

MINUTES
LIBERTY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MID-MONTH MEETING
July 21, 2011

1. The meeting was called to order by Chairman McIver with all Commissioners present except for Commissioner Stevens.
2. The Chairman certified compliance with the Georgia Open Meetings Act.
3. Prayer was offered by Chairman McIver followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.
4. Chairman McIver made a presentation of funds to designated entities that were awarded grants from the SPLOST historical/cultural funds and presented each with a ceremonial check. Chairman McIver thanked them for their continued dedication to historical/cultural activities in the County.
5. Departmental Reports:
 - a. Ms. Kim McGlothlin, CFO, presented the monthly report of the Finance Department. Ms. McGlothlin advised that the department was still working on final close out procedures for FY 2011.
 - b. Mr. Clenton Wells, Public Works Superintendent, appeared before the Board to advise them that there would be a demonstration on Sunshine Lake Road on July 27th of an asphalt zipper and invited the Board to the demonstration.
 - c. Mr. Trent Long, County Engineer, appeared before the Board to update them on several projects underway including signage for the transfer station and public works department, status of bids for Spenser Gaulden and Oak Hampton Roads, NPDES annual reports, and the transfer station office building.
6. Chairman McIver presented Geechee Kunda with a ceremonial check from the SPLOST historical/cultural funds since they were not present when the other entities received theirs earlier.
7. Mr. Rusty McCall, of McCall Associates, appeared before the Board to review a proposed floor plan for Liberty County Animal Shelter. Mr. McCall answered questions from the Board including water & sewer availability, time for construction, and storm water retention. Chairman McIver asked all Board members to please review the plans so that the project could proceed to construction drawings.
8. Mr. Rusty McCall, Sr., appeared before the Board to present an overview associated with the West Side Fire Station and discussed specifics of construction of the building. Chairman McIver advised that the west side fire station consideration of proposals would be held at the August meeting.

Commissioner Stevens joined the meeting.
9. Mr. David Holton, of Buckley Associates, appeared before the Board to present final review of plans for the East End Community Center. Mr. Holton advised that they would be ready to move forward with accepting proposals once Gateway review was complete by the City of Midway. The Board authorized Mr. Holton to move forward with obtaining proposals with the project once this aspect was complete.
10. Ms. Tres Hamilton, of the Coastal Georgia Community Action Authority, appeared before the Board to present an overview of programs offered by CGCAA and answered questions from the Board.

Commissioner Thrift was excused from the meeting.

11. The Board reviewed a preliminary lease agreement with the Hinesville Area Arts Council for the lease of space at the old Voter's Registration Office. The Chairman asked for the Board to forward any comments it may have on proposed lease to the County Administrator in advance of the August meeting.
12. The Board reviewed a preliminary draft of a lease agreement with Liberty Independent Troop Corporation. Mr. Wayne Stewart of Liberty Independent Troop spoke to the Board briefly about lease renewal and asked that the proposed lease not incorporate a 40-year time period. The Chairman asked for the Board to furnish any comments it may have on proposed lease to the County Administrator in advance of the August meeting.
13. Administrative Report
 - a. The County Administrator briefed the Board on discussions underway with the Board of Education concerning the use of borrow material from a pit at the old airport site. The County Administrator informed the Board that the Board of Education had agreed to pay \$3.00 per cubic yard of material removed and in return the Board of Commissioners would construct a fence at the location. The Board approved moving forward with the drafting of an agreement under these stipulations.
 - b. The County Administrator informed the Board that the County had been awarded another health promotion and Wellness Incentive Grant in the amount of \$3,500.00 from ACCG.
 - c. The County Administrator asked the Board to look at certain weathering conditions that were occurring on the annex building involving front columns and windows.
14. A motion was made by Commissioner Lovette, seconded by Commissioner Gilliard, to adjourn the meeting with all Commissioners present voting in favor of the motion.

SIGNED:

John D. McIver, Chairman

Marion Stevens, Sr., Vice Chairman

Donald L. Lovette, Commissioner

Connie Thrift, Commissioner

Pat Bowen, Commissioner

Gary Gilliard, Commissioner

Eddie J. Walden, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Joseph W. Brown
County Administrator