WHITE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING HELD

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2017 AT 4:30 P.M.

The White County Board of Commissioners held a Regular Meeting on Monday, November 6, 2017 at 4:30 p.m. in the Board Room at the White County Administration Building. Present for the meeting were: Chairman Travis Turner, Commissioner Terry Goodger, Commissioner Lyn Holcomb, Commissioner Edwin Nix, Commissioner Craig Bryant, County Manager Michael Melton, Finance Director Vicki Mays, and County Clerk Shanda Murphy.

Chairman Turner called the meeting to order.

Following the Pledge of Allegiance, Pastor Stephen Martin of the Cleveland Worship Center and the White County Ministerial Alliance provided the invocation.

Upon a motion made by Commissioner Bryant, seconded by Commissioner Goodger there was a unanimous vote to adopt the minutes of the August 28, 2017 Work Session & Regular Meeting, the August 29, 2017 Yonah Preserve Planning Meeting, the September 6, 2017 Called Meeting, the September 25, 2017 Yonah Preserve Planning Meeting, Public Hearing, Work Session & Called Meeting, the October 10, 2017 Called Meeting, the October 17, 2017 Called Meeting, and the October 30, 2017 Work Session.

A proclamation was presented to the White County Chamber of Commerce Agribusiness Committee in recognition of White County Farm-City Week November 17-23, 2017.

A certificate of appreciation was presented to Ms. Vicki Mays on the occasion of her retirement following 16 years of service.

Mr. Clay Pilgrim, Rushton & Company, presented the Fiscal Year 2017 Financial Audit Report (see attached).

Mr. Kevin Hamby, SPLOST Manager, presented the monthly SPLOST Status Report (see attached).

The Board provided direction to proceed with paving the northern section of Mauldin Road this year – due to more extensive preparation work being required on the southern section, which would not be ready for paving this year. Mr. Dave Cangemi, Director of Public Works, stated that he had spoken with the paving contractor (Stratton) and they would not be able to do the paving until after Thanksgiving due to other projects they are currently on.

Mr. Hamby provided a brief update on the Yonah Preserve Project, stating that documents are in the process of being finalized for the project to be put out for bid within two (2) weeks with the goal to bring the bids received back before the Board prior to the Christmas Holidays. Chairman Turner emphasized the Board’s direction to be able to award the project prior to the Christmas Holidays. Mr. Hamby stated that everyone involved was doing all they could to meet this desired timeline. It was noted that the Georgia Department of Natural Resources (DNR) has approved the clearing plan for Yonah Preserve and the clearing would be part of the construction contract.
Upon a motion made by Commissioner Holcomb, seconded by Commissioner Goodger the following Consent Agenda items were approved:

- Renewal of the Parks and Recreation Concessionaire Agreement with Complete Comfort, Inc. (Mr. Dennis Wiley) for a two (2) year period to expire November 2019.
- Ratification of the contract for debris removal and disposal with Southern Disaster Recovery, LLC and the debris staging area agreement with CWC10, LLC.
- Adoption of the following resolution of amendment to the White County Floodplain Management Ordinance to reference the updated Flood Insurance Study and Flood Insurance Rate Maps, effective January 5, 2018:

WHITE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

RESOLUTION NO. 2017-18

REVISING CHAPTER 30 (ENVIRONMENT), ARTICLE IV (FLOOD DAMAGE PREVENTION), SECTION 30-122 (GENERAL PROVISIONS) OF THE OFFICIAL CODE OF WHITE COUNTY

A RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the White County Board of Commissioners wishes to amend Chapter 30 of the Official Code of White County; and

WHEREAS, these amendment of Chapter 30 will update the Official Code of White County to reflect the most recent Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Flood Insurance Study within the County.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Official Code of White County be amended as follows:

All other rules, regulations, definitions, etc. contained in said Official Code of White County, not herein amended or deleted, shall remain in full force and effect.

ADOPTED, this the 6th day of November, 2017.

WHITE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

s/Travis C. Turner
Travis C. Turner, Chairman

s/Terry D. Goodger
Terry D. Goodger, District 1

s/Lyn Holcomb
Lyn Holcomb, District 2

s/Edwin Nix
Edwin Nix, District 3

s/Craig Bryant
Craig Bryant, District 4

Attest: s/Shanda Murphy
Shanda Murphy, County Clerk
Sec. 30-122. - General provisions.
(a) Lands to which this article applies. This article shall apply to all areas of special flood hazard within the jurisdiction of the county.
(b) Basis for area of special flood hazard. The areas of special flood hazard identified by the Federal Emergency Management Agency in its flood insurance study (FIS), dated October 18, 2002, January 5, 2018 with accompanying maps and other supporting data and any revision thereto, are adopted by reference and declared a part of this article.
Areas of special flood hazard may also include those areas known to have flooded historically or defined through standard engineering analysis by governmental agencies or private parties but not yet incorporated in a FIS.

- Reappointment (by resolution) of Mr. Warren Glover to the Board of Assessors for a three (3) year term to expire December 31, 2020:

WHITE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

COUNTY RESOLUTION NO. 2017-18

A RESOLUTION FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE
WHITE COUNTY BOARD OF ASSESSORS

WHEREAS, the term of a current appointee to the Board of Assessors will be expiring on December 31, 2017; and

WHEREAS, members of the Board of Assessors are appointed for fixed terms by the Board of Commissioners pursuant to State Law; and

WHEREAS, appointees to the Board of Assessors serve a term of three (3) years;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the White County Board of Commissioners reappoints Warren Glover to the White County Board of Assessors with this term of office to begin on January 1, 2018 and to expire on December 31, 2020.

RESOLVED this 6th day of November, 2017.

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s/Travis C. Turner
Travis C. Turner, Chairman
s/Terry D. Goodger
Terry D. Goodger, District 1
s/Lyn Holcomb
Lyn Holcomb, District 2
s/Edwin Nix
Edwin Nix, District 3
s/Craig Bryant
Craig Bryant, District 4
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Attest: s/Shanda Murphy  
Shanda Murphy, County Clerk

- Appointment if Ms. Susan D’Abate to the White County Library Board for a four (4) year term to expire December 31, 2021.

-End of Consent Agenda-

Upon a motion made by Commissioner Goodger, seconded by Commissioner Nix there was a unanimous vote to deny the land use application filed by Mr. Felix Love requesting a conditional use permit at 55 Mill Creek Trail Cleveland, Georgia 30528, Tax Map & Parcel 018-011, total acreage 2.75, and proposed use being to place a single family residence in a “For Rent by Owner” Program, with the current land use classification being R1, Residential Single Family District.

Upon a motion made by Commissioner Holcomb, seconded by Commissioner Bryant there was a unanimous vote to approve the land use application filed by Mr. Jason Chesser and Ms. Sonya Chesser to redistrict property located at 2836 Skitts Mountain Road Cleveland, Georgia 30528 from C1 Community Commercial District to R1 Residential Single Family, Tax Map & Parcel #065-097, total acreage 8.24, with the current land use classification being C1, Community Commercial District.

Mr. Dave Cangemi presented three (3) quotes for a 2017 Kubota Tractor for the White County Road Department – with all three (3) quotes being at or below state contract pricing.

Upon a motion made by Commissioner Nix, seconded by Commissioner Bryant there was a unanimous vote to approve the purchase of a 2017 Kubota Tractor (M7060-HDC12) with a Land Pride RCF3660 – 60” rotary pull type mower at the price of $40,184.00 from Mason Tractor with the cost to be paid from the 2014 SPLOST Account.

Upon a motion made by Commissioner Bryant, seconded by Commissioner Nix there was a unanimous to reappoint the following members to the White County Building Authority:
  - Mr. Larry Freeman for a three (3) year term to expire December 31, 2020;
  - Commissioner Terry Goodger for a two (2) year term to expire December 31, 2019;
  - Mr. Mully Ash for a two (2) year term to expire December 31, 2019; and
  - Mr. Marc Greene for a one (1) year term to expire December 31, 2018.

With the appointments listed above, one position for a three (3) year term remained open – which would be advertised and applicants would be brought back before the Board of Commissioners at a later date.

Ms. Vicki Mays, Finance Director, presented the monthly Financial Status Report (see attached).

Mr. David Murphy, Director of Public Safety provided an update on the Yonah Preserve Trails clearing – related to storm debris from Hurricane Irma. He stated that now that the debris clearing from county roads and rights of way was mostly complete, White County CERT volunteers and local SORBA volunteers would be beginning the trail clearing process. He noted that volunteer chainsaw crews would be cutting and tossing the debris into the wooded areas.
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Commissioner Bryant asked that Mr. Melton evaluate the access road in front of the Health Department – as the Health Department had requested a stop sign or a speed bump be considered due to traffic concerns.

Commissioner Nix stated that he had been approached by someone wanting to access the Yonah Preserve property in order to evaluate the condition of any hemlock trees on the property. He would be referring the individual who worked with the “Save the Hemlocks” organization to speak with Mr. Melton. Commissioner Bryant asked that any liability concerns be addressed.

Chairman Turner opened the floor for public participation – there were no public comments.

Upon a motion made by Commissioner Holcomb, seconded by Commissioner Goodger there was a unanimous vote to enter into Executive Session in order to discuss personnel.

-See The Following Closed Meeting Affidavit-

Upon a motion made by Commissioner, Nix, seconded by Commissioner Goodger there was a unanimous vote to exit Executive Session.

Upon a motion made by Commissioner Goodger, seconded by Commissioner Bryant there was a unanimous vote to adjourn the meeting.

The minutes of the November 6, 2017 Regular Meeting are hereby approved as stated this 27th day of November, 2017.

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s/Travis C. Turner
Travis C. Turner, Chairman

s/Terry D. Goodger
Terry D. Goodger, District 1

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