

March 1, 2016

THE HONORABLE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, MADISON, GEORGIA,  
MET THIS DAY IN REGULAR SESSION.

PRESENT: Chairman Donald B. Harris, Vice-Chair Ellen Warren, Commissioners Andy A. Ainslie, Jr., Ron Milton and Philip Clack

STAFF: County Manager Michael Lamar, Assistant County Manager Mark Williams, County Attorney Christian Henry, County Clerk Jane Laseter and Staff Member Leslie Brandt

Donald B. Harris, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. and Vice-Chair Ellen Warren gave the invocation.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA WITH ADDITION OF FY 16-5311 CAPITAL CONTRACT SUPPLEMENT

One item has been received to be added to the agenda – FY16 5311 Capital Contract Supplement.

MOTION by Comm. Clack, seconded by Comm. Ainslie to approve the agenda as presented with the addition of the FY16-5311 Capital Contract Supplement under new business. Unanimously Approved.

RECOGNITION OF STEVE SCHAFFER

Vice-Chair Ellen Warren presented Steve Schaffer with a Certificate of Recognition on behalf of the Commission for his service to Morgan County and the Uncle Remus Library System.

RECOGNITION OF CAROL CROSS

Vice-Chair Ellen Warren presented Lawrence Cross with a Certificate of Recognition on behalf of the Board of Commissioners to the late Carol Cross for her service on the Resource Preservation Advisory Board.

MINUTES

February 2, 2016 – Regular Meeting

February 16, 2016 – Work Session

February 16, 2016 – Special Called

MOTION by Comm. Warren, seconded by Comm. Clack to approve the minutes for February 2, 2016 Regular Meeting, February 16, 2016 Work Session, and February 16, 2016 Special Called Meeting. Unanimously Approved.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Motion to approve the February 2016 financials and the February 2016 payables to include General Fund in the amount of \$480,536.28, SPLOST in the amount of \$182,726.96 and General Fund electronic payments in the amount of \$1,192.10.
2. Motion to allow the \$4,250.00 repayment due to the County from Historic Madison-Morgan Foundation to go towards the Central of Georgia Depot Project.
3. Motion to appoint Lawrence Cross to the Resource Preservation Advisory Board to complete the term of Carol Cross with term ending December 31, 2016.
4. Motion to approve use of the route as presented for the 2016 “Real” Buckhead Road Race to be held April 2, 2016.
5. Motion to accept the January 2016 Staff Reports as presented at the February 16, 2016 Work Session.

MOTION by Comm. Milton, seconded by Comm. Clack to approve the consent agenda as presented. Unanimously Approved.

DISCUSSION OF PURCHASE OF SOLAR POWER

County Manager Michael Lamar reported that no agreement had been reached with the third party investor the County has been negotiating with for solar power. He suggested that we put out a Request for Proposal for a third party vendor in order to have comparisons with such a new concept.

The Commissioners discussed looking at what other counties or cities are doing towards the purchase of solar power and to move forward cautiously since this third party provider provision has been in effect for such a short time. The general consensus of the Commissioners was for the County Attorney to prepare a Request for Proposals.

STATEWIDE MUTUAL AID AGREEMENT

Statewide Mutual Aid and Assistance Agreement between Morgan County and Georgia Emergency Management Agency/Homeland Security. This is a mutual aid and assistance agreement between local government, GEMA and FEMA stating each agency will work together during emergency circumstances. The agencies will share resources and assist each other financially.

MOTION by Comm. Clack, seconded by Comm. Warren to approve the Statewide Mutual Aid and Assistance Agreement between Morgan County and Georgia Emergency Management Agency/Homeland Security. Unanimously Approved. (COPY: Miscellaneous Book)

2017 BUDGET CALENDAR

Finance Director Lori Sayer discussed the FY2017 budget calendar.

MOTION by Comm. Clack, seconded by Comm. Warren to approve the FY2017 Budget Calendar. Unanimously Approved. (COPY: Miscellaneous Book)

FY16 - 5311 CAPITAL CONTRACT SUPPLEMENT

Assistant County Manager Mark Williams presented the FY16 - 5311 Capital Contract Supplement. The contract states that the State and Federal government will contribute 90% of the funds needed to replace one Transit van. The County will be responsible for the remaining 10%.

MOTION by Comm. Ainslie, seconded by Comm. Clack to approve the FY16 - 5311 Capital Contract Supplement. Unanimously Approved. (COPY: Miscellaneous Book)

COUNTY MANAGER'S REPORT

County Manager Michael Lamar presented a monthly overview of Morgan County government's current projects and/or issues. (COPY: Miscellaneous Book)

CHAIRMAN HARRIS ALLOWED PUBLIC COMMENTS

Public comments were made by:

Fred Bell-Morgan County Resident

Bob Hughes- Chamber of Commerce, Economic Development

Tia Ivey-Reporter with The Morgan County Citizen Newspaper

MOTION by Comm. Ainslie, seconded by Comm. Clack to exit regular session. Unanimously Approved.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – PERSONNEL & PENDING OR POTENTIAL LITIGATION

MOTION by Comm. Ainslie, seconded by Comm. Clack to enter Executive Session to discuss personnel and pending or potential litigation. Unanimously Approved. (Original signed Affidavit in Executive Session Legal Requirement Book).

MOTION by Comm. Ainslie, seconded by Comm. Clack to exit Executive Session. Unanimously Approved.

MOTION by Comm. Ainslie, seconded by Comm. Clack to enter Regular Session. Unanimously Approved.

MOTION by Comm. Ainslie, seconded by Comm. Clack to adjourn. Unanimously Approved.

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Donald B. Harris, Chairman

ATTEST:

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Jane S. Laseter, County Clerk

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