

Baldwin County Commissioners
Regular Meeting
April 17, 2007
6:30 p.m.

The Regular Meeting of the Baldwin County Commissioners was held Tuesday, April 17, 2007, at 6:30 p.m., Baldwin County Courthouse, Suite 319, 121 North Wilkinson Street, Milledgeville, Georgia, with Chairman Dale Epps, Sr. presiding.

Members Present: Dale Epps, Sr.
Bobby Blizzard
Geneva Davis
Collins P. Lee
Bubba Williams

Also Present: Joan G. Minton
David Waddell
Cindy Cunningham
Ralph McMullen
Linda Zarkowsky
Smokey Veal

Call to Order

Chairman Dale Epps called the April 17, 2007, Regular Meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Approval of Minutes

Commissioner Bobby Blizzard made a motion that the minutes of the March 6, 2007, Regular Meeting be approved as submitted. The motion was seconded, and it passed unanimously.

Baldwin County Landfill

Engineer Damon Riggs addressed the Board regarding the Union Hill Church Road Municipal Solid Waste Landfill. He stated the Landfill is losing a great deal of money due to the loss of private haulers which causes a continued decline in the waste stream; however, there are certain fixed costs associated with the Landfill even though less waste is coming into the Landfill.

Mr. Riggs reported he met with the Health, Environment, Recreation and Conservation Committee numerous times to address this situation. He stated one solution that has been discussed is to close the Landfill; and if the Board should chose to do this, he would recommend moving forward as soon as possible in order to get the work done prior to the wet, winter season. He reported certain requirements must also be met with State agencies for closure. Mr. Riggs presented an engineering work authorization for preparing closure plans and bid documents and overseeing the closure of the Landfill. Commissioner Blizzard stated it is the recommendation of the Health, Environment, Recreation and Conservation Committee to proceed with closing the Landfill.

Commissioner Bobby Blizzard made a motion that the Board proceed with the closure of the Union Hill Church Road Municipal Solid Waste Landfill and approve the engineering work authorization as presented. The motion was seconded, and it passed unanimously.

A copy of the engineering work authorization is herewith attached and made an official part of the minutes at pages _____ and _____.

EMS Agreement

County Attorney David Waddell presented the proposed First Amendment to the Emergency Management Services Agreement between Baldwin County and Oconee Regional Emergency Medical Services, Inc. (OREMS). He reported OREMS has requested a continuation of the initial agreement approved in July 2001 with an amendment to allow other options for the continuation and expansion of emergency medical services. Mr. Waddell reported he and the Attorney for the Hospital Authority have reviewed the proposed Amendment, and he would recommend approval of the First Amendment to the Emergency Management Services Agreement.

Commissioner Bobby Blizzard made a motion to approve the First Amendment to the Emergency Management Services Agreement as presented. The motion was seconded, and it passed unanimously.

A copy of the First Amendment to the Emergency Management Services Agreement is herewith attached and made an official part of the minutes at pages _____ and _____.

Application for Alcoholic Beverage License

Assistant County Manager Ralph McMullen presented an application for alcoholic beverage license for consumption on premise at La Fete, 571 Hammock Road. He stated all legal requirements of the application process have been met.

Commissioner Bubba Williams made a motion to approve the alcoholic beverage license for La Fete as presented. The motion was seconded, and it passed unanimously.

Acceptance of Roads into County Road System – Dovefield at Lake Sinclair and Lake Laurel Estates

Assistant County Manager Ralph McMullen presented information on roads located in Dovefield at Lake Sinclair and Lake Laurel Estates. He discussed inspection reports stating the roads meet County requirements; therefore, he recommended acceptance of these roads into the County road system.

Commissioner Gevena Davis made a motion to accept roads in Dovefield at Lake Sinclair and Lake Laurel Estates into the County road system. The motion was seconded, and it passed unanimously.

Bids for Roof at Health Department

Finance Director Linda Zarkowsky reported bids were solicited for repair to the roof at the Health Department to be paid from the SPLOST. She reported one bid was received from Skyline Construction in the amount of \$14,960 for roofing the foyer area of 1600 square feet. She stated the bidder also submitted an alternate proposal in the amount of \$64,560 for roofing the entire building of approximately 9600 square feet.

Vice Chairman Collins P. Lee made a motion to accept the bid from Skyline Construction in the amount of \$64,560 for roofing the entire Health Department Building (approximately 9600 square feet). The motion was seconded, and it passed unanimously.

Appointment to Board of Health

County Manager Joan Minton reported Dr. Curtis Veal resigned from the Board of Health effective March 15, 2007, and Dr. Suzanne Palmer has been recommended to fill the vacant position and serve Dr. Veal's unexpired term through December 31, 2011.

Vice Chairman Collins P. Lee made a motion to appoint Dr. Suzanne Palmer to the Board of Health to fill the unexpired term of Dr. Curtis Veal, expiring December 31, 2011. The motion was seconded, and it passed unanimously.

Accounts Payable List Dated April 17, 2007

Commissioner Bubba Williams made a motion to approve the accounts payable list dated April 17, 2007. The motion was seconded, and it passed unanimously.

Appearances

Mr. Billy Brack addressed the Board regarding business personal property reviews.

Commissioner Bubba Williams made a motion that the Commissioners do all they can to come up with a legal way to stop this. The motion died for the lack of a second.

Adjournment

Vice Chairman Collins P. Lee made a motion that the Board of Commissioners meeting be adjourned at 7:20 p.m. The motion was seconded, and it passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Dale Epps, Sr.
Chairman

Cynthia K. Cunningham
County Clerk