. If it is over 120 hours that is the max that is being proposed that can rollover. He also clarified that if the employee left the employment of Camden County that the employee could not get paid for that additional 120 hours of rollover time. Ms. Woodard stated that was correct. She stated that in the past whatever an employee had on the books is what they were paid. Commissioner Berry stated that he thought that the purpose of leave is for the employee to use it. He stated that he did not think it was there to accumulate except to keep in case the employee needs it. Ms. Woodard stated that the commissioners stated that if it does not interfere with the production of day to day operations when a person asks to have time off. Commissioner Berry then asked why an additional 120 hours is needed. Chief Daniels responded by stating that in his case, if he has a fireman that on his day off, slips and falls and breaks his arm, that is six-weeks minimum that he is out of work, that is 360 hours required for him to be paid while he is off because he works that many hours. He stated that they wanted to minimize the county's exposure, i.e., put the 120 hours where it was non-exposure for the county on a direct payout or him giving that time away. Commissioner Berry asked for a more practical example such as an employee who is not a fireman and not a policeman, who works at another job in the county, why it was necessary to have the 120 hours to kick over. Chief Daniels stated that in an instance of heart disease, diabetes or other illnesses, the employees are able to bank that time so that if they have a hardship they have the time available to them. Commissioner Berry asked if they would only have 120 hours under this proposal. It was explained that an employee could bank 240 hours as of December 31<sup>st</sup>. Permission is being asked to have an additional 120 hours that is not a liability as far as funding for these types of emergencies. It was stated that 360 hours would be the maximum that could be rolled over. Commissioner Berry asked if an employee has 360 hours and that person uses 300 of those hours, does the employee carry over 60 hours. The answer to this question was yes. County Manager Charles Akridge stated that it would basically be restoring what was taken away in 2002 with the caveat that the 120 additional hours could not be paid out at the time the employee leaves the employment of Camden County and that time cannot be donated to another employee. Chairman Rainer asked if what this is an accumulation of 360 hours, but you cannot carry over more than 240 hours, you can otherwise you would have to use it during the year. Ms. Woodard stated that when the policy was passed the commissioners only allowed the employees to carry over from year to year 240 hours and they lost the other 120 hours. Chairman Rainer asked if what is being asked for is for employees to be permitted to carry over an additional 120 hours only for personal use. So, in actuality it is restoring it to what it was except that there is a restriction on the use of 120 hours.

Commissioner Feller asked if it were true that an employee could not loan this additional 120 hours to another employee. Mrs. Woodard told Commissioner Feller that was correct. Mr. Akridge stated that the 120 hours also could not be paid out if the employee were to leave the employment of Camden County. Commissioner Feller asked if these two stipulations were committed in writing. He was told by both Mrs. Woodard and Mr. Akridge that these two stipulations were in writing.

Vice-Chairman Herrin stated that he met with Penny Woodard and Charles Akridge prior to the meeting and got all his questions answered.

**B. Consideration of Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA).**

Discussion:

County Manager Charles Akridge stated that the proposal was for a 3% across the board Cost of Living Adjustment. The 3% Cost of Living Adjustment would cost the county \$152,886.15 for the six months remaining in the current budget. It was proposed that the county take additional revenue from the Local Option Sales Tax (L.O.S.T.) proceeds of which there is \$230,000.00 over the projections this year. This would leave approximately \$77,000.00 - \$80,000.00 in additional revenue as a cushion from the L.O.S.T. proceeds. This increase would add approximately \$305,000.00 to next year's budget in salaries.

Commissioner Feller asked if the County Manager would still be the highest paid employee with the 3% C.O.L.A. He asked if the manager would receive the 3% increase as well. Chairman Rainer stated yes he would.

**MOTION TO ADOPT THE AGENDA:**

Commissioner Feller made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Rhodes and voted unanimously to adopt the agenda as amended.

**The motion carried unanimously.**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Commissioner Rhodes made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Feller to approve the minutes of December 7, 2004. The vote was unanimous to approve the minutes of December 7, 2004.

**The motion carried unanimously.**

**REPORTS:**

**A. Calendar**

The January/February 2005 calendar was read.

**B. County Manager's Report**

County Manager Charles Akridge reported that the contractor is on the site for the Records Retention Building. This project should be completed quickly.

Mr. Akridge stated that the State Department of Transportation Board will meet in Camden County in early spring.

Mr. Akridge informed the Board that there is a press conference tomorrow for the Georgia Department of Economic Development at Orange Hall in St. Marys at 10:00 a.m.

Finally, Mr. Akridge stated that the Camden County Solid Waste Management Authority has met all registration requirements for the calendar year 2005 as outlined in the local government authority's registration act.

Commissioner Feller asked if we have any monies in the coffers from expired SPLOST. Finance Director Mike Fender stated that we do have several million dollars the largest amount being for the renovation of the Old Courthouse. Mr. Fender stated that he would have a complete list in March or April because monies are still being used.

Commissioner Feller also asked if the County was in compliance with House Bill 709 by printing a report on the SPLOST monies. County Manager Charles Akridge stated that the County was in compliance and that the information was printed in the Tribune & Georgian in December.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

There were no public comments.

**OLD BUSINESS**

None

**NEW BUSINESS**

**A. Consideration of Cost of Living Adjustment (C.O.L.A.)**

Vice-Chairman Herrin made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Rhodes to grant a 3% Cost of Living Adjustment to county employees.

Commissioner Berry stated that we have some excess L.O.S.T. money maybe coming with no guarantee that collections will stay up over the next six months or stay at their same levels. He stated that it would be spending money that the county does not really know that it has yet. Commissioner Berry stated that the object of L.O.S.T. is to be used to reduce property taxes. Because of an upturn in the economy and certain things that happened and the county picked up some additional L.O.S.T. revenues and he stated that the first thing the commissioners want to do is spend it. Commissioner Berry stated that C.O.L.A.s were not included in the budget. He stated that he is not against giving people raises, but the commissioners specifically did not put it in the budget last year. He stated that departments that asked for additional employees had them cut from the budget and now we are adding at \$152,000.00 expenditure out of L.O.S.T. money which could be used to reduce property taxes. Commissioner Berry stated that this money could be used toward the 1.4 million that the county is going to be out and has been out for the last three years. He stated that this would also raise next year's budget by 3% in salaries. Commissioner Berry stated that he felt this was irresponsible. He stated that he did not think this was a responsible way to be spending money, and that the county does not have this money yet and the money could be used to reduce property taxes which still need to come down.

Chairman Rainer stated that he disagreed with Commissioner Berry. He stated that you cannot forever carry an amount of money in a budget. He stated that when a budget is over, whatever existed at that time is expired. Chairman Rainer stated that you do not carry it forward. Once a budget is balanced and once you have incorporated that in it, whether it is from increases in the revenue or decreases in expenditures, you eliminate that from the budget forever. He stated that it could come up again, and he did not disagree with that, but you cannot go back three years ago and say you were short 1.4 million dollars and three years later that is still there when the amount of money as far as the fund balance is has increased three fold what it was three years ago.

Vice-Chairman Herrin asked how many times we have replaced the 1.4 million dollars. He stated that it had been replaced at least three times.

Commissioner Berry stated that three years ago, the county came up 1.6 million dollars short and the commissioners dipped into one time revenue sources and balanced the budget. He stated that two years ago the county did the same thing. He stated that last year the county was 1.4 million dollars out of balance again and the commissioners took monies out of one time revenue sources again. He stated that would have to be done again this year too because expenses have not been cut.

Chairman Rainer stated that meant that Mr. Berry would vote to hold five or six million dollars of the people's tax money. Chairman Rainer stated that the fund balance has gone up those three years. Chairman Rainer stated that could not equate that to being a one time revenue if the fund balance has gone up each year. He stated that in the last two years it has gone up and increased over 2.5 million dollars. He asked Commissioner Berry how many times he wanted to make up the 1.4 million dollars.

Commissioner Feller asked Finance Director Mike Fender about the schedule he had printed out which stated that by paying all hourly employees \$500 each now, the amount would be \$153,000.00 in the budget year 2005. He asked if that meant per annum or semi-annual. Mr. Fender stated that the \$153,000.00 is an annual figure and the other figures given were semi-annual. Commissioner Feller stated that he put forward to the Board the \$500.00 raise for the hourly employees because he felt that by giving across the board raises, the county is giving the largest portion of the money to those who least need it. He stated that he thinks the “soldiers” need more than the “captains” and he wished the commission would change their minds.

County Manager Charles Akridge asked Mike Fender how many employees would be excluded if they only gave raises to the hourly employees. Mr. Fender stated approximately 50 salaried employees would be excluded.

**So voted 3-2**

**Chairman Rainer – yea**

**Vice-Chairman Herrin – yea**

**Commissioner Rhodes – yea**

**Commissioner Berry – nay**

**Commissioner Feller – nay**

**The motion carried.**

- B. Application of Joseph Stevenson for the retail sale of alcoholic beverages and liquors for the American Legion Post 511, 1606 Colerain Road, Kingsland, Georgia.**

Commissioner Rhodes made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Feller to approve the application of Joseph Stevenson for the retail sale of alcoholic beverages and liquors for the American Legion Post 511, 1606 Colerain Road, Kingsland, Georgia. The vote was unanimous to approve the application of Joseph Stevenson for the retail sale of alcoholic beverages and liquors for the American Legion Post 511, 1606 Colerain Road, Kingsland, Georgia.

**The motion carried unanimously.**

- C. First Reading of an Ordinance to Amend Appendix A, Subdivision Regulations of the Official Code of Camden County, Georgia, Section 307 Fire Hydrant requirements.**

Vice-Chairman Herrin made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Rhodes to waive the first reading of the Ordinance to Amend Appendix A, Subdivision Regulations of the Official Code of Camden County, Georgia, Section 307 Fire Hydrant requirements. The motion was unanimous to waive the first reading of the Ordinance to Amend Appendix

A, Subdivision Regulations of the Official Code of Camden County, Georgia, Section 307 Fire Hydrant requirements.

**The motion carried unanimously.**

**D. First Reading of an Ordinance to establish Curbside Collection Ordinance to Article 1 of the Official Code of Camden County, Georgia**

Commissioner Rhodes made a motion, seconded by Vice-Chairman Herrin to waive the first reading of an Ordinance to establish Curbside Collection Ordinance to Article 1 of the Official Code of Camden County, Georgia. The motion was unanimous to waive the first reading of an Ordinance to establish Curbside Collection Ordinance to Article 1 of the Official Code of Camden County, Georgia.

**The motion carried unanimously.**

**E. First Reading of an Ordinance to Amend the Official Code of Camden County, Georgia Appendix B – Zoning Ordinances – Section 1001 Appointment of Planning Commission Members and Term of Office.**

Commissioner Feller made a motion, seconded by Vice-Chairman Herrin to waive the first reading of an Ordinance to Amend the Official Code of Camden County, Georgia Appendix B – Zoning Ordinances – Section 1001 Appointment of Planning Commission Members and Term of Office.

During discussion, County Attorney Brent Green was asked to modify the Ordinance stating that the Planning Commission members whose terms would have expired on 12/31/04 would not expire until the adoption of the Ordinance.

**So voted 4-1**

**Chairman Rainer – yea**  
**Vice-Chairman Herrin – yea**  
**Commissioner Rhodes – yea**  
**Commissioner Berry – nay**  
**Commissioner Feller – yea**

**The motion carried.**

**F. Consideration of appointment of Joseph Hamilton, Sr. to Planning Commission to represent District 1 of Camden County.**

Commissioner Rhodes made a motion seconded by Vice-Chairman Herrin to appoint Joseph Hamilton, Sr. to the Planning Commission to represent District 1 of Camden

County. The vote was unanimous to appoint Joseph Hamilton, Sr. to the Planning Commission to represent District 1 of Camden County.

Commissioner Feller than made a motion to reconsider the appointment of Joseph Hamilton, Sr. to the Planning Commission to represent District 1 of Camden County, seconded by Commissioner Berry.

Commissioner Feller stated that he had a problem with a gentleman who is employed by Sea Island Company being objective on the Planning Commission. He stated that he felt it would conflict with his employment.

Commissioner Berry asked if the procedure that whoever a commissioner nominates would be automatically approved.

Chairman Rainer stated that it is subject to approval by the Board of Commissioners.

Vice-Chairman Herrin stated that he felt that a commissioner in his own district would have the best known and well known and best person for that position to appoint him. Vice-Chairman Herrin stated that he would not vote against a man even that Mr. Feller appointed or Mr. Berry in their district. He stated that he would certainly support it because he feels like they know the people in their district better and Vice-Chairman Herrin stated that he has enough confidence in Commissioner Rhodes to think knows the people in his district better than “you and I” or any of the rest of us on the Board does.

**So voted 1-4**

**Chairman Rainer – nay**

**Vice-Chairman Herrin – nay**

**Commissioner Rhodes – nay**

**Commissioner Berry – nay**

**Commissioner Feller – yea**

**The motion to reconsider was defeated.**

**G. Application of Frankie G. Barnett for the retail sale of Malt Beverage & Wine for Tarboro Country Store, 4730 Burnt Fort Road, White Oak, Georgia.**

Commissioner Rhodes made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Feller to approve the application of Frankie G. Barnett for the retail sale of Malt Beverage & Wine for Tarboro Country Store, 4730 Burnt Fort Road, White Oak, Georgia. The motion was unanimous to approve the application of Frankie G. Barnett for the retail sale of Malt Beverage & Wine for Tarboro Country Store, 4730 Burnt Fort Road, White Oak, Georgia.

**The motion carried unanimously.**

**H. Consideration of Circuit Public Defender, Brunswick Judicial Circuit, AOC Contract for Office Expense Administration.**

Vice-Chairman Herrin made a motion upon the county attorney's consideration, seconded by Commissioner Rhodes to approve the Circuit Public Defender, Brunswick Judicial Circuit, AOC Contract for Office Expense Administration. The vote was unanimous to approve the Circuit Public Defender, Brunswick Judicial Circuit, AOC Contract for Office Expense Administration.

**The motion carried unanimously.**

**I. Consideration of Tax Release Applications**

Commissioner Rhodes made a motion, seconded by Vice-Chairman Herrin to approve the tax release applications of:

- Elise R. Nelson, Digest Year, 2004, Bill No. 14005
- Theodore W. Baggott, Digest Year 2004, Bill No. 697
- Donald W. Jones, Digest Year 2004, Bill No. 10156
- Randy D. Frawley, Digest Year 2004, Bill No. 838
- Betty J. Pugh, Digest Year 2004, Bill No. 1908
- Baytown Enterprises, Inc., Digest Year 2004, Bill No. 1225
- Robert T. Altman, Digest Year 2004, Bill No. 289
- Patrick J. and Cheryl L. Kinstle, Digest Year 2004, Bill No. 10853
- Elizabeth C. Gipp Haney, Digest Year 2004, Bill No. 8111
- Satilla Club North S/D Property Owners Assoc., Digest Year 2004, Bill No. 17284
- Satilla Club North S/D Property Owners Assoc., Digest Year 2003, Bill No. 16671
- Robert A. and Kelly A. English, Digest Year 2004, Bill No. 5942
- John P. and Valerie J. Sprinker, Digest Year 2004, Bill No. 18809
- Hidden Harbor, Inc., Digest Year 2004
- Anthony P. and Carmella Demarco as Trustee under LWT Albert Demarco, Digest Year 2004, Bill No. 5118
- Anthony P. and Carmella Demarco as Trustee under LWT Albert Demarco, Digest Year 2004, Bill No. 5117
- Anthony P. and Carmella Demarco as Trustee under LWT Albert Demarco, Digest Year 2004, Bill No. 5119
- HRB Management, Inc., c/o OM Shivam Investments, Digest Year 2003, Bill No. 7563
- HRB Management, Inc., c/o OM Shivam Investments, Digest Year 2004, Bill No. 14346

The vote was unanimous to approve the above-listed tax release applications.

**The motion carried unanimously.**

**J. Consideration of Personnel Policy Amendments:**

- Change of vacation time for new hires from three (3) weeks per year to two (2) weeks per year;
- Additional category to include vacation accrual for employees with 15+ years of service at six (6) weeks per year;
- Increase public safety sick leave accrual from four (4) hours per month to eight (8) hours per month; and
- Maximum Allowable Rollover of Accumulated Leave of 240 hours plus an additional 120 hours for Personal use.

**The Board decided to vote on each item under consideration regarding the Personnel Policy Amendments individually.**

- Change of vacation time for new hires from three (3) weeks per year to two (2) weeks per year;

Commissioner Feller made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Berry to change the vacation time for new hires from three (3) weeks per year to two (2) weeks per year. The motion was unanimous to change the vacation time for new hires from three (3) weeks per year to two (2) weeks per year.

**The motion carried unanimously.**

- Additional category to include vacation accrual for employees with 15+ years of service at six (6) weeks per year;

Vice-Chairman Herrin made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Rhodes to add an additional category to include vacation accrual for employees with 15+ years of service at six (6) weeks per month.

**So voted 4-1**

**Chairman Rainer – yea**

**Vice-Chairman Herrin – yea**

**Commissioner Rhodes – yea**

**Commissioner Berry – nay**

**Commissioner Feller – yea**

**The motion carried.**

- Increase public safety sick leave accrual from four (4) hours per month to eight (8) hours per month; and

Vice-Chairman Herrin made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Rhodes to increase public safety sick leave accrual from four (4) hours per month to eight (8) hours per month. The motion was unanimous to increase public safety sick leave accrual from four (4) hours per month to eight (8) hours per month.

**The motion carried unanimously.**

- Maximum Allowable Rollover of Accumulated Leave of 240 hours plus an additional 120 hours for Personal use.

Commissioner Rhodes made a motion, seconded by Vice-Chairman Herrin to allow the employees to roll over an additional 120 hours with the conditions that it cannot be cashed out at the time the employees leaves the employment of the County and can only be used for personal use by the employee who accrues the additional 120 hours.

**So voted 4-1**

**Chairman Rainer – yea**

**Vice-Chairman Herrin – yea**

**Commissioner Rhodes – yea**

**Commissioner Berry – nay**

**Commissioner Feller – yea**

**The motion carried.**

- K. Carlos & Sherrill West (#R032-04) A rezoning from Agriculture-Residential (A-R) to Commercial-General (C-G) of 3.2 acres located at the intersection of Harrietts Bluff Road and White Oak Place. The property is identified as lots 1 & 2, Block “B” of zoning/tax map 118A.**
- L. Dennis J. Patterson (#R033-04) A rezoning from Agriculture-Forestry (A-F) to Agriculture-Residential (A-R) of 15.04 acres located on Vicki Lane east of Lake Winona S/D. The property is identified as a portion of parcel 6C on zoning/tax map 108.**
- M. Virginia Jacobs (#R034-04) A rezoning from Agriculture-Forestry (A-F) to Agriculture-Residential (A-R) of 5 acres located at 950 Mush Bluff Road and is identified as a portion of parcel 6C on zoning/tax map 108.**
- N. Sheffield Plantation – Phase V (#S-034-04) Joseph T. Stover is requesting preliminary plat approval for 19 lots in the A-R zoning**

**district. The proposed development is located on Mason Court and is a portion of parcel 5 on zoning/tax map 82.**

Items 14K, 14L, 14M and 14N were removed from the agenda during the agenda amendments.

**O. Consideration of Contract Extension for County Manager**

Vice-Chairman Herrin made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Feller to extend the County Manager's Contract for eighteen (18) months at the end of the current contract, which would be from July 1, 2005 – December 31, 2006.

**So voted 4-1**

**Chairman Rainer – yea**  
**Vice-Chairman Herrin – yea**  
**Commissioner Rhodes – yea**  
**Commissioner Berry – nay**  
**Commissioner Feller – yea**

**The motion carried.**

**P. Kmart Bankruptcy**

Commissioner Rhodes made a motion, seconded by Vice-Chairman Herrin to allow County Attorney Brent Green to discuss settlement options regarding property taxes owed to Camden County.

**So voted 4-1**

**Chairman Rainer – yea**  
**Vice-Chairman Herrin – yea**  
**Commissioner Rhodes – yea**  
**Commissioner Berry – yea**  
**Commissioner Feller – nay**

**The motion carried.**

**Q. Facilities Maintenance Water Sewer Project – Bid Award Recommendation**

Vice-Chairman Herrin made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Rhodes to award the Facilities Maintenance Water Sewer Project to Southern Allied on the condition that it was negotiated to \$104,000.00. The vote was unanimous to award the Facilities Maintenance Water Sewer Project to Southern Allied on the condition that it was negotiated to \$104,000.00.

**The vote carried unanimously.**

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Motion made by Commissioner Rhodes, seconded by Commissioner Feller to adjourn the January 4, 2005 meeting. The vote was unanimous to adjourn the meeting at 7:13 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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David L. Rainer  
Chairman

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Diana Smith  
Executive Assistant/Clerk