

**GORDON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
WORK SESSION MINUTES
JUNE 5, 2012**

The Gordon County Board of Commissioners held a Work Session Tuesday, June 5, 2012 at 9:30 a.m. in the conference room of the Administration Building.

MEMBERS PRESENT

**JUDY BAILEY, CHAIRMAN
BECKY HOOD, VICE CHAIRMAN
ALVIN LONG, COMMISSIONER
CHAD STEWARD, COMMISSIONER**

OTHERS PRESENT

**RANDALL DOWLING, COUNTY ADMIN.
SUZANNE SMITH, COUNTY ATTORNEY
ANNETTE BERRY, COUNTY CLERK
MEDIA
20 GUESTS**

Chairman Bailey called the meeting to order.

The Board discussed each item on the agenda and made no changes or additions.

County Attorney Smith discussed with the Board changing the Malt Beverage and Wine Ordinance to include the recently approved referendum for liquor by the drink. Also, as part of this discussion, a special event ordinance was discussed.

Mr. Aaron Walkover with the local KOA campground spoke to the Board to explain his request for having a special event at the campground in late November, as well as, a request from one of the vendors planning to have a booth at the special event who is requesting to sell beer along with food.

There was a consensus of the Board to ask the County Attorney to prepare a special event ordinance for consideration by the Board.

Commissioner Long made a motion to adjourn the Work Session. Commissioner Steward seconded the motion and all voted aye.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 10:00 a.m.

Annette Berry, County Clerk

Judy Bailey, Chairman

**GORDON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
JUNE 5, 2012**

The Gordon County Board of Commissioners held their Regular Meeting on Tuesday, June 5, 2012, at 10:00 a.m. in the Conference Room of the Administration Building.

MEMBERS PRESENT

**JUDY BAILEY, CHAIRMAN
BECKY HOOD, VICE CHAIRMAN
CHAD STEWARD, COMMISSIONER
ALVIN LONG, COMMISSIONER**

OTHERS PRESENT

**RANDALL DOWLING, COUNTY ADMIN.
SUZANNE SMITH, COUNTY ATTORNEY
ANNETTE BERRY, COUNTY CLERK
MEDIA
APPROXIMATELY 20 GUESTS**

Chairman Bailey called the meeting to order.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Invocation was led by Rev. John Allen and the pledge of allegiance was led by Chairman Bailey.

WELCOME

Chairman Bailey welcomed everyone to the meeting.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION – To Al Leonard, Finance Director, for a Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting from the Government Finance Officers Association for 2011

Chairman Bailey presented the award to Al Leonard and commented that this is the seventh year that Mr. Leonard has received this award. Chairman Bailey congratulated Mr. Leonard and stated that the Board appreciates him and his staff for the work put forth in achieving this award.

EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION – Employees with Anniversary Hire Dates in June

Chairman Bailey read the list of employees with anniversary hire dates in June. Commissioner Steward drew the name of Mike Hughes, with the Road Department, as employee of the month.

PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2012/2013 RECOMMENDED BUDGET

Commissioner Long made a motion to open the public hearing. Commissioner Hood seconded the motion and all voted aye.

Chairman Bailey asked if anyone had any comments concerning the Budget. Mr. Corey Reeves, with Gordon Hospital, came before the Board to request additional funds for the ambulance service at the hospital. No one else came before the Board to speak. Commissioner Long made a motion to close the public hearing. Commissioner Hood seconded the motion and Commissioners Long, Hood, and Steward voted aye. Motion passed.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chairman Bailey asked if there were any additions, omissions, or deletions to the Minutes for the Work Session May 15, 2012 and the Regular Meeting May 15, 2012. Commissioner Long made a motion to approve the minutes. Commissioner Steward seconded the motion and all voted aye. Minutes approved.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Administrator Dowling read the report.

COMMISSIONERS' REPORT

None

PUBLIC HEARING FOR ZONING

Commissioner Long made a motion to open the public hearing for zoning. Commissioner Hood seconded the motion and all voted aye.

County Attorney Smith advised the Board that this is rezoning application #Z12-01, Bobby Fain's request to rezone from A-1 to RA-1. This comes to the Board of Commissioners from the Planning Commission with no recommendation. Ms. Rebecca Brown, representing the applicant, spoke to the Board to explain the rezoning. Ms. Amy Richards spoke to the Board in opposition to the rezoning, stating that she was concerned that a mobile home would be moved in on the property.

Commissioner Long made a motion to approve the rezoning. Commissioner Hood seconded the motion and Commissioners Long, Hood, and Steward voted aye. Motion passed.

Commissioner Long made a motion to close the public hearing for zoning. Commissioner Hood seconded the motion and all voted aye. Public Hearing closed.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC – GERMANE TO THE AGENDA

None

CONSIDERATION OF OLD BUSINESS

None

CONSIDERATION OF NEW BUSINESS

ADOPTION OF A LIMITED ENGLISH PROFICIENCY POLICY

County Attorney Smith advised the Board that this item is for adoption of a Limited English Proficiency Policy. Gordon County had a site visit from the Criminal Justice Coordination Council reviewing standard grant financial and programmatic monitoring on an American Recovery and Reinvestment Act grant. Their findings and recommendation was for Gordon County to document an appropriate procedure to ensure reasonable steps are being taken to provide meaningful access to their programs for persons with limited English proficiency. The adoption by the Board of a Limited English Proficiency Policy is the response by Gordon County to be in compliance with the findings and recommendation.

Commissioner Long made a motion to approve the adoption of a Limited English Proficiency Policy. Commissioner Steward seconded the motion and Commissioners Hood, Steward, and Long voted aye. Motion passed.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ADOPTION OF GORDON COUNTY HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN

Administrator Dowling advised the Board that FEMA has approved the Gordon County Hazard Mitigation Plan submitted subject to a formal adoption by the Board of Commissioners. This Resolution authorizes adoption of the Plan.

Commissioner Hood made a motion to approve the Resolution adopting the Gordon County Hazard Mitigation Plan. Commissioner Steward seconded the motion and Commissioners Hood, Steward, and Long voted aye. Motion passed.

REQUEST FOR A TRAFFIC SIGNAL TO THE GEORGIA D.O.T. AT THE INTERSECTION OF SHAW DRIVE AND SOUTH CALHOUN BY-PASS

Administrator Dowling advised that the Georgia Department of Transportation has notified Gordon County that the traffic engineering study has been performed and the signal equipment and installation are now recommended to be included in the intersection project for the South Calhoun Bypass and Shaw Drive. The Georgia D.O.T. requires the County to sign a Request for Traffic Signal and Telephone Service Agreement, then if it is determined that all requirements have been met, further review and possible permitting will be issued.

Commissioner Long made a motion to approve the Request for a Traffic Signal to the Georgia DOT, at the intersection of Shaw Drive and South Calhoun By-Pass. Commissioner Steward seconded the motion and Commissioner Steward, Hood, and Long voted aye. Motion passed.

DECLARATION OF SURPLUS COUNTY PROPERTY FOR THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT OF A 2008 BMW 328I

Administrator Dowling advised the Board that this item is for a declaration of surplus County property for the Sheriff's Department of a confiscated vehicle, a 2008 BMW 328I.

Commissioner Steward made the motion to approve the declaration of surplus property for the Sheriff's Department. Commissioner Hood seconded the motion and Commissioners Long, Steward, and Hood voted aye. Motion passed.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC – GENERAL

None

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Hood made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Long seconded the motion and all voted aye. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:30 a.m.