

Hart County Board of Commissioners
October 8, 2019
6:00 p.m.

Hart County Board of Commissioners met October 8, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. at Hart County Administrative & Emergency Services Center.

Vice Chairman Marshall Sayer presided with Commissioners R C Oglesby, Frankie Teasley and Ricky Carter in attendance. Chairman Joey Dorsey was delayed due to traffic.

1. Prayer

Prayer was offered by Vice Chairman Sayer.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Everyone stood in observance of the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Call to Order

Vice Chairman Sayer called the meeting to order.

4. Welcome

Vice Chairman Sayer welcomed those in attendance.

5. Approve Agenda

Commissioner Oglesby moved to amend and approve the agenda to include 15) Executive session/Litigation. Commissioner Teasley provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 4-0.

6. Approve Minutes

- 9/24/19

Commissioner Oglesby moved to approve the minutes of September 24, 2019 meeting. Commissioner Teasley provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 4-0.

7. Remarks By Invited Guests, Committees, Authorities

None

8. Reports By Constitutional Officers & Department Heads

Mr. Wayne Patrick, Hart County Tax Assessors' Quarterly Report

Chief Appraiser Patrick reported field process for 2019 is complete; appeal process with Board of Equalization is over; appeals from Tenneco, AT&T Mobility and Wal-Mart will go before a hearing officer; Juniper Court withdrew their appeal; 60 permits for mobile homes have been processed along with 240 building permits; training two staff members to review City of Hartwell; and transfers are up to date.

BOA Chairman David Thompson reported there were 843 sales in 2018 and currently 1,000 for 2019. Chief Appraiser Patrick reported land schedules will be adjusted to reflect sales, which will possibly increase the number of appeals next year.

Chairman Dorsey joined the meeting and apologized for his delay.

9. County Administrator's Report

County Administrator Terrell Partain reported Commissioner Teasley attended an ACCG Conference and was given information encouraging counties form a committee for the upcoming 2020 census; Carol Harvey has been working with GA. Mtns. RC for the past eight months in regards to the census.

Administrator Partain reported he is willing to pay tuition fees for up to 10 individuals to attend a ten-week Financial Wellness Class at Hart College and Career Academy starting October 10.

10. Chairman's Report September Financial Report

Chairman Dorsey presented year-end unaudited General Fund September Financial Report; he commended everyone involved with the county budget for their efforts to keep the budget within range.

11. Commissioners' Reports

Commissioner Teasley offered condolences to the family of Investigator Sherman Payne.

Commissioner Carter inquired about the status of Crossroads EMS Station.

Administrator Partain reported the base is down for the parking lot, network system is complete, waiting for the surveyor for the driveway and forward plans to DOT for approval.

Commissioner Carter inquired about the road pavement testing project. Administrator Partain responded Stratton has the project on the schedule.

Commissioner Carter inquired about use of tablets for the meetings. Administrator Partain responded he is testing one out before proceeding.

12. Old Business

- a) Amendment of Ordinance, Chapter 54 – Offences and Miscellaneous Provisions – Article II – Offences Against the Public Peace 54-32 – Prohibitions –(b) Disorderly Conduct, add (e) Obstructing, resisting public officers and employees (Second Reading)

Commissioner Teasley moved to adopt the second reading of the Amendment of Ordinance Chapter 54. Commissioner Oglesby provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

- b) Amendment of Ordinance, Chapter 31 – Floods (minor changes and adopting latest flood maps) (Required by FEMA) (Second Reading)

Commissioner Carter moved to adopt the second reading of the Amendment of Ordinance 31. Commissioner Teasley provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

- c) Closure of Long Point Park for winter, November 1st 2019 thru March 1st 2020

Commissioner Sayer moved to close Long Point Park annually from November 1st thru March 1st. Commissioner Oglesby provided a second to the motion.

Commissioner Carter expressed his concern for closing the park early or closing it all together.

Chairman Dorsey called for the vote. Motion carried 4-1 (Commissioner Carter opposed).

- d) Bid Opening Recreation Basketball Uniforms

Commissioner Sayer moved to defer the bids to County Administrator Partain and Recreation Director Owens for review and recommendation. Commissioner Carter provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

13. New Business

a) Surplus of two Motor Graders and Truck Mounted Snowplow (Road Department)

Commissioner Oglesby moved to declare two motor graders and truck mounted snowplow as surplus equipment and advertise the equipment through Gov.Deals. Commissioner Teasley provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

b) Purchase of Used Cat 420 Backhoe for Road Department

Commissioner Sayer moved to proceed with the purchase of a used Cat 420 Backhoe. Commissioner Teasley provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

c) Rotary Club Proposal for Phase II of Where We Play Playground

Administrator Partain explained the Rotary Club’s donation of \$38,000 has been set aside in escrow for Phase II playground equipment and; matching funds is in SPLOST Recreation budget. Rotary Club will purchase the equipment plus shipping charges, county will install the equipment and fencing.

Commissioner Sayer moved to match funds from the Rotary Club for Phase II of Where We Play Playground. Commissioner Carter provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

14. Public Comment

None

15. Executive Session – Litigation

Commissioner Oglesby moved to exit Executive Session to discuss litigation matters. Commissioner Teasley provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

Commissioner Oglesby moved to exit Executive Session and reconvene the regular meeting. Commissioner Teasley provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

16. Adjournment

Commissioner Oglesby moved to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Teasley provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

Joey Dorsey, Chairman

Lawana Kahn, County Clerk