

CHARLTON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES
THURSDAY, JANUARY 17, 2019
BOC CONFERENCE ROOM
6:00 P.M.

1/17/2019 - Minutes

1. CALL TO ORDER

Those present were: Chairman James Everett, along with Commissioners Alpha Benefield, Jesse Crews, and Luke Gowen; County Administrator John Adams; County Clerk Jenifer Nobles; HR Clerk Becky Harden; Attorney John Adams; and visitors as recorded hereafter.

2. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

Invocation and Pledge to the Flag was led by Chairman Everett.

3. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Commissioner Gowen made motion to approve January 17, 2019 Minutes. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Benefield, Board voted; motion carried unanimously.

4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Commissioner Gowen made motion to approve January 3, 2019 Minutes. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Crews, Board voted; motion carried unanimously.

5. FINANCIAL REPORT (SECOND MEETING)

Commissioner Crews made motion to approve Financial Report. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Gowen, Board voted; motion carried unanimously.

6. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF E&R SPREADSHEET

Commissioner Crews made motion to approve E&R Spreadsheet. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Benefield, Board voted; motion carried unanimously. Spreadsheet becomes integral part of Minutes.

7. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF LIAISON APPOINTMENTS

Commissioner Gowen made motion to approve 2019 Liaison Appointments as follows:

Southern GA Regional Commission - Commissioner Everett

Health Board - Commissioner Benefield

Fire Board - Commissioner Crews

St. Marys River Mgt Committee - Commissioners Benefield and Everett

Library Board - Commissioners Gowen and Benefield

Development Authority - Commissioner Gowen

Airport Authority - Commissioner Benefield

Chamber - Commissioners Gowen and Everett

Budget Committee - Commissioners Benefield, Gowen and Everett

Recreation Board - Commissioner Crews

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Benefield, Board voted; motion carried unanimously.

8. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF BOARD APPOINTMENTS

Commissioner Gowen made motion to approve the following Board appointments:

Airport - Will Phillips - 12/31/2018 - 12/31/2022 - 4 year terms

Steve McQueen - 12/31/2018 - 12/31/2022

Board of Assessor - Michael Crews - 12/31/2018 - 12/31/2024 - 6 year term

Board of Elections - Teresa Hamilton - 12/31/2018 - 12/31/2022 - 4 year terms

Richard Booker - 12/31/2018 - 12/31/2022 -

Development Authority - Andy Gowen - 12/31/2018 - 12/31/2022 - 4 year terms

DEFACS Board - Brenda Gowen - 12/31/2018 - 12/31/2023 - 5 year terms

Fire Board - Jesse Crews - 12/31/2018 - 12/31/2019 - 1 year term

Library Board - Mary Kay Lindquist - 12/31/2018 - 12/31/2021 - 3 year terms

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Crews, Board voted; motion carried unanimously.

9. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION - INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT - SPLOST DISTRIBUTION

Commissioner Gowen made motion to approve Resolution Authorizing Execution of the Intergovernmental Agreement between Charlton County and the Municipalities of Folkston and Homeland, Concerning a County One Percent Special Purpose Local Sales and Use Tax; Repealing Prior Resolutions in Conflict; and for Other Purposes. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Crews, Board voted; motion carried unanimously. Resolution becomes integral part of Minutes.

10. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION - CALL FOR ELECTION - SPLOST REFERENDUM

Commissioner Crews made motion to approve Resolution Imposing A County One Percent Sales and Use Tax as Authorized; Specifying the Purposes for Which the Proceeds are to be used; Specifying the Period of Time for which such Tax are to be Used; Specifying the Estimated Costs of the Project to be Funded from the Proceeds; Requesting the Board of Elections and Registration to Call an Election of the Voters of Charlton County; and Approving the Form of Ballot to be used in such and Election; and for Other Purposes. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Benefield, Board voted; motion carried unanimously Resolution becomes integral part of Minutes.

11. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF MONTHLY LEASE PAYMENT OF 930M AND 323 TO BE PAID FROM T SPLOST

Commissioner Benefield made motion to approve monthly lease payments of 930 M and 323 to be paid from T SPLOST (2 pieces of road department equipment totaling \$1,623.21 per month); then, if 2020 SPLOST referendum is approved, payments will be paid with SPLOST funds. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Crews, Board voted; motion carried unanimously.

12. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF MOVING \$700,000.00 FROM RESERVE TO VARIOUS CD'S

Commissioner Gowen made motion to approve moving \$70,000.00 from reserve to various CD's. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Crews, Board voted; motion carried unanimously.

13. CONSIDER MOVING \$750,000.00 FROM GENERAL FUND TO CD'S
Commissioner Gowen made motion to move \$750,000.00 from general fund to CD's. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Crews, Board voted; motion carried unanimously.
14. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF PURCHASE ORDER REQUEST - SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT
Commissioner Benefield made motion to approve purchase order for the Sheriff's Department for two (2) - 2019 Dodge Chargers Patrol Units from Woody Folsom for \$45,550.00; to be paid with SPLOST funds. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Gowen; Board voted; motion carried unanimously.
15. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF PURCHASE ORDER REQUEST - SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT
Commissioner Gowen made motion to approve purchase order request from the Sheriff's Department for \$23,859.50 for equipment to be used on the two (2) 2019 Dodge Chargers Patrol Units, from McLaggan Communications & Radar Services; and paid with SPLOST funds. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Crews, Board voted; motion carried unanimously.
16. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF INVOICE FOR MICHAEL BAKER INTERNATIONAL - \$8,123.63
Commissioner Crews made motion to approve payment of invoice for Michael Baker International for \$8,123.63. for airfield electrical improvements; to be paid with SPLOST funds. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Benefield, Board voted; motion carried unanimously.
17. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION - NINE POINT WATERSHED PLAN FOR SPANISH CREEK
Commissioner Crews made motion to approve Resolution supporting Coastal Incentive Grant funds to write a Nine Point Watershed Plan for Spanish Creek. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Benefield, Board voted; motion carried unanimously. Resolution becomes integral part of Minutes.
18. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF APPLYING FOR HAZARD MITIGATION GRANT FOR REFORESTATION - WEST MIMS
Commissioner Gowen made motion to approve application to apply for Hazard Mitigation Grant for Reforestation, due to West Mims Fire. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Benefield, Board voted; all voting yes, except Commissioner Crews who abstained; due to conflict of interest. Motion carried.
19. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF CHARLTON COUNTY EMERGENCY MGT INTEGRATED PUBLIC ALERT AND WARNING SYSTEM (IPAWS) PLAN
Commissioner Crews made motion to table approval of Charlton County Emergency Management Integrated Public Alert and Warning System Plan (IPAWS). Motion was seconded by Commissioner Gowen, Board voted; motion carried unanimously.
20. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF GEO MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING - MUTUAL AID SERVICES
Commissioner Gowen made motion to approve GEO Memorandum of Understanding - Mutual Aid Services Agreement, including Attorney Adams comments added on page 2 of Agreement. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Benefield, Board voted; motion carried unanimously. Agreement becomes integral part of Minutes.
21. DECLARE NO CONFLICT OF INTEREST FOR CDBG
Commissioner Gowen made motion to table decision to declare no conflict of interest for CDBG. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Crews, Board voted; motion carried unanimously.
22. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF APPLICATION FOR USE OF AUDITORIUM
Commissioner Benefield made motion to approve application of P3 Dance Studio to use Auditorium on May 31, 2019 and June 1, 2019 for Dance Production. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Crews, Board voted; motion carried unanimously.
23. ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF WELLNESS REPORTS
The Board acknowledged receipt of Wellness Reports for November and December, 2018.
24. PUBLIC COMMENTS: (PLEASE LIMIT TO 3 MINUTES)

25. COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS

Commissioner Benefield expressed appreciation for prayers concerning her family.

26. EXECUTIVE SESSION (IF REQUIRED)

Commissioner Benefield made motion to enter executive session at 6:30 p.m. to discuss pending litigation and real estate. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Gowen, Board voted; motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Everett declared meeting open at 7:00 p.m. and stated that pending litigation and real estate was discussed in executive session and no action was taken.

27. NEXT BOC MEETING, 6:00 P.M., THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2019 - BOC CONFERENCE ROOM

28. ADJOURN

Commissioner Benefield made motion to adjourn meeting at 7:00 p.m. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Gowen, Board voted; motion carried unanimously.

James E. Everett, Chairman

Jenifer Nobles, County Clerk