

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

September 15, 2015

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Dockery began the meeting at 6:00 p.m. in the Boardroom of the Lumpkin County Administration Building. Present were Chris Dockery, Doug Sherrill, Steve Shaw, Rhett Stringer, and Bob Pullen.

INVOCATION

Commissioner Sherrill gave the invocation which was followed by the pledge of allegiance.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion: Commissioner Stringer made a motion to approve the agenda. This motion was seconded by Bob Pullen and approved by all district commissioners. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS (*Agenda Specific*)

Citizen Emily Lewy expressed her concerns with the Animal Shelter having a contract with the City of Dawsonville. Citizen Carol Pelts then spoke on her experience with the Lumpkin County Animal Shelter, after her dog had been taken there while she was on vacation.

PROCLAMATIONS

Dahlonega Lions' Club

This proclamation is dedicated to the Dahlonega Lions Club, for their 83 years of service to Lumpkin County.

Motion: Commissioner Sherrill moved to approve the proclamation which was seconded by Rhett Stringer. Commissioners Sherrill, Shaw, Stringer and Pullen approved the motion and the motion carried.

Constitution Week

This is a joint proclamation with the City of Dahlonega which supports the 228th Anniversary of the Drafting of the Constitution of the United States of America by the Constitutional Convention.

Motion: A motion was made by Commissioner Sherrill to approve the proclamation. This was seconded by Bob Pullen and approved by all Doug Sherrill, Steve Shaw, Rhett Stringer and Bob Pullen. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

August 4, 2015 Work Session Notes 4 p.m.

August 4, 2015 Special Called Meeting Immediately After W.S.

August 11, 2015 Public Hearing on the Budget 6 p.m.

August 11, 2015 Public Hearing on Tax Increase 7 p.m.

August 13, 2015 Public Hearing on Tax Increase 9 a.m.

August 18, 2015 Public Hearing on Tax Increase 5 p.m.

August 18, 2015 Regular Meeting 6 p.m.

August 18, 2015 Special Called Meeting Immediately After Regular Meeting

August 27, 2015 Special Called Meeting 10 a.m.

Motion: Commissioner Pullen made a motion to approve all the above minutes by acclamation. That motion was seconded by Rhett Stringer and was approved by Commissioners Sherrill, Shaw, Stringer and Pullen. Motion carried.

RESOLUTIONS

2015-46 Reappoint to Lumpkin County Library Board of Trustees

This resolution is to reappoint Paul Dunlap to Seat 1 with a term expiring June 30, 2018.

Motion: A nominating motion was made by Chairman Dockery to reappoint Paul Dunlap to Seat 1 which was seconded by Doug Sherrill. Motion was approved by all district commissioners and the motion carried.

2015-47 Appointments to Lumpkin County Department of Family & Children's Services

This resolution is to appoint Lagala Fugat to Seat 3 of an unexpired term ending June 30, 2016 and Cheyenne Thornton to Seat 4 of an unexpired term ending June 30, 2017.

Motion: A motion was made by Commissioner Shaw to table consideration until the board has met with the nominees. The motion was seconded by Rhett Stringer. Motion was approved by Doug Sherrill, Steve Shaw, Rhett Stringer, and Bob Pullen. The motion carried.

2015-48 Amend Number of Seats of Audit Committee to Provide for Citizen-At-Large

This resolution is to amend the number of seats of the committee to provide for a citizen at large seat.

Motion: A motion was made by Chairman Dockery to approve Resolution 2015-48. The motion was seconded by Bob Pullen. Motion was approved by Commissioners Sherrill, Shaw, Stringer, and Pullen. The motion carried.

2015-49 Reappointment to Lumpkin County Planning Commission

This resolution is to appoint Barbara Bosanko to Seat 2 of a term expiring August 27, 2019.

Motion: A nominating motion was made by Chairman Dockery to reappoint Barbara Bosanko to Seat 2. The motion was seconded by Rhett Stringer and approved by all district commissioners. The motion carried.

REPORTS

Department reports be viewed on the Commissioners web page at www.lumpkincounty.gov
Elected Officials – There was no comments at this time.

CONTRACTS/AGREEMENTS

2015-061-Tourism Development FY2016 Contract

This renewal agreement provides for the responsibilities of the County and Chamber of Commerce regarding the hotel-motel tax collected by Lumpkin County.

Term: January 1, 2016 – December 31, 2016

Motion: Commissioner Pullen moved to approve the renewal agreement and seconded by Doug Sherrill. Motion was then approved by Doug Sherrill, Steve Shaw, Rhett Stringer, and Bob Pullen. The motion carried.

2015-062-Georgia Association of EMS Trauma Equipment Grant Award

This is an approval of a grant application for the Georgia Association of EMS Trauma Equipment Grant.

Motion: Commissioner Shaw moved to approve the grant application. The motion was seconded by Rhett Stringer. Motion was approved by Commissioners Sherrill, Shaw, Stringer, and Pullen. The motion carried.

2015-063-GEMA EMPG – PPA FY 2015

This is for the Fiscal Year 2015 Performance Partnership Agreement Award.

Motion: Commissioner Sherrill moved to approve the grant award which was seconded by Rhett Stringer. The motion was approved by all district commissioners and the motion carried.

2015-064-GEMA Hazardous Mitigation Grant

This agreement provides for Lumpkin County to receive disaster relief assistance under the Stafford Act.

Motion: Commissioner Pullen moved to approve the agreement for assistance. The motion was seconded by Doug Sherrill. Motion was then approved by Doug Sherrill, Steve Shaw, Rhett Stringer, and Bob Pullen. The motion carried.

2015-065-GMRC ARC Grant Application - Proposed Intersection Improvements

This is to allow Georgia Mountains Regional Commission (GMRC) to provide ARC application assistance to the County at no cost.

Motion: A motion was made by Chairman Dockery to approve the application assistance and seconded by Steve Shaw. Motion was approved by Commissioners Sherrill, Shaw, Stringer, and Pullen. The motion carried.

2015-066-LMIG List

This is for approval of the proposed list of roads, to be submitted to the DOT for the 2016 LMIG program.

Motion: Commissioner Stringer moved to approve the LMIG list. The motion was seconded by Steve Shaw and approved by all district commissioners. The motion carried.

2015-067-Airport Insurance Renewal

This is an annual renewal of the general liability insurance for the Lumpkin County-Wimpy Airport.

Motion: Commissioner Sherrill moved to approve the general liability insurance agreement renewal. The motion was seconded by Rhett Stringer.

Motion: Commissioner Sherrill amended his motion to approve the general liability insurance agreement renewal as a three year contract to be billed yearly. The motion was seconded by Rhett Stringer. Motion was approved by Doug Sherrill, Steve Shaw, Rhett Stringer, and Bob Pullen and the motion carried.

2015-068-The Legacy Link FY 2016 Contract Addendum #1

This is for approval of Addendum #1 to the FY 2015 Legacy Link, Inc. agreement.

Motion: Commissioner Pullen moved to approve the “A” staff recommendation which is to approve the contract. The motion was seconded by Doug Sherrill and approved by Commissioners Sherrill, Shaw, Stringer, and Pullen. The motion carried.

2015-069-City of Dawsonville & Lumpkin County Intergovernmental Agreement – Animal Control

This is for approval of an IGA with the City of Dawsonville to house approximately forty (40) animals per year with a per-animal fee of forty-five dollars.

Motion: Commissioner Pullen moved to approve the intergovernmental agreement. The motion died for lack of a second.

2015-070-Zuercher Software & Service Agreement Amendment – PowerPhone Interface

This is for approval of the add-on to the Zuercher Technologies contract.

Motion: Commissioner Stringer moved to approve the PowerPhone Interface. The motion was seconded by Doug Sherrill and approved by all district commissioners. The motion carried.

OTHER ITEMS

Voting Delegate – Legislative Leadership

This is to appoint a voting delegate to cast their county's vote on matters coming before the business session of the ACCG Legislative Leadership Conference.

Motion: Commissioner Sherrill made a nominating motion to appoint Chairman Dockery as the Designated Voting Member. The motion was seconded by Steve Shaw and was approved by Doug Sherrill, Steve Shaw, Rhett Stringer, and Bob Pullen. Motion carried.

Letter to GMRC re Reversal of Interest in Fiber Optic Line via DALC

This is a proposed letter intended to remove from further consideration by the Georgia Department of Community Affairs (DCA) for the Community Development Block Grant – Employment Incentive Program (CDBG-EIP) application submitted by the County on behalf of the Lumpkin County Development Authority (LCDA) in July of 2014.

Motion: A motion was made by Chairman Dockery to approve the proposed letter and was seconded by Bob Pullen. Motion was approved by Commissioners Sherrill, Shaw, Stringer, and Pullen. The motion carried.

Use of Inmate Housing Revenue Funds

This is to allow the Sheriff's Department to use inmate revenue funds to purchase various equipment.

Motion: Chairman Dockery moved to approve for discussion which was seconded by Rhett Stringer.

Motion: Chairman Dockery amended the motion to approve the first five items on the staff's list for a total of \$47,030.00. The motion was seconded by Rhett Stringer and was approved by Doug Sherrill, Steve Shaw, Rhett Stringer, and Bob Pullen. The motion carried.

Special Event Permit Request for Letter – Hemlock Fest, November 6 – 8, 2015

This is a request for a letter from the Board of Commissioners stating no objection to the issuance by the State of Georgia Department of Revenue of a temporary alcoholic beverage (festival) permit to the Lumpkin Coalition, Inc. for the Hemlockfest scheduled to take place November 6 – 8, 2015 at 396 Starbridge Road, Murrayville, Georgia 30564.

Motion: Commissioner Shaw moved to approve the special event permit. The motion was seconded by Bob Pullen. Motion was approved by all district commissioners present. Motion carried.

Alcoholic Beverage License – Tushar V. Patel

This is to approve the issuance of an alcoholic beverage license to Tushar V. Patel for Yogis Quikstop Inc. d/b/a Cutie Gas & Grocery.

Motion: *A motion was made by Commissioner Pullen to approve the alcoholic beverage license. The motion was seconded by Chris Dockery. Motion was approved by Commissioners Sherrill, Shaw, Stringer, and Pullen. The motion carried.*

COMMENTS

COUNTY MANAGER

The County Manager stated that the striping and paving is finished at Yahoola Creek Park and should be completed at Wimpy's Airport tomorrow. Commissioner Pullen and Commissioner Stringer volunteered to be on the Independent Architect Committee.

COUNTY ATTORNEY

The County Attorney had no comments.

COMMISSIONERS

Commissioner Stringer reported that the Water & Sewerage Authority approved the bid for the water expansion. He said the project is scheduled to be complete in 120 days.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Citizen Emily Lewy asked if a picture of all of the incoming animals at the Animal Shelter could be posted on a website the day they are received by the Shelter.

ADJOURN

Motion: *Commissioner Shaw moved to adjourn the meeting. That motion was seconded by Rhett Stringer and approved by all district commissioners. Motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 6:56 p.m.*

Date

Chris Dockery, Chairman
Lumpkin County Board of Commissioners

Attest:

Kathleen C. Walker
Clerk, Lumpkin County