

Bryan County Board of Commissioners – November 11, 2014

The regular meeting of the Bryan County Board of Commissioners was held on Tuesday, November 11, 2014 in Pembroke. The following members were present: Chairman Jimmy Burnsed, Commissioner Carter Infinger, Commissioner Noah Covington, Commissioner Jimmy Henderson, Commissioner Wade Price, and Commissioner Steve Myers. Also present: County Administrator Ben Taylor, County Clerk Donna Waters, and County Attorney John Harvey.

Chairman Burnsed called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. Invocation was given by Commissioner Noah Covington. Everyone joined in the Pledge of Allegiance. Visitors were recognized.

A discussion was held on the **agenda**. A motion was made by Noah Covington and seconded by Wade Price to approve the agenda with one addition. Motion carried unanimously.

A discussion was held on the **minutes** of the October 14, 2014 regular meeting. A motion was made by Jimmy Henderson and seconded by Carter Infinger to approve the minutes of the October 14, 2014 regular meeting as printed. Motion carried unanimously.

A discussion was held on the **consent agenda**. A motion was made by Steve Myers and seconded by Wade Price to approve the consent agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

The following items were listed on the consent agenda:

**1. Approval of New Occupational Tax Certificates**

\*Tina Galbreath – Blue, Inc.

**2. Approval of Tax Refunds – TAVT (Motor Vehicle) Appeals**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Aaron Dudley	\$460.69
David Remick	\$204.19
Ernest D’Alto	\$251.44
Everett Royals	\$178.88
Amy Peraldo	<u>\$ 82.69</u>
Carl Caiati	\$1414.14

**3. Bryan County Extension Office Re-Organization**

Amend the Bryan County Extension Office’s 2015 Budget to allow the change of two temporary positions to one full time 4-H Associate position.

**Kirk Croasmun, County Engineer**, met with the board to give an update on several issues.

**\*Oak Level Road Well and Lift Station** – Preconstruction meeting was held on October 27, 2014. Construction has begun and the contract is to be completed by end of April 2015. Our public works department will be installing approximately 1 mile of force main lines on Oak Level Road as part of this project.

**\*Bill Futch Road Extension** – A meeting was held with several residents on the Bill Futch Road Extension. The residents are concerned with the high volume of traffic and the speed of the traffic. This is a small spur road between Wilma Edwards Road and Highway 280. A discussion was held on potential one way traffic pattern and name change for the existing road. Kirk Croasmun will contact the State and see what they suggest since this road intersects with a state highway.

**Ben Taylor, County Administrator**, met with the board to discuss several issues.

**\*Award of Olive Branch Road and McGregor Circle Resurfacing** – Last month the county solicited bids for the resurfacing of Olive Branch Road and McGregor Circle. The FY 2014 budget allocated \$302,055 from general fund expenses for these two roads. Olive Branch Road was slated to be resurfaced from State Highway 280 to Interstate 16. A total of 4 bids were received for this project ranging in the amounts from \$333,859 to \$501,908. The low bid was submitted by Carroll & Carroll, Inc. of Savannah. A motion was made by Wade Price and seconded by Steve Myers to award the contract to resurface Olive Branch Road and McGregor Circle in the amount of \$333,859 to Carroll & Carroll, Inc. Motion carried unanimously.

**\*Amendment to Chapter 5-702 of the Personnel Ordinance** – This is a second reading on this ordinance amendment. Beginning January 1, 2015, the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (PPACA) employer mandate generally requires applicable large employers to offer coverage to all full-time employees (FTEs) and their dependents, or risk paying a penalty. FTEs include those employees working at least 30 hours weekly or 130 monthly hours. Chapter 5-702 of the Bryan County Ordinance classifies part time employees (PTEs) as those employees who work thirty-six (36) hours or less per week. A motion was made by Noah Covington and seconded by Wade Price to approve the amendment to Chapter 5-702 of the Personnel Ordinance changing Part-Time Employment from thirty-six (36) hours to less than thirty (30) hours per week. Motion carried unanimously.

**\*Correctional Services Agreement with Southeast Corrections, LLC** – The probation services for our courts has been being handled in house. The State Court Judge, Superior Court Judges and the Sheriff are in agreement that these services should be contracted out. Southeast Corrections, LLC agrees to provide probation services for Bryan County as set forth in the attached agreements. A motion was made by Carter Infinger and seconded by Jimmy Henderson to accept the correctional services agreement between Southeast Corrections, LLC and the State Court of Bryan County, Georgia and the correctional services agreement between Southeast Corrections, LLC and the Superior Court of Bryan County, Georgia and authorize the Chairman to sign the documents on behalf of the Board of Commissioners. Motion carried unanimously.

**\*Equipment Lease Award and Authorization** – Bids were solicited for three pieces of essential equipment. These included a motor grader, wheeled excavator, and track excavator. The bids were solicited based on the assumption of purchase under a 5 year lease plan with a lease buy back option at the end of that period. A motion was made by Steve Myers and seconded by Jimmy Henderson to authorize the County Administrator to enter into a 5 year lease agreement for a John Deere 190 DW Wheeled Excavator with the annual payments of \$22,895. Motion carried unanimously. A motion was

made by Steve Myers and seconded by Jimmy Henderson to authorize the County Administrator to enter into a 5 year lease agreement for a John Deere 250G Track Excavator with the annual payments of \$17,201. Motion carried unanimously. A motion was made by Wade Price and seconded by Steve Myers to authorize the County Administrator to enter into a 5 year lease agreement for a John Deere 672 GP AWD Motor Grader with the annual payments of \$20,082. This includes the trade-in of some old equipment.

**\*Article 13 Subdivision Ordinance Revision** – This is a first reading on this amendment. Some desire was expressed to amend Section 1302 of Article 13 in the County’s Subdivision Ordinance. This amendment proposes a change in Section 1302(a) which consists of increasing the number lots allowed to be subdivided from three (3) to eight (8). However, a restriction is placed on the size of such large divisions by adding the requirement that the minimum average lot size shall be no less than five (5) acres for the entire tract for any tract consisting of more than 3 lots and a remaining tract. No action required at this time.

A motion was made by Jimmy Henderson and seconded by Carter Infinger to go into **executive session** to discuss personnel issues. Motion carried unanimously. The board went into executive session at 6:07 p.m. The board went back into regular session at 6:30 p.m.

Chairman Burnsed called the **Planning & Zoning Public Hearing** to order at 6:30 p.m.

1. **Ray Butler Rezoning Request** – No one was present to speak on this item.

A motion was made by Carter Infinger and seconded by Wade Price to adjourn the public hearing. Motion carried unanimously.

**Christy Williams, Zoning Administrator**, met with the board with planning & zoning issues.

1. **Case # Z-156-14 – Ray Butler Rezoning Request** – The property is 11.81 acres located at 3035 Wilma Edwards Road in Ellabell. The tax parcel number is 024-032 and 024-033. The current zone is A-5 and the requested zone is R-1. The proposed development is to subdivide the tract. The applicant has proposed approximately 14 lots directly onto Wilma Edwards Road. The Bryan County Subdivision Ordinance requires 250 feet of road frontage on an arterial road; Wilma Edwards Road is classified as an arterial road. The number of lots that could be subdivided legally given the shape and size of the subject acreage would be six consisting of approximately 2 acres each. The staff recommends approval of the R-1 zoning for the 11.81 acres so that it can be subdivided into six (6) lots, the maximum number of lots allowed by the ordinance. The Planning Commission recommends approval of the rezoning. It was pointed out that we are voting on the rezoning at this time, not the subdivision or number of lots. A motion was made by Steve Myers and seconded by Jimmy Henderson to approve the rezoning request for Ray Butler for Case # Z-156-14 from A-5 to R-1. Motion carried unanimously.

2. **Case # SD-2019-14 - Article XI Preliminary Plat Approval for WaterWays Township** – WaterWays Township Owner’s Association, Inc. requests preliminary plat approval for approximately 19.45 acres to be accessed through Ridgewood Park Phase 1. The property is tax parcel number 075-01 and is zoned PUD. The proposed development is Ridgewood Park Phase 3 – fifty-five (55) lots. The applicant has agreed to meet all requirements for approval of an Article XI preliminary plat and construction plans. The staff recommends approval. A motion was made by Carter Infinger and seconded by Noah Covington to approve the Article XI Preliminary Plat Approval for Water Ways Township. Motion carried unanimously.
  
3. **Case # SD-2061-14 – Revised Preliminary Plat Approval for Dunham Marsh** – Dunham Marsh Partners, LLC requests approval of a total of thirty-eight (38) lots in Phase 3C. Twenty-three (23) lots were in the original plat recorded in May 2007. Revision in October 2010 increased this by one (1) lot. The current revision request is an increase of four (4) lots. Although the revision adds four (4) lots to Phase 3C, the revision will not increase the total number of approved lots with the Dunham Marsh PUD. The total number of approved lots remains unchanged at two hundred and ninety-eight (298). The property is currently zoned PUD. The staff recommends approval on the condition all items in the attached letter are met before site development plan is approved. A motion was made by Wade Price and seconded by Jimmy Henderson to approve the Revised Preliminary Plat Approval for Dunham Marsh. Motion carried unanimously.

Christy Williams also advised the Board of Commissioners that **Shawn Morrissey** has resigned his position on the Planning Commission.

A motion was made by Jimmy Henderson and seconded by Carter Infinger to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m.