

MINUTES

WORTH COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

APRIL 17, 2008

7:00 P.M.

The Worth County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Thursday April 17, 2008 in the Commission Board room, 3rd Floor Courthouse.

Chairman Miller called the meeting to order.

PRESENT: Commissioners Tony Hall, Fred Dent, Bettye Bozeman, Jerry Childree, Chairman Dan Miller, Attorney Clarence Miller and County Clerk Deborah Robinson.

Public Notice.

Abandonment and Closing of a Portion of CR 28 Cuffie Town Road.

Mike Moore approached the Board of Commissioners in reference to the above road closure, he informed the Board that he appreciated any and all assistance in this matter. He explained that the dust on this road is a big issue where his wife's health is concerned.

Commissioner Bozeman motioned to close and abandon in favor of land owners on each side the N.E. Portion which is 526ft of CR 28 Cuffie Town Road. Commissioner Childree seconded. Motion carried with yes votes from Commissioners Hall and Dent.

Invited Guests.

- A. Kellie Wacter - Sales Manager for Labor Finders made a presentation to the Board of Commissioners. Ms. Wacter explained the Staffing Services that Labor Finders had to offer, how they could meet our needs in supplying reliable employees to Worth County. Before leaving, Ms. Wacter gave everyone a presentation package containing all contact information in the event we should need to call upon them.

- B.** Ginny Pike – Worth County Youth Council. Ms. Pike accompanied the Worth County Youth Council to the Board of Commissioners meeting speaking on their behalf, informing the Board that this was a diverse group of young people that had all shown signs of having great leadership abilities. Ms. Pike explained how they have been holding frequent meetings being conducted in a formal and proper manner. The board was invited to attend any of their meetings, that usually are held in the Sumner Room at the Public Library to observe how they are doing and Ms. Pike hoped that the Board would call upon the Youth Council when they have any programs concerning our Youth of today in Worth County.

The Worth County Youth Council introduced themselves to the Board of Commissioners:

Present were:

Kayla Acord, Elli McDonald, Evan Barfield, James Holton, Tariq Abulaila, Jacob Dylinski and Mindy Snelgrove.

Members unable to attend included: Trace Glausier, Shelby Newell, Lina Dahman, Jasmine Allen, Cori Beth Sutton.

Ms. Pike told the Board that currently there is openings for 5 more Youth to join the Council.

Approval of Minutes:

January 17, 2008

March 20, 2008

April 1, 2008

Commissioner Bozeman motioned to approve the minutes with corrections. Commissioner Dent seconded. Motion carried with yes votes from Commissioners Hall and Childree.

Reports from Commissioners, Department Heads & Committees.

Attorney Clarence Miller submitted a resolution signed by the Board of Education for the purpose of assessment and collection of a tax for school bond purposes. He also presented a blank Resolution drawn up by Gray & Pannell LLP dated 04/08/08 for the Board of Commissioners to approve and sign.

Commissioner Dent motioned to approve the resolution. Commissioner Bozeman seconded. Motion carried with yes votes from Commissioners Hall and Childree.

Attorney Miller stated that the other part of his business would need to be done in Executive Session.

Chairman's Report.

For your information:

Chairman Miller informed the Board that a motion was needed in order for us to purchase a truck with a mosquito sprayer from Dougherty County at a total price of \$2,500.00.

Commissioner Dent made the motion that Worth County purchase the truck and sprayer for \$2,500.00 from Dougherty County. Commissioner Bozeman seconded. Motion carried with yes votes from Commissioners Hall and Childree.

Chairman Miller spoke about the Ambulance that was recently totaled by the Insurance Company after being involved in an accident on Highway 82. The current price for a New Ambulance being \$99,729.00. Commissioner Dent stated that he disagreed with the findings of the Insurance Company, and that his personal opinion was that this vehicle could be repaired.

Chairman Miller also informed the Board that "Secure the Call foundation" is requesting old cell phones.

Also that Chuck Grace is now the Territory Manager for Wells Fargo construction.

That the Monthly Revenue Report for Building & Zoning had been received, and also the EMS First Quarter {2008} Report from Pheobe Worth Medical Center.

Tony Hall – D1

Commissioner Hall thanked the Board for allowing the Worth County High School Students to tour the Courthouse. He also wanted to extend his thanks to all of the staff in all the departments for their help and cooperation for taking the time to talk to and explain their roles to the group of students.

Fred Dent - D2

Commissioner Dent spoke about the Worth County Liability Insurance, and particularly on whether or not it was time for us to accept new bids. He informed the Board that in 2006, the insurance company had taken some significant losses due to the tornado in Worth County, and that they were not willing to re-write the policy unless we agreed to a 3 year contract, enabling them to recoupe some of their money. Commissioner Dent felt that although this agreement had been entered into verbally by the previous Board of Commissioners, it would be in our best interest to continue with the present contract for one more year.

Commissioner Dent then addressed Ms Ginny Pike and the Worth County Youth Council, explaining the Resolution that the Board had earlier adopted was for the purpose of selling \$10,000,000 in Bonds for the school system. He explained how all revenue comes through the Worth County Board of Commissioners for school money. That was what the resolution was about, to build a new school, and the county had agreed to finance the \$10,000,000 Bond.

Bettye Bozeman – D3

Commissioner Bozeman mentioned Lonnie Murray needing a phone while out in the county spraying for mosquitoes. Chairman Miller felt that the radio in the truck should be sufficient, that he had a conversation earlier in the week with Clay Smith the Public Works Director in reference to this matter.

Jerry Childree

Commissioner Childree mentioned the “Privacy Fence” that we agreed to put up for Lonnie Blalock. The commissioners discussed what length it would need to be. Chairman Miller said, we should get started on that right away. Mr. Childree also brought up an issue on Bentley Lane concerning the ditch. After some discussion between Attorney Miller and the Board it was decided to dig the ditch in the original area next to the berm.

At 7.55 P.M. the Board took a recess.

At 8.14 P.M. the Board reconvened.

Consent Docket

- A. Jason Brooks is requesting use of the Community Center at no cost on Saturday April 21, 2008. Worth County Fire Department will be hosting a Haz-Mat Class.

Commissioner Bozeman motioned to approve. Commissioner Dent seconded.

Motion carried with yes votes from Commissioners Hall and Childree.

B. Sheriff Freddie Tompkins is requesting to surplus one time clock and replaces it with a new one.

Commissioner Bozeman motioned to approve. Commissioner Dent seconded.

Motion carried with yes votes from Commissioners Hall and Childree.

C. Sheriff Freddie Tompkins is requesting three (3) chairs from surplus for the jail.

Commissioner Bozeman motioned to approve. Commissioner Dent seconded.

Motion carried with yes votes from Commissioners Hall and Childree.

D. Tax Commissioner Tabetha DuPriest is requesting to surplus three (3) chairs from the Tax Office.

Commissioner Dent motioned to approve. Commissioner Bozeman seconded.

Motion carried with yes votes from Commissioners Hall and Childree.

E. Zoning Administrator Glenice King is requesting to surplus the following:

(2) Computer Towers – Dell Dimensions XPST 50.

Dell Dimensions 4100

(2) Monitors D1025TM,

E770S

(2) Key boards SK1000 REW/FCC ID: GYUR43SK

SK8000

(2) Mouse FDM-610FCC/ID # F424K3FDM610

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Commissioner Bozeman motioned to approve. Commissioner Dent seconded.

Motion carried with yes votes Commissioners Hall and Childree.

- F.** Nurse Manager Gina Connell with the Worth county Health Department is requesting the 2003 Ford Crown Victoria VIN # 2FAFP71W1XX238720 from surplus.

Commissioner Bozeman motioned to approve. Commissioner Childree seconded.

Motion carried with yes votes from Commissioners Hall and Dent.

- G.** Waiver of Garbage Fees Application.

(1) Robert Watson

After a review of the documentation referencing Mr. Watson's Income, the Application was denied. The reason being that the Income level of the applicant was above the cut off level.

Action Docket

- A.** Mike Carter in the Worth County Magistrate Court is requesting a door with a window be installed between the two main rooms of the clerk's and Chief Judge's offices.

Commissioner Bozeman motioned to approve. Commissioner Childree seconded

Motion carried with yes votes from Commissioners Hall and Dent.

- B.** City of Sylvester SPLOST PROJECT 2006-10-08 SOWEGA Engineering in the amount of \$5,552.70.

Commissioner Dent motioned to approve. Commissioner Hall seconded.

Motion carried with yes votes from Commissioners Bozeman and Childree.

- C.** Margaret Jones Public Library SPLOST PROJECT Repair 7 renovation to Tony Youngblood construction in the amount of \$3,101.50

Commissioner Bozeman motioned to approve. Commissioner Hall seconded.

Motion carried with yes votes from Commissioners Dent and Childree.

- D.** Town of Sumner SPLOST PROJECT in the amount \$2,428.50.

- E.** Town of Sumner SPLOST PROJECT in the amount of \$16,811.00

Commissioner Dent motioned to approve both. Commissioner Hall seconded.

Motion carried with yes votes from Commissioners Bozeman and Childree.

Unfinished Business

- A.** Intergovernmental Agreement between the City of Sylvester, Georgia and Worth County, Georgia for the Provision of E-911 Services.

Tabled until Monday April 21, 2008. To be discussed prior to the Budget Session

- B.** Ambulance Services Management Agreement.

Tabled until Tuesday May 6, 2008 @ 8:00 A.M.

- C.** Deed Signatures on CR 55 Cotton Road.

No Action Taken.

- D.** CR 146 Jones Road – Bridge Replacement

No Action taken.

- E.** Garbage Collection Agreement.

Commissioner Dent made comments in reference to the original agreement being updated by changing dates and other contents.

No action taken at this time.

- F.** Sue Potts is requesting to be allowed to work full-time in the Registrar's Office and Judy Rogers as a part-time assistant.

Commissioner Bozeman motioned to approve. Commissioner Childree seconded.

Motion carried with yes votes from commissioners Dent and Hall.

At 8:32 P.M. Commissioner Dent made a motion to go into Executive Session with Attorney Client Privilege and Sep. 19, 08 Personnel Considerations.

Commissioner Bozeman seconded.

Motion carried with yes votes Commissioners Hall and Childree.

Regular Session reconvened at 8:37 P.M.

Personnel Considerations

Public Works Department

- Recommend full-time status effective April 19, 2008 for the following employees:
 - Randale Blackmon, Motor grader II at \$10.00 an hour
 - Michael J. Emerson, Equipment Operator III at \$10.50 an hour
 - Corey McKeller, Laborer at \$7.00 an hour
 - Willie B. McDaniel, Laborer at \$7.00 an hour
 - Charles Brown, Truck Driver/CDL at \$12.00 an hour.

Commissioner Dent motioned to approve. Commissioner Hall seconded.
Motion carried with yes votes from Commissioners Bozeman and Childree.

- Notification of separation of employment of Michael Evans, Mechanic II/Diesel. Last day of employment was April 8, 2008. Rate of pay \$16.38 an hour. Resigned in good standing.

E-911 Department

- Request status change for Kermit Coker from part-time to full-time Communication Officer effective April 13, 2008. Mr. Coker is GCIC certified but not post certified. Rate of Pay \$8.50 an hour.
- Notification of separation of employment for the following non-certified Communication Officers at \$8.50 an hour.
 - Wanda Culpepper
 - Wanda Gordon
 - Morris Rouse

Commissioner Dent motioned to approve. Commissioner Hall seconded.
Motion carried with yes votes from Commissioners Bozeman and Childree.

Sheriff Department

- Acknowledgement of Full-time status for James Bradford Medders, Deputy Sheriff effective April 10, 2008 at \$12.50 an hour.

Commissioner Childree motioned to approve. Commissioner Bozeman seconded.
Motion carried with yes votes from Commissioners Hall and Dent.

Public Safety

Henry Dixon is requesting the Board of Commissioners to reevaluate the Public Safety Maintenance position salary. His current salary is \$24,960.00 (\$960.00 bi-weekly/\$12.00 an hour).

No Action Taken

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Settlement mediation for Leon C. McDonald is scheduled for Tuesday, May 20, 2008 at 1:00 p.m. at the State Board of Workers' Compensation in Albany. An updated status report on Mr. McDonald should be received no later than next week.

Open Claims by year as of 03/31/08

At this time there was no further business on the agenda.

At 8:42 P.M. Commissioner Hall motioned to adjourn. Commissioner Dent seconded.

Motion carried with yes votes from Commissioners Bozeman and Childree.

Deborah Robinson

County Clerk

Dan E. Miller

Chairman