

The Banks County Board of Commissioners held their regular meeting on January 20, 2011 at 6:30 p.m. in the Board Room of the Banks County Courthouse Annex. Present were Chairman Milton Dalton and Commissioners Danny Maxwell, Sammy Reece, Ernest Rogers and Charles Turk.

1. Call to Order

Ch. Dalton called the meeting to order and welcomed Danny Maxwell and Sammy Reece as new commissioners.

2. Approval of Agenda

Comm. Reece made a motion to delete item 10. Recreation Department and replace it with Extension Service Memorandum of Understanding. Comm. Turk seconded. All aye votes and the motion passed.

3. Prayer

Ch. Dalton led a moment of silent prayer.

4. Pledge

Ch. Dalton led the Pledge to the American Flag.

5. Invoices

Comm. Rogers made a motion to approve the invoices. Comm. Turk seconded. All aye votes and the motion passed.

6. Minutes 12/14/2010 PH ; 12/14/2010

Comm. Turk made a motion to approve the minutes. Comm. Maxwell seconded. All aye votes and motion passed.

7. Second Monthly Meeting Time Change

Comm. Turk made a motion to change the time of the second monthly meeting to 6:30 p.m. Comm. Reece seconded. All aye votes and motion passed.

8. Candler St. Jail Underground Storage Tank Closure – Britt Meyers

Mr. Meyers stated the tanks had been removed in 2008 and the soil had been monitored for 2 years and the soil samples still did not meet state requirements. He stated there were three options on closing the tanks.

Option 1: Monitor wells for two more years

Option 2: Chemical oxidation treatment

Option 3: Dig out contaminated dirt and treat it

Mr. Meyers stated his proposal and the most cost effective option would be chemical oxidation treatment of the soil. Monitoring the wells for two more years would be approximately \$35,000 then there is a big possibility that something else would have to be done. Comm. Rogers asked if he had a definite cost. Mr. Meyers stated it would be approximately \$57,000 but he would give a not to exceed price that will include the worst case scenario. Comm. Rogers made a motion to give approval to start the process of Option 2: Chemical Oxidation as long as the total does not exceed \$75,000 and the funding will come from contingency. Comm. Turk seconded. All aye votes and the motion passed.

9. Narrowband Repeater Recommendation – Deidra Moore

911/EMA Director Deidra Moore stated this continues the FCC mandate of the narrowband repeaters. She stated first they would replace the Sheriff's Office, Water Department, Public Safety and 911 repeaters. The second step would be to replace the voter repeater site. The three bids that were submitted were as follows: Gunby Communications - \$25,510.32, Mobile Communications - \$29,425.40 and WRS - \$28,001.00. Comm. Maxwell stated the money had already been budgeted. Comm. Turk made a motion to accept the low bid of \$25,510.32 from Gunby Communications. Comm. Reece seconded. All aye votes and the motion passed.

10. Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) Extension Service

Comm. Turk made a motion to give the Chairman permission to sign the MOU. Comm. Maxwell seconded. All aye votes and the motion passed.

11. Community Developer Job Description – Tabled 12/14/2010

County Clerk Regina Gailey stated the job description has not changed since December and we are asking for approval before we start the interview process. Comm. Maxwell stated he was concerned about spreading the person too thin. Comm. Reece stated we can approve the job description now and later come back and change it. Comm. Maxwell made a motion to bring the item off the table. Comm. Rogers seconded. All aye votes and the motion passed. Ch. Dalton made a motion to approve the community developer job description. Comm. Reece seconded. All aye votes and motion passed.

12. Contracts and Agreements

a. Town of Homer Animal Control Agreement – Tabled 10/12/2010

The item was left on the table.

b. Clearwell Project – Rindt McDuff Associates

Fred Hawkins stated the Alto Connection had previously been approved would be included in the change order and the concrete has been taken out of the change order. He stated the electrical issues are lock and key so no engineering is required. The booster pump arrived yesterday and will be installed soon. Utilities Director Steve Reece asked why the vent is stainless steel because PVC is cheaper. Mr. Hawking stated we may not have to use the vent. Mr. Reece asked Mr. Hawkins about splicing the damaged wire and he would recommend replacing all wires to ensure there are no other problems. Comm. Reece stated he was also concerned about splicing. Mr. Hawkins stated this was just an option and only the 110 wires would be spliced and the 220 wires would be replaced. Comm. Turk made a motion to approve Item 2 & Item 3. Ch. Dalton seconded. All aye votes and the motion passed. Item 2 Construction Cost consists of a 16" tee w/chemical closing points, 8" flap valve on tank drain and additional erosion control ordered by EPD in the amount of \$9,724.. Item 3 Engineering Fees consist of 5 month time extension through October 15, redesign high service water main, redesign high service pump configuration, credit 10% reduction in high service pump configuration design, design Alto connection and design 16" tee in the amount of \$109,144.92.

13. Boards and Authorities

a. Planning Commission - 4 year term - Alicia Andrews

Comm. Rogers made a motion to reappoint Alicia Andrews to the Planning Commission for a four year term. Comm. Turk seconded. All aye votes and the motion passed. The term will expire 10/31/2014.

b. Georgia Mountain Regional Commission – 1 year term – Rickey Cain

Comm. Turk made a motion to appoint Sammy Reece to the Georgia Mountains Regional Commission to complete the unexpired term of Rickey Cain which ends 6/30/2011. Comm. Rogers seconded. Four aye votes. Comm. Reece abstained and the motion passed.

c. Chestatee-Chattahoochee RC&D – 1 year term – Rickey Cain

d. Chestatee-Chattahoochee RC&D – 1 year term – Leslie George

Comm. Turk made a motion to appoint Milton Dalton and Leslie George to the Chestatee Chattahoochee RC&D for a one year term. Comm. Rogers seconded. All aye votes and the motion passed. The terms will expire on 12/31/2011.

e. Joint Development Authority – 4 year term – Dennis Brown

Comm. Maxwell made a motion to appoint Jimmy Morrison to the Joint Development Authority for a four year term. Comm. Turk seconded. All aye votes and the motion passed. The term will expire 12/31/2014.

f. Recreation Board – 3 year term – Robin Trotter

Comm. Maxwell made a motion to appoint Eric Rogers to the Recreation Board for a three year term. Comm. Reece seconded. All aye votes and motion passed. The term will expire 12/31/2013.

g. Recreation Board – 3 year term – Vince Lehotsky

Comm. Turk made a motion to reappoint Vince Lehotsky to the Recreation Board for a three year term. Comm. Reece seconded. All aye votes and the motion passed. The term will expire 12/31/2013.

h. Recreation Board – 3 year term – Kevin Cape

Comm. Turk made a motion to appoint Jason Hensley to the Recreation Board for a three year term. Comm. Reece seconded. All aye votes and the motion passed. The term will expire 12/31/2013.

i. Board of Tax Assessors – 6 year term – Vacant

Comm. Rogers made a motion to appoint Sam Moon to the Board of Tax Assessors to complete the unexpired term of Nancy Sims which will end on 12/31/2011. Comm. Turk seconded. All aye votes and the motion passed.

j. Board of Commissioners Vice Chairman

Comm. Rogers made a motion to appoint Comm. Turk as Vice Chairman for one year. Comm. Reece seconded. All aye votes and motion passed.

14. Executive Session – Litigation

Comm. Rogers made a motion to enter into executive session concerning litigation. Comm. Turk seconded. All aye votes and the executive session began at 7:48 p.m.

Comm. Maxwell made a motion to close the executive session. Comm. Rogers seconded. All aye votes and the executive session ended at 8:13 p.m. *(Copy of affidavit filed in Attachment to Minutes Book 9-2)*

15. Adjournment

Comm. Reece made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Comm. Maxwell seconded. All aye votes and the meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Chairman

Assistant County Clerk
