

**MINUTES
MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
CITY OF DOUGLAS
JANUARY 12, 2009**

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners was held on Monday, January 12, 2009, at 7:00P.M. in the Council Chambers of City Hall with Mayor Jackie L. Wilson presiding and Mayor Pro Tem Ronnie Anderson, Commissioners Johnnie Lee Roper, Robert Moore, Dennis Josey, Olivia Pearson and Marty Swain present.

INVOCATION

The invocation was given by Donald Carver, Director of the Electric Department.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag was led by Ensign Reives, and Lt. Jr. Grade Harrison with the Coffee County JROTC School System.

MINUTE ADOPTION

The minutes were unanimously approved upon amending the following: **(a change in the regular meeting to reflect that a motion in second, unanimously approved to enter back into the regular meeting and motion in second to adjourn the regular meeting).**

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Commissioner Bob Moore made the motion for approval and Commissioner Olivia Pearson seconded the motion.

APPROVAL OF THE ORDER OF THE AGENDA

The Commission unanimously approved to accept the order of the agenda.

Mayor Pro Tem Ronnie Anderson made the motion for approval and Commissioner Marty Swain seconded the motion.

APPROVAL OF APPLICATION FOR ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE LICENSE

Upon recommendation from Ray Parker, Code Enforcement Division, the Commission unanimously approved the request of Shiv Foods, Inc for an alcoholic beverage license, retail, for Jay Food Mart at 1000 W. Baker Hwy.

Commissioner Johnnie Lee Roper made a motion for approval and Mayor Pro Tem Ronnie Anderson seconded the motion.

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APPROVAL OF STATE CONTRACT FOR AIRPORT ELECTRICAL

Upon recommendation from Dale Batten, Community Development Director, the Commission unanimously authorized Mayor Wilson to execute State Contract No. AP090-9910- 24(069) PID- T002547 in the amount of \$300,058.19 (FAA \$293,565.19; GDOT \$6,493.00) to Replace the Airfield Electrical Vault, Install Distance Remaining Signage, Replace Windsock, and Professional Services; and authorized the required local match in the amount of \$8,957.81 to be funded from 2000 SPLOST Airport Funds for a total project cost of \$309,016.00.

Mayor Pro Tem Ronnie Anderson made the motion for approval and Commissioner Johnnie Lee Roper seconded the motion.

APPROVAL FOR STATE PROPERTIES COMMISSION REQUEST

Upon recommendation from Dale Batten, Community Development Director, the Commission unanimously approved the FY'10 rent in the amount of \$900.00 per month for the Department of Human Resources Office of Investigative Services rather than the \$1,000.00 on the rent schedule.

Commissioner Olivia Pearson made a motion for approval and Commissioner Johnnie Roper seconded the motion.

APPROVAL FOR AIRPORT COMMISSION APPOINTMENT

Upon recommendation from Dale Batten, Community Development Director, the Commission unanimously approved Wayne McKinnon to serve out the remaining term of Ronnie Spivey on the Airport Commission which will expire on September 30, 2009.

Mayor Pro Tem Ronnie Anderson made the motion for approval and Commissioner Johnnie Lee Roper seconded the motion.

APPROVAL OF REVISING SICK LEAVE HOURS POLICY

Upon recommendation from Judy Carter, Human Resources Director, the Commission unanimously approved to cap sick hour accrual to 960 hours for all employees and pay according to their current rate of pay when termination in good standing, retiring or to their estate. Also employees must serve their six (6) months probationary period before beginning to use their accrued sick leave.

Commissioner Dennis Josey made the motion for approval and Commissioner Marty Swain seconded the motion.

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APPROVAL OF DECLARATION EQUIPMENT AS SURPLUS

Upon recommendation from Jerald Guthrie, Purchasing Director, the Commission unanimously approved and declared the list of equipment from various departments as surplus and allows the City Manager and the Purchasing Director to dispose of equipment through Gov Deal on-line auction process.

Mayor Pro Tem Ronnie Anderson made the motion for approval and Commissioner Marty Swain seconded the motion.

APPROVAL OF THE PICKUP TRUCK BIDS

Upon recommendation from Jerald Guthrie, Purchasing Director, the Commission unanimously approved to accept the low bids for four (4) pickup trucks from Gordon Chevrolet of Augusta, Georgia for \$62,924.00 and to purchase one new $\frac{3}{4}$ ton pickup truck from Prince Ford of Douglas, Georgia in the amount for \$22,575.95 for a Grand Total for all trucks of \$85,499.95 to be purchased by the Water/Wastewater and Recreation Departments to replace older vehicles.

Commissioner Marty Swain made a motion for approval and Commissioner Olivia Pearson seconded the motion.

APPROVAL OF THE RDC APPOINTMENTS

Upon recommendation from Terrell Jacobs, City Manager, the Commission unanimously approved to join with the County Commission Chairman and Commission, to reappoint Dr. Wilma Lott as At-Large Appointment and to reappoint Mr. Eugene Ates as Minority Appointment for the 2009 term. Also, Mayor Wilson designated Commissioner Roper to be appointed to serve on the Southeast Georgia RDC Board.

Mayor Pro Tem Ronnie Anderson made a motion for approval and Commissioner Olivia Pearson seconded the motion.

MAYOR AND COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS

Commissioner Johnnie Lee Roper stated to the citizens that he enjoyed serving the community in 2008, and will look forward to serving in 2009.

Mayor Jackie Wilson expressed appreciation to the Coffee County News and the Douglas Enterprise for covering the Commission Meetings. Also, Mayor Wilson expressed to the citizens to keep former Fire Chief Jimmy Porter's family and former Commissioner Oscar Street in our prayers.

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ADJOURNMENT

With there being no further business to discuss the Meeting was adjourned at
7:14 p.m.

Jackie L. Wilson, Mayor

Wynetta J. Bolder, City Clerk