

Minutes
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The Tattnall County Commissioners met in Regular Session with the following Members present: Chairman Jackie C. Trim; Bobby Kennedy, Herbert (Bubba) Burkhalter, Wayne Tatum, Edward Kennedy and GW Thompson.

Staff Present: County Manager Frank Murphy, County Clerk Christy D. McCall, Road Superintendent Kenny Hicks, County Engineer Dennis Odom, Sheriff Kyle Sapp, EMA Director Walt Rogers, County Attorney Joseph McGovern, County Extension office/4-H employees, Aubrey Shirley, Chris Tyson, Adrian Nease, Anthony Cantanzaretti, Rebekah Greene and Rachel Stewart.

Chairman Trim called the Meeting to order at 9:00 a.m., led the Pledge of Allegiance and gave the Invocation.

There was a Motion by Commissioner Bobby Kennedy and 2nd by Commissioner Edward Kennedy to approve the Consent Agenda as follows:

1. Regular Meeting Minutes September 10, 2018
2. Pit Easement – George William Dunham, IV
3. Budget Amendments (3-Sheriff/Jail)
4. Fence Row Easement – Reidsville Methodist Church
5. Fence Row Easement – George B. Jones, Jr.
6. Fence Row Easement – Esther & Luis Serrano

Motion carried unanimously.

New Business:

1. Chairman Trim stated the agenda would not change, however, the order of items would change by breaking for refreshments after items 2-6.

Chairman Trim forgot to ask for a motion for approval of the agenda.

2. Chairman Trim welcomed the Tattnall County 4-H Club along with Tattnall County 4-H Agent, Rebekah Greene and Tattnall County Cooperative Extension Agent, Rachel Stewart. One week in October is set aside as National 4-H week and the County is recognizing 4-H at this meeting.

Mrs. Greene had each 4-H student introduce themselves. 4-H student, Ms. Jayla Swatco then spoke to the board. Ms. Swatco stated the 4-H club consist of 6 million students abroad and that the state of Georgia has the largest number of 4-H members. Ms. Swatco was drawn to 4-H for what 4-H stands for. The 4-H pledge is, "I pledge my Head to clearer thinking, my Heart to greater loyalty, my Hands to larger service, and my Health to better living, for my club, my community, my country, and my world." Ms. Swatco then thanked the Board of Commissioners for allowing her to be here today and stated, 'She hopes 4-H continues to be a part of student's lives.'

Mrs. Greene then thanked the board for their continued support.

Chairman Trim thanked Mrs. Greene, Mrs. Stewart and the 4-H students for attending the meeting and presenting to the board.

3. Chairman Trim then stated that the Board had been notified of a vacancy on the Pineland Mental Health Board and was asked to appoint an elected official as a member. Chairman Trim then recommended Commissioner Bobby Kennedy.

There was a motion by Commissioner GW Thompson and 2nd by Commissioner Edward Kennedy to appoint Commissioner Bobby Kennedy as member to the Pineland Mental Health Board. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Chairman Trim next presented the recognition of the late Tommy Wallace. Chairman Trim stated what a pleasure it was to recognize the late Tommy Wallace for his service to Tattnall County. The resolution of recognition was then read aloud by Chairman Trim. (Copy of resolution attached. There to receive the resolution was the late Tommy Wallace's wife, Mrs. Elaine Wallace. Picture was taken by news media.

Mr. Dennis Odum, County Engineer and Chairman of the Board of Elections, stated that Mr. Tommy was a valuable member and will be missed. He then expressed his gratitude to Mrs. Wallace for her willingness to serve on the Board of Elections in her late husband's place.

5. Chairman Trim then presented Board of Elections member appointee. He stated that the Board would like for Mrs. Elaine Wallace to serve in the place of her late husband, Mr. Tommy Wallace.

Mrs. Wallace answered that she would be honored, and she will do a good job and treat everyone fair.

Mr. Murphy relayed that the Board of Tattnall County Republican Party recommended Mrs. Wallace for the Board and expressed their appreciation of the late Mr. Wallace's service.

Mr. Murphy also stated it was time to appoint officers to the Board of Elections. Mr. Murphy recommended reappointing Mr. Dennis Odum as Chairman and recommended appointing Mrs. Brenda Baggett as Vice Chairman. Mr. Odum stated the official swearing in of officers and members will take place at the next Board of Elections meeting.

There was a motion by Commissioner Bobby Kennedy and 2nd by Commissioner GW Thompson to appoint Mrs. Elaine Wallace as member to the Board of Elections. Motion also included reappointing Mr. Dennis Odum as Chairman and appointing Mrs. Brenda Baggett as Vice Chairman to the Board of Elections. Motion carried unanimously.

6. Chairman Trim next presented the Board of Tax Assessors member appointee to reappoint Mr. Billy Collins to the Tax Assessors Board. Chairman Trim stated Mr. Collins has served on the board for many years now.

There was a motion by Commissioner Bubba Burkhalter and 2nd by Commissioner Wayne Tatum to reappoint Mr. Billy Collins as member to the Tax Assessors Board. Motion carried unanimously.

7. Beginning at 9:17 am there was a small break for refreshments provided by the 4-H office and club. Picture was made with Board, 4-H staff and students by the local news media.

8. Chairman Trim then presented permission to solicit bids for roof replacement at three locations.

Mr. Murphy stated the health department building was an insurance claim and that the Tax Commissioners/Tax Assessors office along with the Investigator's office were 25+ years old and in need of replacing. Mr. Murphy then relayed that he was approached by the VFW to include their bid for roof replacement of the Alexander Hotel with the County's bid process for hopes of better pricing.

Mr. McGovern, County Attorney, stated that would be fine. However, representation from the VFW should be present at the pre-bid meeting as well as the bid opening to accept bids on behalf of the VFW. The VFW will pay for roof replacement at the Alexander Hotel.

There was a motion by Commissioner Bobby Kennedy and 2nd by Commissioner Bubba Burkhalter to approve solicitation of bids for roof replacement of three county property buildings and to allow the VFW to be included in bid process for the roof replacement of the Alexander Hotel. VFW will pay for roof replacement of the Alexander Hotel. Motion carried unanimously.

9. Chairman Trim presented transfer of property from the County to the City of Reidsville.

Mr. Murphy stated this small parcel of land consisting of 0.563 acres, which adjoins property owned by the City of Reidsville. The County does not have a need for this property and feels like this property may be beneficial to the City of Reidsville. Mayor Clifton has agreed to accepting this property.

There was a motion by Commissioner Bubba Burkhalter and 2nd by Commissioner Wayne Tatum to approve the transfer of property consisting of 0.563 acres to the City of Reidsville. Motion carried unanimously.

10. Chairman Trim then presented the lease agreement for the Glennville EMS station.

Mr. Murphy stated the County received a Public bond recently. A portion of the bond proceeds are to be used to construct the new Glennville EMS station on land donated to the County by the City of Glennville. The construction process has not started to date

and the older mobile home that the Glennville EMS station is currently housed in is having major electrical issues and can no longer be utilized.

There is a need for temporary location for the Glennville EMS station until the construction of the new Glennville EMS station is complete. The County would like to temporarily lease the Old Sutton place property located at 306 W Mann St, Glennville, GA, through Southern Property Services. Lease agreement will be \$850.00 per month for a minimum of six months.

Mr. Murphy stated we would also need to surplus the old mobile home where the current Glennville EMS station is located once Glennville EMS has moved to the temporary location on 306 W Mann St, Glennville, GA.

There was a motion by Commissioner Bubba Burkhalter and 2nd by Commissioner Wayne Tatum to enter a lease with Southern Property Services to lease the Old Sutton Place property located at 306 W Mann St, Glennville, GA for a rate of \$850.00 per month for a minimum of 6 months. Motion carried unanimously.

There was also a motion by Commissioner Bubba Burkhalter and 2nd by Commissioner Wayne Tatum to surplus the old mobile home, location of the current Glennville EMS station. Motion carried unanimously.

11. Public Comments:

Mayor Clifton announced that Georgia Power has offered to take the Commissioners and others on a tour of Plant Vogtle. Date will be set once a few attendees are determined. Mayor Clifton asked we let him know who would like to attend.

David Avery of the Greater Tattnall Chamber announced they had another successful Wiregrass Festival. He went on to thank the Commissioners on behalf of the Chamber for allowing the Chamber to hold the festival on the courthouse square.

Commissioner Burkhalter stated he appreciated everyone working hard on getting the pay scale implemented with no tax increase. He asked that each county employee do a good job for the county.

Mr. Murphy also thanked department heads, county officers and Commissioners for all their hard work on the pay scale. He also reminded everyone to get in all September invoices and revenues as it is year end.

Chairman Trim also thanked the Board for the implementation of the pay scale. Chairman Trim stated that the Board is attempting to do the best for all employees and the pay scale is a good step forward in that direction.

Mr. McGovern stated executive session would be needed. He went onto say that he thought the festival went well also but he believes we need traffic control as he saw many children crossing the highway.

Mayor Clifton announced the City of Reidsville recently purchased a limb truck and he noticed some limbs behind the huddle house that he believes is on county property. He

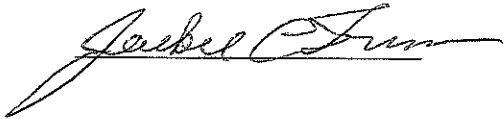
offered for the City to come and take care of the limbs for the County if limbs are in fact on County property.

12. There was a motion by Commissioner GW Thompson and 2nd by Commissioner Bubba Burkhalter to go into Executive Session at 9:54 a.m. to discuss Legal issues. Motion carried unanimously. **(Affidavit signed by Chairman Trim and made part of the Official Record)**

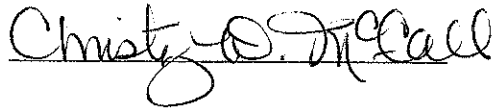
13. There was a motion by Commissioner Wayne Tatum and 2nd by Commissioner GW Thompson to go back into open session at 10:02 a.m. Motion carried unanimously.

14. There was a motion by Commissioner Bubba Burkhalter and 2nd by Commissioner Wayne Tatum to adjourn the meeting at 10:03 a.m. Motion carried unanimously.

JACKIE C. TRIM, CHAIRMAN



CHRISTY D. MCCALL, COUNTY CLERK



STATE OF GEORGIA
COUNTY OF TATTNALL

AFFIDAVIT OF CHAIRMAN

Jackie C. Trim, Chairman of the Tattnall County Board of Commissioners, being duly sworn, states under oath that the following is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge and belief:

1.
The Tattnall County Board of Commissioners met in a duly advertised meeting on 10/1/18.

2.
During such meeting, the Board voted to go into closed session.

3.
The executive session was called to order at 9:54 (a.m.)/p.m.

4.
The subject matter of the closed portion of the meeting was devoted to the following matter (s) within the exceptions provided in the open meeting law:

Consultation with the County Attorney or other legal counsel to discuss pending or potential litigation, settlement, claims, administrative proceedings, or other judicial actions brought by or against the county or any officer or employee or in which the county or any officer may be directly involved in O.C.G.A. 50-14-2(1);

Discussion of tax matters made confidential by state law as provided by O.C.G.A. 50-14-2(2)
And _____

Discussion of the future acquisition of real estate as provided by O.C.G.A. 50-14-3 (4);

Discussion or deliberation on the appointment, employment, compensation, hiring, disciplinary action or dismissal, or periodic evaluation or rating of a county officer or employee as provided in O.C.G.A. 50-14-3(6);

Other _____

As provided in _____

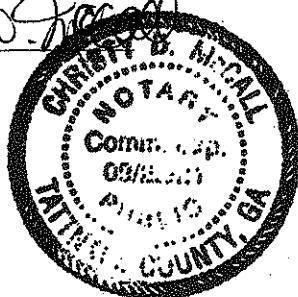
This 1st day of October, 2018

Jackie C. Trim
Jackie C. Trim Chairman
Tattnall County Board of Commissioners

Sworn to and subscribed

Before me this 1st
Day of October, 2018

Christy D. Jackson
Notary Public



MEMBERS PRESENT: Edward Kennedy,
Bobby Kennedy, GW Thompson,
Wayne Tatum +
Bubba Burkhalter

STATE OF GEORGIA

TATTNALL COUNTY

WHEREAS, William Thomas (Tommy) Wallace was a lifelong supporter of Tattnall County, working vigorously to improve the quality of life for its citizens and preserve its history; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Wallace was a Mason for over 40 years serving a dual membership with the Ezel Lodge and Rising Son Lodge; and

WHEREAS, in 2001 Mr. Wallace was appointed by The Tattnall County Republican Party to serve on the County Board of Elections, a position he filled with honor working to ensure that our civic right to vote was carried out freely; and

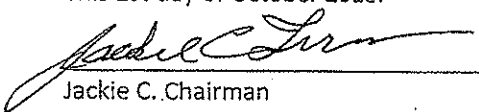
WHEREAS, he was a founding member of the Tattnall Historical Committee and a proud member of the Sons of Confederate Veterans Camp 147; and

WHEREAS, His love of history persuaded him to establish the annual "Battle of Manassas" in 2000 and work with other members of Camp 147 to raise funds and collect the information needed to establish a permanent monument to all Tattnall County Confederate War Veterans. This enormous task was completed and Dedicated on December 11, 2010. Mr. Tommy is fondly remembered by many reenactors from across the nation for his attention to detail and commitment to the preservation of historical accuracy.

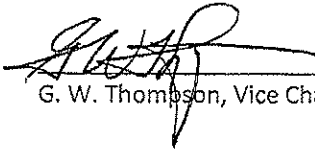
THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Tattnall County Board of Commissioners, on behalf of the citizens of Tattnall County, extends their appreciation to William Thomas (Tommy) Wallace for a lifetime of service to his fellow countryman; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, this Resolution be spread on the Official Minutes of the Tattnall County Commissioners and a copy be presented to the family of Mr. Wallace.

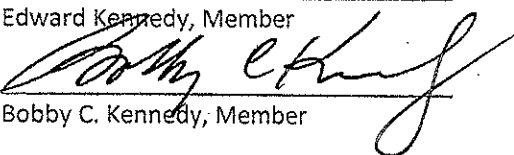
This 1st day of October 2018.



Jackie C. Chairman



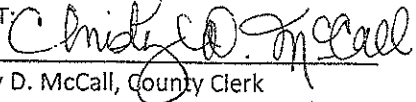
G. W. Thompson, Vice Chairman

Edward Kennedy, Member


Bobby C. Kennedy, Member

Herbert (Bubba) Burkhalter, Member

Wayne Tatum, Member

ATTEST 

Christy D. McCall, County Clerk