

Minutes  
Historic Courthouse, Board Chambers, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor  
225 North Board Street  
May 26, 2015

The 6:00 p.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, and Twink Monahan, County Clerk. No media was present.

Chairman Gross called the meeting to order.

Michael Stephenson gave in invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Chairman Gross recognized Commissioner NeSmith who made a motion to approve the minutes of the May 12, 2015 Board meeting. 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.

Chairman Gross recognized Commissioner Mays who made a motion to approve the resolution to adopt the 2015 Capitol Improvement Element of the Comprehensive Plan. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Baker. Motion carried unanimously; Chairman Gross, Vice-Chairman Hickey and Commissioners Baker, Ansley, NeSmith, Grady, Brown and Mays voting aye.

Georgia, Thomas County

**Adoption Resolution**  
*Capital Improvements Element Annual Update*  
*Thomas County, Georgia*

WHEREAS, Thomas County adopted a Capital Improvements Element as an amendment to the *Thomas County Comprehensive Plan*; and

WHEREAS, Thomas County has prepared a 2015 Annual Update to the adopted Capital Improvements Element (including financial data for fiscal year 2014); and

WHEREAS, the 2015 Capital Improvements Element Annual Update was prepared, submitted and reviewed in accordance with the "Development Impact Fee Compliance Requirements" and the "Minimum Planning Standards

and Procedures for Local Comprehensive Planning" adopted by the Board of Community Affairs pursuant to the Georgia Planning Act of 1989;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, that the Thomas County Board of Commissioners does hereby adopt the Capital Improvements Element Annual Update, as per the requirements of the Development Impact Fee Compliance Requirements.

Adopted this 26<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2015.

Chairman Gross recognized Commissioner Mays who made a motion to adopt and replace Attachment A, Fee Schedule, to the current Impact Fee Ordinance. 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.

Land Use Category	Unit of Measure	Net Impact Fee					Subtotal	Admin (3%)	Total
		Fire	EMS	Sheriff	911	Parks			
Single-Family Detached Housing	per dwelling	398.43	49.97	27.40	59.86	248.26	\$ 783.92	23.52	\$ 807.44
Apartment	per dwelling	398.43	49.97	27.40	59.86	248.26	\$ 783.92	23.52	\$ 807.44
Residential Condominium/Townhouse	per dwelling	398.43	49.97	27.40	59.86	248.26	\$ 783.92	23.52	\$ 807.44

Chairman Gross recognized Commissioner Grady who made a motion to approve a resolution to amend O.C.G.A. 36-15-9 to allow the Magistrate Court to collect a law library fee equal to that assessed by the other local courts. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Mays. Motion carried unanimously; Chairman Gross, Vice-Chairman Hickey and Commissioners Baker, Ansley, NeSmith, Grady, Brown and Mays voting aye.

**RESOLUTION REQUESTING GEORGIA STATE LOCAL LEGISLATION TO INCLUDE THE THOMAS COUNTY MAGISTRATE COURT IN THE COUNTY LAW LIBRARY**

AN UNANIMOUS RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THOMAS COUNTY, GEORGIA REQUESTING THE GEORGIA STATE LEGISLATURE ENACT LOCAL LEGISLATION TO INCLUDE THE THOMAS COUNTY MAGISTRATE COURT IN THE COUNTY LAW LIBRARY.

**WHEREAS**, All of the public Courts of Thomas County, Georgia, except its Magistrate Court, receive the benefit of the county law library;

**WHEREAS**, Thomas County wishes its Magistrate Court to also have the benefit of the county law library, to be able to assess a statutory law library fee to assist in funding the service, and to participate in the management of the law library in a manner similar to the other public courts of Thomas County; and

**WHEREAS**, the Georgia Legislature must adopt local legislation in order for the Thomas County Magistrate Court to participate in the county law library.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THOMAS COUNTY, GEORGIA that Georgia State Representative Darlene Taylor, as a representative of Thomas County, Georgia, is requested by each of the undersigned Commissioners of Thomas County to introduce and carry the local legislation necessary to include the Thomas County Magistrate Court in the county law library program.**

Further, this resolution shall serve to express the appreciation of the Board of Commissioners to its local representative for her support and assistance in this important pursuit.

This 26<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2015.

Chairman Gross recognized Commissioner NeSmith who made a motion to ratify the diesel purchase on 5/15/2015 from Petroleum Products at \$2.0921 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.

Appointments to local boards were tabled until applicants attend the Public Property committee meeting on June 4<sup>th</sup>.

Chairman Gross recognized Commissioner Ansley who made a motion to approve for staff to move forward to prepare for a Community Improvement Day for the Fox Croft Subdivision. The motion was seconded by Commissioner NeSmith. Motion carried unanimously; Chairman Gross, Vice-Chairman Hickey and Commissioners Baker, Ansley, NeSmith, Grady, Brown and Mays voting aye.

Chairman Gross recognized Commissioner Baker who made a motion to approve Budget Amendment 15-5-2. 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 15-5-2

GENERAL FUND (100)

MAY 26, 2015

Account	Description	Original 2015 Budget	Amended Budget	Difference
<b>Expenses</b>				
100-1500-511100	Salaries	428,825	435,022	6,197
100-1500-512200	SS-FICA	32,800	33,280	480
100-1545-511100	Salaries	283,135	286,215	3,080
100-1545-512200	SS-FICA	21,700	21,900	200
100-1550-511100	Salaries	331,684	335,220	3,536
100-1550-512200	SS-FICA	24,289	25,650	1,361
100-1565-511100	Salaries	312,606	316,892	4,286

100-1565-512200	SS-FICA	23,914	24,250	336
100-2180-511100	Salaries	323,253	325,457	2,204
100-2180-512200	SS-FICA	24,800	24,900	100
100-2400-511100	Salaries	288,716	292,002	3,286
100-2400-512200	SS-FICA	22,100	22,350	250
100-2450-511100	Salaries	165,759	167,464	1,705
100-2450-512200	SS-FICA	12,700	12,820	120
100-3300-511100	Salaries	1,869,639	1,887,717	18,078
100-3300-512200	SS-FICA	143,080	144,400	1,320
100-3305-511100	Salaries	111,209	112,170	961
100-3305-512200	SS-FICA	8,891	8,950	59
100-3321-511100	Salaries	259,903	263,138	3,235
100-3321-512200	SS-FICA	19,896	20,130	234
100-3325-511100	Salaries	945,896	957,963	12,067
100-3325-512200	SS-FICA	74,281	75,500	1,219
100-3400-511100	Salaries	966,394	976,429	10,035
100-3400-512200	SS-FICA	74,100	75,000	900
100-4100-511100	Salaries	1,393,028	1,410,913	17,885
100-4100-512200	SS-FICA	106,824	108,100	1,276
100-4300-511100	Salaries	455,447	456,237	790
100-4300-512200	SS-FICA	34,842	34,900	58
100-4900-511100	Salaries	266,995	270,241	3,246
100-4900-512200	SS-FICA	20,266	20,700	434
100-7130-511100	Salaries	102,189	104,435	2,246
100-7130-512200	SS-FICA	5,455	6,000	545
100-7210-511100	Salaries	272,028	273,400	1,372
100-7210-512200	SS-FICA	20,969	21,100	131
100-7450-511100	Salaries	37,440	37,565	125
100-7450-512200	SS-FICA	2,900	2,925	25
100-9010-612005	Rainy Day Account	170,486	171,456	970
100-9010-612020	Reserve-ABC(2)	104,352	0	-104,352
	<b>Total</b>			<b>0</b>

Net Increase to Expenses

\$0

2015 BUDGET AMENDMENT 15-5-2

E-911 (215)

MAY 26, 2015

Account	Description	Original 2015 Budget	Amended Budget	Difference
<b>Expenses</b>				
215-3800-511100	Salaries	806,191	813,387	7,196
215-3800-512200	SS-FICA	61,677	61,942	265
215-9010-612020	Reserve-ABC(2)	7,461	0	-7,461
	<b>Total</b>			<b>0</b>

Net Increase to Expenses

\$0

**2015 BUDGET AMENDMENT 15-5-2**

**FIRE DISTRICT 1 & 2 (270)**

MAY 26, 2015

Account	Description	Original 2015 Budget	Amended Budget	Difference
<b>Expenses</b>				
270-3505-511100	Salaries	598,362	601,842	3,480
270-3505-512200	SS-FICA	45,849	45,974	125
270-9010-612020	Reserve-ABC(2)	3,605	0	-3,605
	<b>Total</b>			<b>0</b>

Net Increase to Expenses

\$0

**2015 BUDGET AMENDMENT 15-5-2**

**FIRE DISTRICT 3 (272)**

MAY 26, 2015

Account	Description	Original 2015 Budget	Amended Budget	Difference
<b>Expenses</b>				
272-3500-511100	Salaries	441,766	445,892	4,126
272-3500-512200	SS-FICA	33,856	34,172	316
272-9010-612020	Reserve-ABC(2)	4,442	0	-4,442
	<b>Total</b>			<b>0</b>

Net Increase to Expenses

\$0

**2015 BUDGET AMENDMENT 15-5-2**

**EMERGENCY SERVICES (273)**

MAY 26, 2015

Account	Description	Original 2015 Budget	Amended Budget	Difference
<b>Expenses</b>				
273-3600-511100	Salaries	1,555,832	1,583,802	27,970
273-3600-512200	SS-FICA	119,020	121,200	2,180
273-3605-511100	Salaries	337,696	341,173	3,477
273-3605-512200	SS-FICA	25,915	26,100	185
273-3610-511100	Salaries	27,043	27,376	333
273-3610-512200	SS-FICA	2,069	2,095	26
273-3611-511100	Salaries	60,080	61,245	1,165
273-3611-512200	SS-FICA	4,596	4,685	89
273-9010-612020	Reserve-ABC(2)	27,380	0	-27,380
273-9010-611005	Rainy Day Account	127,212	119,167	-8,045
				0
	<b>Total</b>			<b>0</b>

Net Increase to Expenses

\$0

2015 BUDGET AMENDMENT 15-5-2

TRANSIT (545)

MAY 26, 2015

Account	Description	Original 2015 Budget	Amended Budget	Difference
<b>Expenses</b>				
545-5540-511100	Salaries	448,698	452,442	3,744
545-5540-512200	SS-FICA	34,325	34,608	283
545-5550-511100	Salaries	20,982	21,232	250
545-5550-512200	SS-FICA	1,608	1,630	22
545-9010-612020	Reserve-ABC(2)	4,299	0	-4,299
	<b>Total</b>			<b>0</b>
Net Increase to Expenses				<u>\$0</u>

Chairman Gross recognized Commissioner Grady who made a motion to declare surplus metal roofing materials from the Jail Justice Center Expansion Project and approve to sell the materials to Leon Iron Metal, the highest bidder at \$.08 per pound. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Baker. Motion carried unanimously; Chairman Gross, Vice-Chairman Hickey and Commissioners Baker, Ansley, NeSmith, Grady, Brown and Mays voting aye.

Commissioner Grady set the next Public Property Committee for June 4. Commissioner NeSmith announced that the Purchasing Committee meeting for June 2, 2015 was cancelled. Commissioner Mays announced the County and City are hosting the Regional Commission meeting at the Best Western on Thursday, June 25.

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

*Moses L. Gross*

Moses L. Gross, Chairman

ATTEST:

*M. Twink Monahan*

M. Twink Monahan, County Clerk