

**LUMPKIN COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Regular Meeting Agenda
Lumpkin County Administration Building
Board Room
99 Courthouse Hill
Dahlonega, Georgia**

**May 17, 2011
6:00 P.M.**

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Raber

II. INVOCATION

III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

IV. PRESENTATION

- 2010 Annual Audit Report – Mauldin & Jenkins, CPA LLC

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- April 5, 2011 Work Session Notes 9:00 a.m.
- April 13, 2011 Special Called Meeting 4:00 p.m.
- April 19, 2011 Public Hearing Minutes 5:45 p.m.
- April 19, 2011 Regular Meeting Minutes 6:00 p.m.

VI. RESOLUTIONS

- 2011-29 Reappoint Members to Library Board of Trustees (*Seat 6, Elsa Ann Gaines – term ending 6/30/2011; Seat 8, Elton "Tony" Buesing, to term ending 6/30/2011*)
- 2011-30 Appoint Member to Veterans Affairs Advisory Committee (*Seat 2, Harvey A. "Butch" Teston, to complete unexpired term ending 4/14/2013*)
- 2011-31 Appoint to Board of Governance – YMCA (*Chad Williams for Commissioner Scott*)
- 2011-32 Reappoint Member to Department of Family & Childrens Services Board (*Seat 3, Dianne S. Parks, to term ending 6/30/2016*)
- 2011-33 Appoint Member to Board of Elections (*Seat 3, Sallie Sorohan, to complete unexpired term ending 12/31/12*)
- 2011-34 Amend 2011 Budget, 2nd Amendment – E-911 (*Finance Allison Martin*)
- 2011-35 Appoint Member to Veterans Affairs Advisory Committee (*Seat 4, Debra Gilliam, to complete unexpired term ending 4/14/2012*)

VII. REPORTS

- Department reports are on file in the Board of Commissioners Office or can be viewed on the Commissioners web page at www.lumpkincounty.gov
- Elected Officials
- Dahlonega-Lumpkin County Chamber of Commerce & CVB
- SPLOST Management – *Kevin Hamby*

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VIII. CONTRACTS/AGREEMENTS

- Golden Stitches Quilters Guild – Art Donation (*Finance Allison Martin*)
- Off-System Safety Improvement Project – Wahsega Road Bid Award (*Public Works Larry Reiter*)
- Peach State Ambulance, Inc. – 2012 International Chassis Ambulance (*EMA Director David Wimpy*)
- Physio-Control, Inc. – Lumpkin County LIFEPAK Transmission Renewal (*EMA Director David Wimpy*)
- Blue-Cross/Blue Shield – Employee Group Health Insurance (*Human Resources Fran Sullens*)

IX. OTHER ITEMS

- Action Ministries – Approval of Project
- Palatine Technology Pricing – Magistrate (*Chief Magistrate – Jeff Lowe*)
- Georgia Power Low Voltage Power at Yahoola Creek Park – Request for Grant of Easement (*Public Works Director Larry Reiter*)
- Contract Agreement Office of Insurance & Safety Commissioner (*Chief David Wimpy*)
- Emergency Siren Cover Map (*SPLOST Manager Kevin Hamby*)
- Approve Concept for Sign – Administration Building & Complex (*SPLOST Manager Kevin Hamby*)

X. COMMENTS

- COUNTY MANAGER
- CHAIRMAN
- COMMISSIONER
- COUNTY ATTORNEY
- PUBLIC

XI. ANNOUNCEMENTS

XII. ADJOURN

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FUTURE MEETINGS:

June 2011

- ❖ *Work Session – Administration Building*
- ❖ *Board Meeting – Administration Building*

*June 7, 2011 at 9:00 am
June 21, 2011 at 6:00 pm*

July 2011

- ❖ *Work Session – Administration Building*
- ❖ *Board Meeting – Administration Building*

*July 5, 2011 at 9:00 am
July 19, 2011 at 6:00 pm*

August 2011

- ❖ *Work Session – Administration Building*
- ❖ *Board Meeting – Administration Building*

*August 2, 2011 at 9:00 am
August 16, 2011 at 6:00 pm*

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE LUMPKIN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

May 17, 2011

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Raber called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. in the Second Floor Board Room of the Lumpkin County Administration Building. Present were John Raber, Bill Scott, Tim Bowden, Clarence Stowers and Clarence Grindle.

INVOCATION

Chairman Raber gave the invocation which was followed by the pledge of allegiance.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion: Commissioner Stowers made a motion to approve the agenda. This motion was seconded by Clarence Grindle and approved by all district commissioners. Motion carried.

PRESENTATION

2010 Annual Audit Report- Mauldin & Jenkins, CPA LLC

Finance Director Allison Martin read into the minutes a prepared statement as follows:

There will be no audit presentation this evening due to delays from the Clerk of Court's Office. There was also a delay in the Development Authority's Audit. It has now been completed and a draft submitted to Mauldin & Jenkins for inclusion in our audit. To date, I have received no further correspondence from the clerk since an email I was copied on, on April 20, 2011. The Clerk's Office was granted an extension outside of the deadline given by the auditor's and she did not meet the deadline. The County cannot receive an extension two years in a row; and the statements will not be issued until work in the Clerk's Office is complete.

County Attorney KC Horne discussed the options that were available for the Commissioners' consideration.

Motion: Commissioner Stowers made a motion for the County Attorney to send a letter in the morning to the Clerk of Court compelling her to produce the needed documentation by Friday May 20, 2011. If the Clerk does not comply within the time frame then they will proceed following the County Attorney's recommendation. The motion was seconded by Bill Scott and approved by Commissioners Scott, Bowden, Stowers and Grindle. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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April 13, 2011 Special Called Meeting 4:00 p.m.

April 19, 2011 Public Hearing Minutes 5:45 p.m.

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Motion: Commissioner Bowden made a motion to approve all the above minutes by acclamation. That motion was seconded by Clarence Grindle and approved by Commissioners Scott, Bowden, Stowers and Grindle. Motion carried.

RESOLUTIONS

2011-29 Reappoint Members to Library Board of Trustees

This resolution provides for the reappointment of Elsa Ann Gaines to Seat 6 with a term ending June 30, 2015 and Elton "Tony" Buesing to Seat 8 with a term ending June 30, 2015.

***Motion:** A motion was made by Commissioner Scott to approve Resolution 2011-29. The motion was seconded by Clarence Grindle and approved by Bill Scott, Tim Bowden, Clarence Stowers and Clarence Grindle. Motion carried.*

2011-30 Appoint Member to Veterans Affairs Advisory Committee

This resolution provides for the appointment of Harvey A. "Butch" Teston to Seat 2 to fill an unexpired term ending April 14, 2013.

***Motion:** Commissioner Scott moved to approve Resolution 2011-30 which was seconded by Clarence Grindle. Commissioners Scott, Bowden, Stowers, and Grindle also approved and the motion carried.*

2011-31 Appoint to Board of Governance- YMCA

This resolution provides for the appointment of Chad Williams to Seat B for Commissioner Scott, with a term ending December 31, 2011.

***Motion:** Commissioner Scott moved to approve Resolution 2011-31. The motion was seconded by Clarence Grindle and approved by all district commissioners. Motion carried.*

2011-32 Reappoint Member to Department of Family & Children's Services Board

This resolution provides for the reappointment of Dianne S. Parks to Seat 3 with a term ending June 30, 2016.

***Motion:** Commissioner Stowers made a motion to approve Resolution 2011-32. That motion was seconded by Bill Scott and approved by Commissioners Scott, Bowden, Stowers and Grindle. Motion carried.*

2011-33 Appoint Member to Board of Elections

This resolution provides for the appointment of Sallie Sorohan to Seat 3 to fill an unexpired term ending April 14, 2013.

***Motion:** Commissioner Bowden moved to approve Resolution 2011-33 which was seconded by Clarence Grindle. All district commissioners approved the motion and the motion carried.*

2011-34 Amend 2011 Budget, 2nd Amendment – E-911

This resolution provides for the 2nd amendment to the 2011 Budget.

***Motion:** A motion was made by Commissioner Stowers to approve Resolution 2011-34. That motion was seconded by Tim Bowden and approved by Bill Scott, Tim Bowden, Clarence Stowers and Clarence Grindle. Motion carried.*

2011-35 Appoint Member to Veterans Affairs Advisory Committee

This resolution provides for the appointment of Debra Gilliam to Seat 4 to fill an unexpired term ending April 14, 2012.

***Motion:** Commissioner Stowers moved to approve Resolution 2011-35. That motion was seconded by Clarence Grindle. Commissioners Bill Scott, Tim Bowden, Clarence Stowers, and Clarence Grindle approved the motion. Motion carried.*

REPORTS

Department reports can be viewed on the Commissioners web page at www.lumpkincounty.gov.

Elected Officials – Sheriff Jarrard disclosed details of DARE Week that the Lumpkin County Sheriff's Office is sponsoring in July. They are expecting approximately 200 State DARE Officers and their families to attend. The Sheriff's Department has held multiple fundraisers to help with the cost of this event.

Dahlonega-Lumpkin County Chamber of Commerce & CVB – No one was present from the Chamber.

SPLOST Management – Kevin Hamby reported that there are two projects advertised in this week's Dahlonega Nugget. The proposed projects are the E-911 CAD System and the Weather Sirens Project.

CONTRACTS/AGREEMENTS

Golden Stiches Quilters Guild – Art Donation

This is an agreement allowing the donation and display of a quilt created by the Golden Stiches Quilters Guild. The quilt will be displayed at the Lumpkin County Justice Center.

***Motion:** A motion was made by Commissioner Stowers to approve acceptance of this art donation which was seconded by Tim Bowden. Commissioners Scott, Bowden, Stowers and Grindle approved the motion and the motion carried.*

Off-System Safety Improvement Project – Wahsega Road Bid Award

This is the bid award of federal funds that will be used to help improve roads and purchase road signs in the county. These improvements will include but are not limited to Camp Wahsega Road. This allows us to award the bid to the lowest bidder following approval from the Georgia Department of Transportation.

***Motion:** Commissioner Stowers made a motion to approve which was seconded by Clarence Grindle and approved by all district commissioners. Motion carried.*

Peach State Ambulance, Inc. – 2012 International Chassis Ambulance

This is a purchase agreement with Peach State Ambulance Inc. to furnish a complete 2012 International Chassis Ambulance. The 2012 Ambulance will be purchased with allocated SPLOST funds.

Cost: \$191,326.00

Term: 90 – 120 days after receipt of order & receipt of 2012 International Chassis

***Motion:** A motion was made by Commissioner Stowers to approve the purchase agreement with Peach State Ambulance. The motion was seconded by Tim Bowden and approved by Commissioners Bill Scott, Tim Bowden, Clarence Stowers and Clarence Grindle. Motion carried.*

Physio- Control, Inc.- Lumpkin County LIFEPAK Transmission Renewal

This is a renewal of the technical support service agreement with Physio-Control Inc. and Lumpkin County Emergency Services.

Cost: \$5,209.00 per term, payable in Annual installments

Term: 4/15/2011 – 4/14/2011

***Motion:** Commissioner Bowden moved to approve the renewal of the service agreement with Physio-Control. The motion was seconded by Clarence Grindle and approved by Commissioners Scott, Bowden, Stowers and Grindle. Motion carried.*

Blue-Cross/Blue Shield – Employee Group Health Insurance

This is the continuation for Blue Cross/Blue Shield as the county healthcare insurance provider for county employees. Human Resources Director Fran Sullens explained that on May 1, 2011 the county received the renewal notice effective July 1, 2011. Based on several factors – claims experience, claims paid, and the effects of the healthcare reform enacted in 2009 the county received a 40.9% increase in premium. Several options were considered to help reduce or neutralize the impact on the 2012 budget.

Motion: Commissioner Bowden moved to postpone this matter until the board has more time to review the information and have a Special Called Meeting on Monday, May 23, 2011 at 5:00 p.m. The motion was seconded by Clarence Stowers. All district commissioners approved and motion carried.

OTHER ITEMS

Action Ministries – Approval of Project

This is approval of a transitional housing program project provided by Action Ministries that assists families with children.

Motion: A motion was made by Commissioner Bowden to approve continuation of approval which was seconded by Bill Scott. Commissioners Scott, Bowden, Stowers and Grindle approved the motion and the motion carried.

Palatine Technology Pricing – Magistrate

This is approval of the upgrade purchase of the Palatine Technology Software System that is used by the Lumpkin County Magistrate Court. The Magistrate Court will be using their own funds for the software and the Sheriff's Department is providing a computer that will be paid for from the inmate fund.

Motion: Commissioner Scott made a motion of approval based on this being the only cost to the county. The motion was seconded by Clarence Stowers. Approved by all district commissioners, the motion carried.

Georgia Power Low Voltage Power at Yahoola Creek Park – Request for Grant of Easement

This is to grant an easement to Georgia Power at Yahoola Creek Park.

Motion: Commissioner Stowers made a motion to approve the grant of easement. The motion was seconded by Bill Scott and approved by all district commissioners. Motion carried.

Contract Agreement Office of Insurance & Safety Commissioner

This is to adopt the endorsed codes and professional standards of fire prevention through a contract agreement with the State of Georgia Office of Insurance and Safety Fire Commissioner.

Motion: Commissioner Bowden moved to accept the contract agreement which was seconded by Clarence Stowers. Commissioners Scott, Bowden, Stowers, and Grindle also approved. Motion carried.

Emergency Siren Cover Map

This is to accept the proposed Emergency Siren Coverage Map. The Administrative Facilities Complex Capital Improvements Committee approved an additional Weather Siren to be located at future Fire Station #7 in the Frogtown District.

Motion: Commissioner Scott made a motion to approve the coverage map and the additional weather siren. The motion was seconded by Clarence Stowers and approved by Bill Scott, Tim Bowden, Clarence Stowers and Clarence Grindle. Motion carried.

Approve Concept for Sign – Administration Building & Complex

This is to approve the concept for a sign for the Administration Building and Complex. This is the same design as the signs that are currently throughout the County.

Motion: Commissioner Bowden moved to approve the concept for a sign which was seconded by Bill Scott. All district commissioners approved the motion and the motion carried.

COMMENTS

COUNTY MANAGER

The County Manager announced that staff had met with FEMA and GEMA Official's. They are proceeding with them to assess the April 27, 2011 storm damage and gather the data that is required to allow the County to receive reimbursement for what has been or needs to be completed. Public Works Director Larry Reiter stated that there is still a lot of work to be completed.

CHAIRMAN

Chairman Raber discussed the CodeRED system and questioned if there was a way to know how many citizens have signed up, to date. Finance Director Allison Martin said there had been approximately 3,000 phone numbers entered into the system.

COMMISSIONER

Commissioner Stowers asked if there was a way for the citizens to know when a fire station was manned. There was discussion on the best way to do this and what the liability could be if the citizens came directly to the stations for help instead of dialing 911. Commissioner Stowers said he was trying to decide what the advantages and disadvantages would be in protesting the census involving Little Lumpkin. Finance Director Allison Martin stated that they would have to investigate it further to know the impact it would have on the County financially.

Commissioner Scott expressed his concern involving a "60 Minute" news special he had seen in reference to "sovereign citizens". He said he would like everyone to be aware of "sovereign citizens" and questioned if there are any in the county.

COUNTY ATTORNEY

The County Attorney had no comments.

PUBLIC

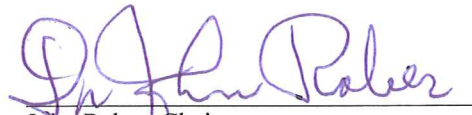
A citizen representing the Dahlonega Women's Club said the Women's Club is sponsoring a BBQ dinner fundraiser on Friday, June 3, 2011. The dinner will be held at the Community House by Hancock Park from 4:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Tickets are \$7.00.

ADJOURN

Motion: Commission Scott moved to adjourn the meeting. That motion was seconded by Clarence Grindle and approved by all district commissioners. Motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

21 June 2011

Date



John Raber, Chairman
Lumpkin County Board of Commissioners

Attest:

Kathleen C. Walker

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Clerk, Lumpkin County