

February 4, 2020

The Walton County Board of Commissioners held its regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, February 4, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. at the Historic Walton County Courthouse, 111 South Broad Street, Monroe, Georgia. Those present included Chairman Kevin Little, Commissioners Bo Warren, Mark Banks, Timmy Shelnutt, Jeremy Adams, Lee Bradford and Kirklyn Dixon, County Clerk Leta Talbird, Finance Director Linda Hanna, Human Resources Director Karen Fraser, Planning Director Mike Martin and County Attorney Chip Ferguson. A list of citizens and other employees in attendance at this meeting is on file in the auxiliary file under this meeting date.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Jeff Young came before the Board in support of the proposed resolution declaring Walton County a Second Amendment Sanctuary County.

PRESENTATION

Taylor Morris came before the Board in support of the future Social Circle Community Center.

MEETING OPENING

Chairman Little called the meeting to order at 6:10 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Commissioner Dixon gave the invocation.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

***Motion:** Commissioner Adams made a motion to adopt the agenda as presented. Commissioner Dixon seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.*

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Amendment to Walton County Civil Service Personnel Rules and Regulations

***Motion:** Commissioner Bradford made a motion to table a decision on the amendment until the June 2, 2020 meeting. Commissioner Banks seconded the motion. All voted in favor.*

PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATIONS

Approval with Conditions of Z19120004 – Rezone 2.00 acres from A1 to B2 for mini warehouses – Applicant: Linda Linkous/Owner: Louise Bryan – 5348 Hwy 20 -Map/Parcel C008008 – District 2

Chairman Little opened the public hearing on the matter. Scott Stipler came before the Board in support of the rezone. Attorney Andrea Gray, representing the Jackson Manufactured Home Community, spoke in opposition to the rezone.

Ms. Gray expressed concern regarding the impact of additional traffic on the safety of the Jackson community. She asked that that if the rezone is approved, that it be conditioned upon the sole point of access for the 2 acres rezoned to B2 is the driveway on Highway 20 as shown on the site plan. Ms. Gray also asked that if there is any change to the zoning, use, or if building permits are issued for either or both of the two, 5-acre flag lots, the sole point of access will be the approximately 15 foot driveways on Highway 20 as shown on the survey. Chairman Little closed the public hearing on the matter.

Motion: *Commissioner Banks made a motion to approve the rezone with the condition that the sole point of access for the 2, 5-acre flag lots will be the 15 foot driveways on Georgia Highway 20. Commissioner Warren seconded the motion; voted and carried unanimously.*

Approval of Z19110009 – Rezone 2.00 acres from R1 to R2 to increase personal care home capacity to 5 residents – Applicant/Owner: Kathryn Reed – 899 Pannell Road - Map/Parcel C1360019C00 – District 5

Chairman Little opened the public hearing on the matter. Applicant Kathy Reed came before the Board in support of the rezone. There was no one present in opposition. Chairman Little closed the public hearing on the matter.

Motion: *Commissioner Adams made a motion to approve the rezone as presented. Commissioner Shelnett seconded the motion. All voted in favor.*

Approval of Z19110017 – Rezone 11.76 acres from A1 to B3 to allow outside storage of construction equipment – Applicant: A&S Walton Investment Group LLC/Owner: Morris Lee Smith – 4099 Hwy. 138-Map/Parcel C0520173 – District 3

Commissioner Shelnett recused himself from voting on the rezone. Chairman Little opened the public hearing on the matter. Applicant Ron Smith came before the Board in support of rezone on behalf of the applicant. Maxine McClanahan, Joseph Jovenetta and Walnut Grove Mayor Mark Moore spoke in opposition to the rezone. Mayor Moore stated that the property is circled by the City of Walnut Grove and plans for the property should be submitted to the City of Walnut Grove for input. After further discussion, Chairman Little closed the public hearing on the matter.

Motion: *Commissioner Bradford made a motion to approve the rezone as recommended by the Walton County Planning Commission. Commissioner Warren seconded the motion. Commissioners Warren, Bradford, Adams and Dixon voted in favor of the motion. Commissioner Banks opposed the motion. The motion carried 4-1.*

Approval with Condition of CU19110018– Conditional Use for a Guest House with separate meter and Special Exception to live there while house is being built and remove zoning conditions from #Z03020007 as property is remaining 1 lot- Applicant/Owner: Bobby Moon - Wheeler Dr. /Parcel C0280051A00 – District 3

Chairman Little opened the public hearing on the matter. Applicant Bobby Moon came before the Board in support of the Conditional Use. Kathy Greno

spoke in opposition. She stated that there are restrictive covenants on the property. Chairman Little closed the public hearing on the matter.

Motion: *Commissioner Shelnutt made a motion to approve the Conditional Use with the condition that the main house must be completed within one year. Commissioner Banks seconded the motion. All voted in favor.*

Approval with Conditions of CU19120006 – Conditional Use for 2 soccer fields – Applicant: Jeff Van De Mark/Owner: Perry & Lorey Reeves – Hwy. 78/Parcel C1890002 – District 4

Chairman Little opened the public hearing on the matter. Applicant Jeff Van De Mark came before the Board in support of the Conditional Use. There was no one present in opposition. Chairman Little closed the public hearing on the matter.

Motion: *Commissioner Bradford made a motion to approve the Conditional Use as recommended by the Walton County Planning Commission. Commissioner Shelnutt seconded the motion; voted and carried unanimously.*

Approval of CU19120001– Conditional Use for a Guest House with separate meter - Applicant/Owner: Thomas W. Wiggins – 4999 Skyline Dr. /Parcel N026A007 – District 2

Chairman Little opened the public hearing on the matter. Applicant Tommy Wiggins came before the Board in support of the Conditional Use. There was no one present in opposition. Chairman Little closed the public hearing on the matter.

Motion: *Commissioner Banks made a motion to approve the Conditional Use as presented. Commissioner Shelnutt seconded the motion. All voted in favor.*

ADMINISTRATIVE CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approval of January 7, 2020 Meeting Minutes
2. Contracts & Budgeted Purchases of \$5,000.00 or greater
3. Declaration of Surplus Property
4. Georgia Family Connection Fiscal Agent Designation & Acceptance
5. Acceptance of Georgia Trauma Commission Grant - EMS
6. Ambulance Transport Rates
7. Contract - Carter Watkins Associates - Social Circle Community Center
8. Synovus Bank Positive Pay Program Agreement
9. Paytel Agreement Extension – Inmate Video Visitation – Sheriff’s Office

Motion: *Commissioner Bradford made a motion to approve the Administrative Consent Agenda as presented. Commissioner Shelnutt seconded motion. The motion carried unanimously.*

HUMAN RESOURCES

Staffing Request - Administrative Assistant for Good Hope Precinct - Sheriff’s Office

Motion: Commissioner Bradford made a motion to approve the request. Commissioner Adams seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

Staffing Request - Temporary Facilities Maintenance Tech - Facilities Department

Motion: Commissioner Bradford made a motion to approve the request. Commissioner Dixon seconded the motion; voted and carried unanimously.

Staffing Request - Administrative Coordinator - Parks & Recreation

Motion: Commissioner Dixon made a motion to approve the request. Commissioner Shelnett seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

Position Reclassification - Parks & Recreation Assistant Director

Motion: Commissioner Shelnett made a motion to approve the reclassification. Commissioner Adams seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

RESOLUTIONS

FY 2020 Budget Amendments

Motion: Commissioner Shelnett made a motion to adopt the resolution as presented. Commissioner Bradford seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Service Delivery Strategy Amendment

Motion: Commissioner Bradford made a motion to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Shelnett seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

Declaring Walton County a Second Amendment Sanctuary County

Motion: Commissioner Bradford made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Adams, to adopt the resolution. The motion carried unanimously.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion: At 7:01 p.m., Commissioner Adams made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Warren to discussion of the future acquisition of real estate and documents that are excluded from Open Records Requests. Commissioners Warren, Banks, Shelnett, Bradford, Adams & Dixon voted in favor of the motion.

Motion: At 7:42 p.m., Commissioner Shelnett made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Bradford, to return to regular session. Commissioners Warren, Banks, Shelnett, Bradford, Adams & Dixon voted in favor of the motion.

No votes were taken in executive session.

ADJOURNMENT

***Motion:** Commissioner Warren made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Adams, to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 7:43 p.m.*

All documents of record for this meeting are on file in either the addendum book or auxiliary file under this meeting date.

KEVIN W. LITTLE, CHAIRMAN

LETA P. TALBIRD, CLERK