

**THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
CRAWFORD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
TUESDAY, 18 AUGUST 2015**

**THE MEETING OF THE CRAWFORD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 6:10 P.M.**

The following members were present: Mr. Paul Chapman (Chairman), Mr. Bobby Blasingame (Vice-Chairman), Mr. Justin Spillers, and Mr. John Thomas.

INVOCATION GIVEN BY MR. BOBBY BLASINGAME

AGENDA APPROVAL

Mr. Chapman asked for a motion to approve the agenda. Mr. Thomas made the motion. Mr. Spillers seconded and the motion carried 4-0.

FIRST ON THE AGENDA

Approval of Minutes: *Regularly Scheduled Meeting of 04 August 2015*

Mr. Chapman asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the regularly scheduled meeting of 04 August 2015. Mr. Thomas made the motion to approve the minutes. Mr. Spillers seconded and the motion carried 4-0.

SECOND ON THE AGENDA

Public Hearing: *Crawford Count Inert Landfill*

Mr. Chapman stated that as part of the permitting process associated with the new inert landfill the County was holding this public hearing to allow the County citizens to voice any questions or concerns. He went on to say that the inert landfill site was on the same parcel of property as the older recently reclaimed inert landfill site located of Jackson Road.

There were no questions or concerns.

Mr. Braswell arrives at the meeting at 6:20 p.m.

Public Hearing: *Proposed FY 2016 Budget*

Mr. Kelly presented the Board with the proposed FY 2016 Budgets. He went on to say that the General Fund Budget was balanced at \$6,773,524.00. He further stated that the Water Enterprise Fund was balanced at \$ 329,976.00.

Mr. Kelly reminded the Board that the FY 2016 Budget would need to be adopted on 27 August and if there were to be any changes those decisions needed to be made before that date.

Mr. Chapman asked if there were any questions or concerns with the proposed budget.

Mr. Doug Kelley (Recreation Director) requested the Board consider allocating \$ 25,000.00 from the available SPLOST budget to the Recreation Department. He went on to say that the Recreation Department was in the process of building a new football/soccer field and would need the additional funding for that improvement.

Mr. Spillers was concern about the proposed \$25,000.00 allocation to the Development Authority. He stated that the Authority currently had a large unassigned fund budget and they did not necessarily need to have any supplemental revenues in order to balance its budget.

Mr. Chapman stated that he was not necessarily against the request but felt it would be prudent to wait and see how the overall budget shakes out over the course of a few months. If the County was on track the Recreation Budget could be amended at that time.

After some discussion, Mr. Thomas made the motion to provide the requested funding for the Recreation Department from the SPLOST account in the amount of \$25,000.00. Mr. Spillers seconded and the motion carried 4-1 with Mr. Chapman voting no.

The Board took no action on the Development Authority and the \$25,000.00 allocation remained in the proposed budget.

THIRD ON THE AGENDA

Appearances: Regional Commission – Crawford County Web Site

Mr. Nick Kouloungis and Ms. April Moss (Regional Commission) presented the Board with an introductory tour of the proposed County website. They stated that the new site should be operational by the end of the week.

The Board thanked them for the efforts in designing the new site.

FOURTH ON THE AGENDA

Announcements: *Detour Highway 80 West – Open House*

Mr. Kelly stated that the Georgia Department of Transportation would be holding an Open House to discuss the detour route for the Highway 80 West bridge replacement project scheduled for April of 2017.

The Open House will be on Thursday, September 10, 2015 at the Crawford County Courthouse, State Route 42 South, Knoxville, GA 31050, between the hours of 4:00 pm and 6:00 pm. The purpose of the Detour Open House is to provide the public with an opportunity to view the proposed detour, ask questions, and to provide an opportunity to make verbal comments about the project.

FIFTH ON THE AGENDA

Old Business: *Juvenile Court – Intergovernmental Agreement*

Mr. Kelly stated that the Intergovernmental Agreement between Peach and Crawford County had been reduced to writing and requested the Board consider approving the agreement to provide Juvenile Court services.

Mr. Spillers made the motion to approve the agreement. Mr. Braswell seconded and the motion carried 5-0.

Old Business: *Rental Agreement – Development Authority*

The Board had tabled the issue at its last meeting until such time as the County Manager was available to discuss the agreement.

Mr. Kelly stated that the rental agreement between the County and the Development Authority was consistent with previous agreements with a rental amount for office spaces of \$36,000.00 annual.

Mr. Thomas made a motion to enter into the rental agreement. Mr. Spillers seconded and the motion carried 5-0.

Old Business: *Bid Opening – Surplus Property (C077 053)*

Mr. Kelly stated that there were no bids received on the surplus property. He recommended that the Board rerun the request for bids with no reserve in order to get the property back on the tax digest.

Mr. Thomas made the motion to advertise the property without a reserve. Mr. Spillers seconded and the motion carried 5-0.

SIXTH ON THE AGENDA

New Business: *Budget Amendment – Roads Department*

Mr. Kelly presented the Board with a budget amendment for the Roads Department as follows:

ROADS – BUDGET AMENDMENT 42000		
INCREASE BUDGET	54.2200 Lease Equipment	\$ 53,582.00
INCREASE REVENUES	39.3700 Loan Proceeds	\$ 53,582.00

He stated that the Board had approved the purchase of a motor grader early in FY 15 and the amendment was necessary to balance the Roads Department budget.

Mr. Thomas made the motion to approve the amendment. Mr. Braswell seconded and the motion carried 5-0.

New Business: *Resolution – Equipment Lease (John Deere Tractor)*

Mr. Kelly stated that the lease documents for the new John Deere Tractor and side arm would need to be executed. He requested the Board adopt a resolution which would allow Mr. Chapman to sign the associated documents and the lease purchase agreement with the Association of County Commissioners of Georgia.

Mr. Thomas made the motion to approve the request. Mr. Braswell seconded and the motion carried 5-0.

New Business: *Resolution – Equipment Lease (Motor Grader/Front End Loader)*

Mr. Kelly stated that the lease documents for the new Caterpillar Motor Grader and Front End Loader would need to be executed. He requested the Board adopt a resolution which would allow Mr. Chapman to sign the associated documents and the lease purchase agreement with the Association of County Commissioners of Georgia.

Mr. Spillers made the motion to approve the request. Mr. Blasingame seconded and the motion carried 5-0.

New Business: *Liquor by the Drink*

Mr. Kelly stated that he had been receiving inquiries as to the possibility of the County allowing businesses to sell liquor by the drink. He went on to say that the Board could allow the question to appear on an election ballot and let the citizens of the County decide.

After some discussion Mr. Braswell made a motion to allow the County Attorney to research the steps necessary to place the question on a ballot and let the Citizens decide the question. Mr. Thomas seconded and the motion carried 5-0.

Adjourn:

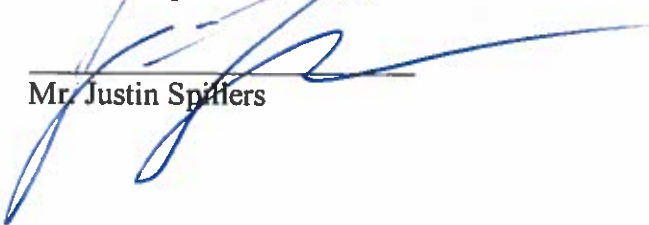
There being no further business, Mr. Chapman asked for a motion to adjourn the 18 August 2015 Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners. Mr. Spillers made the motion. The motion was seconded by Mr. Thomas. Motion carried 5-0 and the Board adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

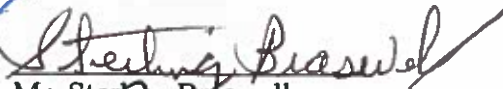
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CRAWFORD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
TUESDAY, 18 AUGUST 2015**


Mr. Paul Chapman – Chairman


Mr. Blasingame – V. Chairman


Mr. Justin Spillers


Mr. John Thomas


Mr. Sterling Braswell


Attest – County Manager