Hart County Board of Commissioners

Tuesday March 14, 2017

 5:30 p.m.

1. PRAYER
2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
3. CALL TO ORDER
4. WELCOME
5. APPROVE AGENDA
6. APPROVE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING(S)
* 2/28/17 Regular Meeting
1. REMARKS BY INVITED GUESTS, COMMITTEES, AUTHORITIES
2. REPORTS BY CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICERS & DEPARTMENT HEADS
3. COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT

Stella Update

Comprehensive Plan Update

1. CHAIRMAN’S REPORT

Financial Report

1. COMMISSIONERS’ REPORTS
2. OLD BUSINESS
3. Ambulance Bid Award
4. Cost of Cutting Watershed Areas Discussion
5. NEW BUSINESS

a) Extension Service Salary Request

b) Board of Elections Training and Temp Employee Request

c) Chamber of Commerce Contract

d) Archway MOU Renewal

e) Use of Courthouse Grounds for Pre-4th Event

1. PUBLIC COMMENT
2. EXECUTIVE SESSION – Personnel
3. ADJOURNMENT

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March 14, 2017

5:30 p.m.

The Hart County Board of Commissioners met March 14, 2017 at 5:30 p.m. at the Hart County Administration and Emergency Services Center.

Chairman Joey Dorsey presided with Commissioners R C Oglesby, Frankie Teasley, Marshall Sayer and Ricky Carter in attendance.

1. Prayer

Prayer was offered by Commissioner Sayer.

1. Pledge of Allegiance

Everyone stood in observance of the Pledge of Allegiance.

1. Call to Order

Chairman Dorsey called the meeting to order.

1. Welcome

Chairman Dorsey welcomed those in attendance.

1. Approve Agenda

Commissioner Teasley moved to approve the meeting agenda. Commissioner Carter provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

1. Approve Minutes of Previous Meeting(s)
* 2/28/17 Regular Meeting

Commissioner Teasley moved to amend and approve the minutes of the February 28, 2017 meeting. Commissioner Sayer provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 4-0 (Commissioner Oglesby abstained).

1. Remarks By Invited Guests, Committees, Authorities

None

1. Reports by Constitutional Officers & Department Heads

County Attorney Walter Gordon reported the real estate transaction for Fire Station #10 will be complete once the plat is approved.

1. County Administrator’s Report

Stella Update

Comprehensive Plan Update

County Administrator Terrell Partain encouraged everyone to complete the survey on the county’s website in reference to the Stella Act and write a letter of support; three information gathering meetings were held for the Comprehensive Plan Update March 11; next scheduled Comp Plan meeting will be held April 18; and he encouraged everyone to complete a Comp Plan survey form by April 15.

1. Chairman’s Report

Financial Report

Chairman Dorsey presented a breakdown of the county’s general fund financial report as of the end of February; currently the county’s revenues are exceeding expenditures due mostly from real property tax revenues received during January and February; cautioned the BOC concerning a decrease in LOST revenues; March 15 is the last day to appeal mobile home values; March 25 is Little League Opening Day Ceremonies; and March 26 a bass tournament will be held on Lake Hartwell.

1. Commissioners’ Reports

Commissioner Carter thanked everyone that participated in the Comprehensive Plan meetings.

1. Old Business
2. Ambulance Bid Award

Commissioner Oglesby moved to authorize County Administrator Terrell Partain to negotiate and award the ambulance bid to Emergency Vehicle Sales of Elberton. Commissioner Teasley provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

1. Cost of Cutting Watershed Areas Discussion

County Administrator Partain explained the total cost including labor per cut for the watersheds averaged $1,470.

No official action was taken.

1. New Business
2. Extension Service Salary Request

Extension Coordinator Brandi Shiflet explained currently the county provides 35% of the annual salary for the Agricultural & Natural Resources Agent. However, she along with the District Director are seeking a replacement for Josh Halpin with a master’s degree which would increase the county’s portion to 37% of the annual salary.

Chairman Dorsey questioned why the University does not take care of the increase and was not in favor of increasing the county’s portion from $15,000 to $18,000 plus benefits. Mrs. Shiflet responded the University has an MOU with Hart County for funding part of their salaries.

Chairman Dorsey moved to table the issue and discuss with the District Director. Commissioner Sayer provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

1. Board of Elections Training and Temp Employee Request

Board of Elections/Registration Chair Garry Hamilton requested additional travel/training funds for the newly appointed board member and temporary labor to fill in during the times the Elections Coordinator is out of the office.

Chairman Dorsey moved to amend the Elections Training and Temp Employee line items by $2,000 from general fund contingencies. Commissioner Sayer provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

1. Chamber of Commerce Contract

County Attorney Gordon drafted an agreement with the Chamber of Commerce to automatically renew annually. He will present the agreement to the Chamber and the Industrial Building Authority for review.

No official action was taken.

1. Archway MOU Renewal

Archway liaison Anna Strickland reported the Archway program has assisted with 150 projects during the last eight years in Hart County.

Commissioner Oglesby moved to renew the Archway MOU effective July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018. Commissioner Teasley provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

1. Use of Courthouse Grounds for Pre-4th Event

Commissioner Oglesby moved to grant the Junior Service League use of the courthouse grounds for the annual Pre-4th Event. Commissioner Sayer provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

1. Public Comment

None

1. Executive Session – Personnel

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

With no further action taken during Executive Session, Commissioner Oglesby moved to reconvene the regular meeting. Commissioner Teasley provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

1. Adjournment

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

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Joey Dorsey, Chairman Lawana Kahn, County Clerk

