

**GORDON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
WORK SESSION MINUTES  
DECEMBER 18, 2012**

The Gordon County Board of Commissioners held a Work Session Tuesday, December 18, 2012 at 5:00 p.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, ADMINISTRATOR  
SUZANNE SMITH, COUNTY ATTORNEY  
ANNETTE BERRY, COUNTY CLERK  
MEDIA  
10 GUESTS**

Chairman Bailey called the meeting to order.

The Board discussed each item on the Agenda and made no changes or deletions. Three items were added to the Agenda later in the meeting.

Mr. Jim Dodd, City Council member with the City of Fairmount, spoke to the Board regarding additional reallocation of LOST funds for the City of Fairmount. There was a consensus of the Board to add this item to the Agenda and to include the City of Resaca in the additional reallocation of LOST funds.

County Attorney Smith advised the Board that she had discussed several requested changes to the Gordon County Animal Control Ordinance with Animal Control Director Sue Henson. After their review of concerns and requests for changes from citizens, she and Ms. Henson are presenting three recommendations for amendment to the current animal control ordinance. There was a consensus of the Board to add the amendment to the ordinance for a first reading to the agenda.

Superior Court Judge Shepherd Howell spoke to the Board regarding an increase in the local supplement for the Cherokee Judicial Circuit judges. Judge Howell requested an increase to \$32,300 from \$20,000, with Bartow County funding 64.5% and Gordon County funding 35.5%. There was a consensus of the Board to send a letter to State Representative Meadows in support of his introducing local legislation recommending this increase.

County Administrator Dowling advised the Board that the Hospital Authority Board is requesting the Board of Commissioners send a letter to the Hospital Board recommending the re-appointment of David Hammond for a three year term ending 12/31/2015. There was a consensus of the Board to add this item to the agenda.

Commissioner Long made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Hood seconded and all voted aye.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 5:40 p.m.

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**Annette Berry, County Clerk**

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**Judy W. Bailey, Chairman**

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**GORDON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
DECEMBER 18, 2012**

The Gordon County Board of Commissioners held their Regular Meeting on Tuesday, December 18, 2012 at 6:00 p.m. in the Main Courtroom of the Gordon County Courthouse.

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

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

**OTHERS PRESENT**

**RANDALL DOWLING, ADMINISTRATOR  
SUZANNE SMITH, COUNTY ATTORNEY  
ANNETTE BERRY, COUNTY CLERK  
MEDIA  
APPROXIMATELY 50 GUESTS**

Chairman Bailey called the meeting to order.

**INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

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

**WELCOME**

Chairman Bailey welcomed everyone to the meeting. The Chairman recognized the Cub Scout Pack 46 in attendance at the meeting to earn their Citizenship Badges.

Chairman Bailey also recognized the Youth Leadership Group and asked each member to stand and introduce themselves and tell what school they represent.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Chairman Bailey asked if there were any additions, omissions, or deletions to the Minutes for the Work Session December 4, 2012, and the Regular Meeting December 4, 2012. Commissioner Long made a motion to approve the minutes. Commissioner Hood seconded the motion and all voted aye. Minutes approved.

**ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT**

Administrator Dowling read the report.

**COMMISSIONERS' REPORT**

None

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

**APPLICATION Z12-05 DOUGLAS AND SANDY RALSTON'S REQUEST TO REZONE FROM R-1 TO A-1 AND APPLICATION Z12-06 DOUGLAS AND SANDY RALSTON'S REQUEST TO REZONE FROM R-G TO A-1**

County Attorney Smith read the two applications for rezoning. The purpose of the rezoning applications is to combine a 4-acre tract and a 1-acre tract located at 148 Davis Road in Resaca. This comes to the Board of Commissioners from the Planning Commission with their recommendations for approval. No one is signed to speak for or against the rezoning requests.

Commissioner Long made a motion to approve both applications for rezoning. Commissioner

Steward seconded the motion and Commissioners Long, Steward, and Hood voted aye. Motion passed.

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

#### COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC – GERMANE TO THE AGENDA

None

#### CONSIDERATION OF OLD BUSINESS

None

#### CONSIDERATION OF NEW BUSINESS

#### APPROVAL OF SURPLUS COUNTY PROPERTY FOR GUNS FROM THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

County Administrator Dowling advised that this item is for approval of surplus county property of guns from the Sheriff's Department. A new State law has passed that requires commissioners to declare surplus the guns that have been confiscated or somehow acquired by the Sheriff's Office. There are about 571 guns to be declared surplus property. The Board needs to also authorize the staff to hold an on-line auction in February to sell these guns, according to new State law, to only gun dealers and collectors.

Commissioner Hood made a motion to approve the declaration of surplus property and authorize an on-line auction to dispose of the guns. Commissioner Steward seconded the motion and Commissioners Long, Hood, and Steward voted aye. Motion passed.

#### APPROVAL OF SURPLUS COUNTY PROPERTY OF FIVE VEHICLES FROM THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

County Administrator Dowling advised the Board that this is a request from the Sheriff's Department for five confiscated vehicles to be declared surplus county property in order for the Sheriff's Department to dispose of the vehicles.

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

#### APPROVAL OF 2013 APPLICATIONS FOR RENEWAL LICENSE FOR MALT BEVERAGE/WINE/LIQUOR

County Attorney Smith advised the Board that this is for Board approval of renewal of 19 license applications for malt beverage, wine, and liquor. These renewal applications are for renewal for calendar year 2013. All required paperwork and information for the renewal applications have been submitted and are eligible for renewal

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

**APPROVAL OF APPLICATION FOR MALT BEVERAGE AND WINE LICENSE FOR 2013 FOR NEW OWNER OF RAINBOW CORNER**

**County Attorney Smith advised the Board that this is an application for a new malt beverage and wine license for 2013 for the new owner of Rainbow Corner. All paperwork is in order and eligible for approval.**

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

**REALLOCATE LOST PROCEEDS TO CITY OF FAIRMOUNT AND CITY OF RESACA**

**County Administrator Dowling advised the Board that this is for approval of reallocation of LOST proceeds for the month of November and December 2012 to the City of Fairmount and the City of Resaca to be paid in late January 2013.**

**Commissioner Long made a motion to approve the reallocation of LOST proceeds. Commissioner Steward seconded the motion and Commissioners Long, Hood, and Steward voted aye. Motion passed.**

**AMENDMENT TO THE ANIMAL CONTROL ORDINANCE – 1<sup>st</sup> Reading**

**County Attorney Smith advised the Board that this is the first reading of the amendment to the Gordon County Animal Control Ordinance. The Animal Control Director and County Attorney presented to the Board recommendations for three amendments to the Animal Control Ordinance. County Attorney Smith read the three amendments into the record (copy attached). The second reading and consideration of approval will be at the next commission meeting.**

**RECOMMENDATION OF DAVID HAMMOND AS MEMBER OF THE GORDON COUNTY HOSPITAL AUTHORITY BOARD FOR A THREE-YEAR TERM ENDING 12/31/2015**

**County Administrator Dowling advised the Board that this is a reappointment to the Gordon County Hospital Authority Board. This is a recommendation of David Hammond for reappointment for a three-year term ending 12/31/2015.**

**Commissioner Long made a motion to approve the recommendation of David Hammond as a member of the Gordon County Hospital Authority Board. Commissioner Hood seconded the motion and Commissioners Long, Hood, and Steward voted aye. Motion passed.**

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Long made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Hood seconded the motion and all voted aye. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

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Annette Berry, County Clerk

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Judy Bailey, Chairman