

**THE REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING OF THE
CRAWFORD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
TUESDAY, 19 MAY 2015**

**THE MEETING OF THE CRAWFORD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 6:00 P.M.**

INVOCATION GIVEN BY MR. STERLING BRASWELL

AGENDA APPROVAL

Mr. Chapman asked that the agenda be amended. He requested that "Ms. Sherrie Thompson" be added under "Appearances" to the agenda. Mr. Thomas made a motion to approve the amended agenda. Mr. Blasingame seconded and the motion carried 5-0.

FIRST ON THE AGENDA

Approval of Minutes: 5 May 2015

Mr. Chapman asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the regularly scheduled meeting of 5 May 2015. Mr. Thomas made the motion to approve the minutes. Mr. Braswell seconded and the motion carried 5-0.

SECOND ON THE AGENDA

Appearances: Ms. Sherri Thompson – Permit Fees

Ms. Thompson stated she had recently lost power due to a faulty meter box. Once the repairs were completed she was informed by Georgia Power that they could not reconnect power until she had purchased a permit for an electrical inspection. She went on to say that the fee for the inspection was \$50.00 and she believed that the amount was unreasonable. She requested the Board review all the permit fees.

The Board thanked her for her concerns.

THIRD ON THE AGENDA

Old Business: Roads Discussion – LMIG 2016

Mr. Kelly stated the Board would need to approve a roads project list for the Local Maintenance Improvement Grant (LMIG) application. He went on to say that over the next few weeks he would provide cost estimates for the various road projects on the current list. If additional road improvement projects needed consideration the Board members would need to add them to the list as soon as possible.

Old Business: *Advanced Disposal Contract Extension – Amendment*

Mr. Mincey stated that the Board had voted to extend the Waste Disposal contract with Advanced Disposal at its last regularly scheduled meeting. He went on to say that the new contract also included language on how the transfer station and the costs associated with hauls and crusher rental would be handled. Those costs are listed as follows:

\$120.00 trip fee per container
\$20.00/Ton per container
Second Crusher added at a rate of \$250.00/month.

He requested the Board make a motion to adopt the new contract with those aforementioned rates.

Mr. Thomas made the motion approve the agreement. Mr. Braswell seconded and the motion carried 5-0.

Old Business: *Sidewalk Project – Update*

Mr. Kelly stated that he had been contacted by Mr. Mixon from the DOC in order to determine the viability of the project. He went on to say that the DOC would be able to oversee the project and provide the labor for 30% (estimate) less than the lowest bid the County had received for the project. Mr. Kelly stated that if the estimate was accurate the project would cost approximately \$42,000. He further stated that, according to Mr. Mixon, the DOC personnel had a 30 day window of opportunity to complete the project and if the County waited beyond next month he could not say when they may be available again.

After much discussion Mr. Spillers requested the Board consider erecting a 48” fence rather than build the sidewalk. He requested that the County Manager obtain estimates on fencing that would deny access to the area in question. He put that request in the form of a motion. Mr. Braswell seconded and the motion carried 5-0.

FOURTH ON THE AGENDA

New Business: *Discussion Transit System*

Mr. Spillers had requested the County Manager provide an overview of the Crawford County Transits’ budgets and operational procedures. Mr. Kelly presented the Board with a seven (7) year historical overview of the Transit Budgets. He stated that the General Fund has historically helped fund the system as there was not enough revenue generated from fares and Federal

funding to cover the operational costs. The amount of General Fund assistance over the seven year history averaged \$25,658.

Mr. Kelly described the daily operational procedures that included the following:

1. Bus routes and Destinations
2. Hours of operation
3. Scheduling Transportation
4. Passenger Policies
5. Office personnel responsibility

Mr. Spillers and the Board thanked Mr. Kelly for the overview.

New Business: *Deputy Coroner Status and funding for outside Assistance – Robert Cody*

Mr. Cody stated that due to the issues surrounding Mr. O’Neal he would be handling all duties until such time that Mr. O’Neal’s criminal allegations were resolved. As such he requested the Board fund Mr. Kerry Rooks or Mr. David McLeighton a fee of \$175.00 per event should he not be available to respond to a Coroner call.

After some discussion Mr. Thomas made the motion to amend the Coroner Budget as needed in order to fund those calls should Mr. Cody be unable to respond. Mr. Blasingame seconded and the motion carried 5-0.

New Business: *Coroner Statues and Criminal Defense Funding*

Mr. Mincey stated that the Board, if they so desired, could fund the cost of an attorney to defend Mr. O’Neal of the criminal charges pending against him. He requested they make a motion as to whether or not to fund those attorney fees.

Mr. Spillers made a motion to deny funding for attorney fees for Mr. O’Neal. Mr. Braswell seconded and the motion carried 5-0.

New Business: *Industrial Park – Site Preparation*

Mr. Kelly stated that he had been requested to direct the Roads Department to prepare a site at the industrial park for a new structure. Before proceeding he asked that the Board approve the request. He explained that crews were currently working on projects at the Boards direction and depending on the extensiveness of the site preparation those projects may be delayed.

After some discussion the Board directed Mr. Kelly to meet with a Development Authority representative and determine the amount of time that may be required to complete the preparation. Should that time frame be less than five (5) days he should proceed with the site preparation. If it was determined the project would take longer he was to advise the Board and request they provide direction.

FIFTH ON THE AGENDA

Executive Session: Pending/Threatened Litigation

Mr. Chapman asked for a motion to enter into executive session. Mr. Blasingame made the motion to enter into executive session. Mr. Braswell seconded and the motion carried 5-0. Board enters at 7:50 p.m.

Mr. Braswell made the motion to exit executive session. Mr. Thomas seconded and the motion carried 5-0. Board exits at 7:52 p.m.

Mr. Braswell made a motion to allow Mr. Duke Groover (County Legal Representative) to file a motion for attorney fees with the Superior Court to recover attorney fees that were incurred due to the O'Neal mandamus complaint. Mr. Thomas seconded and the motion passed 4-1 with Mr. Blasingame voting against.

Adjourn:

There being no further business, Mr. Chapman asked for a motion to adjourn the 19 May 2015 meeting of the Board of Commissioners. Mr. Spillers made the motion, seconded by Mr. Braswell. Motion carried 5-0 and the Board adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

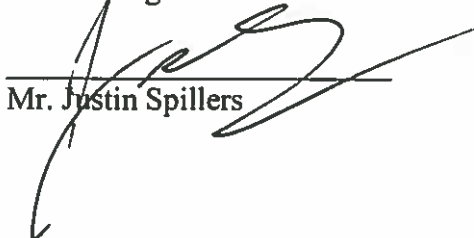
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Mr. Paul Chapman – Chairman



Mr. Blasingame – V. Chairman



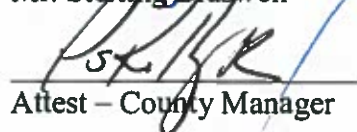
Mr. Justin Spillers



Mr. John Thomas



Mr. Sterling Braswell



Attest – County Manager

STATE OF GEORGIA
COUNTY OF CRAWFORD

AFFIDAVIT RE: CLOSURE OF OPEN MEETINGS

Personally appeared before the undersigned officer, duly authorized under the laws of the State of Georgia to administer oaths MR. PAUL CHAPMAN who in his capacity as chairman or the person presiding over a meeting of the Crawford County Board of Commissioners and after being first duly sworn certifies under oath and states to the best of his or her knowledge and belief the following:

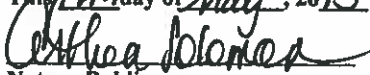
At its meeting held on 19 MAY 2015, the Board of Commissioners voted to go into closed session and exclude the public from all or a portion of its meeting. The subject matter of the closed portion of the meeting was devoted to the following within the exceptions provided in the open meetings law:

(Check or initial as appropriate)

- () Discussing or deliberating upon the appointment, employment, compensation, hiring, disciplinary action, dismissal, periodic evaluation or rating of a government officer or employee. [O.C.G.A. Section 50-14-3(6)]
- Privileged consultation with legal counsel pertaining to pending or threatened litigation, claims, administrative proceedings or settlements. [O.C.G.A. Section 50-14-2].
- () Discussing the future acquisition of real estate. [O.C.G.A. Section 50-14-3 (4)].
- () Staff meeting for investigative purposes under duties or responsibilities imposed by law. [O.C.G.A. Section 50-14-3(1)].
- () Tax matters made confidential by state law. [O.C.G.A. Section 50-14-2].
- () Inspection of physical facilities under the jurisdiction of the Agency. [O.C.G.A. Section 50-14-1(a)(2)].
- () Meeting with governing body, officer agent or employee of another agency at a location outside the County and at which no final action is taken. [O.C.G.A. Section 50-14-1(a)(2)].

This 19th day of MAY, 2015.


Chairman

Sworn to and subscribed before me
This 19th day of May, 2015

Notary Public

