

**CAMDEN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING
TUESDAY, MARCH 21, 2006 6:00 PM
WOODBINE, GEORGIA**

A regular meeting of the Camden County Board of Commissioners was held on Tuesday, March 21, 2006, 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 Sanford Feller; Commissioner Stephen L. Berry; 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 that all Commissioners were present

AGENDA AMENDMENTS:

Chairman Rainer recommended the following amendments to the agenda:

Work Session following the Presentation requested by Commissioner Feller regarding a Planning Director.

The removal of Item E under New Business – Consideration of Request by Michael Romano for a Consumption on Premises of Spirituous Liquors, Malt Beverages and Wine License for The Hot Spot located at 5155 Hwy 40 East.

The addition of the following items under New Business:

- G. Consideration of Entering into a Contract with Evergreen Baptist Church to House Head Start and Daycare children until such time as the Ralph Bunche Complex is deemed safe for occupancy at a charge of \$2,800.00 per month.
- H. Consideration of Drainage Easement for Fred Maynard, 158 Richard's Court, Elliott's Plantation.
- I. Consideration of Quit Claim Deeds for Katie Lane.
- J. Resetting of Appeal Hearing regarding the Pat Smith Termination for April 4, 2006 at 5:00 p.m. in Woodbine.

Commissioner Feller made a motion, seconded by Vice-Chairman Herrin to approve the agenda amendments.

The vote was unanimous to approve the agenda amendments.

MOTION TO ADOPT THE AGENDA:

Commissioner Feller made a motion, seconded by Vice-Chairman Herrin and voted on unanimously to adopt the agenda as amended.

The motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Commissioner Rhodes made a motion, seconded by Vice-Chairman Herrin to approve the regular meeting minutes of March 7, 2006.

The vote was unanimous to approve the regular minutes of March 7, 2006.

PRESENTATION:

Proclamation Declaring April 8, 2006 Jeff Blackmon Day in Camden County

Chairman Rainer presented a Proclamation to Petty Officer 3rd Class Jeff Blackmon declaring April 8, 2006 a day in his honor. Jeff Blackmon who was serving in Operation Iraqi Freedom received severe injuries which left him a quadriplegic and unable to speak. Mr. Blackmon was honored for his service to his country.

WORK SESSION: PLANNING DIRECTOR – Commissioner Feller

Commissioner Feller stated that his discourse regarding Planning & Zoning has been cut short by a new addition to the staff, Loretta Riggins. He welcomed Loretta on board.

REPORTS:

A. Calendar

The March/April 2006 calendar was read.

B. County Manager's Report:

Chairman Rainer announced Loretta Riggins and the new Senior Planner and stated that they are feeling better and better about Planning & Building with her hiring.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Bob Noble

Mr. Noble, Executive Director of the JDA stated that they recently sold another parcel of property in the Industrial Park. This property will be a used oil recycling operation. This brings the total that JDA is sending to the Trustee of the Bond to \$1,323,011.67. This will go in the debt service bond.

Michael Romano

Mr. Romano addressed the Board and stated that he is the person who is applying for the liquor license for The Hot Spot. He stated that he has been on the docket several times and each time it has been pulled. He stated that the Sheriff's Office told him that he was clear to go. He asked what he needed to do to get this resolved.

Chairman Rainer stated that the Sheriff's Office has not given the Board clearance to proceed.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

A. Consideration of Resolution regarding county utility service.

Vice-Chairman Herrin made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Feller to schedule a work session to last as long as necessary separate from the regularly scheduled commissioners meeting regarding this issue, to have a professional consultant present to answer questions and provide information on the subject and to invite the mayors from Kingsland, St. Marys and Woodbine and the public to be present.

The vote was unanimous.

B. Consideration of Tax Releases for Open MRI of Camden, Inc. for Digest Year 2005, \$4,252.55 and Digest Year 2004, \$4,777.28.

Commissioner Feller made a motion, seconded by Vice-Chairman Herrin to approve the 2004 and 2005 tax releases for Open MRI of Camden, Inc.

The vote was unanimous.

C. Consideration of request by Fire & Rescue Chief Dennis Gailey for funding to purchase cardiac monitors.

Commissioner Rhodes made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Feller to purchase cardiac monitors for Fire & Rescue at a cost of \$120,350.00 which will save approximately \$73,500.00 by purchasing them now instead of during the next budget year.

The vote was unanimous.

- D. Consideration of request by Bluff Properties (#R-008-06) for rezoning of 3 acres from (MH) Mobile Home to (CG) Commercial General. The property is located on Price Road and is identified on tax/zoning map #125, parcel #14.**

Commissioner Feller made a motion, seconded by Vice-Chairman Herrin to approve the rezoning request of Bluff Properties of 3 acres from Mobile Home to Commercial General.

The vote was unanimous.

- E. Consideration of request by Michael Vincent Romano for a Consumption on Premises of Spirituous Liquors, Malt Beverages and Wine License for The Hot Spot located at 5155 Hwy 40 East.**

This item was removed from the agenda during agenda amendments.

- F. Consideration of request by Coastal Georgia RDC to partake in an initiative with other coastal counties to develop updated existing and proposed population projections.**

Commissioner Feller made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Rhodes to approve the Coastal Georgia RDC initiative at a cost of \$1,864.00 to Camden County.

The vote was unanimous.

- G. Consideration of entering into a contract with Evergreen Baptist Church to house Head Start and daycare children until such time as the Ralph Bunche Complex is deemed safe for occupancy.**

Commissioner Feller made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Rhodes to approve the contract to house Head Start and daycare children at Evergreen Baptist Church until the Ralph Bunche Complex is deemed safe at a cost of \$2,800.00 per month.

The vote was unanimous.

- H. Consideration of Drainage Easement for Fred Maynard, 158 Richard's Court, Elliott's Plantation.**

Commissioner Berry made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Feller to approve the drainage easement for Fred Maynard of 158 Richard's Court, Elliott's Plantation.

The vote was unanimous.

I. Consideration of Quit Claim Deeds for Katie Lane.

Chairman Rainer made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Feller to approve the Quit Claim Deeds for Katie Lane.

The vote was unanimous.

J. Resetting of Appeal Hearing regarding the termination of Pat Smith to April 4, 2006 at 5:00 p.m. in Woodbine.

Commissioner Feller made a motion, seconded by Vice-Chairman Herrin to reset the appeal hearing regarding the termination of Pat Smith for April 4, 2006 at 5:00 p.m. in Woodbine.

The motion was unanimous.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion made by Commissioner Feller, seconded by Vice-Chairman Herrin to adjourn the March 21, 2006 meeting. The vote was unanimous to adjourn the meeting 7:01 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

David L. Rainer, Chairman

Diana Smith, Executive Assistant/Clerk