

THE EFFINGHAM COUNTY
COMMISSIONERS' MEETING

The Board of Commissioners of Effingham County, Georgia, Mr. C. D. Zeigler, Chairman, Mr. Reginald S. Loper, Sr., Vice-Chairman, Mr. Robert Brantley, Mrs. Vera Jones, Mr. Steve Mason, and Mr. Phil Kieffer met in a special called meeting at 1:30 p.m. on Tuesday, January 3, 2012 in the Commissioners' Meeting Room at the Effingham County Administrative Complex.

PERSONS ATTENDING THE MEETING

Ms. Elizabeth Pavlis, County Attorney, Mr. David Crawley, County Administrator, Mr. Adam Kobek, Mrs. Joanna Wright, Finance Director, Mr. George Shaw, Zoning Administrator, Mr. Toss Allen, Civil and Mrs. Patrice R. Crawley, County Clerk.

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Zeigler called the meeting to order.

AGENDA APPROVAL

Commissioner Jones made a motion to approve the agenda with the deletion of the Election of the Vice-Chairman to the regular schedule meeting that will be held at 5:00 p.m.

WORKSHOP

JAIL PRESENTATION (01): Ryan Price, Buddy Goldson, Eric Johnson, Robert Armstrong, and Terry Rubken from the jail design team gave a programming progress update on the jail. The team's recommendation is to for the Board to go with scheme E, which is to keep the jail at the existing site.

SHORT TERM WORK PROGRAM (02): Community Relations Director Kobek explained that the Short Term Work Program included capital improvements, typical useful life of ten years or more, covers a five year term, the current year plus the next four years, and the current categories are roads, buildings, recreation, heavy equipment, drainage improvements and water and sewer projects.

The current capital building projects are:

Goshen Station, which will be operated by Rincon Fire Department, Sheriff's Office and County EMS Service. The station is designed to house three services, meet the needs of the area, lower ISO ratings, provide police presence and relieve the County of the rental fees. RFP was issued and staff is in negotiations with Lavender Construction on Pricing.

Three New Fire Stations, these new fire stations were discussed and added to the Service Delivery Negotiations. All of these stations will have a positive ISO impact.

Hodgeville Road Station will be a manned station located on property acquired from the IDA. Plan and construction cost is slotted for the Fiscal Year 2012/2013 budget.

Tusculum Station and Pineora Station will be unmanned stations and land for these stations has not been found yet. Funding for these stations are slotted as funding permits in the years following Fiscal Year 2012/2013 budget.

LeDessie Zeigler Station is in a great location but needs upgrading to a new station.

Courthouse Road Station is a newer building that is in good condition. Due to the location of this station, it has been chosen to operate as a 24/7 station but currently does not have crew quarters. The crew quarters need to be added and the driveway will have to be paved.

Sheriff's Office and Jail site selection has a bearing on Public Works and Fleet Maintenance.

Fleet Maintenance is in desperate condition, cramped space, inadequate facilities, outdoor storage and poor appearance. Staff recommends building a new facility to house public works and fleet maintenance.

Sanitation Office and Site Improvements project is budgeted and in the works. Site improvements include ramp construction for convenient drop off of waste, site cleaning area to remove stored debris, wood waste and other inert materials, and concrete.

Annex is an old building which is inefficient on energy consumption. This building still houses Zoning, Building Inspections, Environmental Health, Victim Witness, Coastal Workforce and record storage.

Proposed Springfield Recreation site will have a gym expansion and renovation, concession renovation, office site work, Library/Health Department site renovations, new fields and equipment.

Existing gym at Central Learning School is in decent condition with some show signs of age. If available would probably be a nice addition to the Recreation sites.

Steel Bridge has bank erosion, unorganized parking, and the boat ramp is in disrepair. A project to upgrade Steel Bridge has been submitted to King Finishing for EPA review.

Ulmer Park is a planned joint project with the City of Springfield and was originally discussed as a SPLOST 2012 project.

To move forward staff requests an approval of the Short Term Work Program (STWP). This document will be used for budgeting purposes.

ADJOURNMENT

At 4:14 p.m., Chairman Zeigler made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Vice-Chairman Loper seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Reginald Loper, Sr., Vice-Chairman

Patrice R. Crawley, County Clerk