

Baldwin County Commissioners
Regular Meeting
August 6, 2019
6:00 p.m.

The Regular Meeting of the Baldwin County Commissioners was held Tuesday, August 6, 2019, at 6:00 p.m., Baldwin County Courthouse, Suite 319, 121 North Wilkinson Street, Milledgeville, Georgia with Chair John Westmoreland presiding.

Members Present: John Westmoreland
Henry Craig
Emily C. Davis
Tommy French
Sammy Hall

Also Present: David McRee
Carlos Tobar
Dawn Hudson
Cindy Cunningham

Call to Order

Chair John Westmoreland called the August 6, 2019 Regular Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Approval of Minutes

Commissioner Emily C. Davis made a motion to approve the minutes of the July 16, 2019 Regular Meeting, July 22, 2019 Called Meeting and July 24, Called Meeting as submitted. Commissioner Sammy Hall seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Presentations

The Board presented Proclamations to the following:

- *Swim Baldwin members for their efforts to make it possible for children to have the opportunity to take swimming lessons.
- *Investigator Ken Morgan for his quick actions to save the life of a Baldwin County citizen who had been kidnapped.
- *Morris-Little Post 6 American Legion for Centennial Day and Legacy Run Day.

Department of Public Health Environmental Fees

Environmentalist Colin Duke reported the Health Department's Environmental Health Program held a public comment period July 9th regarding fee increases for services. He stated at their June meeting, the Board of Health approved increasing fees associated with environmental health services covering food service establishments, tourist accommodations, pools, and on-site sewage. Mr. Duke presented the new fee schedule which will become effective September 15, 2019. He requested acknowledgement from the Board of Commissioners of the new fee schedule.

Commissioner Emily C. Davis made a motion to acknowledge acceptance of the Department of Public Health Environmental Fee Schedule as presented. Vice Chair Henry Craig seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

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

Appointment to Board of Health

Chair John Westmoreland report there is a vacancy on the Board of Health for a representative of the needy and elderly. He stated Ms. Sherri Culver has agreed to serve in this position, and the vetting period has been completed as required by the County's Appointment Policy.

Commissioner Emily C. Davis made a motion to appointment Ms. Sherri Culver to serve on the Board of Health to fill the unexpired term in Position 4. Commissioner Tommy French seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) Grant Awards

Assistant County Manager Dawn Hudson presented a Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) Grant Award in the amount of \$110,352 for Adult Programs and an award in the amount of \$171,242 for the Dislocated Worker Programs.

Commissioner Emily C. David made a motion to accept the WIOA grant award of \$110,352 for Adult Programs and the award in the amount of \$171,242 for Dislocated Worker Programs as presented. Commissioner Tommy French seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Engineering Services for Multi-Purpose Path

County Manager Carlos Tobar recommended Watkins and Associates for engineering services for the multi-purpose path project. He stated qualifications of firms were reviewed, and Watkins and Associates is the preferred firm for this project.

Vice Chair Henry Craig made a motion to accept the recommendation of Watkins and Associates for engineering services for the multi-purpose path project. Commissioner Emily C. Davis seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Old Business

Commissioner Sammy Hall stated decisions should be made in the near future on the pool project. . He stated possible locations and conceptual plans should be brought to the Board for review in order to proceed with getting it out for bid. He requested County Manager Tobar bring information back to the Board no later than October 1st. Commissioner Hall stated he felt the project should begin by January in order for the facility to open by May 2020. Commissioner Tommy French stated all avenues should be explored to get the most for the County's money.

New Business

There was no new business to come before the Board.

County Manager's Report

County Manager Tobar presented an update on various County projects including a community garden to be located behind the current County Extension building; improvements at Highway 49 and Blandy Road with the installation of a traffic signal; improvements at 441 and West Campus Drive; Notice to Proceed on West Apron Project at the Airport; evaluation of automatic water meter program; bids for Fire Department generators; LMIG; and an update on SPLOST projects.

Public Comment Period

The following people addressed the Board:

Pam Peacock expressed her concern about repurposing an old building for an animal shelter and spending so much of the tax payers' money for the Administration Building, and concern over increased traffic in the residential area of Carrington Woods due to the Administration Building traffic.

Judy Veal addressed the Board regarding the lack of animal control services in the City due to the City and County not having an approved SDS; expressed concern that the County does not have a spay & neuter requirement, and that Paws 4 Change is assisting in providing a low cost spay & neuter service as well as being instrumental in bringing the mobile vet unit to Baldwin County every quarter.

Adjournment

Vice Chair Henry Craig made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:45 p.m.
Commissioner Emily C. Davis seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

John H. Westmoreland
Chair

Cynthia K. Cunningham
County Clerk