

The Banks County Board of Commissioners held their regular meeting on July 27, 2010 at 3:30 p.m. in the Board Room of the Banks County Courthouse Annex. Present were Chairman Milton Dalton, Commissioner Rickey Cain, Commissioner Ernest Rogers and Commissioner Charles Turk. Vice Chairman Joe Barefoot was absent.

1. Call to Order

Ch. Dalton called the meeting to order.

2. Approval of Agenda

Comm. Cain made a motion to add Public Safety Board Resignation as Item #5 and Gunby Communication Contract as Item #9. Comm. Rogers seconded. Four aye votes and the agenda was amended. Comm. Cain made a motion to approve the agenda. Comm. Rogers seconded. Four aye votes and the motion passed.

3. Public Comment: NONE

4. Public Hearings to Consider Planning Commission Recommendations:

a. CU-10-06 – Brian & Renee Cook – Conditional use application for a courier service as a home occupation at 157 Buckeye Trails Drive.

Ch. Dalton closed the commissioners meeting and County Attorney Randall Frost opened the public hearing. Stoney Harness Building Official stated property was located at 157 Buckeye Trails Drive. The current use is a home and the current zoning is R1. The proposed use is a home occupation and the proposed zoning is R1. The Planning Commission recommended denial.

Renee Cook spoke to represent the application stating this was an errand service. She would be helping people in need by shopping for them, taking cars in for repair, taking animals to the vet, etc. She said she doesn't want to disrupt the neighborhood and the neighbors didn't want this business to set a precedence for other businesses to come into the neighborhood. She presented a letter of support from one of her neighbors. She stated the only business she would be doing from home would be answering the phone and doing paperwork. Comm. Turk asked if she signed covenants when she moved there. Brent Cook stated they did sign the covenant agreement but the neighbors could not get a home owners association started. Comm. Rogers wanted Attorney Frost to look over the covenants. Ch. Dalton closed the public hearing and opened the commissioners meeting. Comm. Rogers made a motion to table the item until the August 10, 2010 meeting. Comm. Turk seconded. Four aye votes and the motion passed.

b. CU-10-05 – Bethany Christian Church – Conditional use application of adding a fellowship hall

Ch. Dalton closed the commission meeting and Attorney Frost opened the public hearing. Stoney Harness Building Official stated this was a conditional use permit to add a 30 X 50 butler style building for a fellowship hall. Mr. Harness stated the existing use is ARR. The Planning Commission recommended approval of the application.

David Dunson, 454 Historic Homer Highway, stated he was the grounds keeper of the property. He said the church met all the offsets and the adjoining property owners have no problem with the building. Ch. Dalton closed the public hearing and opened the commissioners meeting. Comm. Rogers made a motion to approve the application. Comm. Cain seconded. Four aye votes and the motion passed.

5. Public Safety Board Resignation – Kay Reece

Ch. Dalton stated he had received a letter of resignation from Kay Reece effective immediately. He stated Ms. Reece was resigning since she felt it was a conflict of interest now that her husband had been elected to the Board of Commissioners. Comm. Cain made a motion to accept Ms. Reece's resignation. Comm. Rogers seconded. Four aye votes and the motion passed.

6. Personnel

a. Recreation Director Position Recommendations-

Personnel Officer Judy Greer stated that the Recreation Board had picked four applicants for the recreation director position. She stated they did not interview the applicants but just based their recommendations on the applicant's qualifications according to their applications and resumes. The four people they recommended were Phillip Cronin, Blakely Crumley, Joe Gailey and Tyler Culberson.

b. Fire Chief Position Recommendations – Public Safety Board

Bobby Caudell, Chairman of the Public Safety Board stated they had received twelve applications and narrowed it down to four to interview. Mr. Caudell stated they interviewed three and one did not show up. The three names Mr. Caudell presented to the Commissioners were as follows: Jeff Taylor, Steven Bowles, and Gregory Wainwright.

7. Contract and Agreements

a. GIS Parcel Data Adjustment Service Contract – Keck & Wood, Inc.

County Clerk Regina Gailey stated they had already authorized the expenditure for this but the contract need to be approved and the chairman needed permission to sign. Comm. Cain made a motion to approve the contract and give the chairman permission to sign. Comm. Rogers seconded. Four aye votes and the motion passed. *(Copy of contract filed in Attachment Book 9-2)*

b. GIS Support Service Agreement FY2011- Keck & Wood, Inc.

Ms. Murray stated this was for yearly support in the amount of \$3,600. Comm. Turk asked what the hourly rate was for and how much it was. Ms. Murray stated it was for anything special that she needed done and she didn't know how much the hourly fee was. Comm. Rogers made a motion to table the agreement until the August 10, 2010 meeting to allow time for further review of the document. Comm. Turk seconded. Four aye votes and the motion passed.

c. Drinking Water Testing Service Contract – GA DNR – 3 year

Public Utilities Director Steve Reece stated this was a renewal contract for three years with EPD for drinking water testing. He stated there was a slight increase of \$180 per year. Comm. Cain made a motion to approve the contract and give the chairman permission to sign. Comm. Turk seconded. Four aye votes and the motion passed. *(Copy of contract filed in Attachment Book 9-2)*

d. City of Baldwin Fire Contract FY2011 - \$22,238.70

Ch. Dalton the fire contract is the same amount as it was last year. The contract is made in two payments. Comm. Cain made a motion to approve the fire contract and give the chairman permission to sign. Comm. Rogers seconded. Four aye votes and the motion passed. *(Copy of contract filed in Attachment Book 9-2)*

e. Tates Creek Fire Contract – FY2011 - \$3,000

Ch. Dalton the fire contract is the same amount as it was last year. The contract is made in two payments. Comm. Cain made a motion to approve the fire contract and give the chairman permission to sign. Comm. Rogers seconded. Four aye votes and the motion passed. *(Copy of contract filed in Attachment Book 9-2)*

7. Surplus Property

Commissioners asked the fire chief to get a quote on the cost of fixing the 1978 fire truck. Comm. Cain made a motion to take the 1978 Fire truck off the surplus property list. Comm. Rogers seconded. Four aye votes and the motion passed.

8. Gunby Communications

Ch. Dalton stated this had already been voted on but the chairman hasn't been given permission to sign the contract. Comm. Cain made a motion to give the chairman permission to sign. Comm. Rogers seconded. Four aye votes and the motion passed.

9. Executive Session: Land Acquisition

Comm. Cain made a motion to enter into executive session concerning land acquisition. Comm. Turk seconded. Four aye votes and the executive session began at 4:10 p.m.

Ch. Dalton made a motion to adjourn the executive session. Comm. Turk seconded. Four aye votes and the executive session ended at 4:35 p.m. *(Copy of affidavit filed in Attachment Book 9-2)*

10. Adjournment

Comm. Cain made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Comm. Turk seconded. Four aye votes and the meeting was adjourned at 4:36 p.m.

Chairman

Assistant County Clerk
