



**Columbia County Board of Commissioners Meeting
Tuesday, February 2, 2021 at 6:00 PM
Evans Government Center Auditorium, Evans, Georgia**

Present at the meeting included:

Chairman Douglas R. Duncan, Jr.
Vice Chairman Gary L. Richardson
Commissioner Connie M. Melear
Commissioner Donald Skinner, Sr.
Commissioner Dewey G. Galeas
County Manager Scott Johnson
Deputy County Manager Glenn Kennedy
Deputy County Manager Matt Schlachter
County Attorney Chris Driver
County Clerk Patrice R. Crawley

Division Directors:
Paul Scarbary - Development Services
Kyle Titus - Engineering Services
Scott Sterling - Planning Services
John Luton - Community & Leisure Services
Chief Wallen - Fire Services
Michael Blanchard - Technology Services
County Staff

Members of the Media and Public

A. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Duncan called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

B. INVOCATION

Vice Chairman Richardson gave the invocation.

C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

County Manager Johnson led the pledge to the American flag.

D. ROLL CALL / QUORUM

Chairman Duncan declared a quorum with five Commissioners present.

E. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

(E1) January 19, 2021

Vice Chairman Richardson made a motion to approve the minutes of the January 19, 2021 Board of Commissioners meeting as presented. Commissioner Skinner seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

F. PRESENTATION AND APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Chairman Duncan presented the February 02, 2021 Agenda.

G. SPECIAL RECOGNITION, PRESENTATION, AND / OR DECLARATION

(G1) Special Recognition

(G1a) December 2020 Employee of the Month Wheeler Cowart with Stormwater Compliance

Vice Chairman Richardson presented a plaque to Wheeler Cowart with Stormwater Compliance as December 2020 Employee of the Month.

(G1b) 2020 Team of Fourth Quarter Stormwater Compliance

Vice Chairman Richardson presented a trophy to Stormwater Compliance as 2020 Team of Fourth Quarter.

(G1c) Recognition of Peter Mahoney for his Boy Scout Community Leadership Project

Director of Engineering Services Kyle Titus recognized Boy Scout Peter Mahoney for his Community Leadership Project which was to upgrade mile marker posts along the Evans to Locks multi-use trail. Mr. Mahoney worked closely with Engineering, Traffic, Road & Bridges and GIS in planning and coordinating the project.

H. CONSENT AGENDA

In accordance with Columbia County Code of Ordinance Section 2-81(6), the following items were voted on collectively. Commissioner Melear made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented. Commissioner Skinner seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

(H1) Community and Emergency Services Committee

(H1a) Animal Services Donations

Approved the acceptance of \$1,275 in animal services donations for the medical care and spay/neuter of sheltered animals.

(H1b) Georgia Glamping Company, LLC, Contract 2020-1829 and Sublease Agreement with Corps of Engineers

Approved the sublease agreement with the Corps of Engineers and Georgia Glamping Company, LLC.

(H1c) American Cornhole, LLC South Atlantic Major Tournament Agreement

Approved an agreement with American Cornhole, LLC in the amount of \$4,000; 2242200.533080.

(H1d) Reclassification of Park Custodian to a Park Services Worker position

Approved the reclassification of the vacant Park Custodian position to Park Services Worker grade 13 at an hourly rate of \$12.36.

(H1e) Motorola Mach Alert Service Contract Renewal

Approved the renewal contract with Motorola for the Motorola Mach Alert Service in the amount of \$20,244.90; 533035.

(H1f) Request to accept a grant from one local Walmart totaling \$1,000.00 to purchase fire safety and prevention supplies.

Approved the acceptance of grant funds from Walmart Local Community Foundation Grant from Walmart #3570 in the amount of \$1,000 and to amend the budget of Fire Services by \$1,000; 2320701 477003 and 2322510 522070.

(H2) Management and Internal Services Committee

(H2a) Purchase of Hardware for ESRI, Cityworks, and Enterprise Environment from Mainline Information Systems

Approved the purchase of hardware for ESRI, Cityworks and Enterprise Environment from Mainline Information Systems in the amount of \$106,784.73.

(H2b) Purchase of a Ford Explorer for Magistrate Court from Gerald Jones Ford

Approved purchasing a Ford Explorer for Magistrate Court from Gerald Jones Ford in the amount of \$33,439.14; 6416400.601080.

(H2c) Purchase of a Chevrolet Traverse from Alan Jay Fleet Sales

Approved the purchase of a 2020 Chevrolet Traverse from Alan Jay Fleet Sales in the amount of \$26,323; 6416400.601079.

(H3) Public Works and Engineering Services Committee

(H3a) Purchase, Kundel Industries, Inc., Trench Box

Approved the purchase of a trench box from Kundel Industries, Inc. in the amount of \$49,975.30; 511.5155.601080.

(H3b) Purchase, Bobcat of Augusta, Skid Steer Loader

Approved the purchase of a skid steer loader from Bobcat of Augusta in the amount of \$107,099.85; 511.5130.601081.

(H3c) Purchase, Environmental Products Group of Atlanta, Vactor Jetter Sewer Cleaner

Approved the purchase of a vactor jetter sewer cleaner from Environmental Products Group of Atlanta in the amount of \$137,700; 511.5130.601081.

(H3d) Change Order #1, R.D. Brown, Burkes Mountain Booster Station

Approved change order number 1 with R.D. Brown for the Burkes Mountain Booster Station for a decrease of \$5,000 and a 20 day extension; 57037.25.015.664.

(H3e) Easement Acceptance, Utility Easement Parcel Number 068 338 with Joseph M. & Shirley M. Briggs

Approved the utility easements from Joseph and Shirley Briggs parcel 068 338 as part of the Nicole's Cove sewer project.

(H3f) Easement Acceptance, Utility Easement located at Parcel Number 068 339 with Roy L. & Dorothy A. Gresham

Approved the utility easements from Roy and Dorothy Gresham parcel 068 339 as part of Nicole's Cove sewer project.

(H3g) Encroachment Agreement located at 5104 Knox Farm Road with GA Subcontracting Professionals, LLC.

Approved an encroachment agreement at 5104 Knox Farm Road with GA Subcontracting Professionals, LLC.

(H3h) Georgia Department of Transportation Indemnity and Hold Harmless Agreement for County Wayfinding Project

Approved the Georgia Department of Transportation Indemnity and Hold Harmless Agreement for the County Wayfinding project.

(H3i) Hardy McManus Road Widening Task Order 4 with Pond & Company

Approved task order number 4 with Pond & Company in the amount of \$148,117.89; 91308.27.010.922.

(H3j) Bid# 2020039-BID5200 for Shadowmoor Storm Sewer Improvements, Reeves Construction Company

Approved awarding the bid and contract to Reeves Construction Company for the Shadowmoor storm sewer improvements in the amount of \$608,319.80.

(H3k) Acceptance of Improvements for Bartram Trail 10 Phase B, Connell Farms, Tillery Park Easement Plat, and Larry Prather Easement Plat off Wrightsboro Road

Approved the acceptance of improvements for Bartram Trail 10 Phase B plat contingent upon staff's approval of the final plat, as built and warranty deed with the two year warranty period from the date of written acceptance of the as built drawings, Connell Farms plat contingent upon staff's approval of the final plat, as built and warranty deed with the two year warranty period from the date of written acceptance of the as built drawings, Tillery Park easement plat contingent upon staff's approval of the final plat, as built

and warranty deed and Larry Prather water line easement plat contingent upon staff's approval of the final plat, as built and warranty deed with the one year warranty period beginning when the warranty deed is recorded.

I. DEBATE AGENDA

(I1) New Business

(I1a) Development and Planning Services Committee

(I1a1) RZ20-12-04, Major PUD (Planned Unit Development) Revision, Tax Map 081 Parcel 543, 0.26+/- acres, located at 614 Whimbrel Court, and currently zoned PUD (Planned Unit Development). This is Part II of the request presented on January 5, 2021.

Matt Mills with River Island explained the request for relocation of the driveway.

Commissioner Skinner made a motion to approve the request for a Major PUD Revision for property located at tax map 081 543 to allow driveway access from Marsh Point Road subject to the following conditions:

Planning:

- 1. If the driveway is relocated to Marsh Point Road the following conditions shall apply:*
 - a. Driveway material shall be brick to match the house material from Marsh Point Road to the proposed wall.*
 - b. A low decorative brick wall approximately 3 feet in height, of the same material as the portion of the driveway above, shall be installed along the road frontage from the north side of the driveway extending along the entire frontage of the lot to the northern property line, adjacent to the amenity area. There may be a break no more than 6 feet wide in this wall for a sidewalk if desired. The design of the wall may be altered with approval of the ARB and the Planning Department staff.*

Water Utility:

If the driveway is retained on Whimbrel Court:

A 3-foot (914 mm) clear space shall be maintained around the circumference of hydrant. If the driveway is approved on Marsh Point Road, the following must occur:

- 1. Relocate the meter & meter boxes so that it is not in the proposed driveway.*
- 2. Install traffic rated collar & cap on clean-out in the proposed driveway.*

Chairman Duncan seconded the motion. Vice Chairman Richardson and Commissioner Melear opposed the motion. Chairman Duncan, Commissioners Skinner and Galeas voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried.

J. LEGAL MATTERS

K. REQUESTS FOR REVIEW BY COMMITTEE

L. PUBLIC COMMENTS AND PARTICIPATION

M. EXECUTIVE SESSION

(M1) Property

(M1a) TIA Project PI# 0008351 Horizon South Parkway Road Widening Project parcels 9, 10, 14A and 25A from the City of Grovetown

Vice Chairman Richardson made a motion to accept the donation for parcels 9, 10, 14A and 25A from the City of Grovetown to obtain right of way and/or easements for the Horizon South Parkway Road Widening Project. Commissioner Galeas seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

(M1b) TIA Project PI# 0008351 Horizon South Parkway Road Widening Project SCP parcel 6

Vice Chairman Richardson made a motion to approve \$76,700 to SCP parcel 6 to obtain right of way and/or easements for the Horizon South Parkway Road widening project. Commissioner Melear seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

(M1c) TIA Project PI# 0008351 Horizon South Parkway Road Widening Project Columbia County Development Authority parcel 20

Vice Chairman Richardson made a motion to approve \$13,714 to Columbia County Development Authority parcel 20 to obtain right of way and/or easements for Horizon South Parkway road widening project. Commissioner Melear seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

(M1d) Fury's Ferry Road Widening Project Jones Creek Investors, LLC tax parcel 077H 255

Vice Chairman Richardson made a motion to approve the order to proceed to settle the condemnation for a portion of parcel 077H 255 and deposit an additional \$6,800 in the Court's registry for the Fury's Ferry Road widening project. Commissioner Galeas seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

(M1e) Nicole's Cove Sewer project Nancy Wahl parcel 068 354

Vice Chairman Richardson made a motion to approve \$700 to Nancy Wahl parcel 068 354 to obtain right of way and/or easements for the Nicole's Cove sewer project. Commissioner Melear seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

(M1f) Dowling Drive Sewer project Kimberly Parker parcel 079 080

Vice Chairman Richardson made a motion to approve \$9,000 to Kimberly Parker parcel 079 080 to obtain right of way and/or easements for the Dowling Drive sewer project. Commissioner Melear seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

(M1g) Dowling Drive Sewer project Algie Arbee parcel 078A 165

Vice Chairman Richardson made a motion to approve \$6,200 to Algie Arbee parcel 078A 165 to obtain right of way and/or easements for the Dowling Drive sewer project. Commissioner Melear seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

N. ADJOURNMENT

At 6:40 p.m. Commissioner Galeas made a motion to adjourn. Vice Chairman Richardson seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Signature on File

Douglas R. Duncan, Jr., Chairman

Signature on File

Patrice R. Crawley, County Clerk