

**After
Agenda**

**Board of Commissioners of Spalding County
Extraordinary Session
Monday, August 16, 2010
6:00 PM
Meeting Room, Courthouse Annex**

The Spalding County Board of Commissioners held their Extraordinary Session in Room 108 in the Courthouse Annex, Monday, August 16, 2010, beginning at 6:03 p.m. with Commissioner Eddie Goss presiding and Commissioners Eddie Freeman, Gwen Flowers-Taylor, and Bob Gilreath present. David Phillips was not present. Also present were Interim Assistant County Manager Virginia Martin, Attorney Jim Fortune and Executive Secretary Glinda Robertson.

- I. OPENING (CALL TO ORDER) – Chairman Eddie Goss**
- II. INVOCATION – Led by Rev. Clay Padgett, Pastor of Crown Center Church**
- III. PLEDGE TO FLAG – Jim Fortune**

Motion/second by Commissioners Flowers-Taylor/Freeman to remove item #3 under “new business” and replace with new item which was a request for amplification permit for Faith Christian Academy fundraising event and carried by a vote of 4-0.

IV. PRESENTATIONS/PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITION

There was a presentation by Clint Mueller of ACCG of a Legislative Service Award to Representative David Knight.

V. PRESENTATION OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS – None

VI. CITIZENS COMMENT

VII. PUBLIC COMMENT

Speakers must state their names and addresses and direct all comments to the Board only. Speakers will be allotted 5 minutes to speak on topics pertinent to the Board’s jurisdiction. No speaker will be allowed to re-address the Board without express consent from a Board member. Outbursts from the audience will not be tolerated. Common courtesy and civility are expected at all times during the meeting.

Chipper Gardner - Asked for the current commissioners to begin to work/meet with him to get him acclimated to his newly elected position.

Marcia Norris – Asked for an amp permit for a fundraising event for Faith Christian Academy.

Raymond Ray – Mr. Ray echoed the comments of Chipper Gardner. He too would like to begin preparing for his position as a new commissioner.

VIII. MINUTES

- 1. Consider approval of Minutes of the following: Regular Meeting of August 2, 2010.

Motion/second to approve minutes by Commissioners Flowers-Taylor/Gilreath. Motion rescinded by Flowers-Taylor until Mr. Freeman could verify his comments were in the minutes. Toward the end of the meeting Mr. Freeman located his comments and there was a motion/second by Commissioners Freeman/Flowers-Taylor to approve with one format change and carried with a vote of 4-0.

IX. CONSENT AGENDA

1. Consider on second reading a revision to Personnel Ordinance regarding county manager's discretion with steps in promoting employees.

Motion/second to table until next meeting by Commissioners Freeman/Gilreath and carried by a vote of 3-1.

X. OLD BUSINESS

XI. NEW BUSINESS

1. Consider approval of contract between the GDOT and Spalding County for acquisition of right of way on project BRSLB-2083-00(002). This is CR 508/Jordan Hill Rd. N of Griffin @ Troublesome Creek Trib. Anthony Dukes is present to address.

Motion/second to table by Commissioners Flowers-Taylor/Freeman and carried by a vote of 4-0.

2. Consider approval of contract amendment for the Community Services Block Grant Program (CSBG). This includes carryover funds of \$58,581.51 from the FY'08 and FY'09 CSBG Allocation for Spalding County. Aronda Smith is present to address.

Motion/second to approve contract amendment by Commissioners Flowers-Taylor/Freeman and carried by a vote of 4-0.

3. Consider approval of amplification permit for Faith Christian Academy located at 123 Spalding St., Griffin. They would like to host a fundraiser for the building of a permanent school. The event is to be held on September 18, 2010 from 10:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m. This event will be held at the Pavilion on Aerodrome Way in Griffin. They will host car, truck, and motorcycle shows, have food vendors and children's activities, and Christian music.

Motion/second to approve amplification permit by Commissioners Flowers-Taylor/Freeman and carried by a vote of 4-0.

4. Gwen Flowers-Taylor is requesting a discussion of the Ethics Ordinance draft.

Motion/second to table until next meeting by Commissioners Freeman/Flowers-Taylor and carried by a vote of 4-0.

5. Consider approval of Intergovernmental Agreement between Spalding County and the Secretary of State of the State of Georgia. This is for acquisition and use of bar code scanners to be used in conjunction with elections.

Motion/second to approve Intergovernmental Agreement by Commissioners Flowers-Taylor/Freeman and carried by a vote of 4-0.

6. Gwen Flowers-Taylor is requesting a discussion of personnel policy draft regarding return from medical leave.

Motion/second to table until next meeting by Commissioners Flowers-Taylor/Gilreath and carried by a vote of 4-0.

7. Gwen Flowers-Taylor is requesting a discussion of questions related to FY'11 Budget and possible areas for revisions.

Motion/second to table by Commissioners Flowers-Taylor/Gilreath and carried by a vote of 4-0.

8. Gwen Flowers-Taylor is requesting a discussion of the county management structure, the position of Assistant County Manager and the manner of hiring.

Motion/second to table by Commissioners Flowers-Taylor/Gilreath and carried by a vote of 4-0.

9. Gwen Flowers-Taylor is requesting a discussion of setting a date for next joint meeting between city and county commissioners.

Motion/second to table as the city is not yet ready to meet by Commissioners Flowers-Taylor/Gilreath and carried by a vote of 4-0.

10. Consider request to declare Spalding County property at 238 Leach Rd. as surplus. This is the old Zetella Courthouse.

Motion/second to table by Commissioners Flowers-Taylor/Gilreath and carried by a vote of 3-1. Mr. Freeman opposed tabling the item.

11. Consider approving letter of support to City of Macon for the Rail Corridor Planning under the TIGER II program.

Motion/second to approve letter of support by Commissioners Flowers-Taylor/Freeman and carried by a vote of 4-0.

XII. REPORT OF COUNTY MANAGER

Virginia Martin gave the county manager report. She wanted to correct previous information that was given out regarding how much more the county paid by staying with Cigna as opposed to going with Blue Cross/Blue Shield. She commented that the accurate amount is \$157,455.00 more a year.

The line dance team won first place in the state championship.

Mr. Gil Lovell won gold in the Alabama State Olympics swimming competition. He will now compete in the Nationals in 2011.

The county is implementing a process to confirm house numbers are being placed where emergency personnel can see them. This will involve building inspectors and code enforcement.

There will be a Special Called Meeting at 6:00 p.m. on August 30th for the Board to see various presentations regarding plans to build a senior center.

XIII. REPORT OF COMMISSIONERS

Eddie Freeman

Mr. Freeman asked to see the figures Ms. Martin gave regarding insurance as he did not believe they were accurate. He was to get with Bill Gay after the meeting.

Gwen Flowers-Taylor

Ms. Flowers-Taylor would like to see a nuisance ordinance regarding tall grass and trash in yards. There are several places in the community that have this issue. She stated there is nothing in the substandard ordinance to cover these items.

Ms. Flowers-Taylor stated the Board has not made a decision on the senior center as they have been getting different opinions from the citizens of Spalding County. She has requested the Special Called Meeting on August 30th and would like everyone who is interested in the senior center to attend. She hopes shortly after this meeting the Board can make a decision and move forward.

She commended Rep. David Knight on the award he received at the meeting.

Bob Gilreath

Mr. Gilreath has spoken with Frederick Gardiner regarding how the city handles abandoned homes that have overgrown grass and trash in the yard. He hopes to have Mr. Gardiner share this with the board shortly.

Mr. Gilreath stated Spalding County should encourage the Sheriff to discontinue housing prisoners that have been picked up by the City of Griffin unless the city wants to pay the bill.

Mr. Gilreath is concerned with the cost of paper used for the Board meetings. He would like to see the Commissioners have monitors at their seats for viewing the agenda.

Mr. Gilreath believes all commissioners should take advantage of attending ACCG classes however, he believes there should be a limit of dollars used per commissioner.

Mr. Gilreath stated it took him three months to get a gasoline report. He believes someone should be able to press a button and instantly get the information as to which cars, which department, how much they spent per month, etc. At present the information is in several different reports.

Eddie Goss – No comments

XIV. CLOSED SESSION - None

XV. ADJOURNMENT

Motion/second to adjourn at 8:10 p.m. by Commissioners Freeman/Gilreath and carried by a vote of 4-0.