

**GORDON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
WORK SESSION MINUTES  
DECEMBER 1, 2020 at 5:45 p.m.**

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

**BECKY HOOD, CHAIRMAN  
NORRIS SEXTON, COMMISSIONER  
M. L. BUD OWENS, COMMISSIONER  
KEVIN CUNNINGHAM, COMMISSIONER  
CHAD STEWARD, COMMISSIONER**

**OTHERS PRESENT**

**JIM LEDBETTER, COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR  
ANNETTE BERRY, COUNTY CLERK  
MEDIA  
APPROXIMATELY 12 GUESTS**

Chairman Hood called the meeting to order.

County Administrator Ledbetter explained each item on the Regular Meeting agenda to the Board Members.

Mr. Kenny J. Dixon came before the Board asking for some help with a problem on his road at 324 McDaniel Road NE. Mr. Dixon said he has lived at this location for 34 years and there is a sod farm where large commercial and industrial trucks come in and out 24/7 on this road. The road is too narrow to accommodate these trucks and they have nowhere to go except in my yard, one truck barely fits on the road and two trucks cannot meet at all so they are always using my yard and leaving deep ruts in my lawn. I don't understand how this is a road since there is no county owned right-of-way. The road is only about 11 ft. wide. He said he has brought this up several times to different County employees and some have been out there to look at the problem. No one can give me an answer. The road needs to be widened for two 18 wheelers to pass on. My house and property values are way down and I cannot get any peace of mind because the traffic is 25 ft. from my bedroom window 24/7. It is a commercial sod farm and Mr. Hunt has a way to get into the property before you get to my house instead of using McDaniel Road. It is a county road but the county does not have any right-of-way on either side of my property.

Administrator Ledbetter advised the Board that there is a county road that extends 0.65 miles from the intersection of McDaniel Road and Highway 225. We have not surveyed to find the exact end of that road. Every plat affecting that road, it appears without having a survey, that our 50 ft. right-of-way may go beyond Mr. Dixon's land. I have discussed this with Mr. Dixon. I saw it as a possible civil matter possible between Mr. Dixon and the Hunts. To make sure that we are assessing the road correctly we could get a surveyor to go out and determine the distance of McDaniel Road and see where it ends. I could say that the County 50 foot right-of-way would extend 0.65 miles from Highway 226 on in. I can't tell you where that ends without having a survey. The first step is to determine where that 0.65 miles ends. Even if we determine that our road, 0.65 miles ends before your house, we can't close the road. It ultimately becomes down to the right of Mr. Hunt's employees, agents, customers or whatever to cross that stretch of road by your house. The County can't just put up a gate and block that easement off. We will look at it and get back with you we have got to figure out where the 0.65 miles ends.

Commissioner Owens made a motion to adjourn the Work Session. Commissioner Cunningham seconded the motion and Commissioners Sexton, Owens, and Cunningham voted aye.

There being no further business, the Work Session adjourned at 6:00 pm

**GORDON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
DECEMBER 1, 2020**

The Gordon County Board of Commissioners held their Regular Meeting on December 1, 2020 beginning at 6:00 p.m. in the conference room of the Administration Building.

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

**BECKY HOOD, CHAIRMAN  
CHAD STEWARD, VICE CHAIRMAN  
NORRIS SEXTON, COMMISSIONER  
M. L. BUD OWENS, COMMISSIONER  
KEVIN CUNNINGHAM, COMMISSIONER**

**OTHERS PRESENT**

**JIM LEDBETTER, COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR  
ANNETTE BERRY, COUNTY CLERK  
MEDIA  
APPROXIMATELY 12 GUESTS**

Chairman Hood called the meeting to order.

**INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Invocation was led by Commissioner Sexton. Chairman Hood led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

**EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION** – Employees with Anniversary Hire Dates in December

Vice Chairman Steward read the list of employees with Anniversary Hire Dates in December and Commissioner Cunningham drew the name of Benjamin Worley with the Sheriff's Department as Employee of the month of December.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Chairman Hood asked if there are any additions, omissions, or deletions to the Minutes for the Work Session and Regular Meeting of November 17, 2020. Commissioner Sexton made a motion to approve the Minutes. Commissioner Owens seconded the motion and Commissioners Owens, Sexton, Steward and Cunningham voted aye. Motion passed.

**ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT**

Administrator Ledbetter read the report. (copy attached)

**COMMISSIONERS' REPORT**

Commissioner Owens reported that he attended the ACCG District meeting.

**CONSIDERATION OF UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None

**CONSIDERATION OF NEW BUSINESS**

**DECLARATION OF SURPLUS PROPERTY FROM THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT FOR  
A 2008 FORD CROWN VICTORIA VIN#2FAFP71V68X164204**

Administrator Ledbetter advised that this is a declaration of surplus property for a 2008 Ford

Crown Victoria from the Sheriff's Department.

Commissioner Owens made a motion to approve the declaration of surplus property from the Sheriff's Department. Commissioner Cunningham seconded the motion and Commissioners Cunningham, Owens, Steward and Sexton voted aye. Motion passed.

**MALT BEVERAGE, WINE AND LIQUOR LICENSE APPLICATION FOR CITGO FOOD MART**

Administrator Ledbetter advised that this is a 2021 malt beverage and wine application for Citgo Food Mart under new ownership. The applicant is making an early application for the 2021 license in order to fill a requirement of the contract to purchase this store located at 784 Belwood Road. Normally the Board would not consider 2021 applications until the December 15, 2020 meeting. This is being presented early to accommodate this applicant.

Commissioner Steward made a motion to approve the 2021 application for Citgo Food Mart. Commissioner Owens seconded the motion and Commissioners Owens, Steward, and Hood voted aye. Commissioners Cunningham and Sexton opposed the motion. Motion passed.

**MALT BEVERAGE, WINE AND LIQUOR LICENSE APPLICATION FOR FAIRMOUNT AMERICAN LEGION**

County Administrator Ledbetter advised that this is an application for a malt beverage and wine consumption on the premises license for the Fairmount American Legion. The person who originally applied and was granted the license for 2020 has left the organization and in order to carry on the business and to satisfy the State license application, the Legion was forced to file for a new 2020 license. They will also apply for a 2021 license to be on the agenda for the next Board meeting.

Commissioner Steward made a motion to approve the license for Fairmount American Legion. Commissioner Owens seconded the motion and Commissioners Owens, Steward, and Hood voted aye. Commissioners Sexton and Cunningham opposed the motion. Motion passed.

**PILOT AGREEMENT FOR PROJECT TEKLAS USA, INC.**

Administrator Ledbetter advised that this is the PILOT agreement for Teklas USA, Inc. This is the supplier of automobile parts for electric vehicles. Teklas will be receiving a bond from the Development Authority for \$6,500,000. There is a seven year graded abatement schedule. The company will provide 120 new jobs and industrial diversification.

Commissioner Owens made a motion to approve the PILOT Agreement for project Teklas USA. Commissioner Cunningham seconded the motion and Commissioners Owens, Cunningham, Sexton, and Steward voted aye. Motion passed.

**DECLARATION OF SURPLUS PROPERTY FROM THE IT DEPARTMENT FOR A MISCELLANEOUS LIST OF ITEMS**

Administrator Ledbetter advised that is a declaration of surplus property from the IT Department for a list of miscellaneous items no longer needed or out of date that we want to get rid of.

Commissioner Sexton made a motion to approve the declaration of surplus property for a list of miscellaneous IT items. Commissioner Cunningham seconded the motion and Commissioner Sexton, Cunningham, Steward, and Owens voted aye. Motion passed.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Commissioner Steward made a motion to adjourn the Regular Meeting. Commissioner Cunningham seconded the motion and all voted aye.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:07 p.m.

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Annette Berry, County Clerk

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Becky Hood, Chairman