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BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Present: Chairman Ladon Calhoun, Vice Chairman Jeff Cox, Commissioner Nixon, Commissioner Bush, Commissioner Bowen Others Present: Faye Whittaker, Douglas Cofty, Sheriff Clenney, Mitch Boley, Jason Cox, Courtney Alday.

6:00 P.M. – Welcome & Call to Order. Prayer and pledge of allegiance

Housekeeping

Approval of Agenda

Chairman Calhoun stated we need to approve the agenda. Vice Chairman Cox made motion, Commissioner Nixon seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes

Chairman Calhoun stated everybody look over the minutes. I need a motion to approve the minutes from the last meeting. Commissioner Bush made motion, Vice Chairman Cox seconded. All in favor. Motion carried

Approval of Financial Reports

Chairman Calhoun stated Financial reports. Everything looks to be in order. I need a motion to approve. Commissioner Bowen made motion, Commissioner Bush seconded. Need a second. I second. All in favor. Motion carried.

Appearances

Ron Rowe – ACCG Retirement, Mr. Rowe informed the board of the 55/25 retirement plan that would allow someone who turns 55 to retire if they have 25 years working with the county. This is a competitive plan that most of the surrounding counties are going with. Miller County is still on the 65

year plan with a 5 year vest. The board stated they would review it and make a decision at the September meeting.

Amanda Estill – SWGRC, Miller County Transit Plan, Ms. Estill present the final transit plan to the board and discussed how it would help Miller County. The plan is a requirement for local governments. . Vice Chairman Cox made motion, Commissioner Nixon seconded. All in favor . The board thanked.

Old Business

County Business License

Mr. Cofty present the county business license plan for adoption. The board has reviewed it for some time and agreed to adopt a resolution to put the business license in place. Commissioner Bush made motion, Vice Chairman Cox seconded. All in favor. The time line has not been established yet.

Miller County Charter

Mr. Cofty stated that the charter needed to be updated and more modernized. No changes were made and the board approved a resolution to make the charter modernized. Vice Chairman Cox made motion, Commissioner Nixon seconded. All in favor. The changes will be presented for public hearing.

Mayhaw Shooting Range

Mr. Cofty gave an update of the progress with the shooting range. The DNR has sent the initial $40,000.00 that was set aside by Governor Kemps office and that we were looking for a draftsman to complete a conceptual drawing to submit to DNR for review. No action needed.

Creation of County Road Names

Mr. Cofty stated the board had the list of names and have reviewed them for a month or so and that we needed to select 2 names. Mitch Bolley with Parks and recreation stated everyone was ok with it being called Mayhaw Dr and Spring Creek Circle or whatever it will be named. The board discussed the voting process and Commissioner Bush stated she had a lot wanting Spring Creek Lane. The Board discussed and agreed to name the 2 road Spring Creek Circle and Spring Creek Lane. Chairman Calhoun stated if everyone was good with those names he needed a motion. Vice Chairman Cox made the motion, Commissioner Bush seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

New Business

Building Department Fee Schedule

Mr. Cofty advised the board that we had been readjusting the building fee schedule to meet current times and inflation. Building Official Mark Hawkins gave the board an update on the old fee schedule and how it was never changed and we have made the changes. Vice Chairman Cox made motion, Commissioner Bowen seconded. All in favor. Motion carried. The board of commissioners voted to adopt the new fee schedule.

Shooting Range Bank account

Mr. Cofty advised the board that we had received the $40,000.00 pass through money from Governor Kemp's office but we needed to open a bank account to deposit the funds in. The Board of Commissioners approved the creation of the bank account using the $40,000.00. Faye would work with local bank to open account. Commissioner Bowen made motion, Commissioner Bush seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

Department Reports

The board hear from the road department in reference to dirt roads being messed up by irrigation systems. Commissioner Bowen stated he had spoken with the farmer and they were working it out to make sure it didn't happen again. The board discussed the end gun ordinance that did not get voted on. Mr. Cofty stated the Sheriff stated he would not enforce said ordinance. Parks and recreation gave the board an update on the work that has taken place to improve the facilities. Mr. Kevin Calhoun, with the development authority, gave the board an update on the MOU process with EDF Solar and stated its moving along. No other department issues.

Executive Session

NONE

Chairman Calhoun asked for a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Bush made motion, Vice Chairman Cox seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

Meeting is adjourned.

SIGNATURES

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Cristene Bush, Commissioner – District 1

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Jeff Cox, Vice Chairman – District 2

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Keith Bowen, Commissioner – District 3

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Niki Nixon, Commissioner – District 4

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Ladon Calhoun, Chairman – District 5

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Douglas Cofty, County Manager