Minutes Taylor County Board of Commissioners Regular Meeting February 6, 2024

The Taylor County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 6:00 p. m. on Tuesday, February 6, 2024, in the County Commissioners Meeting Room of the Taylor County Government Complex at 7 Ivy St., Butler, GA. Present were Chairman Milton Harris, Vice-Chairman Tameka Harris, Commissioner Robert Peacock, Commissioner Randy Nelson, Commissioner Cicero Latimore, County Manager Amanda Queen, and County Attorney Eddie Davis.

Chairman Milton Harris, presiding, called the meeting to order at 6:00pm. Commissioner Nelson gave the invocation. Commissioner Peacock led the Pledge to the United States Flag and Commissioner T. Harris led the pledge to the Georgia Flag.

Agenda approved as distributed, on motion of Commissioner T. Harris, seconded by Commissioner Nelson and carried with all in favor.

The Minutes of the January 4, 2024, Regular Meeting were approved as distributed on motion by Commissioner Peacock, seconded by Commissioner Nelson and carried by voice vote with all voting in favor and none opposed.

Citizens scheduled to appear:

1. none

Reports:

Amber Swann, Planning and Zoning – Ms. Swann reported that the Georgia Recovery Center had all 5 residences approved for occupancy and are operating at full capacity. Ms. Swann stated that 2 board members terms are ending. Wayne McInvale and Carrie McClendon both wish to serve an additional term. Commissioner Peacock made a motion to reappoint both members to the Planning & Zoning Board, seconded by Commissioner Nelson, this was not brought to a vote and failed to pass.

<u>Abb Preston, Taylor County EMS</u> – Mr. Preston reported that during the month of January, there were 123 calls with 76 transports. The Reynolds station has been open since February 1st. The new ambulance should be delivered around the middle of March.

<u>Jamason Byrd, Taylor County Fire Department</u> – Mr. Byrd reported that there were 6 calls for the month of January.

<u>River Valley Regional Commission</u> – no report

Unfinished business:

<u>Approve Fall Line Club "Re-Project" Resolution</u> This has already been approved, just need to sign the resolution, and get it back to the Fall Line Club.

New business:

<u>Appoint Members to the Planning & Zoning Board – This was handled during the reports.</u>

<u>Workforce Development Building Rent</u> – Ms. Queen stated that the last payment received from the HeadStart program was September 2022. There is no updated lease, and they are now considered "holdover" tenants. Mr. Davis will send a letter demanding payment and draft a new lease.

Approve & Discuss Recreation Department Budget for the New Recreation Center – Per the grant information regarding the 2million in funds for this project we needed an Engineers report on specs for this building. We received a report that had an estimated cost of 2.2 million with about an estimated cost for the county of \$154,000. There was a discussion regarding the need for a sprinkler system in the building which would cost extra. The cost to the county would come from SPLOST funds. There was much discussion, Ms. Queen stated that in order to receive the grant funds, the next step in the process was to get an Engineers Report, this needs to be voted on to submit to the state for the next step. Commissioner Latimore made a motion to approve the Engineers report and send to the state, seconded by Commissioner T. Harris and carried with a voice vote of 3 in favor and 1 opposed by Commissioner Nelson.

A motion was made by Commissioner Nelson to enter Executive Session at 6:46pm, seconded by Commissioner T. Harris, carried with a voice vote of all in favor, none opposed.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:12pm

Work session followed for the Budget FYE 06.30.2023. mb