

PUTNAM COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS



117 Putnam Drive, Suite A ♦ Eatonton, GA 31024

Minutes

Tuesday, October 17, 2017 ♦ 6:30 PM

Putnam County Administration Building – Room 203

The Putnam County Board of Commissioners met on October 17, 2017 at approximately 6:30 PM in the Putnam County Administration Building, 117 Putnam Drive, Room 203, Eatonton, Georgia

PRESENT

Chairman Stephen Hersey
Commissioner Kelvin Irvin
Commissioner Daniel Brown
Commissioner Alan Foster
Commissioner Trevor Addison

STAFF PRESENT

County Attorney Barry Fleming
County Manager Paul Van Haute
County Clerk Lynn Butterworth

Opening

1. Welcome - Call to Order

Chairman Hersey called the meeting to order at approximately 6:31 p.m. (Copy of agenda made a part of the minutes on minute book page _____.)

2. Invocation

The invocation was given by Pastor James Smith, Wesley Chapel United Methodist Church.

3. Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chairman Hersey.

Zoning Public Hearing

4. Request by Jarrell Jackson Colter, Jr. & Dan Turner Tomlin to rezone 36.710 acres at 104 Napier Road from AG-1 to AG-2 [Map 057, Parcel 003] (staff-P&D)

Mr. Jarrell J. Colter spoke in support of this request and answered questions. He also distributed copies of a plat showing the proposed individual lots. No one signed in to speak against this item. Planning & Development staff recommendation was for approval.

Motion made by Commissioner Addison, seconded by Commissioner Irvin, to approve the request by Jarrell Jackson Colter, Jr. and Dan Turner Tomlin to rezone 36.710 acres at 104 Napier Road from AG-1 to AG-2 [Map 057, Parcel 003]. Motion carried with Commissioners Irvin, Brown, Foster, and Addison and Chairman Hersey voting yes. (Copy of proposed plat made a part of the minutes on minute book page _____.)

5. Request by Jarrell Jackson Colter, Jr. & Dan Turner Tomlin to rezone 120.582 acres at 114 Napier Road from AG-1 to AG-2 [Map 057, Parcel 005] (staff-P&D)

Mr. Jarrell J. Colter spoke in support of this request and answered questions. He also distributed copies of a plat showing the proposed individual lots. Mr. Dan Tomlin also spoke in support of this request. No one signed in to speak against this item. Planning & Development staff recommendation was for approval.

Motion made by Commissioner Addison, seconded by Commissioner Irvin, to approve the request by Jarrell Jackson Colter, Jr. and Dan Turner Tomlin to rezone 120.582 acres at 114 Napier Road from AG-1 to AG-2 [Map 057, Parcel 005]. Motion carried with Commissioners Irvin, Brown, Foster, and Addison and Chairman Hersey voting yes. (Copy of proposed plat made a part of the minutes on minute book page _____.)

Regular Business Meeting

6. Public Comments

Don Cottrell thanked the Board of Commissioners and County Manager Van Haute for supporting the candidate for Chief Appraiser – Charles Anglin retired and his son, Chuck Anglin, was hired. He also quizzed the board with a question – who was the last BOC chairman, prior to Chairman Hersey, who voted on every issue? Answer: Ralph Perdomo

7. Approval of Agenda

Chairman Hersey advised that an emergency action item needed to be added to the agenda: Authorization for Chairman to sign Resolution adopting the Joint Comprehensive Plan Update.

Motion made by Commissioner Foster, seconded by Commissioner Addison, to approve the agenda with the addition of "Authorization for Chairman to sign Resolution adopting the Joint Comprehensive Plan Update." Motion carried with Commissioners Irvin, Brown, Foster, and Addison and Chairman Hersey voting yes.

8. Consent Agenda

- a. Approval of Minutes - October 5, 2017 Called Meeting (staff-CC)
- b. Approval of Minutes - October 6, 2017 Regular Meeting (staff-CC)
- c. Approval of Minutes - October 6, 2017 Executive Session (staff-CC)

Motion made by Commissioner Addison, seconded by Commissioner Foster, to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion carried with Commissioners Irvin, Brown, Foster, and Addison and Chairman Hersey voting yes.

9. Authorization for Chairman to sign Tax Levy Resolution in connection with the Board of Education's issuance of \$8 million of general obligation bonds (staff-CA)

Mr. Cory Kirby, Attorney for the Board of Education, explained the resolution and answered questions. School Superintendent Eric Arena also answered questions.

Motion made by Commissioner Foster, seconded by Commissioner Addison, to authorize the Chairman to sign the Tax Levy Resolution in connection with the Board of Education's issuance of \$8 million of general obligation bonds. Motion carried with Commissioners Irvin, Brown, Foster, and Addison and Chairman Hersey voting yes. (Copy of resolution made a part of the minutes on minute book pages _____ to _____.)

Meeting recessed at approximately 7:24 p.m.

Meeting reconvened at approximately 7:36 p.m.

10. Authorization for Chairman to sign Intergovernmental Agreement for Zoning Services (tabled at last meeting)

There was a motion on the table from the last meeting, October 6, 2017: **Motion made by Commissioner Addison, seconded by Commissioner Irvin, to authorize the Chairman to sign the Intergovernmental Agreement for Zoning Services between the City of Eatonton and Putnam County.**

Amended motion made by Commissioner Addison, seconded by Commissioner Foster, to change the fee from \$300 to \$1000 per month. Amendment carried with Commissioners Irvin, Brown, Foster, and Addison and Chairman Hersey voting yes.

Motion made by Commissioner Addison, seconded by Commissioner Foster, to approve the Intergovernmental Agreement for Zoning Services between the City of Eatonton and Putnam County as amended. Motion carried with Commissioners Irvin, Brown, Foster, and Addison and Chairman Hersey voting yes. (Copy of agreement made a part of the minutes on minute book pages _____ to _____.)

11. Discussion and possible action regarding Service Delivery Strategy (staff-CM)

Motion made by Commissioner Addison, seconded by Commissioner Foster, to approve the Service Delivery Strategy with the previously approved Intergovernmental Agreement for Zoning Services. Motion carried with Commissioners Irvin, Brown, Foster, and Addison and Chairman Hersey voting yes. (Copy of SDS made a part of the minutes on minute book pages _____ to _____.)

12. Approval of additional Floating Docks at Oconee Springs Park (staff-CM)

County Manager Van Haute advised that these new docks will replace the ones at the gas pumps.

Motion made by Commissioner Addison, seconded by Commissioner Irvin, to approve additional floating docks at Oconee Springs Park using Wahoo Docks at a cost of \$40,625.72. Motion carried with Commissioners Irvin, Brown, Foster, and Addison and Chairman Hersey voting yes.

13. Discussion and possible action regarding a contract with the Carl Vinson Institute for a study of Unification (SH)

Motion by Commissioner Foster, seconded by Chairman Hersey, to authorize the Chairman to enter into contract, upon agreement by the City of Eatonton, with the Carl Vinson Institute to perform a study of governmental unification as described in the Institute's proposal, to sign same and negotiate cost sharing of the study with the City of Eatonton. Motion carried with Commissioners Irvin, Brown, and Foster and Chairman Hersey voting yes and Commissioner Addison voting no. (Copy of proposal made a part of the minutes on minute book pages _____ to _____.)

13.5 Authorization for Chairman to sign Resolution adopting the Joint Comprehensive Plan Update

Motion made by Commissioner Foster, seconded by Commissioner Addison, to authorize the Chairman to sign the Resolution adopting the Joint Comprehensive Plan Update. Motion carried with Commissioners Irvin, Brown, Foster and Addison voting yes and Chairman Hersey voting no. (Copy of resolution made a part of the minutes on minute book page _____.)

Reports/Announcements

14. County Manager Report

County Manager Van Haute reported that five internal candidates had been interviewed for the EMS Director position and he will make an announcement in a few days.

15. County Attorney Report

No report.

16. Commissioner Announcements

Commissioner Irvin: none

Commissioner Brown: none

Commissioner Foster: wished everyone a Happy Halloween

Commissioner Addison: none

Chairman Hersey: reminded everyone that early voting has started and the county wide ballot has an extremely important issue.

Closing

17. Adjournment

Motion made by Commissioner Foster, seconded by Commissioner Addison, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried with Commissioners Irvin, Brown, Foster, and Addison and Chairman Hersey voting yes.

Meeting adjourned at approximately 8:25 p.m.

ATTEST:

Lynn Butterworth
County Clerk

Stephen J. Hersey
Chairman