

Minutes
Historic Courthouse, Board Chambers, 3rd Floor
225 North Board Street
May 12, 2015

The 9:00 a.m. at the Historic Courthouse, Commission Chambers, with the following board members present:

Moses Gross, Chairman, Dist. 2	Kenneth E. Hickey, Vice-Chairman, Dist. 3
Merrill E. Baker, Jr., Dist. 1	Mark NeSmith, Dist. 4
Hershel P. Ansley, Dist. 5	Wiley E. Grady, Dist. 6
Phillip V. Brown, Dist. 7	J. Elaine Mays, Dist. 8

Staff present was Michael J. Stephenson, County Manager, Bruce Warren, County Attorney, Toyona Brooks, Secretary and Twink Monahan, County Clerk. Media present was Chris Hurst, WPAX and Patti Dozier, Times-Enterprise.

Chairman Gross called the meeting to order.

Pastor Terry Scott gave in invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Chairman Gross recognized Commissioner Grady who made a motion to approve the minutes of the April 28, 2015 Board meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Ansley. Motion carried unanimously; Chairman Gross, Vice-Chairman Hickey and Commissioners Baker, Ansley, NeSmith, Grady, Brown and Mays voting aye.

Chairman Gross declared a Public Hearing to receive comments concerning the board's consideration of a resolution transmitting a draft Capital Improvements Element 2015 Annual Update report, relating to the County's impact fee program, to the Southwest Georgia Regional commission for regional review. Being no comments were received, Chairman Gross closed the Public Hearing.

Chairman Gross recognized Commissioner Mays who made a motion to approve the resolution to transmit a draft Capital Improvements Element 2015 Annual Update report, relating to the County's impact fee program, to the Southwest Georgia Regional commission for regional review. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Brown. Motion carried unanimously; Chairman Gross, Vice-Chairman Hickey and Commissioners Baker, Ansley, NeSmith, Grady, Brown and Mays voting aye.

Georgia, Thomas County

Transmittal Resolution
Capital Improvements Element
Thomas County, Georgia

WHEREAS, Thomas County has prepared a draft Capital Improvements Element, amending its Capital Improvements Element adopted October 4, 2007, which will be incorporated into and update the *Thomas County Comprehensive Plan*; and

WHEREAS, the draft amended Capital Improvements Element was prepared in accordance with the "Development Impact Fee Compliance Requirements" and the "Minimum Standards and Procedures for Local Comprehensive Planning" adopted by the Board of Community Affairs pursuant to the Georgia Planning Act of 1989; and,

WHEREAS, a duly advertised Public Hearing was held on December 9, 2014, at 9:00 A.M. in the Thomas County Historic Courthouse in accordance with Section (10)(a)1 of Chapter 110-12-2-.04 of the Development Impact Fee Compliance Requirements;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners of Thomas County does hereby submit the draft amended Capital Improvements Element to the Southwest Georgia Regional Commission for Regional and State review, as per the requirements of the Development Impact Fee Compliance Requirements.

Chairman Gross recognized Mr. Stephenson. He explained that over 200 employees have taken the Deming Management Method course. The comments from the employees during these sessions have been distributed to the board members and department heads. Mr. Stephenson noted that communications was the main comment among the employees.

Vice-Chairman Hickey and Michael Stephenson, County Manager, presented the following employees with their Deming Management Method certificates:

Nicholas J. Bishop	Fire Department	Matthew Harrison	EMS
Victoria D. Booker	E-911	Charles L. Johnson, Jr.	Fire Department
Kentazha Bradshaw	E-911	Edward Jones	EMS
Johnny M. Brown	Transit	Reginald L. Jones	Prison
Blake Edward Bynum	EMS	Brian A. King	Fire Department
Christopher A. Cooper	Fire Department	Cassey Lynch	E-911
Adam Cox	Fire Department	Travis Jackson McCoy	EMS
Rodney M. Cromartie	Public Works	Robert E. Patrizi	Public Works
Lois Crumidy	Transit	Chasity S. Phillips	Fire Department
Frank A. Foss	Public Works	Elijah Reeves	Prison
Kendell Gay	Building Inspections	Katrina M. Rivers	EMS
Derek Godwin	Building Inspections	Kyle A. Rouse	E-911
Brooklyne P. Griffin	E-911	Felicia Welch	EMS
		Tanisha L. Williams	Transit

Chairman Gross recognized Vice-Chairman Hickey who made a motion to approve Budget Amendment 15-5-1. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Grady. Motion carried

unanimously; Chairman Gross, Vice-Chairman Hickey and Commissioners Baker, Ansley, NeSmith, Grady, Brown and Mays voting aye.

2015 BUDGET AMENDMENT 15-5-1
2012 SPLOST - CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND (328)
May 12, 2015

Account	Description	Original 2015 Budget	Amended Budget	Difference
Expenses				
328-2108-54-1300	JJC Expansion Project	2,000,000	2,145,000	145,000
328-4200-54-2500	Equipment	700,000	1,025,760	325,760
328-4232-54-1405	Infra-Roads-Palmer Rd	487,500	470,566	-16,934
328-4251-54-1405	Infra-Roads-Metcalfe Rd	2,122,940	2,414,385	291,445
328-4264-54-1405	Infra-Roads-Boston/Monticello	732,108	845,180	113,072
328-4274-54-1405	Infra-Roads-Salem Rd	171,600	179,485	7,885
328-9010-57-9000	Contingencies	3,605,124	2,738,896	-866,228
				0
	Total			0

Net Increase to Expenses

\$0

Chairman Gross recognized Commissioner Ansley. Commissioner Ansley stated that the City of Boston would like the county's assistance in the assembly of their new playground equipment. He stated that Boston has equipment for all three of their parks and has an active summer program for the children beginning in June. When the county work crews are finished with Pavo's equipment he would like to have Boston's completed as soon as possible for the Summer Programs.

Chairman Gross recognized Commissioner Ansley who made a motion for the Building Maintenance Department to assist the City of Boston assembling equipment for the playground to be complete by June 1st, if possible, and authorize the chairman to sign the Hold Harmless agreement. The motion was seconded by Vice-Chairman Hickey. Motion carried unanimously; Vice-Chairman Hickey and Commissioners Baker, Ansley, NeSmith, Grady, Brown and Mays voting aye.

Chairman Gross recognized Commissioner NeSmith who made a motion to ratify the diesel purchase on 5/7/2015 from Petroleum Products for \$2.169 per gallon. The motion was seconded by Vice-Chairman Hickey. Motion carried unanimously; Chairman Gross, Vice-Chairman Hickey and Commissioners Baker, Ansley, NeSmith, Grady, Brown and Mays voting aye.

Michael Stephenson stated that the budget amendment passed today reflects a \$900,000 deduction in the SPLOST contingencies. He said at the completion of projects there will be budget adjustments made to reflect the actual project cost.

Chairman Gross recognized Commissioner NeSmith who made a motion to approve the Purchasing Committee's recommendation to purchase a wheeled excavator from Flint Equipment with a rake and extended warranty for a net cost of \$192,280 including the trade-in of Unit 502, 1995 CAT 214B. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Ansley. Motion carried unanimously; Chairman Gross, Vice-Chairman Hickey and Commissioners Baker, Ansley, NeSmith, Grady, Brown and Mays voting aye.

Chairman Gross recognized Commissioner NeSmith who made a motion to contract with Blount Construction, Inc. for \$1,150,860.32 and Scruggs Company for \$1,263,524.34 for the total reclamation and resurfacing of the Metcalfe Road, total project cost of \$2,410,384.66 from SPLOST funding. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Grady. Motion carried unanimously; Chairman Gross, Vice-Chairman Hickey and Commissioners Baker, Ansley, NeSmith, Grady, Brown and Mays voting aye.

Commissioner Grady reported that the Public Property Committee instructed Leon Lynn, Jinright, Ryan, & Lynn, Architects & Planners, to proceed with the bid process for the new 911 Center. The construction delivery method chosen is Traditional Design-Bid-Build.

Chairman Gross recognized Vice-Chairman Hickey who made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Brown. Motion carried unanimously; Chairman Gross, Vice-Chairman Hickey and Commissioners Baker, Ansley, NeSmith, Grady, Brown and Mays voting aye.


Moses L. Gross, Chairman

ATTEST:


M. Twink Monahan, County Clerk