

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

MEETING WAS HELD ON THE SECOND FLOOR OF THE ADMINISTRATION BUILDING.

PRESENT: Chairman Philipp von Hanstein, Vice-Chair Ben Riden, Jr., Commissioners Bill Kurtz, Donald Harris and Andy A. Ainslie, Jr.

STAFF: County Manager Adam Mestres, Procurement Director Mark Williams, County Attorney Christian Henry, and County Clerk Leslie Brandt.

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m., followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation.

AGENDA APPROVAL

Motion by Commissioner Harris, Seconded by Commissioner Kurtz to approve agenda as presented. Unanimously Approved.

SCHEDULED PUBLIC COMMENT-Anthony Carpenter

Mr. Carpenter came before the Board to address issues regarding Sugar Bend Subdivision.

MINUTES

March 02, 2021 BOC Meeting

March 16, 2021 BOC Meeting

March 23, 2021 Special Called Meeting

MOTION by Commissioner Harris, Seconded by Commissioner Ainslie to approve the minutes as presented. Unanimously Approved.

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion to accept as information the March 2021 payables to include General Fund in the amount of \$657,417.88, TSPLOST in the amount of \$643,134.98, SPLOST in the amount of \$59,308.80, General Fund electronic payments in the amount of \$130,856.60 and the March 2021 financials.

MOTION by Commissioner Riden, Seconded by Commissioner Harris to approve the consent agenda as presented. Unanimously Approved.

AMENDMENTS TO THE MORGAN COUNTY DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS (CHAPTERS 1-4)

Planning Director, Chuck Jarrell reviewed the proposed amendments to the Morgan County Development Regulations.

MOTION by Commissioner Ainslie, Seconded by Commissioner Kurtz to approve the text amendments to Chapters 1, 2 and 3 of the Morgan County Development Regulations and to delete Chapter 4 in its entirety.

Commission Riden asked for clarification regarding the suggested changes on pages 171, 172 and 173.

Commissioner Ainslie clarified that the suggested changes on pages 171, 172 and 173 were not included in his motion.

Motion passed 3-2 with Chairman von Hanstein voting with the motion and Commissioners Riden and Harris voting in opposition.

FIRST READING/PUBLIC COMMENTS CHAPTER 10 ANIMAL ORDINANCE REVISION

Animal Services Director, Hope King presented the proposed revisions to Chapter 10 of the Animal Ordinances of Morgan County.

Chairman von Hanstein opened the floor for public comments:

Courtney Bryson, Gary Savage, Susan Scherer, and Miranda Johnson spoke in favor of the proposed text amendments.

No one spoke in opposition.

No motion taken, first reading and public comments only. Second reading and action will be on the April 20th, 2021 BOC meeting.

MORGAN COUNTY PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT IS REQUESTING TEXT AMENDMENTS TO THE MORGAN COUNTY ZONING ORDINANCE CHAPTER 5.5 MINIMUM REQUIRED YARDS AND BUILDING SETBACKS, AND TABLE 4.2 REGARDING DIMENSIONAL REQUIREMENTS

Planning Director, Chuck Jarrell presented text amendments to Articles 4 & 5 of the Morgan County Zoning Ordinance that were tabled at the 03/16/2021 BOC meeting pending the outcome of the development regulation amendments. The changes are necessary to prevent conflicting information in the Zoning Ordinance and Development Regulations.

MOTION by Commissioner Ainslie, Seconded by Commissioner Kurtz to approve the text amendments to the Morgan County Zoning Ordinance Chapter 5.5 Minimum Required Yards and Building Setbacks and Table 4.2 Regarding Dimensional Requirements as presented. **Motion passed 3-1** with Commission Harris voting with the motion and Commission Riden voting in opposition.

FIRE FIGHTING AUTOMATIC AID AGREEMENT REVISION

This is a revision to the automatic aid agreement between Morgan County and the City of Madison for firefighting services.

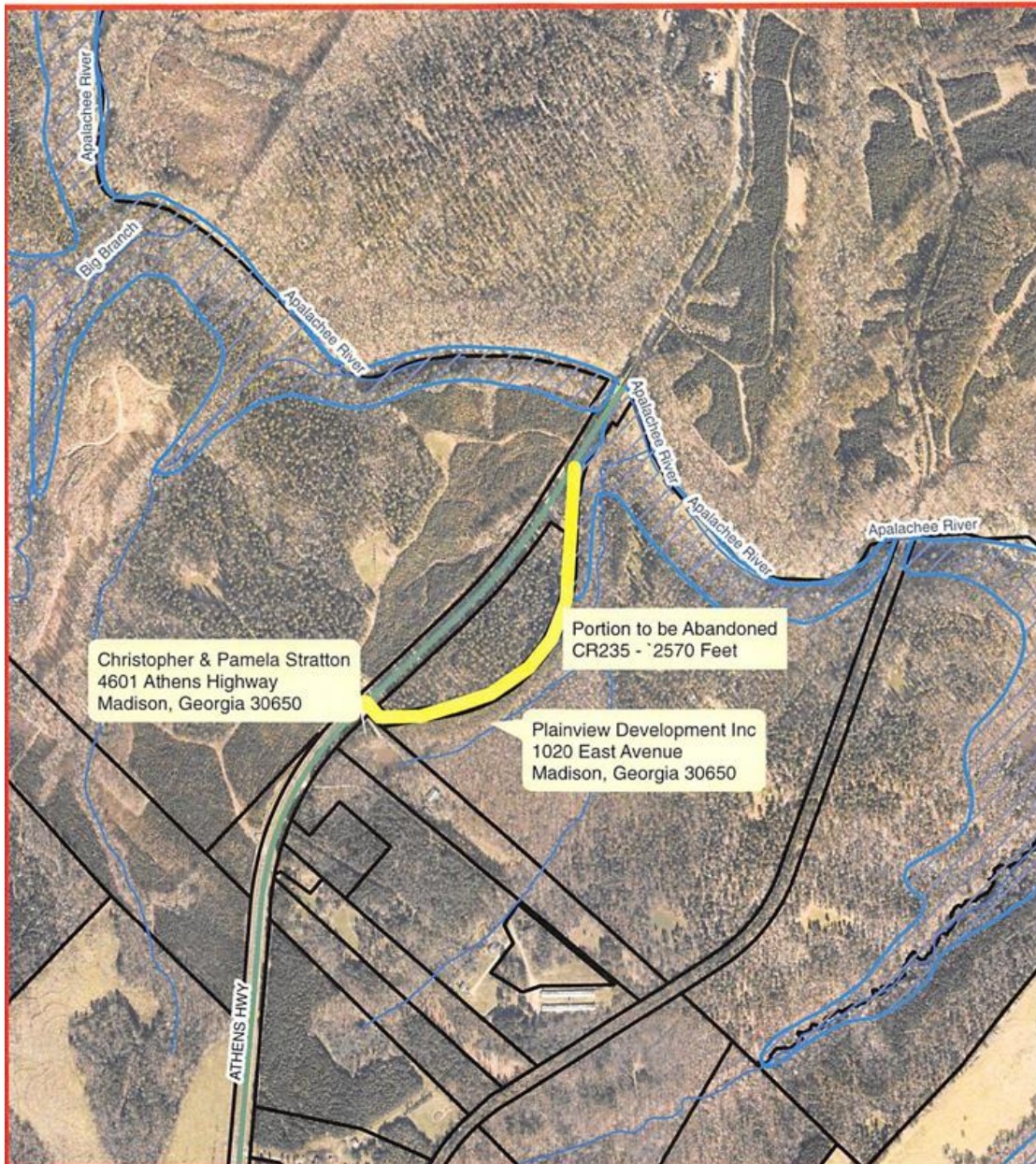
MOTION by Commissioner Riden, Seconded by Commissioner Harris to approve the the Automatic Aid agreement between Morgan County and the City of Madison as presented. Unanimously Approved.

ABANDONMENT OF COUNTY ROAD 235

Planning Director, Chuck Jarrell presented a road abandonment request for CR 235. Mark Giles from Georgia Department of Transportation is requesting the county to formally abandon CR 235, Approximately 2,570 feet in length. CR 235 is a loop road on Athens Highway near the Apalachee River. The road has been closed for several years but was never formally abandoned.

The subject road only affects two property owners. Most, if not all, of the road is contained on property owned by Plainview Development, LLC. The Stratton's utilize one end of the road as part of their driveway.

****See map on following page from agenda packet****



Chairman von Hanstein open the floor for public comment:
No one spoke in favor or opposition.

MOTION by Commissioner Harris, Seconded by Commissioner Riden to approve the request to abandon County Road 235 as presented. Unanimously Approved.

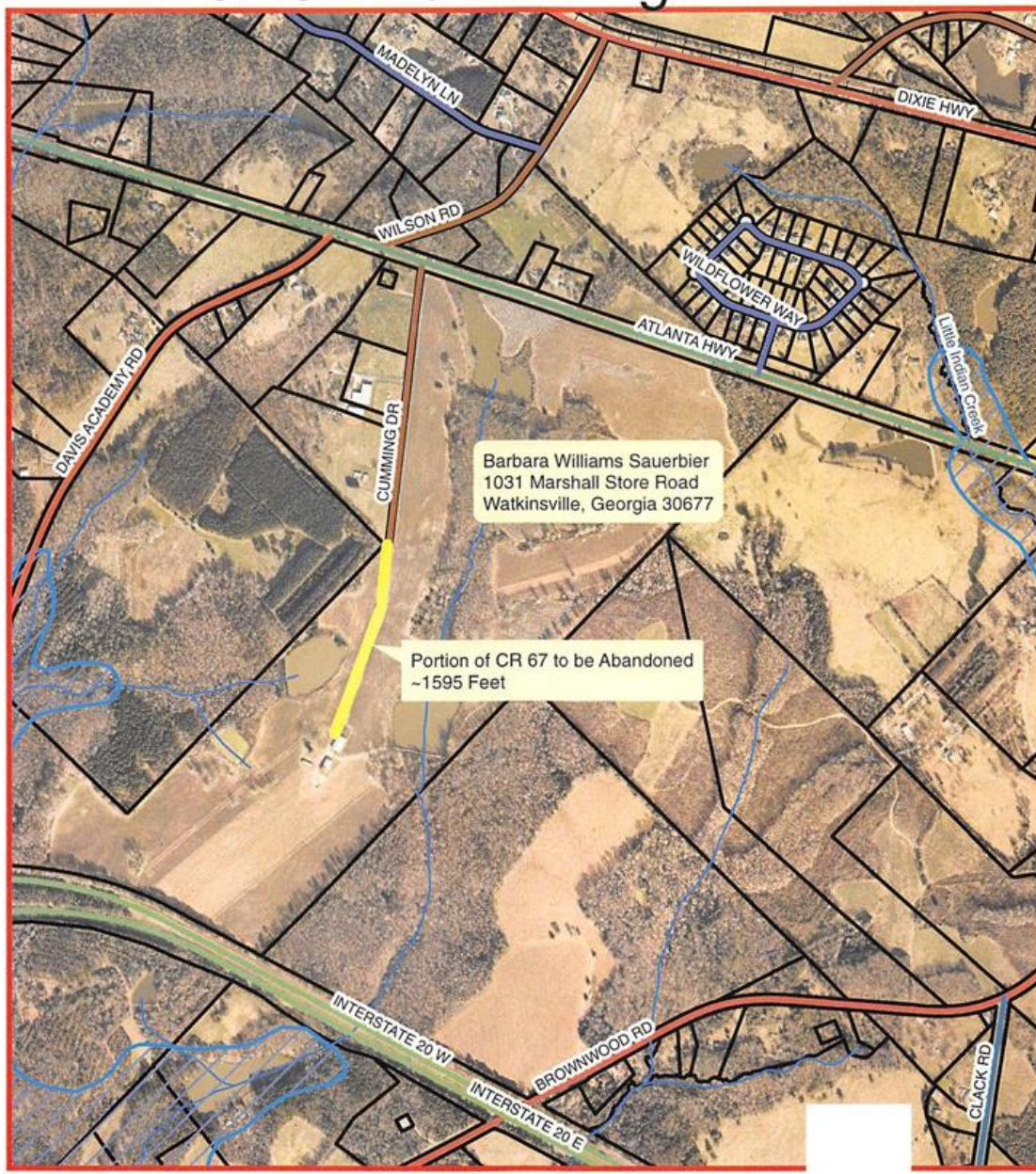
ABANDONMENT OF A PORTION OF COUNTY ROAD 67, CUMMING DRIVE

Planning Director, Chuck Jarrell presented a road abandonment request on Cumming Drive, which is a dirt road located off Atlanta Highway.

Morgan County received a request to abandon approximately 1,595 feet of CR67, Cumming Drive. Barbara Williams Sauerbier requested that the County formerly abandon the portion of Cumming Drive that proceeds into her property. She has had issues with people trespassing on her property and would like to install a gate across the road at her property boundary.

This request will not impact any other properties that adjoin Cumming Drive.

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Chairman von Hanstein open the floor for public comment:
Adam Cumming spoke in opposition.

No one spoke in favor.

MOTION by Commissioner Ainslie, Seconded by Commissioner Harris to approve the request to abandon approximately 1,595 feet of County Road 67, Cumming Drive as presented. Unanimously Approved.

RADIO TELEX POSITION

The 911 center currently has 3 radio positions. With a newly added fourth console, an additional radio position is needed. Gunby Communications (the current telex provider) provided a quote totaling \$10,541.00 to add an additional radio position.

Communications Director, Amanda Proctor is requesting to purchase the radio position with savings due to the pandemic from within her current budget.

MOTION by Commissioner Riden, Seconded by Commissioner Harris to approve the purchase for one radio position from Gunby Communications as presented. Unanimously Approved.

PROPERTY TO BE DECLARED SURPLUS

DESCRIPTION	DEPT
2001 Ford Ranger VIN: IFTYR10V82TA23321	Tax Assessor
2002 Ford F150 VIN: 1FTRF17263KA21267	Recreation
2007 Chevrole Tahoe VIN: IGNEC03017R381119	IT
1994 Ford F150 VIN: 1FTEF14Y2RNB36978	Public Works
2001 Dodge Ram VIN: 1D7HA16N42J129791	Public Works
4 reception chairs	Planning
2 Kenwood vehicle radios	Sheriff's Office
Assortment of new but outdated uniform shirts and pants & tactical pants	Sheriff's Office
Husqvarna walk behind mower	Sheriff's Office

MOTION by Commissioner Harris, Seconded by Commissioner Riden to declare the list of items as surplus to be sold/disposed. Unanimously Approved.

COUNTY MANAGER REPORT

County Manager, Adam Mestres, presented a monthly overview of Morgan County government's current projects and/or issues.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS

Public comments were made by:
Matt Schulze

MOTION by Commissioner Ainslie, seconded by Commissioner Riden to exit regular session at 11:42 a.m. Unanimously Approved.

EXECUTIVE SESSION- LITIGATION

MOTION by Commissioner Ainslie, seconded by Commissioner Riden to enter Executive Session to discuss litigation at 11:42 a.m. Unanimously Approved. (Original signed Affidavit in Executive Session Legal Requirement Book).

MOTION by Commissioner Ainslie, seconded by Commissioner Riden to exit Executive Session and adjourn at 12:15 p.m. Unanimously Approved.

Philipp von Hanstein, Chairman

ATTEST:

Leslie Brandt, County Clerk