

**CAMDEN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING
TUESDAY, MAY 3, 2005 6:00 PM
WOODBINE, GEORGIA**

A regular meeting of the Camden County Board of Commissioners was held on Tuesday, May 3, 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.

AGENDA AMENDMENTS:

Chairman Rainer proposed the following agenda amendments:

- Addition of Presentation to present Dr. Stuart Stevens with a Proclamation after the adoption of the agenda;
- Add Item 11P under new business for Consideration of Mutual Aid Fire Fighting Assistance Agreement between Nassau County, Florida and Camden County, Georgia.

Commissioner Feller made a motion, seconded by Vice-Chairman Herrin to make the changes proposed by Chairman Rainer to the agenda.

The motion carried unanimously.

MOTION TO ADOPT THE AGENDA:

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

The motion carried unanimously.

PRESENTATIONS:

Chairman Rainer presented Dr. Stuart Stevens with a Proclamation recognizing his achievements and service to Camden County.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Commissioner Rhodes made a motion, seconded by Vice-Chairman Herrin to approve the minutes of April 19, 2005.

The motion carried unanimously to approve the minutes of April 19, 2005.

REPORTS:

A. Calendar

The April/May 2005 calendar was read.

B. County Manager's Report:

County Manager Charles Akridge reported on the following:

- The newly created Emergency Management Agency Office countywide is located at the Kingsland Annex in the old Magistrate Office.
- The Community Development Block Grant Application in the amount of \$500,000.00 for the Ralph Bunche Complex was submitted on time to the Department of Community Affairs and we should know in August or September if the county receives this grant award.
- Next budget workshop will be May 9th at 5:00 p.m. at the Kingsland Annex. On the agenda is the Public Defender's Office, the newly created Emergency Management Agency and other issues.
- On May 11th at 10:00 a.m., the Department of Transportation out of Jessup will be in Camden County to discuss the State Transportation Improvement Program.
- On May 13th from 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. there will be a ribbon cutting ceremony and tour of the new maintenance facility on Godley Avenue.
- On May 17th during our regularly scheduled Board of Commissioners Meeting, there will be a public hearing on the proposed Dover Bluff fire station site.
- Correspondence was received from Comcast Cable stating that they and Time Warner Cable have entered into agreements to separately acquire substantially all the assets from the bankrupt Adelphia Cable System. This acquisition will not impact Camden County's service in any way.
- There were 38 new customer accounts established in Curbside Collection for the month of April and 26 new owner accounts were established due to the sticker program and 20 carts have been removed due to either vacancies or customers with two carts and not paying for the extra cart service.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Juanita Johnson

Ms. Johnson addressed the commissioners regarding a neighbor who is running water from his property onto her property. She stated that he has dug a 3 foot deep and approximately 1 ½ foot wide trench on the property causing the water from his property to drain directly onto her property.

Bob Becker

Mr. Becker addressed the Board of Commissioners and stated that he has been reading the papers and stated that never has a commission been so behind as this one. He stated that they have gutted the planning and zoning department of the county to the benefit of certain individuals and companies, and that they have failed to impose impact fees and have not said why. He stated that there have been four water studies done over the years at a cost to the county and each time it has been suggested that the county get into the water business and now a day late and a dollar short the commission is looking at this issue.

Paul Harris

Mr. Harris stated that he lives near Ms. Johnson, who spoke previously, and that this neighbor has encroached onto his property and has dug a trench on his property without permission.

Mark Boswell

Mr. Boswell stated that he has renovated Ms. Gertrude Proctor's house just across from the Bryan-Lang library and is renting it out as office space and wanted to give the county the opportunity of renting the space.

Peter McGoon

Mr. McGoon addressed the Board and stated that he was speaking for the Runnymede Homeowner's Association and that they would like to get Old Satilla Bluff Road and Halifax Road paved. He stated that these roads were on the SPLOST paving list in 1994 but they were taken off. He would like to have them put back on the paving list.

THIS CONCLUDED PUBLIC COMMENTS

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

A. Consideration of Approval for Emergency Management Agency Grants.

County Manager Charles Akridge stated that these grant applications were submitted under the umbrella of the Emergency Management Agency. They were funded, there are no matching funds, these are reimbursement grants that are funded at 100%. He stated that the first one was for \$32,000.00 for a decontamination shelter that will be assigned to the City of Kingsland and the other one is for \$24,000.00 for a radio interconnect which GEMA (which is the funding agency) will maintain possession of the equipment and cover it over eleven counties. Mr. Akridge stated that the grants will be managed through the Emergency Management Agency Director's Office through coordination with his office.

Commissioner Feller made a motion to approve the Emergency Management Agency Grants in the amounts of \$32,000.00 for a decontamination shelter and \$24,000.00 for a radio interconnect, seconded by Commissioner Rhodes.

The motion carried unanimously to approve the Emergency Management Agency Grants in the amounts of \$32,000.00 for a decontamination shelter and \$24,000.00 for a radio interconnect.

B. Consideration of Approval of Mutual Aid Agreement between Camden County Fire & Rescue and Glynn County Fire Department.

Commissioner Rhodes made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Feller to approve the Mutual Aid Agreement between Camden County Fire & Rescue and Glynn County Fire Department.

The motion carried unanimously to nominate approve the Mutual Aid Agreement between Camden County Fire & Rescue and Glynn County Fire Department.

C. Consideration of Appointment of Ms. Janice Casey to the Bryan-Lang Library Board to replace Mrs. Catherine Adams.

Commissioner Rhodes made a motion, seconded by Chairman Rainer to appoint Janice Casey to the Bryan-Lang Library Board.

The motion carried unanimously to appoint Janice Casey to the Bryan-Lang Library Board.

D. Consideration of approval of Borrow Pit Lease between Camden County and Henry and Judy Cooler.

Commissioner Rhodes made a motion, seconded by Vice-Chairman Herrin to approve the borrow pit lease between Camden County and Henry and Judy Cooler.

The motion carried unanimously to approve the borrow pit lease between Camden County and Henry and Judy Cooler.

E. Consideration of Approval of Surplus Equipment.

Chairman Feller made a motion, seconded by Vice-Chairman Herrin to approve the surplus equipment

The motion carried unanimously to approve the surplus equipment.

F. Consideration of Approval of Revised List of Roadways for the Speed Limit Ordinance.

Commissioner Rhodes made a motion, seconded by Vice-Chairman Herrin to approve the Revised List of Roadways for the Speed Limit Ordinance.

The motion carried unanimously to approve the Revised List of Roadways for the Speed Limit Ordinance.

G. Appointment to the Board of Assessors.

Chairman Rainer made a motion, seconded by Vice-Chairman Herrin to appoint Dr. Edwin Davis to the Board of Assessors.

The motion carried unanimously to appoint Dr. Edwin Davis to the Board of Assessors.

H. Consideration of Tax Release Applications of:

- Liston Eugene Garling, Digest Year 2003, \$45.80;
- Liston Eugene Garling, Digest Year 2004, \$42.21;
- Liston Eugene Garling, Digest Year 2005, \$34.01;
- Patrick & Roxanne Clark, Digest Year 1006, Bill No. 3269, \$58.54;
- Patrick & Roxanne Clark, Digest Year 1997, Bill No. 3332, \$65.48;
- Patrick & Roxanne Clark, Digest Year 1998, Bill No. 3326, \$63.13;
- Franklin & Gayle Mesec, Digest Year 2004, Bill No. 13018, \$182.01;

- Robert Brazell, Digest Year 2004, Bill No. 2207, \$140.81;
- Unisite, Inc. c/o American Tower, Digest Year 2004, Bill No. 20586, \$2,232.27

Commissioner Feller made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Rhodes to approve the aforementioned tax release applications.

The motion carried unanimously to approve the aforementioned tax release applications.

I. Consideration of Reappointment of Mrs. Audrey Clark to the Camden County Board of Family and Children Services.

Commissioner Feller made a motion, seconded by Vice-Chairman Herrin to reappoint Mrs. Audrey Clark to the Camden County Board of Family and Children Services.

The motion carried unanimously to reappoint Mrs. Audrey Clark to the Camden County Board of Family and Children Services.

J. Consideration of Agreement between Camden County Board of Commissioners and the Camden County Public Library Board of Trustees.

Commissioner Rhodes made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Feller to approve the Agreement between the Camden County Board of Commissioners and the Camden County Public Library Board of Trustees.

The vote was unanimous to approve the Agreement between Camden County Board of Commissioners and the Camden County Public Library Board of Trustees.

- K. Consideration of Acceptance of Right-of-Way Deed from Everett and Margie Rogers for 2.09 acres located on Oakwell Road.**
- L. Consideration of Acceptance of Right-of-Way Deed from Dennis Wainright for 0.15 acres located on Oakwell Road.**
- M. Consideration of Acceptance of Right-of-Way Deed from Howard Davis, III representing “Davis and Son Enterprises” for 5.54 acres located on Oakwell Road.**
- N. Consideration of Acceptance of Right-of-Way Deed from T-Max One, L.P. for 4.21 acres located on Oakwell Road.**

Commissioner Feller made a motion, seconded by Chairman Rainer to accept the Right-of-Way Deeds as noted in Items 11 K, 11 L, 11 M, 11 N for acreage on Oakwell Road

The vote was unanimous to accept the aforementioned right-of-way deeds.

O. Discussion of Airport Relocation.

Commissioner Feller made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Rhodes to schedule a public hearing regarding the possible relocation of the St. Marys Airport on May 12, 2005 at 6:00 p.m. at the Recreation Center.

The vote was unanimous to schedule a public hearing regarding the possible relocation of the St. Marys Airport on May 12, 2005 at 6:00 p.m. at the Recreation Center.

P. Consideration of Mutual Aid Fire Fighting Assistance Agreement between Nassau County, Florida and Camden County, Georgia.

Commissioner Feller made a motion, seconded by Vice-Chairman Herrin to approve the Mutual Aid Fire Fighting Assistance Agreement between Nassau County, Florida and Camden County, Georgia.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion made by Commissioner Rhodes, seconded by Commissioner Feller to adjourn the May 3, 2005 meeting. The vote was unanimous to adjourn the meeting 6:37 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

David L. Rainer, Chairman

Diana Smith, Executive Assistant/Clerk