

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

November 17, 2015

CALL TO ORDER

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

INVOCATION

Town Creek Baptist Church Pastor Casey Robinson gave the invocation, which was followed by the pledge of allegiance.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion: Commissioner Stringer made a motion to approve the amended agenda moving Other Items before Resolutions. This motion was seconded by Bob Pullen and approved by all district commissioners present. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS (*Agenda Specific*)

Vice Chairman Sherrill asked the public if there were any comments from the public.

Citizens Matt Stevens, Nathan Nix and Thomas Odom expressed their support for the Connectability Bridge and Special Needs Playground. Cathy L. McLendon voiced her support and discussed some areas of the playground that may need to be reevaluated. Linda D'Angelo asked for the Commissioners to support the bridge and to move up the project date.

Sheriff Jarrard said that the Turkey Shoot Out is coming up at Yahoola Creek Park this Saturday. He also reminded everyone of the upcoming "Shop with a Cop".

PRESENTATIONS

Park & Recreation Citizens Advisory Board

Tim Boulware spoke about the Park & Recreation Citizens Advisory Board being newly formed. He recognized the past and present volunteers, and spoke of numerous areas where the Advisory Board had made progress by working with Park & Rec employees. Mr. Boulware commended Park & Rec Director Greg Walker for being a great leader and communicating so well with the public. He said they hope to do more fundraising to help families with the fees.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

October 6, 2015 Special Called Work Session Notes 3 p.m.

October 6, 2015 Work Session Notes 4 p.m.

October 20, 2015 Special Called Meeting 6 p.m.

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

OTHER ITEMS

SRT Purchase Priority List

This is for approval of the purchase of SRT equipment from the Sheriff's department priority list.

***Motion:** Commissioner Stringer moved to approve the SRT purchase. The motion was seconded by Bob Pullen and was approved by Steve Shaw, Rhett Stringer, and Bob Pullen. Motion carried.*

Replace Patrol Car

This is for approval for the Sheriff's Department to use the insurance funds from the vehicle wrecked in an accident towards a new patrol car.

***Motion:** Commissioner Stringer moved to approve using the insurance replacement funds with the remaining amount to be deducted from within the Sheriff's Department budget. The motion was seconded by Bob Pullen. Motion was then approved by Commissioners Shaw, Stringer, and Pullen. The motion carried.*

UNG Installation of Water Lines to Yahoola Creek Tennis Courts

This is for approval of a UNG request allowing UNG permission to install a ¾" tap, a 1½" water line from the tap to the user area, with cost for both to be paid by UNG. The tap and line shall be considered a part of the land; County will not be responsible for cost or maintenance unless subsequently approved by the Board of Commissioners.

***Motion:** Commissioner Stringer made a motion to approve the installation request. The motion was seconded by Bob Pullen.*

***Motion:** Following discussion Commissioner Stringer amended the motion to allow 1½" line, and a ¾" tap. Steve Shaw seconded the motion which was approved by Steve Shaw, Rhett Stringer, and Bob Pullen. Motion carried.*

Connectability Bridge – Accelerate Capital Improvement Plan date to build Accessible Playground in Conjunction with Bridge

This is for approval to accelerate the date to build an accessible playground in conjunction with a bridge.

***Motion:** Commissioner Stringer moved to approve and the motion was seconded by Bob Pullen.*

***Motion:** Commissioner Stringer then moved to amend the motion and approve the construction date to be in 2016 and to fund the bridge at Yahoola Creek Park in conjunction with Leadership Lumpkin. The motion was seconded by Bob Pullen and approved by Steve Shaw, Rhett Stringer, and Bob Pullen. Motion carried.*

RESOLUTIONS

2015-55 Adopt 2016 Calendar for Meetings of the Lumpkin County Board of Commissioners

This resolution adopts the 2016 Calendar for the Work Sessions and Regular Monthly Meetings of the Lumpkin County Board of Commissioners.

***Motion:** A motion was made by Commissioner Pullen to approve Resolution 2015-55. The motion was seconded by Steve Shaw. Motion was then approved by Steve Shaw, Rhett Stringer, and Bob Pullen. The motion carried.*

2015-56 Establish 2016 Lumpkin County Government Holiday Schedule

This resolution establishes the 2016 Holiday Schedule for Lumpkin County Government Operations.

Motion: Commissioner Pullen made a motion to approve Resolution 2015-56. That motion was seconded by Rhett Stringer. Motion was approved by Steve Shaw, Rhett Stringer, and Bob Pullen. The motion carried.

2015-57 Adopt the Lumpkin County 2016 Budget Calendar

This resolution adopts the Lumpkin County 2016 Budget Calendar.

Motion: A motion was made by Commissioner Pullen to approve Resolution 2015-57. The motion was seconded by Rhett Stringer and then approved Commissioners Shaw, Stringer, and Pullen. The motion carried.

2015-58 Reappoint Members Lumpkin County Park & Recreation Citizens Advisory Board

A resolution to appoint members of the Lumpkin County Park & Recreation Citizens Advisory Board as follows: Tucker Greene to Seat 1, Tim Boulware to Seat 3 and Whitney Cox to Seat 5, all with terms ending December 31, 2017.

Motion: A nominating motion was made by Vice Chairman Sherrill to reappoint the members as listed. The motion was seconded by Steve Shaw and approved by Steve Shaw, Rhett Stringer and Bob Pullen. The motion carried.

2015-59 Create Comprehensive Plan Stakeholder Committee & Appoint Members

This resolution is to appoint a committee to oversee the development of a full plan update to the Lumpkin County Comprehensive Plan.

Motion: A nominating motion was made by Commissioner Sherrill to approve the resolution with the District 1 and 3 Commissioners in the Commissioners' Seats, and the addition of David Miller as a citizen member. The motion was seconded by Rhett Stringer. Motion was approved by Commissioners Shaw, Stringer, and Pullen. 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

2015-081- Lumpkin County Wimpy's Airport Hangar A-2016 Ground Lease Agreement – Jeff Gilbert

This contract is for the lease of Hangar A to Jeff Gilbert.

2015-082-Lumpkin County Wimpy's Airport Hangar B-2016 Ground Lease Agreement – James W. Steele

This contract is for the lease of Hangar B to James W. Steele.

Term: January 1, 2016 – December 31, 2016

2015-083-Lumpkin County Wimpy's Hangar C-2016 Ground Lease – William Owens

This contract is for the lease of Hangar C to William Owens.

Term: January 1, 2016 – December 31, 2016

2015-084-Lumpkin County Wimpy's Airport Hangar E-2016 Ground Lease Agreement – Barber/Seabolt/Broadus

This contract is for the lease of Hangar E to William "Bill" Barber, John Broadus, and David Seabolt.

Term: January 1, 2016 – December 31, 2016

Motion: A motion was made by Commissioner Pullen to approve the four hangar lease agreements by acclamation. This was seconded by Steve Shaw. The motion was then approved by Steve Shaw, Rhett Stringer, and Bob Pullen. The motion carried.

2015-085-Lumpkin County Wimpy's Airport Tie-Down #3 (2016) – William Tison

This renewal agreement is for tie-down # 3 for a N6950Q aircraft.

Term: January 1, 2016 – December 31, 2016

2015-086-Lumpkin County Wimpy's Airport Tie-Down #8 (2016) – Hurshel Withers

This agreement is for tie-down # 8 for a N8187N aircraft.

Term: January 1, 2016 – December 31, 2016

Motion: Commissioner Pullen moved to approve the two tie-down lease agreements by acclamation which was seconded by Steve Shaw. Motion was approved by Steve Shaw, Rhett Stringer, and Bob Pullen and the motion carried.

2015-087-MOU City of Dahlonega, North Georgia College & State University, Lumpkin County- Pictometry Aerial Photography & Software

This is a Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Dahlonega, North Georgia College & State University, and Lumpkin County for new Pictometry Aerial photography and software.

Motion: Commissioner Stringer made a motion to approve this agreement which was seconded by Bob Pullen. Motion was then approved by Commissioners Shaw, Stringer, and Pullen. The motion carried.

2015-088-Animal Shelter Professional Vet Services

This agreement allows the Lumpkin County Animal Shelter to obtain veterinary services from Chestatee Animal Hospital (VCA).

Term: January 1, 2016 – December 31, 2016

Motion: Commissioner Stringer made a motion to approve the vet services renewal agreement. The motion was seconded by Steve Shaw and approved by Steve Shaw, Rhett Stringer, and Bob Pullen. The motion carried.

2015-089-Cannery Building Lease – The Holly Theatre

This is an agreement allowing the Holly Theatre to lease the Lumpkin County Old Cannery Building.

Motion: A motion was made by Commissioner Shaw to approve the cannery lease agreement. The motion was seconded by Bob Pullen. Motion was approved by Commissioners Shaw, Stringer, and Pullen and the motion carried.

2015-090-GDOT – Section 5311 FY 2017 Transportation Program Application

This agreement is to provide transportation to rural areas via the Lumpkin County Transit.

Term: July 1, 2016 – June 30, 2017

Amount: \$72,170.00 GDOT portion

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2015-091-Independent Licensed Consultant & Website Consultant – ADA

This is to approve an Independent Licensed Architect (ILA), a website consultant for mitigation efforts, and for certifying to the DOJ that appropriate corrections have been made.

***Motion:** Commissioner Pullen moved to approve the staff course of Action A to hire Meeting the Challenge (MTC) which was seconded by Rhett Stringer. Motion was then approved by all Steve Shaw, Rhett Stringer and Bob Pullen. Motion carried.*

2015-092-Welcome Sign Bid Award (SR400 & SR 60)

This is for the approval of the construction of the Welcome Sign at the intersection of SR 400 and SR 60.

***Motion:** A motion was made by Commissioner Stringer to approve option D (which awards the total bid of \$150,738 to North Georgia Concrete, Inc.). That motion was seconded by Steve Shaw and approved by Commissioners Shaw, Stringer, and Pullen. The motion carried.*

COMMENTS

COUNTY MANAGER

The County Manager had no comments at this time.

COUNTY ATTORNEY

The County Attorney had no comments.

COMMISSIONERS

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Citizen Emily Lewy commended the County on their spay & neuter grant program and expressed her concerns with the Animal Shelter.

Citizen Perry Abernathy recommended that the Dahlonega Nugget ask the citizens to donate funds for the Connectability playground.

ADJOURN

***Motion:** Commissioner Shaw made a motion to adjourn the meeting. That motion was seconded by Rhett Stringer and approved by all Steve Shaw, Rhett Stringer and Bob Pullen. Motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 7:19 p.m.*

Date

Chris Dockery, Chairman
Lumpkin County Board of Commissioners

Attest:

Kathleen C. Walker
Clerk, Lumpkin County