

October 02, 2018

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

PRESENT: Chairman Ronald H. Milton, Vice-Chair Philipp von Hanstein, Commissioners Andy A. Ainslie, Jr., Donald B. Harris and Ben M. Riden, Jr.

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

Commissioner Milton, called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioner Harris gave the invocation.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION by Comm. Ainslie, seconded by Comm. Harris to approve agenda as presented. Unanimously Approved.

MINUTES

September 04, 2018 Regular Meeting

September 18, 2018 Regular Meeting

MOTION by Comm. Harris seconded by Comm. von Hanstein to approve the minutes for the September 04, 2018 Regular Meeting, and the September 18, 2018 Regular Meeting. Unanimously Approved.

CALENDARS

County Manager, Adam Mestres reviewed the calendars for October, November and December 2018.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Motion to accept as information the September 2018 payables to include General Fund in the amount of \$735,469.45, SPLOST in the amount of \$92,287.04 and General Fund electronic payments in the amount of \$79,763.69 and the September 2018 financials.
2. Motion to accept as information the August 2018 Staff Reports presented at the September 18, 2018 Commission Meeting.

MOTION by Comm. Ainslie, seconded by Comm. Harris to approve the consent agenda as presented. Unanimously Approved.

RURAL BROADBAND UPDATE-DISCUSSION ONLY

County Manager, Adam Mestres updated the Board on the Rural Broadband Summit attended by IT Director, Trevor Giddens on September 20, 2018.

UPDATE FOR MULTI-JURISDICTIONAL HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN (PRE-APPLICATION)

The County’s current Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan was federally approved on March 16, 2017 and is due for its formal five-year update and approval by FEMA on September 13, 2022. The plan must be updated and approved to be eligible for future mitigation grant programs. The deadline to submit the pre-application to GEMA/HS is November 15, 2018. (COPY: Miscellaneous Book)

MOTION by Comm. Riden, seconded by Comm. Harris to approve the pre-application for the updated multi-jurisdictional hazard mitigation plan for Morgan County. Unanimously Approved.

PROPERTY TO BE DECLARED SURPLUS

The following items were presented to be declared surplus property:

DESCRIPTION	QTY	DEPT
Lincoln Welder		Public Works
Hale Portable Pump		Public Works
75 Gallon Fuel Tank		Public Works
Hooper 10 ton trailer VIN: 4TOFB252971000769		Public Works
2009 AMC Model M934 Tractor Truck (Military) VIN: NLOK2VC53200378		Public Works
Phela 20 ton Trailer VIN: 7576		Public Works
Home Made Trailer SN: T800639		Public Works
1990 BMYH Dump Truck (Military) ID#: 1006AA003		Public Works
Pneumatic Post Driver on Trailer		Public Works
1975 Tanker Trailer ID# B-27969		Public Works
Trailer VIN: 1K9E34211D1005028		Public Works

MOTION by Comm. Ainslie, seconded by Comm. Riden to declare the list of property as surplus property. Unanimously Approved.

RFP-COMPREHENSIVE CLASSIFICATION STUDY-DISCUSSION ONLY

County Manager, Adam Mestres presented the Board with six RFP’s received for the comprehensive classification study. Mestres asked the Board to review the RFP’s over the next two weeks.

COUNTY MANAGER REPORT

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

CHAIRMAN MILTON ALLOWED PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS

Public comments were made by:
Ed Price, Morgan County Resident
Gary Savage, Morgan County Resident

PLANNING COMMISSION

REDEEMER CHURCH OF MADISON IS REQUESTING A CONDITIONAL USE APPROVAL TO OPERATE A CHILDCARE LEARNING CENTER ON 7 ACRES LOCATED AT 1890 BETHANY ROAD (TAX PARCEL 045-024D)

Senior Planner, Tara Cooner stated Redeemer Church is seeking to operate a childcare learning center in their church building located at 1890 Bethany Road. The Church intends to start with infants and children up to two years old. They would begin with around 40 children, and then open a pre-k program later. They have already talked to the state and no structural changes will be required for their beginning program. Planning and Zoning Director, Chuck researched sprinkler requirements and they will not need a sprinkler at this time. When the daycare expands, depending on the number of children and layout of the building, building modifications or a sprinkler system may be required.

At the Planning Commission meeting, Pastor John Darcy was present with several members of the church leadership to answer questions. No one spoke in favor of, or in opposition to, the application.

The Planning Commission was particularly concerned about the intersection of Bethany and the by-pass and additional traffic with parents dropping off and picking up kids. Pastor Darcy explained that while he hires an off-duty officer to direct traffic on Sundays, he does not feel that cars associated with the daycare will create a significant increase in traffic, and he is attempting to work with DOT regarding another entrance into the church property.

The Planning Commission asked about the adequacy of the current kitchen and the current septic tank, as well as the Church's collaboration with KiddyLand. The Planning Commission members stated that additional childcare options are needed in the county and were pleased that the Church is working to increase safety at the by-pass intersection. The Planning Commission voted unanimously to recommend approval of the conditional use application.

CHAIRMAN MILTON ALLOWED PROPONENTS AND OPPONENTS TO SPEAK

No one spoke in favor or opposed the application.

MOTION by Comm. von Hanstein, seconded by Comm. Harris to approve the conditional use to operate a childcare learning center on 7 acres located at 1890 Bethany Road (Tax Parcel 045-024D). Unanimously Approved.

MORGAN COUNTY PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT IS REQUESTING A TEXT AMENDMENT TO ADD HEAVY EQUIPMENT SALES TO ARTICLE 4 OF THE MORGAN COUNTY ZONING ORDINANCE

Senior Planner, Tara Cooner presented the Board with a text amendment related to the approval of the C3 rezoning on the by-pass last month. Staff had suggested that the appropriate use be added to the use chart if the application last month was approved. This text amendment adds a definition for heavy equipment sales to Article 3 and adds the use chart in Article 4. The Planning Commission voted unanimously to recommend approval of the text amendment.

CHAIRMAN MILTON ALLOWED PROPONENTS AND OPPONENTS TO SPEAK

No one spoke in favor or opposed the proposed text amendment.

MOTION by Comm. Riden, seconded by Comm. Harris to approve the text amendment to add heavy equipment sales to Article 4 of the Morgan County Zoning Ordinance. Unanimously Approved.

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

EXECUTIVE SESSION – POTENTIAL LITIGATION

MOTION by Comm. Ainslie, seconded by Comm. Riden to enter Executive Session to discuss potential litigation. Unanimously Approved. (Original Signed Affidavit in Executive Session Legal Requirement Book).

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

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

Ronald H. Milton, Chairman

ATTEST:

Leslie Brandt, County Clerk

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