



**PAULDING COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
October 13, 2020**

**Watson Government Complex
Second Floor – Board of Commissioners Meeting Room**

CALL TO ORDER: David L. Carmichael, Chairman

**INVOCATION &
PLEDGE:** David L. Carmichael, Chairman

PRESENT: David L. Carmichael, Chairman; Ron Davis, Post I; Sandy Kaecher, Post II; Chuck Hart, Post III; Brian Stover, Post IV (via teleconference); Jayson Phillips, County Attorney; Frank Baker, County Administrator; Rebecca Merideth, County Clerk

MINUTES:

1. Adopt the September 17, 2020, Work Session Minutes and September 17, 2020, Board Meeting Minutes:

Sandy Kaecher made a motion to adopt the September 17, 2020, Work Session Minutes and September 17, 2020, Board Meeting Minutes, seconded by Ron Davis. Voting Yea: Chairman Carmichael, Post I Ron Davis, Post II Sandy Kaecher, Post III Chuck Hart, Post IV Brian Stover.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: None

INVITED GUESTS: None

BID AWARDS:

2. Award the purchase of an Asphalt Distributor Truck in the amount of \$191,700 to Tractor & Equipment Company:

Chuck Hart made a motion to approve the purchase of an Asphalt Distributor Truck in the amount of \$191,700 from Tractor & Equipment Company, seconded by Sandy Kaecher. Voting Yea: Chairman Carmichael, Post I Ron Davis, Post II Sandy Kaecher, Post III Chuck Hart, Post IV Brian Stover. (On file in the Finance Department)

3. Award the Costco Drive Widening Project, PR-IMP (034)-(1), to the low bidder, C & S Paving, in the amount of \$155,914.80:

Ron Davis made a motion to award the Costco Drive Widening Project, PR-IMP (034)-(1), to the low bidder, C & S Paving, in the amount of \$155,914.80, seconded by Brian Stover. Voting Yea: Chairman Carmichael, Post I Ron Davis, Post II Sandy Kaecher, Post III Chuck Hart, Post IV Brian Stover. (On file in the Transportation Department)

4. Award the purchase of eight (8) administrative and response vehicles for the Fire Department to Hardy Family Ford in the amount of \$250,156.00:

Chuck Hart made a motion to award the purchase of eight (8) administrative and response vehicles for the Fire Department to Hardy Family Ford in the amount of \$250,156.00, seconded by Sandy Kaecher. Voting Yea: Chairman Carmichael, Post I Ron Davis, Post II Sandy Kaecher, Post III Chuck Hart, Post IV Brian Stover. (On file in the Finance Department)

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES & DEPARTMENTS: None

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON AGENDA ITEMS:

Mr. Tad Paris spoke to the Board regarding Item #8. He stated his opposition to approving the abandonment and requested how resident are notified of Public Hearings on abandonments. Mr. Paris stated his family has lived off of Smith Road all of their lives, and have always been notified in the past in regards Smith Road.

County Attorney, Jayson Phillips gave a brief description of the legal requirements for abandonments.

Transportation Director, George Jones gave a history of Smith Road and provided the names of the residents that were notified which were read by Mr. Phillips.

Mr. Lee Paris spoke to the Board regarding Item #8, and stated his opposition to the approval of the abandonment of a portion of Smith Road.

CONSENT AGENDA: Ron Davis made a motion to approve the following consent agenda items:

5. **Approve the updated Paulding County Road Naming and Honorary Designation Policy.** (See Attachment "A")
6. **Authorize the Chairman to sign a quit claim deed to abandon 0.291 acres of permanent easement to Forestar Real Estate Group Inc., for development of Wildbrooke.** (See Attachment "B")

Seconded by Sandy Kaecher. Voting Yea: Chairman Carmichael, Post I Ron Davis, Post II Sandy Kaecher, Post III Chuck Hart, Post IV Brian Stover.

OLD BUSINESS:

7. **Resolution 20-38 ratifying the Settlement Agreement in the case of Anthony A. Cooper, Jr., vs. Paulding County, Georgia:**

Ron Davis made a motion to approve Resolution 20-38 ratifying the Settlement Agreement in the case of Anthony A. Cooper, Jr., vs. Paulding County, Georgia, the motion failed for the lack of a second. Following comments by Mr. Phillips, Ron Davis made a second motion to approve Resolution 20-38. This second motion failed for the lack of a second. (See below for further action on this item)

NEW BUSINESS:

8. **Resolution 20-39 abandoning a portion of the County Road known as Smith Road A/K/A County Road 286:**

Ron Davis made a motion to approve Resolution 20-39 abandoning a portion of the County Road known as Smith Road A/K/A County Road 286, motion failed for the lack of a second. Ron Davis made a motion to table until the October 27, 2020 Board Meeting, seconded by Sandy Kaecher. County Attorney, Jayson Phillips stated for clarification the commissioners be polled to record individual votes:

Chairman Carmichael – Voted Yea
Post I Ron Davis – Voted Yea
Post II Sandy Kaecher – Voted Yea
Post III Chuck Hart – Voted Yea
Post IV Brian Stover – Voted Yea

Ron Davis made a motion to revisit **Old Business Item #7**, seconded by, Sandy Kaecher. Voting Yea: Chairman Carmichael, Post I Ron Davis, Post II Sandy Kaecher, Post III Chuck Hart, Post IV Brian Stover.

Upon further review, Ron Davis made a motion to table until the October 27, 2020 Board Meeting, Resolution 20-38 ratifying the Settlement Agreement in the case of Anthony A. Cooper, Jr., vs. Paulding County, Georgia, Seconded by Sandy Kaecher . Voting Yea: Chairman Carmichael, Post I Ron Davis, Post II Sandy Kaecher, Post III Chuck Hart, Post IV Brian Stover.

9. **Approve the request to assist with funding in the amount of \$20,000.00 for the Hanger 1 Project:**

Sandy Kaecher made a motion to approve the request to assist with funding in the amount of \$20,000.00 for the Hanger 1 Project, seconded by Chuck Hart. Voting Yea: Chairman Carmichael, Post II Sandy Kaecher, Post III Chuck Hart, Post IV Brian Stover. Voting Against: Post I Ron Davis. Vote carries 4-1 in favor. (On file in the Finance Department)

10. **Assistance with funding for emergency repairs to the Instrument Landing System in the amount of \$15,913.00:**

Chairman Carmichael made a motion to approve the assistance with funding for emergency repairs to the Instrument Landing System in the amount of \$15,913.00, seconded by Ron Davis. Voting Yea: Chairman Carmichael, Post I Ron Davis, Post II Sandy Kaecher, Post III Chuck Hart, Post IV Brian Stover. (On file in the Finance Department)

11. Change Order No. 8 for CMAR Services for the RCR Water Treatment Plant, Etowah River Pump Station, and Reservoir Pump Station to extend PC Construction final completion date to December 31, 2020 with no increase in cost:
Chuck Hart made a motion to approve Change Order No. 8 for CMAR Services for the RCR Water Treatment Plant, Etowah River Pump Station, and Reservoir Pump Station to extend PC Construction final completion date to December 31, 2020 with no increase in cost, seconded by Sandy Kaecher. Voting Yea: Chairman Carmichael, Post I Ron Davis, Post II Sandy Kaecher, Post III Chuck Hart, Post IV Brian Stover. (On file in the Finance Department)

12. Resolution 20-34 authorizing the transfer of \$105,000.00 to an interest-bearing account to be used by the County for future aeronautical projects approved by the Federal Aviation Administration at the Paulding Northwest Atlanta Airport:
Ron Davis made a motion to approve Resolution 20-34 authorizing the transfer of \$105,000.00 to an interest-bearing account to be used by the County for future aeronautical projects approved by the Federal Aviation Administration at the Paulding Northwest Atlanta Airport, seconded by Brian Stover. Voting Yea: Chairman Carmichael, Post I Ron Davis, Post II Sandy Kaecher, Post III Chuck Hart, Post IV Brian Stover. (See Attachment "C")

13. Resolution 20-35 reappointing Johnny McBurrows to the Paulding County Board of Assessors for a term ending December 31, 2023:
Chuck Hart made a motion to adopt Resolution 20-35 reappointing Johnny McBurrows to the Paulding County Board of Assessors for a term ending December 31, 2023, seconded by Ron Davis. Voting Yea: Chairman Carmichael, Post I Ron Davis, Post II Sandy Kaecher, Post III Chuck Hart, Post IV Brian Stover. (See Attachment "D")

14. Resolution 20-36 appointing Lydia Rollins to the Paulding County Board of Assessors for a term ending December 31, 2023:
Chairman Carmichael made a motion to adopt Resolution 20-36 appointing Lydia Rollins to the Paulding County Board of Assessors for a term ending December 31, 2023, seconded by Sandy Kaecher. Voting Yea: Chairman Carmichael, Post I Ron Davis, Post II Sandy Kaecher, Post III Chuck Hart, Post IV Brian Stover. (See Attachment "E")

15. Purchase of two (2) LIFEPAK 15 V4 Cardiac Monitors and associated equipment to Stryker Medical in the amount of \$90,000:
Brian Stover made a motion to purchase of two (2) LIFEPAK 15 V4 Cardiac Monitors and associated equipment to Stryker Medical in the amount of \$90,000, seconded by Ron Davis. Voting Yea: Chairman Carmichael, Post I Ron Davis, Post II Sandy Kaecher, Post III Chuck Hart, Post IV Brian Stover. (On file in the Fire Department)

16. Purchase of a SWAT 6,300sft. Canopy to Shady Vent Construction in the amount of \$61,875:
Sandy Kaecher made a motion to approve the purchase of a SWAT 6,300sft. Canopy to Shady Vent Construction in the amount of \$61,875, seconded by Ron Davis. Voting Yea: Chairman Carmichael, Post I Ron Davis, Post II Sandy Kaecher, Post III Chuck Hart, Post IV Brian Stover. (On file in the Finance Department)

17. Resolution 20-37 confirming Executive Session for the purposes of Pending and Potential Litigation:

Ron Davis made a motion to adopt Resolution 20-37 confirming Executive Session for the purposes of Pending and Potential Litigation, seconded by Chuck Hart. Voting Yea: Chairman Carmichael, Post I Ron Davis, Post II Sandy Kaecher, Post III Chuck Hart, Post IV Brian Stover. (See Attachment "F")

CONCLUSION OF REGULAR BUSINESS

EXECUTIVE SESSION: None

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS: None

Chairman Carmichael asked Frank Baker to speak on the referendum on this ballot for a State Court.

Mr. Baker stated out of 159 Counties in Georgia, 71 counties have State Courts. These Courts help with caseloads to free up the dockets for Superior Courts.

Chairman Carmichael asked Commissioners if they have any announcements or comments.

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Commissioner Stover reminded everyone to go vote in this very important election.

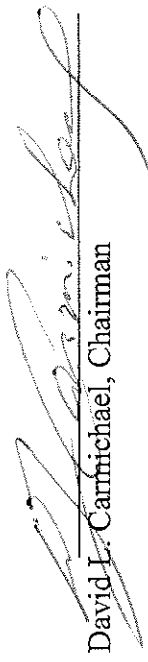
Commissioner Hart stated he is thankful this Board of Commissioners are able to have hardy debates and recognize that at times they need to step back and take another look at items that come before them.

Commissioner Kaecher reminded everyone that October is “Breast Cancer Awareness Month.” She further stated October 23, 2020, Empowering Woman will hold a Kick Cancer in the Can Conference at the Paulding Northwest Atlanta Airport and she will be speaking and telling her story.

Commissioner Davis stated he appreciates that Commissioner Kaecher is able to share her story with others. He further explained the process of how the Commissioners nominate and confirm appointments for Boards, Authorities and Committees. He further stated that if any citizens were willing to serve on one of these Boards to speak with one of the Commissioners or contact the Commissioner’s Office.

ADJOURNMENT: Ron Davis made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Sandy Kaecher. Voting Yea: Chairman Carmichael, Post I Ron Davis, Post II Sandy Kaecher, Post III Chuck Hart, Post IV Brian Stover.


Rebecca Merideth, County Clerk


David L. Carmichael, Chairman