

September 28, 2007
Statesboro, GA

CALLED MEETING

The Board met at 1:00 p.m. in the Community Room of the North Main Annex for a called meeting.

Chairman Nevil, Commissioner Tankersley, Commissioner Jackson, Commissioner Gibson, Commissioner Thompson, and Commissioner Rushing were present. County Manager Tom Couch and Staff Attorney Jeff Akins were also present. Commissioner Simmons was absent.

Chairman Nevil called the meeting to order and gave the invocation.

Chairman Nevil asked Mr. Couch to present the items for discussion on the agenda.

Mr. Couch suggested that discussion on the special audits report and the Occupational Tax Ordinance be deferred to October 9, 2007 due to time.

The first item on the agenda was the Budget Amendment #2008-01: Greenspace Fund. Keep Bulloch Beautiful has requested \$2,000.00 from the County's Greenspace Special Revenue Fund to conduct a Land Conservation Training Program/Seminar on September 21, 2007. Mr. Couch recommended that this item be approved. Commissioner Tankersley offered a motion to approve the budget amendment as requested. Commissioner Jackson seconded the motion and it carried, unanimously. (See Exhibit #2007-88)

The next item on the agenda was discussion about rescheduling the meeting on the first Tuesday of November. The Planning and Zoning Department requested this meeting be changed because it is an Election Day for the City of Statesboro. Mr. Nevil recommended moving the meeting to Thursday. The Board decided to defer this matter for further action.

The next item on the agenda was liability insurance premiums. Mr. Couch discussed two (2) payment options. Option one (1) was a \$1,000.00 deductible applied to all losses except for Law Enforcement and Public Officials Liability which has a \$15,000.00 deductible. The premium under option one (1) is \$443,190.00. Option two (2) was a \$2,500.00 deductible applied to all losses except for Law Enforcement and

Public Officials Liability which would still have a \$15,000.00 deductible. The premium under option two (2) is \$413,214.00. Commissioner Thompson offered a motion to approve option two (2). Commissioner Tankersley seconded the motion, and it carried unanimously.

The next item on the agenda was the planning of the county retreat. Mr. Couch contacted The University of Georgia's Vinson Institute of Government. There is a planned separate two-track retreat for management/department heads and Commissioners with a second session designed to funnel information of both groups into a single strategy. The estimated cost will be \$925.00 per day. He said he preferred the retreat be before Thanksgiving and needed the Commissioners to let him know either preferred or prohibited dates the first of next week so he can set a date.

The next item on the agenda was the noise ordinance. Mr. Jeff Akins passed out a draft copy of the Amendment to the Code of Ordinances of Bulloch County, Georgia. Mr. Akins discussed several point of interest. In section 10-137 (2) Mr. Akins pointed out the time and distance noted. All Commissioners agreed to change the distance from 50 feet to 100 feet. In sections 10-137 (8), and 10-138 (8) Mr. Akins pointed out the times noted. In sections 10-138 (10) and (11) Mr. Akins noted the last sentence of each section has been added. Mr. Akins advised that there needs to be forms and fee schedules added and he will speak with Sheriff Anderson about the times stated. After discussion Commissioner Thompson suggested deferring this issue to a later time to give the Commissioners an opportunity to study the draft ordinance.. All agreed.

The next item on the agenda was the Flying J Truck Plaza. The City of Statesboro has been approached about supplying water and sewer. The City has asked the County, the Board of Education, and the Development Authority about financing that would use the increment of the projected SPLOST money generated by Flying J. After long discussion the Board concluded that they were interested in the project but wanted to do further research on funding options.

The next item on the agenda was the City of Statesboro's proposal to establish a Capital Cost Recovery District for water and sewer extension. The County Manager reviewed his recommendations to the City Manager that covers land use, transportation issues and Greenway protection. No action was taken.

The next item on the agenda was the 301 North Bypass. Mr. Couch spoke with Glenn Durrance of GA. Department of Transportation on this issue and briefed the Board on the zoning issues.

Chairman Nevil asked for motion to adjourn the Called Meeting and go into Executive Session to discuss land acquisition, pending litigation, and personnel matters. Commissioner Tankersley made the motion, which was seconded by Commissioner Rushing. Commissioners Jackson, Thompson, and Gibson voted in favor of the motion, and it passed unanimously. (See Exhibit #2007-89)

J. Garrett Nevil

Attest