

September 17, 2013
Statesboro, GA

Regular Meeting

The Board of Commissioners met at 8:30 a.m. in the Community Room of the North Main Annex. Chairman Nevil welcomed guests and called the meeting to order. Commissioner Mosley gave the invocation, and the pledge of allegiance.

Ms. Christy Strickland, Clerk of the Board, performed the roll call of the commissioners and staff. The following commissioners were present: Commissioner Ethridge, Commissioner Simmons, Commissioner Mosley, Chairman Nevil, Commissioner Rushing, Commissioner Thompson and Vice-Chairman Gibson. The following staff were present: County Manager Tom Couch, County Attorney Jeff Akins, Chief Financial Officer Harry Starling, Transportation Director Dink Butler, Chief Deputy Jared Akins, County Engineer Kirk Tatum, and Public Safety Director Ted Wynn.

After Roll Call, Chairman Nevil asked for amendments or modifications of the General Agenda. Hearing none, Commissioner Gibson offered a motion to approve the General Agenda as presented. Commissioner Simmons seconded the motion, and it carried unanimously with Commissioner Gibson, Commissioner Thompson, Commissioner Rushing, Commissioner Mosley, Commissioner Simmons and Commissioner Ethridge voting in favor of the motion.

Chairman Nevil stated the next item on the agenda was a presentation from the Averitt Center for the Arts. President of the Board of Directors Francys Johnson gave a presentation of the Averitt Center's accomplishments and impacts on the community during the past ten (10) years. There were several presentations by participants in programs at the Averitt Center including a dance, children's choir, and dramatic monologue. Chairman Nevil thanked everyone for the presentations.

Chairman Nevil asked for public comments from the audience at large or in writing. There was no one present for public comments and nothing had been submitted in writing.

Chairman Nevil stated that the next item on the agenda was to approve the Consent Agenda as follows: (1) To approve the minutes of the regular meeting held on

September 3, 2013; (2) To appoint Jared Akins to the Bulloch County Alcohol & Drug Council; (3) To approve an alcoholic beverage license for Parkers # 45. Commissioner Simmons offered a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Commissioner Mosley seconded the motion, and it carried with Commissioner Gibson, Commissioner Thompson, Commissioner Rushing, Commissioner Mosley, Commissioner Simmons and Commissioner Ethridge voting in favor of the motion.

Chairman Nevil stated the first item under New Business was for Discussion/Action for approval of the proposal most advantageous to the County for Construction Management-at-Risk-Services (CMAR) for the New Administrative Annex. He called on County Manager Tom Couch to initiate discussion. Mr. Couch stated a staff committee has recommended the selection of Lavender and Associates of Statesboro, Georgia for CMAR services for the new administrative annex and the details were in the memo that he had presented (See Exhibit #2013-108). He stated the contract is a part of the larger budget of \$2.2 million for construction of this building to be appropriated from 1997 and 2001 SPLOST funds as recommended in the County's 2015 Capital Improvement Plan (CIP). Hearing no further discussion, Commissioner Thompson offered a motion to approve the proposal for Construction Management-at-Risk services of Lavender & Associates, Inc. (See Exhibit # 2013-109). Commissioner Simmons seconded the motion, and it carried unanimously with Commissioner Gibson, Commissioner Thompson, Commissioner Rushing, Commissioner Mosley, Commissioner Simmons, and Commissioner Ethridge voting in favor of the motion.

Chairman Nevil asked for any general comments or statements from the Commissioners. Commissioners Ethridge, Simmons, Mosley, and Rushing thanked the staff for their hard work and dedication. Commissioner Thompson thanked everyone for their dedication and asked for an update on the exterior façade of the administrative annex. County Manager Tom Couch stated there are revisions that need to be made to bring back to the Commissioners for approval and the projected date to start the project is in January 2014. Commissioner Gibson asked for an update on the resurfacing of Kennedy Bridge Road. County Manager Tom Couch stated they hope to start in the next couple of months.

Chairman Nevil asked for comments from the staff. Hearing none, Chairman Nevil asked for a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Simmons offered a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Mosley seconded the motion, and it carried unanimously with Commissioner Gibson, Commissioner Thompson, Commissioner Rushing, Commissioner Mosley, Commissioner Simmons, and Commissioner Ethridge voting in favor of the motion.

J. Garrett Nevil, Chairman

Attest: Christy Strickland, Clerk of the Board