

**GORDON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
WORK SESSION MINUTES  
JANUARY 7, 2014**

The Gordon County Board of Commissioners held a Work Session Tuesday, January 7, 2014 at 5:15 p.m. in the conference room of the Administration Building.

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

**BECKY HOOD, CHAIRMAN  
CHAD STEWARD, VICE CHAIRMAN  
NORRIS SEXTON, COMMISSIONER  
KEVIN CUNNINGHAM, COMMISSIONER  
JEFF GAZAWAY, COMMISSIONER**

**OTHERS PRESENT**

**SUZANNE SMITH, COUNTY ATTORNEY  
ANNETTE BERRY, COUNTY CLERK  
MEDIA  
20 GUESTS**

Chairman Hood called the meeting to order.

The Board discussed each item on the agenda and made no changes. One item was added to the Agenda at the request of the Sheriff. The Sheriff Department requested to add to the agenda a declaration of surplus property for a 2002 Cadillac Deville.

Chairman Hood announced that the Board of Commissioners wishes to honor Grady Jolly, who is retiring from the Sheriff's Department, with a token of appreciation for his years of service. The Board Members and Sheriff Mitch Ralston joined in presenting Mr. Jolly with a gold watch commemorating his retirement from Gordon County.

County Attorney Smith advised the Board that she had received a request from the Gordon County Library Board to use some space at the mental health building to store books from February 1 to August 1, 2014, during the construction of the addition to the library building. There was a consensus of the Board to allow the Library to use specified space at the mental health building for that period of time.

County Attorney Smith advised the Board that she had received a request from the Gordon Hospital to use the grassy space adjacent to E-911's parking lot as additional parking for the hospital during their construction project. Following discussion by the Board members, County Attorney Smith was advised to contact the hospital and arranged for her and E-911 Director, Debbie Vance, to meet with someone from the hospital to get more information for the Board's consideration in making a decision on this request.

Commissioner Steward made a motion to adjourn the Work Session, Commissioner Cunningham seconded the motion and all voted aye. There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 5:50 p.m.

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**Annette Berry, County Clerk**

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**Becky Hood, Chairman**

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**GORDON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
JANUARY 7, 2014**

The Gordon County Board of Commissioners held their Regular Meeting on Tuesday, January 7, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. in the conference room of the Administration Building

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

**BECKY HOOD, CHAIRMAN  
CHAD STEWARD, VICE CHAIRMAN  
JEFF GAZAWAY, COMMISSIONER  
KEVIN CUNNINGHAM, COMMISSIONER  
NORRIS SEXTON, COMMISSIONER**

**OTHERS PRESENT**

**SUZANNE SMITH, COUNTY ATTORNEY  
ANNETTE BERRY, COUNTY CLERK  
MEDIA  
5 GUESTS**

Chairman Hood 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 Hood.

**EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION**

Commissioner Cunningham read the names of employees with anniversary hire dates in January. Commissioner Steward drew the name of Carolyn Bingiel as employee of the month. For being named Employee of the month, Ms. Bingiel is awarded a day off with pay.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Chairman Hood asked if there were any additions, omissions, or deletions to the Minutes for the Work Session December 17, 2013, and the Regular Meeting December 17, 2013. Commissioner Cunningham made a motion to approve the minutes. Commissioner Steward seconded the motion and all voted aye. Minutes approved.

**ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT**

County Attorney Smith advised that she had heard back from the architectural firm that is working on the parking deck. They advised that they had not had a response on the numbers they had requested from each of the departments they met with when they were here. They hope to come back to the Board to report what they have learned and do an update at the next meeting or the first meeting in February.

**COMMISSIONERS' REPORT**

Commissioner Cunningham reported that he and Commissioner Steward attended the Fairmount City Council meeting and that they want to extend their city limits. Chairman Hood reported on a meeting she had with the sole commission of Bartow County.

**CONSIDERATION OF UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None

**CONSIDERATION OF NEW BUSINESS**

**AGREEMENT WITH PAY TEL COMMUNICATIONS FOR INMATE  
TELECOMMUNICATION SERVICES**

County Attorney Smith advised that this is an agreement with Pay Tel Communications for inmate telecommunications service for jail inmates. This is the phones that the inmates use in the jail. This is a continuation of the existing agreement.

Commissioner Steward made a motion to approve the agreement for inmate telecommunications. Commissioner Cunningham seconded the motion and Commissioners Cunningham, Steward, Gazaway, and Sexton voted aye. Motion passed.

**APPROVAL OF RENOMINATION AND REAPPOINTMENT OF MS. NANCY NICHOLS TO THE GORDON COUNTY HOSPITAL AUTHORITY BOARD**

County Attorney Smith advised that this is a request from the Gordon County Hospital Authority Board for renomination and reappointment approval for Nancy Nichols for a three year term ending December 31, 2016.

Commissioner Cunningham made a motion to approve the renomination and reappointment of Nancy Nichols. Commissioner Gazaway seconded the motion and Commissioners Steward, Cunningham, Sexton, and Gazaway voted aye. Motion passed.

**RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING YOUTH SPORTS CONCUSSION POLICY FOR GORDON COUNTY PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT**

County Attorney Smith advised that this is for Board consideration of adoption of a resolution establishing a Youth Sports Concussion Policy for the Gordon County Parks and Recreation Department.

Commissioner Cunningham made a motion to approve the resolution establishing a youth sports concussion policy. Commissioner Gazaway seconded the motion and Commissioners Steward, Sexton, Cunningham and Gazaway voted aye. Motion passed.

**ESTABLISHING QUALIFYING FEES FOR THE 2014 ELECTIONS**

County Attorney Smith advised that this is for Board approval of establishing the qualifying fees for the 2014 election cycle. This comes to the Board at the request of the Gordon County Board of Election and Voter Registration. (see list of qualifying fees attached).

Commissioner Gazaway made a motion to approve the list of qualifying fees for the 2014 elections. Commissioner Sexton seconded the motion and Commissioners Gazaway, Sexton, Steward, and Cunningham voted aye. Motion passed.

**DECLARATION OF SURPLUS PROPERTY FOR THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT FOR A 2002 CADILLAC DEVILLE**

County Attorney Smith advised the Board that this comes to the Board at the request of the Gordon County Sheriff's Department to declare surplus a 2002 Cadillac Deville. This vehicle was acquired through drug forfeiture procedures.

Commissioner Cunningham made a motion to declare the vehicle surplus property.

Commissioner Steward seconded the motion and Commissioners Cunningham, Steward, Sexton, and Gazaway voted aye. Motion passed.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Commissioner Gazaway made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Sexton seconded the motion and all voted aye. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:20 p.m.

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Annette Berry, County Clerk

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Becky Hood, Chairman

**GORDON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
WORK SESSION MINUTES  
JANUARY 16, 2014**

The Gordon County Board of Commissioners held a Work Session Thursday, January 16, 2014 at 4:00 p.m. in the Gordon County Coroner's office located at 319 North River Street in Calhoun.

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

**BECKY HOOD, CHAIRMAN  
CHAD STEWARD, VICE CHAIRMAN  
NORRIS SEXTON, COMMISSIONER  
KEVIN CUNNINGHAM, COMMISSIONER  
JEFF GAZAWAY, COMMISSIONER**

**OTHERS PRESENT**

**SUZANNE SMITH, COUNTY ATTORNEY  
ANNETTE BERRY, COUNTY CLERK  
MEDIA  
1 GUEST**

Chairman Hood called the meeting to order.

The Board members met at the Gordon County Coroner's office to tour the facility as suggested by the Gordon County Grand Jury. Coroner James Carver gave a brief history of the Coroner's office and how it came into existence and where it was located in past years. Coroner Carver spoke of some problems he has experienced in the past with the facility losing power, also with not having a meeting with the Board regarding his budget requests for the building. Board members assured the coroner that they had never been notified of problems at the facility; also that all departments were encouraged to come before the Board at the budget hearing and the public hearings that were held.

The Board advised the coroner to keep them informed if there are problems they need to address. The Board also asked him to get together with EMA to formulate a plan of action for the creation of a temporary morgue for future emergencies.

Commissioner Sexton made a motion to adjourn the Work Session, Commissioner Cunningham seconded the motion and all voted aye. There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 4:50 p.m.

Annette Berry, County Clerk

Becky Hood, Chairman

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