

**GORDON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
WORK SESSION MINUTES  
NOVEMBER 17, 2015**

The Gordon County Board of Commissioners held a Work Session Tuesday, November 17, 2015 at 5:15 p.m. in the conference room of the Administration Building

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

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

**OTHERS PRESENT**

**JOHN KING, COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR  
JIM LEDBETTER, COUNTY ATTORNEY  
ANNETTE BERRY, COUNTY CLERK  
12 GUESTS  
MEDIA**

Vice Chairman Steward called the meeting to order.

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

Ms. Kelly Walraven, Director of the Gordon County Senior Center came before the Board and presented an update for her department. Ms. Walraven thanked the Board for the new van that has been furnished to the Senior Center, and she spoke about several trips that the seniors have taken in it.

The Board discussed their 2016 Meeting Schedule and there was a consensus to change the April 5, 2016 meeting due to that week being school spring break week. Following discussion of other dates no other changes were recommended. The County Clerk will make the change to the schedule and bring it back before the Board for approval at the next meeting.

Commissioner Cunningham made a motion to close the Work Session. Commissioner Gazaway seconded the motion and all voted aye. There being no further business the Work Session adjourned at 5:45 p.m.

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**Annette Berry, County Clerk**

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**Chad Steward, Vice Chairman**

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**GORDON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
NOVEMBER 17, 2015**

The Gordon County Board of Commissioners held their Regular Meeting on Tuesday, November 17, 2015, at 6:00 p.m. in the main courtroom of the Courthouse.

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

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

**OTHERS PRESENT**

**JOHN KING, COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR  
JIM LEDBETTER, COUNTY ATTORNEY  
ANNETTE BERRY, COUNTY CLERK  
APPROXIMATELY 50 GUESTS**

Vice Chairman Steward called the meeting to order.

**INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

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

**RECOGNITION OF YOUTH LEADERSHIP MEMBERS**

Vice Chairman Steward welcomed the Youth Leadership class and their sponsors to the meeting and asked that each student stand and introduce themselves and their school. Vice Chairman Steward advised the group that there are five commissioners on the Board and normally there would be five commissioners in attendance. He explained that the Chairman was unable to attend the meeting tonight. Vice Chairman Steward asked each commissioner to introduce themselves to the class and tell where they work. Commissioner Sexton took the opportunity to also give a little advice to the class and admonished the students to learn about and to get involved in their government, not to wait as long as he had to get involved. Vice Chairman Steward also introduced the staff, County Clerk, County Administrator, and County Attorney. Following those introduction, Vice Chairman Steward asked if there were any questions from the class. Several students asked questions that were answered by the Board members.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Vice Chairman Steward asked if there are any additions, omissions, or deletions to the Minutes for the Work Session November 3, 2015, and the Regular Meeting November 3, 2015. Commissioner Cunningham made a motion to approve the minutes. Commissioner Sexton seconded the motion and Commissioners Cunningham, Sexton, and Gazaway voted aye. Motion approved.

**ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT**

County Administrator King read the report into the record (copy attached).

**COMMISSIONERS' REPORT**

Commissioner Sexton reported that he attended the ACCG District meeting, the Public Works Committee meeting, and the groundbreaking at the George Chambers Center. Commissioner Gazaway reported that he attended the Union Grove interchange opening, the Community of Governmental Affairs meeting, and the Business Expo Summit. Commissioner Cunningham

attended the Public Safety Committee meeting, the Redbud Fire Station Construction meeting and the groundbreaking at George Chambers Center. Commissioner Steward attended the Finance Committee meeting and the Union Grove interchange opening.

**CONSIDERATION OF UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None

**CONSIDERATION OF NEW BUSINESS**

**CONTRACT EXTENSION AGREEMENT WITH SOUTHERN DISASTER RECOVERY AND WITH CAHABA DISASTER RECOVERY FOR EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT SERVICES DURING A TIME OF DISASTER IN GORDON COUNTY**

County Administrator King advised that this is the contract extension agreements for Southern Disaster Recovery and for Cahaba Disaster Recovery; these are contracts that the county has held for several years and this is just a extension of those contracts.

Commissioner Gazaway made a motion to approve the contract extension agreements for disaster recovery services. Commissioner Sexton seconded the motion and Commissioners Cunningham, Sexton, and Gazaway voted aye. Motion passed.

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING VOLUNTEERS AND ELECTED OFFICIALS TO BE COVERED UNDER WORKERS' COMPENSATION**

County Administrator King advised that this is something required by ACCG who actually holds the workers' compensation policy. This coverage has been in place for many years; they require that the Board update and re-authorize this periodically and they request that the Board approve a resolution doing that.

Commissioner Cunningham made a motion to approve the resolution authorizing the workers compensation coverage. Commissioner Gazaway seconded the motion and Commissioners Cunningham, Gazaway, and Sexton voted aye. Motion passed.

**RE-APPOINTMENT TO NORTHWEST GEORGIA REGION I EMS COUNCIL FOR A TWO-YEAR TERM ENDING JANUARY 1, 2018 FOR COURTNEY TAYLOR**

County Administrator King advised that this is a re-appointment for Courtney Taylor to the Northwest Georgia Region I EMS Council for a two-year term ending January 1, 2018. Mr. Taylor has been contacted and he has accepted re-appointment.

Commissioner Cunningham made a motion to re-appoint Courtney Taylor to the Northwest Georgia Region I EMS Council for a two-year term ending January 1, 2018. Commissioner Gazaway seconded the motion and Commissioners Cunningham, Sexton, and Gazaway voted aye. Motion passed.

**RE-APPOINTMENT TO GORDON COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH FOR A SIX-YEAR TERM ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2021 FOR KENT LAWSON**

County Administrator King advised that this is a re-appointment of Kent Lawson to the Gordon County Board of Health for a six-year term ending December 31, 2021. We have received a request from the Director of the Gordon County Board of Health asking that the Board of Commissioners re-appoint Mr. Lawson; Mr. Lawson has agreed to accept the re-appointment.

Commissioner Gazaway made a motion to approve the re-appointment of Kent Lawson to the Gordon County Board of Health. Commissioner Sexton seconded the motion and Commissioners Gazaway, Sexton, and Cunningham voted aye. Motion passed.

**BUDGET AMENDMENT TO THE GENERAL FUND, VICTIM WITNESS ASSISTANCE FUND, FIRE FUND, E-911 FUND, AND CHERT FUND TO RECORD PAYMENT FOR TEAM MEMBERS**

County Administrator King advised that the Gordon County employees have not received any pay increase nor cost of living increase in the last couple of years; also, the County closed out the fiscal year and reported to the Board that we had come well under the budget that the Board had approved. These amendments to these funds are for the Board's approval to show appreciation to the employees because, it's thanks to their decisions to save money and be efficient that has enabled the county to come in below budget for the last fiscal year and to go into this fiscal year in good fiscal condition.

Commissioner Cunningham made a motion to approve the budget amendment. Commissioner Gazaway seconded the motion and Commissioners Cunningham, Gazaway and Sexton voted aye. Motion passed.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Commissioner Cunningham made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Gazaway 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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Chad Steward, Vice Chairman