WHITE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

MINUTES OF THE WORK SESSION HELD

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 2015 AT 4:30 P.M.

The purpose of the work session is to discuss agenda items for the Regular Meeting to be held Monday, December 7, 2015 at 4:30 p.m.

The White County Board of Commissioners held a Work Session on Monday, November 30, 2015 at 4:30 p.m. in the Board Room at the White County Administration Building. Present at 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.

DISCUSS BLACK BEAR TREATMENT CENTER'S APPLICATION TO REDISTRICT THE PROPERTIES (A TOTAL OF 51.388 ACRES) AT 310 BLACK BEAR RIDGE SAUTEE-NACOOCHEE, GA FROM R1 RESIDENTIAL SINGLE FAMILY, R3 RESIDENTIAL SEASONAL DISTRICT, AND C1 COMMUNITY COMMERCIAL DISTRICT TO PD PLANNED DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT.

Mr. Tom O'Bryant, Director of Community & Economic Development reviewed Black Bear Treatment Center's application for redistricting. He detailed the required procedure and the Planning Commission's recommendation to approve the petition.

There was a consensus that this item would be placed on the December 7, 2015 meeting agenda along with the Public Hearing as advertised.

Chairman Turner asked for land use re-classification public hearings to be scheduled during Work Sessions going forward.

DISCUSS THE SAUTEE NACOOCHEE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION'S REQUEST FOR A RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT TO CALL THE NACOOCHEE VALLEY AND SAUTEE VALLEY HISTORIC DISTRICTS "SAUTEE-NACOOCHEE ARTS AND HERITAGE DISTRICT" FOR MARKETING PURPOSES AND THAT SPECIFIED PROJECTS FOR THE DISTRICT BE INCLUDED IN THE COUNTY'S ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PLAN.

Ms. Helen Hardman and Mr. Gordon Fowler presented this request to the Board of Commissioners along with a proposed resolution.

There was a consensus of the board that this item would be placed on the consent agenda at the December 7, 2015 Regular Meeting.

DISCUSS THE REQUEST FOR PURCHASE OF EASY VOTE SOFTWARE.

A demonstration was set up prior to the meeting for the Commissioners to view in order to see how the software functioned. Elections Superintendent Garrison Baker stated the program would November 30, 2015 – Work Session Minutes (continued)

be utilized during advanced / early voting and would make the processing of voters much more efficient. He stated that he would meet with Mr. Melton prior to the December 7, 2015 meeting in order to discuss possible funding.

There was a consensus of the Board that this item would be placed on the voting agenda at the December 7, 2015 Regular Meeting.

DISCUSS ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION OF COMMITMENT FOR YONAH PRESERVE PHASE II RECREATIONAL TRAILS PROGRAM (RTP) GRANT APPLICATION THROUGH THE GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES.

Mr. Woody Wood of SORBA presented the recreation trails grant information to the Board for multi-use trails planned for Yonah Preserve. He indicated that the grant would be used for Phase II as Phase I funds were awarded a short time ago. He said the grant amount was up to \$100,000.00 and did require a 20% local match as detailed in the commitment resolution.

There was a consensus of the Board that this item would be placed on the consent agenda at the December 7, 2015 Regular Meeting.

DISCUSS REVIEWING THE CURRENT SERVICE DELIVERY STRATEGY AS REQUIRED BY LAW IN CONNECTION WITH THE UPDATING OF THE COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE PLAN IN ORDER TO MAINTAIN WHITE COUNTY'S QUALIFIED LOCAL GOVERNMENT STATUS.

Mr. Tom O'Bryant, Director of Community and Economic Development explained the Service Deliver Strategy requirements in connection with the update of the County's Comprehensive Work Plan. He advised the Board that the best option with the current deadlines was to extend the current Service Delivery Strategy.

There was a consensus of the Board that this item would be placed on the consent agenda at the December 7, 2015 Regular Meeting.

DISCUSS THE 2016 LOCAL MAINTENANCE & IMPROVEMENT GRANT (LMIG) PROJECT SUBMISSION TO THE GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (GDOT).

Mr. Terry Palmer, Director of Public Works, stated that the proposed project for the 2016 LMIG was Bridge Work on Webster Lake Road and the resurfacing of Webster Lake Road from Hwy 254 to 100 feet past the bridge. He advised that White County's 2016 LMIG funding would be \$292,698.25 – with the total proposed project being estimated at \$405,101.45 (county's portion being \$112,430.20).

There was a consensus of the Board that this item would be placed on the consent agenda at the December 7, 2015 Regular Meeting.

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DISCUSS RENEWAL OF A \$169,500.00 CERTIFICATE OF DEPOSIT CURRENTLY HELD AT UNITED COMMUNITY BANK.

Ms. Vicki Mays, Finance Director, presented the only bid received – United Community Bank for a twelve (12) month term at .15% interest.

There was a consensus of the Board that this item would be placed on the consent agenda at the December 7, 2015 Regular Meeting.

DISCUSS UPCOMING YEAR END BOARD APPOINTMENTS:

- WHITE COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH: 1 APPOINTMENT / SIX YEAR TERM / 01/01/2016 THROUGH 12/31/2021;
- WHITE COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION: 3 APPOINTMENTS / THREE YEAR TERM / 01/01/2016 THROUGH 12/31/2018;
- WHITE COUNTY YMCA: 1 APPOINTMENT / 1 YEAR TERM / 01/01/2016 THROUGH 12/31/2016;
- WHITE COUNTY BOARD OF ASSESSORS: 1 APPOINTMENT / THREE YEAR TERM / 01/01/2016 THROUGH 12/31/2018; AND
- WHITE COUNTY BUILDING AUTHORITY: 2 APPOINTMENTS / (1) 2 YEAR TERM & (1) 1 YEAR TERM / 01/01/2016 THROUGH 12/31/2017 & 01/01/2016 THROUGH 12/31/2016.

The Board discussed their support for all reappointments listed – with the only opening which could not be filled by reappointment being the White County Board of Health. Commissioner Bryant stated that he would be willing to fill that appointment.

There was a consensus of the Board that this item would be placed on the consent agenda at the December 7, 2015 Regular Meeting.

REVIEW THE AGENDA FOR THE DECEMBER 7, 2015 PUBLIC HEARING & REGULAR MEETING.

The agenda for December 7, 2015 Regular Meeting and Public Hearing was reviewed and approved.

The Work Session was adjourned.

The minutes of the November 30, 2015 Work Session were approved as stated by the White County Board of Commissioners.

January 4, 2016

s/Shanda Murphy
Shanda Murphy, County Clerk