

June 4, 2019

The Walton County Board of Commissioners held its regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, June 4, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. at the Historic Walton County Courthouse, 111 South Broad Street, Monroe, Georgia. Those present included Chairman Kevin Little, Commissioners Bo Warren, Mark Banks, Timmy Shelnett, Lee Bradford, Jeremy Adams and Kirklyn Dixon, County Clerk Leta Talbird, County Attorney Chip Ferguson, Finance Director Linda Hanna, Human Resources Director Karen Fraser and Planning Director Mike Martin. A list of citizens and other employees in attendance at this meeting is on file in the auxiliary file under this meeting date.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Jerry Baird spoke regarding the Walton Tribune and the Atlanta Journal throwing circulars and newspapers onto his property without his permission.

PRESENTATION

The Board of Commissioners, staff members from the Association of County Commissioners of Georgia and the Georgia County Clerks Association recognized County Clerk Leta Talbird for being named 2019 Georgia County Clerk of the Year.

MEETING OPENING

Chairman Little called the meeting to order at 6:09 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Commissioner Dixon gave the invocation.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

***Motion:** Commissioner Adams made a motion to adopt the agenda with the addition of a decision on water lines in District 5. Commissioner Bradford seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.*

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Public Hearing and Second Reading - Amendment to Walton County Impact Fee Ordinance

Assistant Planning & Development Director Charna Parker presented the proposed amendment. Chairman Little opened the public hearing on the matter. There were no comments. Chairman Little closed the public hearing on the matter.

***Motion:** Commissioner Bradford made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Adams, to adopt the amendment to the Walton County Impact Fee Ordinance. All voted in favor.*

Public Hearing & Decision on Abandonment of a portion of Malcom Lane

Chairman Little opened the public hearing on the matter. Planning Director Mike Martin presented the request. There was no one present in opposition. Chairman Little closed the public hearing on the matter.

Motion: *Commissioner Bradford made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Dixon, to approve the abandonment. All voted in favor.*

Decision on Planning Commission recommendation to deny ZCU19020015 – Rezone 5.00 acres from MH to MHP Conditional Use to allow for permanent recreational use - Applicant/Owner: Tony Jenkins - 2960 Etchison Rd - Map/Parcel C0610052 - District 1

Chairman Little opened the public hearing on the matter. Mary Ann & Tony Jenkins came before the Board in support of the rezone. There was no one present in opposition. Chairman Little closed the public hearing on the matter.

Motion: *Commissioner Warren made a motion to support the recommendation of the Planning Commission to deny the rezone. He further moved to add the caveat that the three units be given an 8 month grace period to help the people find a more suitable place to live and that the Planning & Development Office check all other mobile home parks in the County to ensure that they are in following the same guidelines. Commissioner Banks seconded the motion; voted and carried unanimously. Commissioner Dixon requested that the Planning & Zoning Office provide a report regarding all other mobile home parks in the near future.*

PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATIONS

Approval with conditions of Z19040005– Rezone 38.21 acres from R1 to R1 PDS for a private drive subdivision - Applicant: Reliant Homes GA, LLC/Owner: MFT Land Investments LLC - 3799 N Sharon Church Rd. - Map/Parcel C0240018 - District 2

Chairman Little opened the public hearing on the matter. Ned Butler of Reliant Homes came before the Board in support of the rezone. There was no one present in opposition. Chairman Little closed the public hearing on the matter.

Motion: *Commissioner Banks made a motion to approve the rezone as presented. Commissioner Shelnett seconded the motion. All voted in favor.*

Approval with conditions of LU1904003 & Z19040004– Land Use Change from Neighborhood Residential to Rural Residential and Rezone 114+-acres from A2 R2 to A for farming operations - Applicant/Owner: Roberta Farms LLC - Monroe Jersey Rd - Map/Parcel C0660035B00 - District 3

Chairman Little opened the public hearing on the matter. Attorney Paul Rosenthal came before the Board in support of the land use change and rezone on behalf of the applicant. There was no one present in opposition. Chairman Little closed the public hearing on the matter.

Motion: *Commissioner Shelnett made a motion to approve the land use change*

and rezone as presented. Commissioner Warren seconded the motion; voted and carried unanimously.

Approval of CU19030004 – Conditional Use for a guest house – Applicant/Owner: David & Judy Autry - 5226 Hawkins Academy Rd - Map/Parcel C1720074 - District 4

Chairman Little opened the public hearing on the matter. Applicants David & Judy Autry came before the Board in support of the Conditional Use. There was no one present in opposition. Chairman Little closed the public hearing on the matter.

Motion: *Commissioner Bradford made a motion to approve the Conditional Use. Commissioner Adams seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.*

Approval with conditions of Z19030027– Rezone 14.54 acres from A1 to A to grow & sell organic pecans, eggs & chicks - Applicant: Dennis Martin - 530 Tanners Bridge Rd. - Map/Parcel C0710077B00 - District 5

Chairman Little opened the public hearing on the matter. Applicant Dennis Martin came before the Board in support of the rezone. He stated that he had withdrawn the request to sell chicks and eggs and is requesting approval to sell fruits, vegetables and pecans. There was no one present in opposition. Chairman Little closed the public hearing on the matter.

Motion: *Commissioner Adams made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Bradford, to approve the rezone for the sale of fruits, vegetables and pecans. All voted in favor.*

Approval as per the site plan of CU19030028 – Conditional Use for a church/religious facility – Applicant: Griffin & Davis Consulting Inc./Owner: Khanh Quang Ho - 3615 Miller Bottom Rd - Map/Parcel C0020026 – District 2

Chairman Little opened the public hearing on the matter. The applicant came before the Board in support of the Conditional Use. There was no one present in opposition. Chairman Little closed the public hearing on the matter.

Motion: *Commissioner Banks made a motion to approve the Conditional Use. Commissioner Warren seconded the motion. Commissioners Warren, Banks, Bradford, Adams & Dixon voted in favor of the motion. Commissioner Shelnutt opposed the motion. The motion carried 5-1.*

Denial of CU19040001 – Conditional Use for an event venue – Applicant/Owner: Reinhard & Annette Seier - 1775 Double Springs Church Rd - Map/Parcel C074007B00 - District 5

Chairman Little opened the public hearing on the matter. He stated that the applicant requested that the application be withdrawn. Attorney Jenny Carter, representing area land owners, spoke in opposition. All those present in opposition stood to be recognized. Chairman Little closed the public hearing on the matter.

Motion: Commissioner Adams made a motion to accept withdrawal of the Conditional Use request. Commissioner Warren seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

Approval of OA19030026 – Amendment to Walton County Land Development Ordinance per Errata Sheet dated 4-2-2019

Chairman Little opened the public hearing on the matter. Associate Planning Director Charna Parker reviewed the proposed amendments with the Board. There was no one present in opposition. Chairman Little closed the public hearing on the matter.

Motion: Commissioner Adams made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Dixon, to approve the amendments as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Request to waive curb and gutter requirements on a subdivision to be developed by Rosewood Development Company - 26 lots - H.D. Atha Road - District 1

Ron Smith, representing the applicant, came before the Board in support of the request.

Motion: Commissioner Bradford made a motion to approve the request. Commissioner Warren seconded the motion. Commissioners Warren, Shelnett, Bradford, Adams & Dixon voted in favor of the motion. Commissioner Banks opposed the motion. The motion carried 5-1.

ADMINISTRATIVE CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approval of May 7, 2019 & May 15, 2019 Meeting Minutes
2. Contracts & Budgeted Purchases of \$5,000.00 or greater
3. Proposal - Ross & Associates - Impact Fee Program Update
4. Engagement Letter - Mauldin & Jenkins CPAs - FY 2019 Audit
5. Engagement Letter - Mauldin & Jenkins CPAs - Georgia Judicial Retirement System
6. Contract - Paytel - Inmate Telecommunications - Walton County Jail
7. Health Services Agreement - CorrectHealth - Walton County Jail
8. Agreement - Department of the Navy - Night Vision Equipment - Sheriff's Office
9. Declaration of Surplus Property
10. 2019 Water Department Charge Offs

Motion: Commissioner Adams made a motion to approve the Administrative Consent Agenda as presented. Commissioner Shelnett seconded motion. The motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTIONS

Re-Adoption of Walton County, Georgia Service Delivery Strategy

Motion: Commissioner Bradford made a motion to adopt the resolution.

Commissioner Dixon seconded the motion; voted and carried unanimously.

FY 2019 Budget Amendments

Motion: *Commissioner Adams made a motion to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Shelnuttt seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.*

Authorizing Chairman to amend the FY 2019 budgets as part of the fiscal year closing process

Motion: *Commissioner Dixon made a motion to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Shelnuttt seconded the motion; voted and carried unanimously.*

Adoption of FY 2020 Budget

Motion: *Commissioner Shelnuttt made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Warren, to adopt the resolution. All voted in favor.*

PUBLIC WORKS

Acceptance of Proposals - Emergency Wing Wall Repairs - Broadnax Mill Rd. & Ammons Bridge Road (for the record)

Motion: *Commissioner Shelnuttt made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Banks, to accept the proposals as presented. The motion carried unanimously.*

ADDITION TO AGENDA

Decision on water lines in District 5

Motion: *Commissioner Adams made a motion to approve the projects in District 5 which are consistent with the County's master plan using ductile iron. Commissioner Bradford seconded the motion. Commissioner Dixon asked Water Department Director Morris Jordan to speak about other priority projects needed as part of the strategic plan. Commissioner Dixon stated that a decision on these projects seems rushed. After further discussion, Commissioner Adams amended his motion to include using SPLOST funds for the projects in District 5 as the money becomes available. Commissioner Bradford seconded the motion. Commissioners Warren, Banks, Shelnuttt, Bradford and Adams voted in favor of the motion. Commissioner Dixon opposed the motion. The motion carried 5-1.*

ADJOURNMENT

Motion: *Commissioner Adams made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Dixon, to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 6:57 p.m.*

All documents of record for this meeting are on file in either the addendum book or auxiliary file under this meeting date.

KEVIN W. LITTLE, CHAIRMAN

LETA P. TALBIRD, CLERK