

NEWTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
1124 Clark Street
Covington, Georgia

AGENDA SUMMARY

July 21, 2020

- 7:02 p.m.
1. Call to Order: Chairman Marcello Banes
 2. Invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance
 3. Agenda Adoption
Chairman Banes noted the following changes needed to be made to the agenda: 1. Removal of Item # 21; and 2. Item #13 should be for Fire Station #2 not Fire Station #1.

Commissioner Mason motioned to approve the Agenda with the changes. Commissioner Cowan made the second.
Approved (5-0)
 4. Citizen Comments
 5. Chairman's Report
 - National Commission on Correctional Health Care Reaccreditation Award to Sheriff Ezell and the Newton County Sheriff's Office.
 6. County Manager's Report
 7. Old Business: None
 8. Consent Agenda
 - 8a. Juvenile Court/Finance: Request approval to accept grant funding for the Juvenile Family Drug Court from Criminal Justice Coordinating Council (CJCC)
Grant Amount: \$78,481
Match: \$8,720
Funding Source: General Fund Budget
 - 8b. Juvenile Court/Finance: Request approval to accept grant funding for the Juvenile Accountability Court from Criminal Justice Coordinating Council (CJCC)
Grant Amount: \$67,822
Match: \$7,536*
Funding Source: General Fund Budget

- 8c. County Clerk: BOC Public Hearing Minutes - July 14, 2020
Motion to approve the Consent Agenda was made by Commissioner Henderson and a second from Commissioner Schulz. Approved (5-0)
9. County Attorney: Discussion/Consideration of a Consecutive Water System Agreement (IGA with NCWSA and cities for water supply) to replace the expiring one-year agreement.
Commissioner Mason made the motion to enter into the Consecutive Water System Agreement with a second by Commissioner Edwards. Approved (5-0)
10. County Attorney: Discussion/Consideration of an Amendment to the IGA with the City of Covington for Lease of the Williams Street Water Treatment Facility, to extend the term of the agreement.
Commissioner Cowan made the motion to amend the IGA with the City of Covington for Lease of the Williams Street Water Treatment Facility, to extend the term of the agreement with a second by Commissioner Henderson. Approved (5-0)
11. County Attorney: Discussion/Consideration of a TSPLOST IGA with the cities of Covington, Mansfield, Newborn, Oxford, Porterdale and Social Circle.
Motion made by Commissioner Schulz and a second by Commissioner Henderson to table the item and hold a Special Called Meeting on Thursday, July 23, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. Approved (5-0)
12. County Attorney: Discussion/Consideration of a Resolution Authorizing a TSPLOST Referendum on November 3, 2020.
Motion made by Commissioner Henderson and a second by Commissioner Schulz to table the item and hold a Special Called Meeting on Thursday, July 23, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. Approved (5-0)
13. Fire Services/Purchasing: Requesting approval for amendment 1. Construction Phase of FS#1 #2 with Kevin Price in the amount of \$243,058.
Commissioner Edwards moved to approve the amendment for the construction phase of FS#2 with Kevin Price in the amount of \$243,058. Commissioner Schulz made a second. Approved (5-0)

14. BOC/Purchasing: Requesting approval of change order with TUSA in the amount of \$333,792 for Implementation Support.
Commissioner Schulz moved for approval of change order with TUSA in the amount of \$333,792 for Implementation Support with a second from Commissioner Cowan. Approved (5-0)
15. GIS: Requesting approval of a Maintenance Agreement with ESRI, Inc. in the amount of \$210,000 for GIS software applications and support for a 3-year term.
Commissioner Schulz moved for approval of a Maintenance Agreement with ESRI, Inc. in the amount of \$210,000 for GIS software applications and support for a 3-year term with a second from Commissioner Mason. Approved (5-0)
16. County Attorney: Consideration/Agreement for Sale of Realty between Peggy Jean Knox Residual Trust & NCBOC For land acquisition for Fire Station 4.
Motion made by Commissioner Edwards and second by Commissioner Cowan to enter into the agreement for the sale of realty between Peggy Jean Knox Residual Trust & NCBOC for land acquisition for Fire Station 4. Approved (5-0)
17. County Manager: Discussion/Consideration of CARES Act Fund Budget.
Commissioner Mason moved to approve the CARES Act Fund Budget. Commissioner Schulz seconded the motion. (4-0-1, Commissioner Edwards abstained due to not being able to hear the full discussion on the phone call.)
18. Finance: Request for Budget Transfers – Fire Services
Commissioner Cowan motioned to approve the Budget Transfer for Fire Services in the amount of \$248,058 with a second from Commissioner Schulz. Approved (5-0)
19. Finance: R072120B, A RESOLUTION TO ADOPT THE FY21 BUDGET.
Commissioner Mason moved to approved R072120B, A Resolution to adopt the FY21 Budget with a second from Commissioner Mason. Approved (4-1 with Commissioner Henderson voting in opposition.)
20. Finance: R072120C, A RESOLUTION OF THE NEWTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVING FISCAL YEAR 2021 APPROPRIATIONS TO ENTITIES

CONFERRING SUBSTANTIAL BENEFITS TO CITIZENS OF NEWTON COUNTY.

Commissioner Schulz moved for approval of R072120C, A Resolution of the Newton County Board of Commissioners approving the Fiscal Year 2021 Appropriations to Entities conferring substantial benefits to citizens of Newton County with a second by Commissioner Mason. Approved (5-0)

- 21. Discussion/Consideration of Intergovernmental Agreement Between Newton County, Georgia and the City of Mansfield Regarding Mansfield Street Paving. Item was removed from Agenda.

7:30 PM

ZONING/PUBLIC HEARING

The applicant and those in favor of the petition are allowed ten-minutes to address the board. In addition, ten-minutes are allotted for those in opposition to the petition. This ten-minute allotment does not include a response.

22. Case Number: CUP19-000007
Proposed Use: Parsonage for Church's
Ministry
Existing Zoning: AR (Agricultural
Residential)
Location: 84 & 100 Usher Road
(West Side)
Frontage: 330 Feet
Parcel Size: 14.54 Acres
Tax Parcel: 16-106, 16-105, & 16-26
Owner: Faith of Jesus Ministries,
Inc.
Petitioner: Pastor Lamar Bell
Applicant's Intent: Allow an adjoining lot with
existing residential
combine with
an
home to
the Place of
Worship for use as a parsonage
for the Church's Ministries.
Planning Commission: Recommended approval
Staff Conditions
with 4/0 Meeting: February
25, 2020

District Two
Motion made by Commissioner Mason for approval of CUP19-000007 with Staff Conditions. A second was made by Commissioner Schulz. Approved (5-0)

23. Case Number: REZ:20-000006
 Location: Bates Road
 Parcel Size: 20.2 Acres
 Tax Parcel: 106-049
 Existing Land Use Map: RR (Rural Residential)
 Existing Zoning: A (Agricultural)
 Proposed Zoning: AR (Agricultural)

Residential)

Watershed: Bear Creek/Alcovy River
 Owner: Betty Bates Smith
 Petitioner: Earnest C. Smith
 Applicant's Intent: Rezone parcel from A
 (Agricultural) to
 AR

(Agricultural Residential) for
 family

the purpose of settling a
 estate.

Planning Commission: Recommended unanimous
 approval with Staff

Conditions

3/0) (Meeting June 23,
 2020)

District One

Motion made by Commissioner Edwards for approval of REZ20-000006 with Staff Conditions. A second was made by Commissioner Schulz. Approved (5-0)

- 24 . Development Services: RESOLUTION R072120 – A RESOLUTION OF THE NEWTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONS ADOPTING ORDINANCE CHANGES TO IMPLEMENT STATE RESTRICTIONS ON LOCAL REGULATION OF TIMBER OPERATIONS.
 Motion made by Commissioner Schulz to approved R072120, A Resolution of the Newton County Board of Commissioners adopting Ordinance changes to implement state restriction on local regulation of Timber Operations. A second was made by Commissioner Mason. Approved (5-0)
25. Citizen Comments
27. Commissioner Comments
28. Executive Session (if needed)
 None
29. Adjourn

Motion made by Commissioner Schulz to adjourn with a second was made by Commissioner Mason. Approved (4-0 – Commissioner Edwards had dropped from the phone in call.)