

WHITE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING

HELD MONDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2014 AT 4:30 P.M.

The White County Board of Commissioners held a Regular Meeting on Monday, December 1, 2014 at 4:30 p.m. in the Board Room at the White County Administration Building. Present at the meeting were: Chairman Travis Turner, Commissioner Terry Goodger, Commissioner Lyn Holcomb, Commissioner Edwin Nix, County Manager Michael Melton, Finance Director Vicki Mays, and County Clerk Shanda Murphy. Commissioner Craig Bryant was not in attendance.

Chairman Turner called the meeting to order.

Following the Pledge of Allegiance, Chairman Turner provided the invocation and expressed the Board's condolences in the passing of Ms. Shirley McDonald – County Historian.

Upon a motion made by Commissioner Goodger, seconded by Commissioner Holcomb there was a unanimous vote to adopt the following:

- October 6, 2014 Regular Meeting Minutes;
- October 16, 2014 Called Meeting Minutes;
- October 27, 2014 Work Session & Called Meeting Minutes including Executive Session Minutes;
- November 12, 2014 Called Meeting Minutes including Executive Session Minutes; and
- November 24, 2014 Work Session & Called Meeting Minutes including Executive Session Minutes.

Chairman Turner stated that in review of the October 6, 2014 Regular Meeting Minutes, he wanted to remind everyone that the Board wants to have a noise ordinance to consider in early 2015 along with the draft Land Use Plan.

The Board of Commissioners recognized Mr. Doug Dockery, Director of Public Works, for his 20 years of service to White County and congratulated him on his retirement at the end of this calendar year. Mr. Terry Palmer was welcomed as the new Director of Public Works.

Upon a motion made by Commissioner Holcomb, seconded by Commissioner Goodger there was a unanimous vote to re-appoint Mr. John Ziemer to the Joint Development Authority for a four (4) year term beginning January 1, 2015 and expiring December 31, 2018.

Mr. Chris Hollifield, with Rushton & Company, presented the Fiscal Year 2014 Audit (see attached report). The Board directed Mr. Melton to speak with Ms. Dean Adams, Clerk of Court, regarding the finding listed on the audit report related to the timeliness of her offices' processing of payouts.

The appeal of County Code Section 14-214(11)(A) and (B) related to the variance denied by the White County Planning Commission on August 4, 2014 for a Verizon Wireless Tower on

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property located at 23 Sonny's Circle was postponed at Verizon's request as they worked toward a possible agreement with an adjoining property owner for the lease of additional property which would allow the project to meet County Code requirements.

Upon a motion made by Commissioner Goodger, seconded by Commissioner Nix there was a unanimous vote to appoint Mr. Bob Duggan to the White County Library Board of Trustees for a four (4) year term beginning January 1, 2015 and expiring December 31, 2018 (position previously held by Ms. Shirley McDonald).

Mr. Kevin Hamby, CHA / SPLOST Manager presented the Monthly SPLOST Status Report (see attached report). He also presented the Board with the option to pay the January bond payment from the 2008 SPLOST or the 2014 SPLOST. There was a consensus that the bond payment should be made from the 2014 SPLOST – with General Fund paying this in January 2015 and the 2014 SPLOST reimbursing General Fund, thereby allowing greater flexibility with the funds remaining in the 2008 SPLOST Account. This action would be considered at the December 9, 2014 Called Meeting.

Ms. Vicki Mays, Finance Director, presented the Monthly Financial Status Report (see attached report).

During County Manager Comments, Mr. Melton advised that the renovations to the facility at Yonah Preserve which would house the Drug Task Force were moving along smoothly and the goal was to have the renovations complete by the end of December.

Chairman Turner opened the floor for citizen participation. With there being no citizen participation - announcements were made, including the cancellation of the December Work Session.

Upon a motion made by Commissioner Goodger, seconded by Commissioner Nix there was a unanimous vote to adjourn the meeting.

The minutes of the December 1, 2014 Regular Meeting are hereby approved as stated this 5th day of January, 2015.

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s/Travis C. Turner
Travis C. Turner, Chairman

s/Terry D. Goodger
Terry D. Goodger, District 1

s/Lyn Holcomb
Lyn Holcomb, District 2

s/Edwin Nix
Edwin Nix, District 3

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s/Craig Bryant
Craig Bryant, District 4

s/Shanda Murphy
Shanda Murphy, County Clerk