

June 28, 2011  
Statesboro, GA

### Special Called Meeting

The Board of Commissioners met for a Special Called Meeting at 8:30 a.m. in the Community Room of the North Main Annex.

The following commissioners were present: Vice-Chairman Mosley, Commissioner Simmons, Commissioner Rushing, Commissioner Thompson, and Commissioner Gibson. The following staff were present: County Manager Thomas Couch, County Attorney Jeff Akins, Clerk of the Board Maggie Fitzgerald, Chief Financial Officer Harry Starling, Public Safety Director Ted Wynn, Development Services Director Andy Welch, and Human Resources Director Heather McNeal.

Vice Chairman Mosley welcomed guests and called the meeting to order. Vice Chairman Mosley gave the invocation and the pledge of allegiance.

Vice Chairman Mosley stated that the only item of New Business was the discussion and/or action to dispense with the reading and adopt a Resolution authorizing the Call of Election for approval or rejection of an act authorizing Bulloch County to exercise powers under the "Redevelopment Powers Law." Vice Chairman Mosley called on County Manager Thomas Couch to initiate the discussion regarding the matter, and Mr. Couch stated that in accordance with the Board of Commissioners' request, our local legislative delegation in the General Assembly sponsored local legislation in the form of House Bill 483 which authorized Bulloch County to exercise all redevelopment and other powers under the Redevelopment Powers Law, including but not limited to creating tax allocation districts. Mr. Couch stated that House Bill 483 must be approved in a local referendum before it can take effect, and that the resolution requests the Bulloch County Board of Elections and Registration to call and conduct a special election on this referendum question on November 8, 2011. County Attorney Jeff Akins stated that Exhibit B represents the language that will be on the ballot. After further discussion, Commissioner Simmons offered a motion to dispense with reading and adopt a Resolution authorizing the Call of Election for approval or rejection of an act authorizing

Bulloch County to exercise powers under the “Redevelopment Powers Law” (See Exhibit #2011-65). Commissioner Rushing seconded the motion, and it carried unanimously.

With no further items of New Business, Vice Chairman Mosley asked each Commissioner to take thirty seconds for any general comments or statements, beginning with Commissioner Simmons and then proceeding down the bench accordingly. There were no comments from Commissioner Simmons, Vice Chairman Mosley, Commissioner Rushing, and Commissioner Gibson. Commissioner Thompson discussed the paving project for the Neighborhoods First Program. Mr. Couch stated that County Engineer Kirk Tatum has been working on estimates for hot mix asphalt to resurface the roads in Hazelwood. After further discussion, Vice Chairman Mosley asked for comments from the Staff, and County Manager Thomas Couch discussed the current issues with the Five Mile Fire District. Mr. Couch discussed accountability issues in regards to the City and the Fire Agreement, funding of a County Professional Fire Department, and the possible third party neutral mediation of the agreement for the future. After further discussion, Vice Chairman Mosley thanked Mr. Couch for his hard work regarding the Five Mile Fire District.

Vice Chairman Mosley called for further Comments from the Board and/or Staff. Hearing none, Commissioner Rushing offered a motion to adjourn the Special Called Meeting. Commissioner Gibson seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

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J. Garrett Nevil, Chairman

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Attest: Maggie Fitzgerald, Clerk of the Board