

**GORDON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
WORK SESSION MINUTES
FEBRUARY 16, 2016**

The Gordon County Board of Commissioners held a Work Session Tuesday, February 16, 2016 at 5:30 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

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

Chairman Hood called the meeting to order.

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

County Attorney Ledbetter explained the rezoning applications for Justin Clements and Mary Ann Haley.

The Board discussed the request from ACCG for an appointment of a liaison to ACCG's insurance attorneys O'Quinn & Cronin. There was a consensus of the Board to approve County Attorney Jim Ledbetter as the liaison.

Ms. Pamela Daisey, Chief Operating Officer for Fellowship Health Resources, came before the Board to give an update on the progress being for providing mental health care in Gordon County. Ms. Daisey informed the Board that employees have been put in place and most programs have been operating for quite some time, the only problem she mentioned was getting the Medicaid license application from the State of Georgia approved. She is working with Gordon Hospital and Floyd Hospital getting acceptance for referring patients to FHR. Administrator King advised that he would contact some State official to ask for assistance in getting Fellowship Health Resources approved for a Medicaid license in order to treat Medicaid patients.

Board members discussed the list of names that had been submitted by employees for the recently purchased old bank building. No name was chosen from the names submitted at this time. The Board members decided to each submit a list of their top three choices and use these to come up with a name for the building. This choice would then be announced at the next Board meeting.

Commissioner Gazaway made a motion to close the Work Session. Commissioner Sexton seconded the motion and all voted aye.

There being no further business the Work Session adjourned at 5:50 p.m.

Annette Berry, County Clerk

Becky Hood, Chairman

**GORDON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
FEBRUARY 16, 2016**

The Gordon County Board of Commissioners held their Regular Meeting on Tuesday, February 16, 2016, at 6:00 p.m. in the conference room of the Administration Building.

MEMBERS PRESENT

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

OTHERS PRESENT

**JOHN KING, COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR
JIM LEDBETTER, COUNTY ATTORNEY
ANNETTE BERRY, COUNTY CLERK
APPROXIMATELY 15 GUESTS
MEDIA**

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.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chairman Hood asked if there are any additions, omissions, or deletions to the Minutes for the Work Session February 2, 2016, and the Regular Meeting February 2, 2016. Commissioner Gazaway made a motion to approve the minutes. Commissioner Cunningham seconded the motion and Commissioners Cunningham, Sexton, Gazaway and Steward voted aye. Motion approved.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

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

COMMISSIONERS' REPORT

Commissioner Gazaway reported that he attended the LEPC meeting and the Community and Government Affairs meeting. Commissioner Sexton reported that he attended the CCEO meeting, the Public Works Committee meeting and the Republican Party meeting. Commissioner Steward reported that he attended the Finance Committee Meeting. Commissioner Cunningham attended the Republican Party meeting, and the Public Safety Committee meeting.

PUBLIC HEARING FOR ZONING

Commissioner Steward made a motion to go into the Public Hearing for zoning. Commissioner Gazaway seconded the motion and all voted aye.

APPLICATION #Z16-01 Justin Clements' request to rezone from A-1 to RA-1

County Attorney Ledbetter read Justin Clements' application for rezoning from A-1 to RA-1. This comes to the Board of Commissioners from the Planning Commission with their recommendations for approval. No one signed to speak concerning the application.

Commissioner Steward made a motion to approve Application #Z16-01 to rezone from A-1 to RA-1. Commissioner Cunningham seconded the motion and Commissioners Steward, Cunningham, Gazaway, and Sexton voted aye. Motion approved.

APPLICATION #Z16-02 Martha Ann Haley's request to rezone from A-1 to C-C

County Attorney Ledbetter read Martha Ann Haley's application for rezoning from A-1 to C-C, which is crossroads commercial. This comes to the Board of Commissioners from the Planning Commission with their recommendations for approval. County Attorney Ledbetter announced that there are several people signed to speak and the applicant would be allowed to speak first if she so desires.

Ms. Haley came before the Board to explain the rezoning request. Ms. Haley advised she had a potential buyer who wants to build a beauty shop for his wife. She said that since it is commercial across the street from the property, she felt no one would want to build residential on her property. Ms. Kathie Hartley spoke to the Board and indicated that she would like to have a buffer included in the rezoning. Ms. Trina Williams spoke to the Board and basically asked for any protection the Board could include in the rezoning. Mr. Scott Workman spoke in opposition to the rezoning since there is no protection that it will in fact be built for a beauty shop; he said it should be specified about what is not allowed to be built on the property. Mr. Gary Beisser spoke in opposition to the rezoning with concerns about what will be built on the property, he is concerned that it will be some kind of strip mall. He thinks the use of the designation crossroad commercial does not apply for this location. Mr. Marty Carroll advised that he is the potential buyer of the property. He is willing to include whatever buffer the Board requires and he does plan to build possibly three units, with one being a beauty shop, and with possibly two driveway entrances. Mr. Carroll advised that he and Ms. Haley have not worked out a deal yet and he has no site plan and will not have one until a deal is worked out. However he said Ms. Haley is requesting the rezoning even if he is not the buyer.

Chairman Hood commented that to sum it up, Ms. Haley wants to rezone the property to C-C, but Mr. Carroll may not even purchase the property. County Attorney Ledbetter advised that he thought the Board would have site plans submitted with the rezoning in contemplation of the development, if we did have those plans we would not be venturing into the unknown and the neighbors would feel more comfortable, or they could be more specific about their opposition. Chairman Hood stated that she would like to see the site plans and then stipulate those plans for a beauty shop.

Commissioner Sexton made a motion to table the application for rezoning until the next meeting on March 1st. Commissioner Cunningham seconded the motion and Commissioner Sexton, Cunningham, Steward, and Gazaway voted aye. Motion approved.

Commissioner Cunningham made a motion to close the public hearing. Commissioner Gazaway seconded the motion and all voted aye.

CONSIDERATION OF UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

CONSIDERATION OF NEW BUSINESS**DECLARATION OF SURPLUS PROPERTY AND APPROVAL TO DONATE TO GEORGIA NORTHWESTERN TECHNICAL COLLEGE THREE 2008 FORD CROWN VICTORIA VEHICLES**

Administrator King advised that this is a declaration of surplus property and also approval to donate to Georgia Northwestern Technical College three 2008 Ford Crown Victoria vehicles.

Commissioner Steward made a motion to approve the donation and to declare the property surplus. Commissioner Sexton seconded the motion and Commissioners Cunningham, Sexton, Gazaway, and Steward voted aye. Motion approved.

APPOINTMENT TO DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY FOR JIM ROSECRANCE FOR A FOUR-YEAR TERM ENDING MARCH 20, 2020

Chairman Hood advised that this is an appointment to the Development Authority for Mr. Jim Rosencrance for four years ending March 20, 2020.

Commissioner Cunningham made a motion to approve the appointment of Jim Rosencrance to the Development Authority. Commissioner Gazaway seconded the motion and Commissioners Cunningham, Gazaway, Steward and Sexton voted aye. Motion approved.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Sexton 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 6:41 p.m.

Annette Berry, County Clerk

Becky Hood, Chairman