

WHITE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING HELD

MONDAY, MAY 2, 2016 AT 4:30 P.M.

On Monday, May 2, 2016 at 4:30 p.m. the White County Board of Commissioners held a Regular Meeting in the Board Room at the 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 Marc Turner 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 March 28, 2016 Work Session & Regular Meeting (Including Executive Session Minutes), the April 13, 2016 Called Meeting (Including Executive Session Minutes), the April 20, 2016 Budget Work Session, and the April 25, 2016 Work Session.

Upon a motion made by Commissioner Goodger, seconded by Commissioner Holcomb the following Consent Agenda items were unanimously approved:

- Approval of the purchase of vehicles for the White County Sheriff's Office from the Fiscal Year 2016 Budget (Department 290) – one (1) Ford Explorer at \$35,556.76 and one (1) Dodge Charger at \$31,194.72 from Jacky Jones Ford at State Contract Price;
- Approval of the Legacy Link Local Share Commitment Agreement for Fiscal Year 2017 for White County Senior Services in the amount of \$9,450.00;
- Approval of the purchase and associated budget amendment for maintenance tools from the Fiscal Year 2016 Contingency Fund in the amount of \$7,755.00;
- Approval of a surplus resolution for a 1999 John Deere Gator assigned to the White County YMCA to be sold on GovDeals; and
- Approval of White County Employee Retirement Plan Document revisions related to restatement required by The Internal Revenue Service (IRS) under the Pension Protection Act (PPA).

Chairman Turner summarized the proposed contract renewal with Northeast Georgia Health Systems for Emergency Medical Services (EMS) stating this was a three (3) year renewable agreement (FY 17 – FY 19), the cost was \$800,000.00 per year, one additional Advanced Life Support (ALS) ambulance would be added for 12 hours per day / 365 days per year, Northeast Georgia would replace two existing ambulances and the 1997 Ford Expedition quick response vehicle, and the transport fee structure would increase 1.5% each year for the three year period.

Upon a motion made by Commissioner Nix, seconded by Commissioner Bryant there was a unanimous vote to approve the White County Emergency Medical Services contract with Northeast Georgia Health Systems for a three (3) year renewable period at \$800,000.00 per year.

Upon a motion made by Commissioner Goodger, seconded by Commissioner Holcomb there was a unanimous vote to renew the lease of the building located at 122 North Main Street (Historic Jail / Chamber of Commerce Office) with the White County Development Authority for a term of twenty (20) years.

Chairman Turner summarized the options presented to the Board of Commissioners for renewal of White County Employee Health Benefits for the 2016-2017 Plan Year. He stated that Alliant (current insurer) had proposed a 9.51% decrease which would equal a savings of \$156,076.00.

Upon a motion made by Bryant, seconded by Commissioner Nix there was a unanimous vote to award the renewal of the 2016-2017 Employee Health Plan to Alliant at a total premium cost of \$1,739,224.00 (net \$1,484,500.00).

Mr. Melton presented the bids received on the Webster lake Road resurfacing project. He advised the low bidder was Allied Paving at \$503,508.25. He reminded the Board that the State was contributing \$292,698.25 in Local Maintenance and Improvement Grant (LMIG) funding – with would result in a \$210,810.00 cost of the county to be paid from 2014 SPLOST.

Upon a motion made by Commissioner Nix, seconded by Commissioner Holcomb there was a unanimous vote to award the contract for the Webster Lake Road resurfacing project to Allied Paving in the amount of \$503,508.25 with funding to be \$292,698.25 in LMIG funds and \$210,810.00 in 2014 SPLOST funds.

Upon a motion made by commissioner Nix, seconded by Commissioner Goodger there was a unanimous vote to adopt the following resolution, amending the White County Alcohol Ordinance:

WHITE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

ORDINANCE NO. 2016-05

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE OFFICIAL CODE OF WHITE COUNTY,
GEORGIA,
CHAPTER 6, ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES**

WHEREAS, the White County Board of Commissioners wishes to revise portions of the Official Code of White County as it relates to County Code Section 6-104, Retail Package Sales, Alcoholic Beverage regulations.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the County Commissioners of White County it is hereby resolved by authority of the same that the regulations be revised as follows.

The effective date of this amendment shall be May 2, 2016.

ADOPTED, this 2nd day of May, 2016.

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Attest:

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

s/Shanda Murphy
Shanda Murphy
County Clerk

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

DIVISION 3. - RETAIL PACKAGE SALES

Sec. 6-104. - License for retail package sales required. (Amendments)

- (6) Samples (tasting) of malt beverage or hard cider may be made available for those licensees holding a retail package sales license, but not for those licensees who offer for sale vehicular fuel.**

- (7) Sampling shall be conducted at a separate counter space. Such counter space area shall not constitute no more than ten (10) percent of the entire floor area of the premises.**

- (8) Sampling for customers provided in a sanitized glass or cup. Samples shall not exceed two ounces per glass, with no more than four (4) samples per customer within a calendar day.**

Upon a motion made by Commissioner Goodger, seconded by Commissioner Holcomb there was a unanimous vote to adopt the following resolution issuing a call for a voter referendum associated with sales of distilled spirits by the drink:

WHITE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

RESOLUTION NO. 2016-06

A RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the White County Board of Commissioners to represent and serve the citizens of White County, Georgia, and to govern White County in the best interest of those constituents;

AND WHEREAS, certain topics of concern have been brought to the attention of this Board, which topics will affect all the citizens of White County; and, it is the desire of this Board to allow the majority of the voters of White County to make the determination on those topics;

AND WHEREAS, Georgia Law requires for such matters to be presented to the citizens in the form of a referendum, the results of which would be binding on the local governing authority;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of Commissioners hereby officially resolves to submit the following questions to be presented to the voters of White County in the form of a referendum:

- Yes Shall the governing authority of White County be authorized to issue licenses to sell distilled spirits for beverage purposes by the drink, such sales to be for
- No consumption only on premises?

The White County Board of Commissioners further resolves that this resolution be forthwith delivered to the Superintendent of Elections in White County for the call of the referendum, which shall take place on November 8, 2016 and shall be conducted pursuant to the provisions of Georgia Law concerning such referendums.

ADOPTED, this 2nd day of May, 2016.

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

Attest: s/Shanda Murphy

Shanda Murphy, County Clerk

s/Edwin Nix
Edwin Nix, District 3

s/Craig Bryant
Craig Bryant, District 4

Upon a motion made by Commissioner Holcomb, seconded by Commissioner Bryant there was a unanimous vote to adopt the following resolution issuing a call for a voter referendum associated with Sunday Sales of distilled spirits or alcoholic beverages by the drink:

WHITE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

RESOLUTION NO. 2016-07

A RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the White County Board of Commissioners to represent and serve the citizens of White County, Georgia, and to govern White County in the best interest of those constituents;

AND WHEREAS, certain topics of concern have been brought to the attention of this Board, which topics will affect all the citizens of White County; and, it is the desire of this Board to allow the majority of the voters of White County to make the determination on those topics;

AND WHEREAS, Georgia Law requires for such matters to be presented to the citizens in the form of a referendum, the results of which would be binding on the local governing authority;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of Commissioners hereby officially resolves to submit the following questions to be presented to the voters of White County in the form of a referendum:

- Yes Shall the governing authority of White County be authorized to permit and regulate Sunday sales of distilled spirits or alcoholic beverages for beverage purposes by the drink?
- No

The White County Board of Commissioners further resolves that this resolution be forthwith delivered to the Superintendent of Elections in White County for the call of the referendum, which shall take place on November 8, 2016 and shall be conducted pursuant to the provisions of Georgia Law concerning such referendums.

ADOPTED, this 2nd day of May, 2016.

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

Upon a motion made by Commissioner Bryant, seconded by Commissioner Goodger there was a unanimous vote to adopt the following resolution issuing a call for a voter referendum associated with Sunday Package Sales of malt beverages and wine:

WHITE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

RESOLUTION NO. 2016-

A RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the White County Board of Commissioners to represent and serve the citizens of White County, Georgia, and to govern White County in the best interest of those constituents;

AND WHEREAS, certain topics of concern have been brought to the attention of this Board, which topics will affect all the citizens of White County; and, it is the desire of this Board to allow the majority of the voters of White County to make the determination on those topics;

AND WHEREAS, Georgia Law requires for such matters to be presented to the citizens in the form of a referendum, the results of which would be binding on the local governing authority;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of Commissioners hereby officially resolves to submit the following questions to be presented to the voters of White County in the form of a referendum:

- Yes Shall the governing authority of White County be authorized to permit and regulate package sales by retailers of both malt beverages and wine on Sundays
- No between the hours of 12:30 P.M. and 11:30 P.M.?

The White County Board of Commissioners further resolves that this resolution be forthwith delivered to the Superintendent of Elections in White County for the call of the referendum, which shall take place on November 8, 2016 and shall be conducted pursuant to the provisions of Georgia Law concerning such referendums.

ADOPTED, this 2nd day of May, 2016.

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

Ms. Dena Adams, Clerk of Court, was unable to attend the meeting due to court being in session; however Mr. Melton was advised to meet with Ms. Adams in order to get an update from her on the status of deposits from her office to the county.

Ms. Vicki Mays, Finance Director, presented the monthly financial status report (see attached).

Mr. Melton advised the Board that Tanker 5 at the Shoal Creek Fire Station was out of service due to the issue with the pump. He stated that the staff was working on possible options for repair or replacement which would be presented to the Board in the near future.

Chairman Turner advised the Board that a tentative date of May 17 at 8:00 a.m. had been set for the annual Enotah Judicial Circuit Budget Meeting.

Chairman Turner opened the floor for public participation.

Ms. Cindy Bailey, President of the White County Chamber of Commerce, updated the Board on chamber events. She presented a commercial clip which would be shown on Georgia Public Broadcasting promoting tourism in White County.

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Mr. David Barton who is running for the 8th District State House Seat introduced himself to the Board of Commissioners and stated that he would be honored to represent those with the 8th House District of White County.

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

The minutes of the May 2, 2016 Regular Meeting are hereby approved as stated this 6th day of June, 2016.

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

s/Shanda Murphy

Shanda Murphy, County Clerk