



**After Agenda
Board of Commissioners - Regular Meeting
February 6, 2023 6:00 PM
Room 108, Annex Building
119 E. Solomon Street
Griffin, GA 30223**

The Spalding County Board of Commissioners held their Regular Meeting on Monday, February 6, 2023, in Room 108 of the Spalding County Annex Building, beginning at 6:00 p.m. with Chairman Clay Davis presiding. Commissioners James Dutton, Gwen Flowers-Taylor, Ryan Bowlden and Rita Johnson were present for the meeting. Also present were County Attorney, Stephanie Windham and Spalding County Water and Sewerage Facilities Office Manager, Charlie Hearn to record the minutes. Dr. Steve Ledbetter, County Manager and Kathy Gibson, County Clerk were absent from the meeting.

I. OPENING (CALL TO ORDER) by Chairman Clay Davis.

PLEASE SILENCE YOUR CELL PHONES AND ALL ELECTRONIC DEVICES.

II. INVOCATION

1. Commissioner Gwen Flowers-Taylor, District 1, delivered the Invocation.

III. PLEDGE TO FLAG

1. Commissioner Rita Johnson, District 3, led the Pledge to the Flag.

Motion/Second by Bowlden/Flowers-Taylor to amend the Agenda to create a new Item #1 under New Business to read: "Consider approval of the Flint Mill Estates Phase II Final Plat. The final plat consists of 23 lots located in the R-1 Single Family District. Motion carried unanimously by all.

IV. PRESENTATIONS/PROCLAMATIONS

1. Cindy Jones, President of the Griffin-Spalding Chamber of Commerce, has requested an opportunity for the County to receive and acknowledge donations from industries who work within Spalding County or do business with Griffin and Spalding County Residents. These donations are to assist in the recovery from damage that occurred during the recent tornados that hit our community and to support those citizens who were affected.

Cindy Jones, President of the Griffin-Spalding Chamber of Commerce, stated there are a number of donations that have been made to the Griffin-Spalding County Tornado Relief Fund. Those funds are being managed through the Griffin-

Spalding Collaborative Authority, the funds are not being received by either the county or the city or by the Chamber of Commerce we are simply facilitating the funds so that they can flow back into the community. There are three groups here this evening that have made significant donations:

- Halpern Enterprises donated \$5,000.00.
- Grand Lodge donated \$20,000.00.
- Atlanta Gas Light donated \$10,000.00.

Chairman Davis advised that there are people in our county who see these industries as angels, their lives are better because of the industries represented this evening who gave these contributions. He thanked everyone for their generous donations.

2. Chairman Davis has requested that Chief Polk, Chief Byrd, Jason Ritter with GEMA and Michelle Rose with FEMA give an update on the Disaster Relief efforts in Spalding County.

Chairman Davis advised that this is about the resources that are currently available for our citizens. We want everyone to know where they need to go and who they need to see to get assistance with the items they need for this recovery effort.

Chief Polk advised that we still have our donation warehouse going and our volunteer call and reception center is still in place. Additionally, we have representatives from GEMA here every day, Mr. Ritter has been with us daily and Michelle Rose who has been assigned to us by FEMA. Ms. Rose will speak on the Disaster Recovery Center (DRC) and some of the obstacles they have been facing in the County.

Michelle Rose with FEMA Region 4 advised that she is the Division Supervisor for Spalding County for this event. FEMA services are here and are available to both governmental organizations and individuals who are suffering from this disaster. We have a FEMA Disaster Recovery Center at the Spalding County Senior Center and that center has FEMA representatives who can assist all individuals who need to apply for FEMA services. There are a number of programs that people can qualify for and that is based on their status. In addition to FEMA these individuals can also sign up with other organizations. We do have a way to assess the needs of people in the community.

FEMA also has a 1-800 number for your use it is: 1-800-621-FEMA. That number is available for anyone in the declared areas to call to apply for FEMA assistance. If you can't make it to the Recovery Center you can call the 1-800 number and apply for assistance there. There is also a FEMA Mobile App available through the App Store that can be utilized to sign up for FEMA services. There is on-line DisasterAssistance.Gov that individuals can visit and apply for assistance.

Ms. Rose then advised that for those who aren't mobile and may not have phone services which was the case in the beginning. They do have available disaster survival assistance teams who go out and knock on doors and they can register people for FEMA services instantly. We are here to help, and she will go a long way to make sure the citizens get any assistance they qualify for.

Ms. Rose said that the biggest issue they have is the first letter that you receive from FEMA will be a denial. The issue with that is when people get the denial letter many choose to not pursue it any further. She encourages everyone not to do that, she asked that these folks go to the Disaster Recovery Center so that the FEMA staff can review their application and explain to them exactly what is needed, and they can bring that documentation back to the Center for resubmittal. She stated that they are here for the long haul.

Ms. Rose stated that one issue they constantly come across is their logo says Homeland Security. Many people see that and they are hesitant, but she wanted to let everyone know that even though they are part of Homeland Security just like ICE and other agencies, they do not have any arrest authority and we do not share information to get people arrested. That is not what FEMA is here for, they are here to provide assistance and help people recover from the disaster. If anyone comes to your door and does not have a FEMA badge, do not give them any information. We have not experienced that problem here, but it has been a problem in other locations.

The only agency we may refer citizens to would be the Small Business Association (SBA). SBA has services that the individual can take advantage of and once we refer someone to SBA it is important that they follow up and they go to SBA. We encourage people to come to the DRC and talk to FEMA, if you don't understand come out and let us explain it to you. We will work you through the process and explain every piece of paper that you need.

Jim Accurso, Public Affairs Specialist with the Small Business Administration Office of Disaster, Resilience and Recovery, advised that they are here with FEMA and are operating the Disaster Recovery Center in Spalding. They have trained customer services representatives in the Disaster Recovery Center (DRC) and the Business Recovery Center (BRC) in Spalding County. They are currently operating in six locations within the seven declared counties.

When individuals are referred to the SBA by FEMA it is important that they come over and talk to us about the loans that they have to offer. They have physical damage loans for businesses up to \$2 million and they have economic injury disaster loans for businesses up to \$2 million. They do offer assistance to homeowners and renters up to \$200,000 for a homeowner for physical damage

and contents. A renter is eligible for up to \$40,000 for contents including automobiles. They do assist non-profit organizations as well. It is to everyone's benefit that when they do get the referral from FEMA to register with SBA. If they are found ineligible, they can then go back to FEMA for additional needs assistance. If they are eligible, they are under not obligation to take the loan, but they do encourage everyone to follow through on this. There is no fee for the loans offered. To date, FEMA has referred 3,800 folks to SBA and of those 3,800, 414 have applied for an SBA loan and we have awarded 55 loans totaling more than \$1.7 million. In Spalding County there have been 194 who have applied and there have been 21 loans approved for a total of \$545,000. They do expect these numbers to go up and they are working to get this information out.

The SBA also offers assistance for mitigation. If in the future funding is needed for a retaining wall or a sump pump, they can get additional benefits. He advised that they are here to help and they are here for the long haul. The deadline for anyone to apply for a physical damage loan is March 17th and the deadline to apply for the Economic Injury Loans is October 16th. Anyone who wishes can also apply on-line at DisasterLoanAssistance.sba.gov.

T.J. Imberger, Public Work Director, then introduced the two contractors that have been working with Spalding County for clean up during this disaster. Spencer Stovall with DebrisTech who is providing the monitoring services and recording the information for FEMA reimbursement and Chris Johnson is with Southern Disaster Recovery (SDR), who is our debris hauler. They are currently working on the "first pass" and are approximately 30% complete, they have removed over 127,000 cubic yards of debris and they have cut over 4,000 dangerous trees to date. We will be doing a "second pass" in the upcoming months and we are also looking at "leaners" and "hangers," which are trees leaning over the roadways or pieces of trees hanging over the roadways that can be of danger.

Mr. Imberger then stated that they have not addressed dead end streets because the equipment because they are using would need to be broken down to get it down those streets. They are coming back to those streets. Stumps will be the last items addressed and will be after the "second pass" for debris.

Mr. Imberger stated a link that will be provided to allow you to watch the debris removal 24 hours a day. It gets updated every 15 minutes. He has sent the link to the Board and they will be able to see each truck that picks up a load will be placed on the map, every tree that gets cut down will also be recorded on the map and it will be updated every 15 minutes so that you can see where they are located in the county.

Chairman Davis then asked Chief Polk to talk about the donation center.

Chief Polk advised that visitation to the Donation has dropped a little bit, so what they are trying to do is downgrade our donated goods. They are trying to extend the MOU with City Church who have been phenomenal in assisting with this disaster, but they still have a lot of donations in that warehouse. Mr. Ritter has assisted in reaching out to the surrounding communities and they are asking them to inventory their needs and come and get goods for their community. They have also asked the local missions as well. This week they will ask that people come and take what they need for their organizations and on Monday they will determine if they need to use the alternative warehouse that they have available with Sefcor. Or, they may have another option with Griffin Fire Station #2, it just depends on how much they have that they can continue to offer after this week.

Commissioner Dutton then thanked Chief Polk for everything that he has done to bring the County through this disaster. We would not be where we are in the recovery effort and with the agencies involved if it had not been for Chief Polk's training and leadership.

V. CITIZEN COMMENT

Speakers must sign up prior to the meeting and provide their names, addresses and the topic they wish to discuss. Speakers must direct your remarks to the Board and not to individual Commissioners or to the audience. Personal disagreements with individual Commissioners or County employees are not a matter of public concern and personal attacks will not be tolerated. The Chairman has the right to limit your comments in the interest of disposing of the County's business in an efficient and respectable manner.

Speakers will be allotted three minutes to speak on their chosen topics as they relate to matters pertinent to the jurisdiction of the Board of the Commissioners. No questions will be asked by any of the commissioners during citizen comments. Outbursts from the audience will not be tolerated. Common courtesy and civility are expected at all times during the meeting. No speaker will be permitted to speak more than three minutes or more than once unless the Board votes to suspend this rule.

Greg McKibbens, 699 Campground Road, Griffin, GA, wanted to report a nuisance property located at 336 Moon Road. There are residents living in campers on this property with the sewerage going straight into the ground. They have brought in storage sheds on flatbed trucks, dropped them and people are living in them. There are drug deals going on, gang members and vehicles racing down the road. Gun shots, fireworks, and dogs. He has been attacked by two pit bulls and they were picked up, but nothing was done. Animal Control picked them up, but the two pit bulls are still back on the property.

Nick Priest, 700 Campground Road, Griffin, GA also wanted to report the nuisance property located at 336 Moon Road. Stated he was concerned for his family safety over the conditions and people who are currently living at 336 Moon Road. There are currently 10 people who reside at this location who are either living in a camper or a

storage building with unpermitted electrical and no plumbing at all. There were no permits on display before all this stuff was moved in. There is junk, clothes, and trash all over the property. There is 10+ cars and trucks stuffed on the back of this property on his property line. He has made 7 calls to Code Enforcement between May and November of last year. Finally, late last year that the property owner was issued a warning on October 2, 2022 and here it is February 6, 2023 and he has seen no visible changes at all.

The dogs on the property are threatening to his children, they have attacked Mr. McKibbens and they have killed his daughter's pet goat. Animal Control took the dogs for 10 days, but then they were right back on the property. After being returned they entered his property again and killed three of his chickens.

VI. PRESENTATION OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1. Consider approval of the Financial Statements for the period ending December 31, 2022.

Jinna Garrison, Administration Services Director, advised that the statement is for December as we did not have a second meeting in January and that is why they are late.

Motion/Second by Dutton/Flowers-Taylor to approve the Financial Statements for the period ending December 31, 2022. Motion carried unanimously by all.

VII. MINUTES

1. Consider approval of the Minutes from the Spalding County Board of Commissioners Extraordinary Session and Executive Session on December 19, 2022, the Spalding County Board of Commissioners Special Called Meeting and Executive Session on December 22, 2022, the Spalding County Regular Meeting on January 3, 2023, and the Spalding County Zoning Public Hearing on January 16, 2023.

Motion/Second by Flowers-Taylor/Dutton to approve the Minutes from the Spalding County Board of Commissioners Extraordinary Session and Executive Session on December 19, 2022, the Spalding County Board of Commissioners Special Called Meeting and Executive Session on December 22, 2022, the Spalding County Regular Meeting on January 3, 2023, and the Spalding County Zoning Public Hearing on January 16, 2023. Motion carried unanimously by all.

VIII. CONSENT AGENDA – None.

IX. OLD BUSINESS

1. Lift from the table and consider appointment to the Spalding County Board of Zoning Appeals to succeed Robert "Rob" Peurifoy for a four-year term to expire on December 31, 2027, from District 2 and Ed Brown (District 4) for the remainder of his term scheduled to expire on December 31, 2024.

Motion/Second by Flowers-Taylor/Dutton to lift from the table and consider appointment to the Spalding County Board of Zoning Appeals to succeed Robert "Rob" Peurifoy for a four-year term to expire on December 31, 2027, from District 2 and Ed Brown (District 4) for the remainder of his term to expire on December 31, 2024. Motion carried unanimously by all.

Commissioner Dutton then advised that the appointment for District 2 be tabled until the next meeting as Mr. Peurifoy has been contacted and that he would like to remain on this Board, but he hasn't submitted a nomination form. This will give him time to submit a nomination form for consideration at the next meeting.

Motion/Second by Flowers-Taylor/Johnson to table the appointment to the Spalding County Board of Zoning Appeals for District 2 until the next meeting. Motion carried unanimously by all.

Commissioner Bowlden then appointed Mr. Adam Smith to represent District #4 on the Board of Zoning Appeals to expire on December 31, 2024.

2. Lift from the table and consider appointments to the Spalding County Parks & Recreation Advisory Commission.

Motion/Second by Dutton/Johnson to lift from the table and consider appointments to the Spalding County Parks & Recreation Commission for District #2. Motion carried unanimously by all.

- a. To succeed Chris Saxon for a one-year term to expire on December 31, 2023 (District #2)

Commissioner Dutton appointed Annette White to the Spalding County Parks & Recreation Advisory Commission for District 2 for a one-year term to expire on December 31, 2023.

- b. To succeed Byron Styler for a one-year term to expire on December 31, 2023 (District #2)

Commissioner Dutton appointed Taylor Dutton to the Spalding County Parks & Recreation Advisory commission for District 2 for a one-year term to expire on December 31, 2023.

3. Lift from the table and consider appointment to the Two Rivers RC&D Council to succeed Danny Meadows who currently serves as the alternate member to this Council.

Motion/Second by Dutton/Flowers-Taylor to lift from the table and consider appointment to the Two Rivers RC&D Council to succeed Danny Meadows who currently serves as the alternate member to this Council. Motion carried unanimously by all.

Motion/Second by Dutton/Flowers-Taylor to reappoint Danny Meadows to the Two Rivers RC&D Council to serve as the alternate member to this Council for a one year term to expire on December 31, 2023. Motion carried unanimously by all.

4. Lift from the table and consider appointments to the Spalding County Ethics Review Panel.

No motion was made, the item will be placed on the next agenda for consideration.

5. Lift from the table and consider approval of an Option to Purchase the Equalization School, this will enable the Griffin-Spalding Housing Authority to obtain grants needed to complete this project.

No motion was made to lift the item from the table.

X. NEW BUSINESS

1. Consider approval of the Flint Mill Estates Final Plat. The final plat consists of 23 lots located in the R-1 Single Family District.

Eva Morales, Community Development, stated that this is an approval for a final plat for Flint Mill Estates. There are 24 lots in this Phase and they have fulfilled all of the requirements for a final plat and the zoning requirements, so staff is recommending approval of the final plat.

Ms. Windham advised that Niles Murry with Pilkenton Development is here should the Board have any questions.

Commissioner Flowers-Taylor stated that on the page related to sewerage it states: "This site is supposed to be serviced by the City of Griffin." Do we have a certificate from the City of Griffin stating that they have capacity?

Ms. Morales advised that she would get a certificate from the City of Griffin regarding the sewerage. Ms. Morales stated that the final plat was reviewed by the

Spalding County Water and Sewerage Facilities Authority and Joseph Johnson did approve the final plat.

Motion/Second by Flowers-Taylor/Dutton for conditional approval of the final plat for Flint Mill Estates conditioned upon receipt of a letter from the City of Griffin confirming they have capacity for this project. Motion carried unanimously by all.

2. Consider presentation and adoption of the Griffin-Spalding County Comprehensive Transportation Plan (CTP). Mr. Dan Dobry with Croy Engineering will be present to review the final document and answer any questions.

Brian Upson, Paragon Consulting, stated that the Comprehensive Transportation Plan is a requirement of the ARC and to get into the queue for Federal and State Funding. ARC funded 80% of this plan. They were instructed that this needed to be done in 2021 and they created an RFP, Croy Engineering was selected as the consultant for the project and they started in July of 2021. Matt Reeves with Croy Engineering is here this evening to give you a summary of the plan.

The projects on the plan have been prioritized. There are some projects in the queue that were carried over from past plans. In order to obtain money where you can start projects you must have the match available, usually 20-30% of the total projected cost, before you can apply for a project. Once you have the match you can request funding through ARC or GDOT for the project. He asked that the Board start looking at TSPLOST monies to be set aside for a match. That is the only way we will be able to do bigger projects is to have that match. This plan is the beginning of that process.

Mr. Upson stated that Matt Reeves with Croy Engineering will be presenting this evening as Mr. Dobry was unable to attend.

Mr. Reeves advised that the report has already been sent to the Board for review. He then stated that they looked at the existing conditions in Spalding County and the City of Griffin, they engaged the public in the effort and received feedback on recommendations and projects that the public is concerned about. They then reviewed all the projects available and scored them based on the priorities set by the County and the City to come to a list of recommendations for projects.

The CTP overview from the public engagement to involving County and City staff is necessary when applying for federal monies from the TIP application, from ARC, or GDOT. This type of background effort is necessary in order to engage them for those dollars.

When reviewing existing conditions, we looked at the Comprehensive Transportation Plans that had been completed in 2011 and 2016 and the Countywide Comprehensive Plan that looks at land use. Consideration was given to the level of service for the County. A crash analysis was included as part of the project.

Commissioner Flowers-Taylor stated that she read the summary for the CTP and she was very pleased. It made it clear that we don't have very much in terms of east-west continuity. It also addresses intermodal transportation by setting up transportation for the community. She is pleased with it as a whole.

Motion/Second by Flowers-Taylor/Bowlden to approve the Griffin-Spalding County Comprehensive Transportation Plan (CTP) as presented. Motion carried unanimously by all.

3. Consider appointment to the Griffin-Spalding County Development Authority to succeed Harvey Booker for a three-year term to expire on December 31, 2025.

Motion/Second by Dutton/Flowers-Taylor to reappoint Harvey Booker to the Griffin-Spalding Development Authority for a three-year term to expire December 31, 2025. Motion carried unanimously by all.

4. Consider appointment to the Atlanta Regional Commissioner to succeed Gwen Flowers-Taylor for a one-year term ending December 31, 2023.

Chairman Davis reappointed Commissioner Gwen Flowers-Taylor to the Atlanta Regional Commission for a one-year term ending December 31, 2023.

5. Consider appointment to succeed Clay Davis as ACCG Legislative Coordinator for a one-year term ending December 31, 2023.

Motion/Second by Flowers-Taylor/Dutton to reappoint Chairman Clay Davis as the ACCG Legislative Coordinator for a one-year term ending December 31, 2023. Motion carried unanimously by all.

6. Consider on first reading an amendment to the Spalding County Code of Ordinances to update the List of Roadways both On-System and Off-System as provided by the Georgia Department of Transportation and approved by the Board of Commissioners at the Extraordinary Session on December 19, 2022.

Chairman Davis advised that this action would move the On-System and Off-System roads that were approved in December into our Ordinance. The last time it

was before us was for approval was for GDOT. This will incorporate those roads into our Ordinance.

Motion/Second by Flowers-Taylor/Bowlden to approve on first reading an amendment to the Spalding County Code of Ordinances to update the List of Roadways both On-System and Off-System as provided by the Georgia Department of Transportation. Motion carried unanimously by all.

7. Consider approval of the proposed FY 2024 Budget Calendar.

Motion/Second by Flowers-Taylor/Johnson to approve the proposed FY 2024 Budget Calendar. Motion carried unanimously by all.

8. Consider participation in the Coalition Against Bigger Trucks (CABT). This matter is being considered in the State Legislature, on the truck weights issue for the counties and have asked Spalding County to support this effort.

Ms. Windham advised that the Coalition Against Bigger Trucks reached out to Commissioner Dutton and provided the letter and we have simply placed the letter on our letterhead for the Chairman to sign.

Commissioner Dutton stated that we have been facing the task where our roads are constantly being stressed and broken by overweight trucks. The damages don't occur immediately, but it causes small cracks which with weather become larger cracks and pot holes. We have been asking the State to help us with this problem and now the State has dropped a bill to increase the weight limits for trucks. They are not lowering them like we have asked, there is a bill to increase the weight limit. This group is trying to coordinate the effort with all of the counties to combat this type of legislation.

Motion/Second by Dutton/Johnson to approve participation in the Coalition Against Bigger Trucks (CABT) Motion carried unanimously by all.

9. Consider approval of a request from the Griffin-Spalding Hospital Authority to provide funding for the following projects for FY2023:
 - Spalding County Board of Health (Flu Shots) - \$22,000.00
 - Spalding County Senior Nutrition Program (Meals on Wheels) - \$48,800.00
 - Griffin-Spalding County School System (School Nurses) - \$230,000.00

For the Hospital Authority to grant this funding the City Commission and the County Commission must give their approval.

Motion/Second by Dutton/Flowers-Taylor to approve a request from the Griffin-Spalding Hospital Authority to provide funding for the projects and amounts presented. Motion carried unanimously by all.

10. Consider approval of extension to the Southern Disaster Recovery Contract for Debris Removal until February 27, 2023.

Ms. Windham advised that this was discussed at the last meeting and was included in the extension of the emergency resolution, but both GEMA and FEMA have encouraged us to bring the contract before the Board again for approval. Mr. Imberger is here and can talk about the letter we will also be sending which documents the need for the extension and includes pictures of the “hangers” and “leaners” along with the lines and trees that are in the road. What we need for you to do is approve the extension of the contract with the debris removal company until February 27th.

Motion/Second by Dutton/Flowers-Taylor to approve extension of the Southern Disaster Recovery Contract for Debris Removal until February 27, 2023.

T.J. Imberger, Director of Public Works, advised that the letter addresses the safety items that FEMA would require for us to execute this extension. Specifically, the debris is in such quantity, that it is encroaching on the white lines on the majority of the affected roads. We also have a tremendous number of trees that are considered “leaners” which are leaning at 30° or greater over the roadways and the “hangers” that can come down at any time. We feel it is appropriate to continue to this contract until the Board considers the bids for a permanent contract so that we can continue to maintain the safety of our residents while they are on our roadways.

Motion carried unanimously by all.

XI. REPORT OF COUNTY MANAGER – None.

XII. REPORT OF COMMISSIONERS

Rita Johnson – Continued prayers for our County Manager, she stated she knows he is eager to return to work, but he needs the time to recover. Steve we want you to stay home and get better and not come back until the doctors have released you.

She then thanked the volunteers who worked to assist during the disaster. She also wanted to thank the industries who were here this evening to make the donations which are much appreciated. She stated that she feels good about the phase we are in with the recovery at this time. We are moving in the right direction.

Although we had to cancel the King celebration due to the tornado damage, she would like to see that get back on the calendar soon.

Retreat dates, we will be talking about that pretty soon.

Chairman Davis stated we would hold off on the specific date pending the County Manager's return and we will discuss some of that at a workshop.

Ryan Bowlden – Code Enforcement remains a big issue with him. He would like to sit down with the Sheriff soon to discuss this matter. He wanted to thank Community Development for the awesome job they are doing.

Ms. Windham stated that group really deserves recognition, they are working really hard.

Gwen Flowers-Taylor – No Comment.

James Dutton – Thank you to so many folks during this time. Thank you to the employees and volunteers who have worked tirelessly during this time. A big thanks to the Animal Shelter, it has been a bad situation with all of the extra animals and they have really done a great job considering the circumstances.

We have really got to keep focusing on how we are going to get a new judicial center. We can't lose focus on this problem. The Sheriff is doing a fantastic job with what he has out there. Currently, there is a tub in the lobby area to catch water that is dripping from the ceiling. Something has got to be done. That building must be replaced.

Code Enforcement, there has got to be some solution here. There has to be a way to move forward, it is in the budget we just need the methodology to be able to act. We have people who are aware that they can exploit the system and they are doing it actively and it's not okay.

We need to work on our ordinances. Our current building code needs to be strengthened. We've got to step up there. If we cannot do this internally then we need to bring somebody in that can do this. This is a big deal and we have been asking for it for many years.

Ms. Windham stated that we have hired Municode to update the code, but the last conversations staff had with them, they informed us that the individual who was assigned to this has left the company and it will be several months before we will have someone available to work on it again.

The last thing is prayers work, we saw it in the storms, no one died. Please join him in praying for Dr. Ledbetter and his return. Hopefully, he will get the message that he needs to take the time off and not work himself near to death.

Clay Davis – Archway will be coming up for consideration again this Summer and he wants to make sure that everyone knows how he feels the Archway Return on investment is significant. He feels the function of us getting together and working as a county towards common goals is very significant and we need that function. He then thanked Ms. Windham for co-chairing that organization for the last eight years and moving us light years ahead of where we were years ago.

Disaster relief is going very well. We have a donation center that is loaded with food, volunteers are phenomenal. Strangers helping strangers and friends helping friends.

He asked Ms. Hearn to send out a Doodle Poll to everyone to establish a date for a workshop within the next two weeks for approximately 3 hours to talk about budget and talk about staffing, personnel issues in a broader picture and Archway our direction as a Board and where we want to go with that. When you receive the Doodle Poll, please turn it around as soon as possible so that we can get that scheduled.

XIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION – None.

1. Consider request to conduct an Executive Session for consultation with the county attorney, or other legal counsel, to discuss pending or potential litigation, settlement, claims, administrative proceedings, or other judicial actions brought or to be brought by or against the county or any officer or employee or in which the county or any officer or employee may be directly involved as provided in O.C.G.A. § 50-14-2(1).

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

Motion/Second by Dutton/Flowers-Taylor to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 p.m. Motion carried unanimously by all.