

WHITE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING

HELD MONDAY, JANUARY 13, 2014 AT 4:30 P.M.

The White County Board of Commissioners held a Regular Meeting on Monday, January 13, 2014 at 4:30 p.m. in the Board Room at the White County Administrative Building. Present at the meeting were: Chairman Travis Turner, Commissioner Terry Goodger, Commissioner Lyn Holcomb, Commissioner Edwin Nix, Commissioner Craig Bryant, County Manager Michael Melton, Finance Director Vicki Mays, and County Clerk Shanda Murphy.

Chairman Turner called the meeting to order.

Following the Pledge of Allegiance, Ms. Teresa Leahey provided the invocation on behalf of the White County Ministerial Alliance.

Upon a motion made by Commissioner Bryant, seconded by Commissioner Holcomb there was a unanimous vote to adopt the minutes of the November 25, 2013 Called Meeting (including sealed Executive Session Minutes) and the minutes of the December 17, 2013 Called Meeting(including sealed Executive Session Minutes).

Chairman Turner announced a change to the agenda. He stated that the Board of Commissioners would consider entering into Executive Session in order to discuss litigation at the end of the meeting.

A proclamation was presented to Ms. Betty Highsmith in recognition of her dedication and contributions to White County.

On behalf of the City of Cleveland, Mayor Don Stanley and Councilman Ed Young presented a check in the amount of \$144,406.00 to the Board of Commissioners for the City of Cleveland's contribution to the Event Park Project. Mayor Stanley stated that the City was in full support of the project.

Mr. Clay Pilgrim, with Rushton & Company, presented the Fiscal Year 2013 Audit Report for White County (see attached report). In summary, Mr. Pilgrim state the County has received a clean / unmodified audit opinion and the county ended FY 2013 with an unassigned fund balance of \$6,110,305.00 (5.5 months).

Chairman Turner opened the floor for any comments or questions regarding the audit. There were no questions or comments.

Chief Brian Kelley with the City of Gainesville Police Department presented Sheriff Neal Walden and the White County Sheriff's Office with State Certification on behalf of the State of Georgia Law Enforcement Certification Program, highlighting the significance and benefits of

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this achievement. Chief Kelley noted that the White County Sheriff's Office was one of the only 21 Sheriff's Offices in the State of Georgia to receive this certification, out of 159 counties, and was among the total 109 certified law enforcement organizations, out of 700 statewide. Deputy Robyn Still received special recognition as the White County Sheriff's Office State Certification Coordinator and Sheriff Neal Walden also recognized the entire command staff for their dedication to achieving the State Certification.

Chairman Turner recognized the White County Chamber of Commerce Adult Leadership Program Participants and thanked them for their community involvement.

Upon a motion made by Commissioner Holcomb, seconded by Commissioner Goodger there was a unanimous vote to approve the Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant award through the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council for the Appalachian Drug Task Force for grant period January 1, 2014 - December 31, 2014 in the amount of \$144,171.00.

Upon a motion made by Commissioner Bryant, seconded by Commissioner Nix there was a unanimous vote to adopt the following resolution (County Resolution No. 2014-01) setting the qualifying fees for the County Offices to be filled in the upcoming 2014 Primary or Election:

WHITE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

RESOLUTION NO. 2014- 01

WHEREAS, the White County Board of Commissioners, as the governing authority of White County, is required by the Official Code of Georgia Annotated Section 21-2-131, to fix and publish a qualifying fee for each county office to be filled in the upcoming primary or election;

AND WHEREAS, the White County Board of Commissioners is required, no later than February 1 of 2014 to fix and publish such fees;

NOW, THEREFORE, the qualifying fees for the following county offices to be filled in the upcoming 2014 primary or election are hereby set as follows:

- 1) Board of Commissioners, District 2 as currently held by Commissioner Lyn Holcomb - \$90.00;
- 2) Board of Commissioners, District 3, as currently held by Commissioner Edwin Nix- \$90.00;
- 3) Board of Education, District 2 as currently held by Ms. Amy Crumley - \$27.00;
- 4) Board of Education, District 4 as currently held by Mr. Barry Vandiver - \$27.00

The Clerk of the Board of Commissioners is hereby directed to forward a copy of this Resolution to the Superintendent of Elections of White County.

ADOPTED, this 13th day of January, 2014.

WHITE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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

s/Craig Bryant
Craig Bryant, District 4

Attest:

s/Shanda Murphy
Shanda Murphy, County Clerk

-End of Resolution-

Sheriff Neal Walden presented a list of ten (10) vehicles, which he was requesting the Board of Commissioners surplus for auction. These were all high mileage, had various mechanical problems, and were no longer of value to the Sheriff's Office. Sheriff Walden requested that any proceeds from the sale of the vehicles be designated for equipment purchase by the Sheriff's Office.

Upon a motion made by Commissioner Holcomb, seconded by Commissioner Nix there was a unanimous vote to adopt the following resolution (County Resolution No. 2014-02) with proceeds from the surplus sale returning to the Sheriff's Office for equipment purchase:

WHITE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

RESOLUTION NO. 2014-

TO DECLARE CERTAIN PROPERTY OWNED BY WHITE COUNTY TO BE SURPLUS PROPERTY; TO PROVIDE FOR THE DISPOSAL OF SAID PROPERTY BY AUCTION BY THE WHITE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE; TO PROVIDE FOR ADVERTISING OF DISPOSITION OF SAID PROPERTY AS APPLICABLE; AND TO AUTHORIZE A REPRESENTATIVE OF WHITE COUNTY TO EXECUTE ANY TITLE TRANSFERS AND BILLS OF SALE ON THE PROPERTY.

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of White County have determined that certain County-owned property is surplus; and

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WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of White County desires to dispose of said property;
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of White County, Georgia,
and it is hereby resolved by the authority of the same as follows:

The Board of Commissioners of White County hereby declares that the property described in Exhibit "A" attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference is surplus and shall be disposed of by the county by government auction to the highest responsible bidder for each item. All surplus personal property will be sold "as is" and must be removed from the county property by the successful bidder or vendor within ten (10) days from the award of the bid, except as otherwise provided in Exhibit "A."

The Board of Commissioners of White County reserves the right to refuse any and all bids on said property.

The County Manager is hereby authorized to execute any title transfers and bills of sale to the successful bidders on the personal property.

ADOPTED, this 13th day of January, 2014.

WHITE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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

s/Craig Bryant

Craig Bryant, District

Attest:

s/Shanda Murphy

Shanda Murphy, County Clerk

-End of Resolution-

WHITE COUNTY

-Exhibit A-

**SURPLUS PROPERTY
TO BE SOLD "AS IS/WHERE IS"**

PATROL VEHICLES

1)	2003	C/V	2FAFP71W13X204819	217,131 MILES	TOWED
2)	2003	C/V	2FAFP71WXX204818	196,751 MILES	RUNS/ DEAD BATTERY
3)	2004	C/V	2FAFP71W74X166028	202,519 MILES	RUNS/ DEAD BATTERY
4)	2004	C/V	2FAFP71WX4X120032	213,266 MILES	RUNS/ DEAD BATTERY
5)	2005	C/V	2FAFP71W95X179431	179,559 MILES	TOWED
6)	2007	C/V	2FAFP71W27X130378	151,177 MILES	ALTERNATOR
7)	2007	C/V	2FAFP71W47X130379	169,156 MILES	RUNS
8)	2001	C/V	2FAFP71W41X124086	165,165 MILES	TRANSMISSION SLIPS
9)	2000	P/U	1FTRX08L2YKA64512	212,500 MILES	COIL PACK
10)	2005	C/V	2FAFP71W25X179433	165,858 MILES	ALTERNATOR

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Chairman Turner noted, regarding funding from Legacy Link, Inc. to White County for the funding of transportation and food services at the Senior Center that Legacy Link routinely sends addendums to the Fiscal Year contract throughout the contract year and in the case of FY 2014 funding had decrease significantly.

Ms. Bonnie York, Director of Senior Services, stated that all in total the budget was in deficient \$25,361.00. She explained that this amount would satisfy the budget need for the remainder of the fiscal year at the current funding levels and would allow her to service all individuals currently on the waiting list (28 home delivered meals and 7 congregate meals).

Upon a motion made by Commissioner Nix, seconded by Commissioner Holcomb there was a unanimous vote to approve additional funding for the White County Senior Center in the amount of \$25,361.00 – to be funded from contingency.

Upon a motion made by Commissioner Holcomb, seconded by Commissioner Nix there was a unanimous vote to approve addendum #2 of the contract with Legacy Link for the funding of nutrition and transportation services at the White County Senior Center.

Chairman Turner stated that in the future, a waiting list for participation at the Senior Center should not be started until the Board of Commissioners is advised.

Upon a motion made by Commissioner Goodger, seconded by Commissioner Bryant there was a unanimous vote to table the discussion regarding the naming of the Event Park until the January 27, 2014 meeting.

Mr. Kevin Hamby, CHA SPLOST Manager, presented the monthly SPLOST Status Report (see attached).

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

Mr. Michael Melton, County Manager acknowledged Garland & Judy Lovell's letter regarding the exceptional service provided by White County Public Safety and Emergency Medical Services. He also acknowledged Public Safety Director, Mr. David Murphy's, achievement in the completion of the Advanced Emergency Management program. Mr. Melton presented the proposed change for the Tesnatee Precinct voting site change from the White County YMCA Parks & Recreation Facility to Mt. Yonah Baptist Church, on behalf of Mr. Garrison Baker, Elections Superintendent.

Chairman Turner asked that Mr. Melton instruct the YMCA Staff to post signs during the first election cycle advising the voting location had moved to Mt Yonah Baptist Church.

Commissioner Goodger asked that Commissioner Nix contact Mr. Yancey, owner of the vacant parking lot adjacent to the Courthouse, to try to arrange a temporary parking area to be utilized during the Event Park construction.

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Commissioner Bryant stated that the Planning Commission needed to relocate their meetings from the Courthouse in order to save on the overtime required for the Sheriff's Office to provide security personnel.

Chairman Turner opened the floor for citizen participation.

There was brief discussion regarding the new meeting location.

Upon a motion made by Commissioner Goodger, seconded by Commissioner Holcomb there was a unanimous vote to enter into Executive Session in order to discuss potential litigation.

-See Attached Closed Meeting Affidavit-

Minutes of the Executive Session are sealed and maintained by the County Clerk pursuant to O.C.G.A. §50-14-1(e)(2)(C).

Upon a motion made by Commissioner Bryant, seconded by Commissioner Nix there was a unanimous vote to exit Executive 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 January 13, 2014 Regular Meeting are hereby approved as stated this 27th day of January, 2014.

WHITE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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

s/Craig Bryant
Craig Bryant, District 4

s/Shanda Murphy
Shanda Murphy, County Clerk