

September 20, 2016
Statesboro GA

Regular Meeting

The Board of Commissioners met at 8:30am in the Community Room of the North Main Annex. Chairman Nevil welcomed guests and called the meeting to order. Commissioner Gibson gave the invocation and Pledge of Allegiance.

Mrs. Olympia Gaines, Clerk of the Board, performed the roll call of the commissioners and staff. The following commissioners were present: Chairman Nevil, Commissioner Thompson, Commissioner Rushing, Commissioner Gibson, Commissioner Mosley, and Commissioner Simmons. Commissioner Ethridge was absent. The following staff was present: County Manager Tom Couch, County Attorney Jeff Akins, Assistant County Manager Andy Welch, Chief Financial Officer Whitney Richland, Assistant Chief Financial Officer Kristie King, Transportation Director Dink Butler, Public Safety Director Ted Wynn, Human Resources Director Cindy Mallett, Aquatics Director Steve Brown, Purchasing Manager Faye Bragg, Tax Assessor John Scott, GIS Coordinator Paul Conner, and Chief Deputy Jared Akins.

Chairman Nevil asked for changes or modifications to the General Agenda. Mr. Couch asked to modify the agenda by adding the following items to the Consent Agenda: (1) authorize appointments to the Animal Shelter Advisory Committee; (2) approve a sole source contract with Pictometry International Corp. for aerial imagery; and (3) accept the lowest and most responsible bids for rail spur construction in Gateway Industrial Park. Mr. Couch requested that the agenda be further modified by adding an Executive Session to discuss personnel matters. After hearing no further modifications or amendments, Commissioner Gibson offered a motion to approve the General Agenda with the modifications requested by Mr. Couch. Commissioner Mosley seconded the motion and it carried unanimously with Commissioner Gibson, Commissioner Thompson, Commissioner Rushing, Commissioner Mosley and Commissioner Simmons all voting in favor of the motion.

Chairman Nevil called for public comments from the audience at large or in writing. Hearing none, he stated the next item on the agenda was approval of the Consent Agenda as follows: (1) to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting and Executive Session held on September 20, 2016; (2) to approve a bid from Weinberger's Business Interiors in the amount of \$11,668.15 for the replacement of furnishings for the Honey Bowen Building (See Exhibit

#2016-157); (3) to approve a contract with Pope Construction Company as a Construction Manager at Risk for the Bulloch County Agricultural Center (See Exhibit #2016-158); (4) to authorize the appointments of Dr. Richard Marz, Jody Warwin, Carrie Mitchell, Dr. Janice Grumbles, and Carole Smith to the Animal Shelter Advisory Committee; (5) to approve a sole source contract with Pictometry International Corp. for aerial imagery (See Exhibit #2016-159); (6) to accept the lowest and most responsible bids for rail spur construction in Gateway Industrial Park from Queen City Railroad Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$449,519.00 and for constructing the rail spur subgrade from R.B. Baker in the amount of \$221,119.00 (See Exhibit #2016-160). Without further discussion, Commissioner Simmons offered a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Commissioner Mosley seconded the motion and it carried unanimously with Commissioner Gibson, Commissioner Thompson, Commissioner Rushing, Commissioner Mosley and Commissioner Simmons all voting in favor of the motion.

Chairman Nevil stated the first item under New Business was for Discussion and/or Action to approve and adopt a resolution to amend the General Appropriations Budget and Work Program for FY2016. Chairman Nevil called on Mrs. Richland to initiate discussion on the matter. Mrs. Richland stated the purpose of the amendment was to mitigate adverse audit notes to the annual financial statements. After some discussion, Commissioner Simmons offered a motion to approve and adopt a resolution to amend the General Appropriations Budget and Work Program for FY2016 (See Exhibit #2016-161). Commissioner Mosley seconded the motion and it carried unanimously with Commissioner Gibson, Commissioner Thompson, Commissioner Rushing, Commissioner Mosley and Commissioner Simmons all voting in favor of the motion.

Chairman Nevil called for general comments or statements from the commissioners and staff. The commissioners thanked everyone for attending the meeting and the employees for all they do. Commissioner Rushing thanked Mr. Butler and the Roads Department for all their efforts in maintaining the county roads. Mr. Couch introduced Cindy Mallett as the new Human Resources Director. Mrs. Mallett thanked everyone for the warm welcome. Mr. Butler introduced Craig Lee as the Maintenance Superintendent and informed the board of the passing of Mike Boyett. Mr. Scott thanked the Board for their continued support. Chairman Nevil stated the Board and staff will remember the family of Mr. Boyett in their prayers.

Hearing no further comments from the Board or staff, Chairman Nevil stated there was no further business expected for the open session of the regular agenda and the Board must

close the meeting and enter into Executive Session to discuss Personnel Matters. Chairman Nevil called for a motion to adjourn into Executive Session in accordance with the provisions of O.C.G.A. § 50-14-3 (b) (2), and other applicable laws, pursuant to the advice of County Attorney Jeff Akins, for the purpose of discussing and deliberating on Personnel Matters. Without further discussion, Commissioner Gibson offered a motion to adjourn and enter into Executive Session to discuss and deliberate on Personnel Matters (See Exhibit #2016-162). Commissioner Rushing seconded the motion and it carried unanimously with Commissioner Gibson, Commissioner Thompson, Commissioner Mosley, Commissioner Simmons, and Commissioner Rushing voting in favor of the motion.

The meeting was reconvened, and Chairman Nevil asked if there were any further comments from the commissioners or staff. Hearing no further comments from the Commissioners or staff, 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 Rushing, Commissioner Thompson, Commissioner Simmons, and Commissioner Mosley all voting in favor of the motion.

J. Garrett Nevil, Chairman

Attest: _____
Olympia Gaines, Clerk