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STATE OF GEORGIA COUNTY OF HENRY

The Henry County Board of Commissioners held a Regular Public Meeting *in-person* on Tuesday, Oct. 1, 2024, at 9 a.m. at the Henry County Administration Building (Community Room), 140 Henry Parkway, McDonough GA. HenryTV also streamed this live online at its website, as well as Charter/Spectrum Channel 180 and Facebook Live.

Carlotta Harrell, Chair
Johnny Wilson, Vice Chair/District 1 Commissioner
Neat Robinson, District 2 Commissioner
Dee Anglyn, III, District 3 Commissioner
Michael T. Price, District 4 Commissioner
Kevin J. Lewis, District 5 Commissioner

Staff Present: Cheri Hobson-Matthews, County Manager; Serena Nowell, County Attorney; Stephanie Braun, County Clerk, and Jasmin Head, Deputy County Clerk

INSTRUCTIONS TO PARTICIPATE

HENRY COUNTY CODE OF CONDUCT

(Sec. 2-2-128: Conduct during public meetings)

INVOCATION

The Invocation was given.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge was recited.

CALL TO ORDER

Carlotta Harrell, Chair, called the Regular Meeting of the Henry County Board of Commissioners for Tuesday, Oct. 1, 2024, at 9 a.m., to order.

Proclamations

A. Proclamation recognizing Breast Cancer Awareness Month (Presenter: Melissa Robinson, Director of Communications and Public Information)

Recognition

A. Pillars of Excellence Recognitions (Presenters: Cheri Hobson- Matthews, County Manager; and Shannan Sagnet, Cluster Lead)

Ryan Morrison, Director of EMA, Meredith Butler, Communications Coordinator, Monique Franklin, Grant Administrator, and Jeff Weaver, Airport Technician, were recognized as a Henry County Pillar of Excellence. A photo was taken with the board.

Presentations

A. Financial Update (Presenter: David Smith, Financial Services/Cluster Lead)

David Smith, Financial Services/Cluster Lead, came forward and presented the county's financial position.

B. American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Update (Presenter: Monique Franklin, Grant Administrator/Financial Services)

Monique Franklin, Grant Administrator, came forward and presented the ARPA funding overview.

CONSENT AGENDA

Cheri Hobson-Matthews, County Manager, read the consent agenda as follows:

County Manager

- A. A. Resolution approving a Memorandum of Understanding with the Boys and Girls Club of Metro Atlanta, Inc. (Presenter: Ashley Larrow, Chief of Staff/County Manager's Office) (Exhibit 1) Resolution #24-239

Courts

A. (Moved to Consent Agenda) Resolution approving appointment of Henry County Magistrate Court Judge: Andrea Boyd (Presenter: April Blackburn, Clerk of Magistrate Court)(Exhibit 2)

Deannexations

A. DE-AX-24-03 (Not a Public Hearing)

Henry County has received a request for deannexation from the City of Stockbridge to Unincorporated Henry County for a total of nine (9) properties located at 220, 230, 240, and 255 Jasper Drive and 221, 230, 231, 241, and 251 Whitesand Bay Drive consisting of a combined 9.828 +/- acres in Land Lots 8 and 9 of the 12 District. District 2 (Presenter: Toussaint Kirk, Cluster Leader)(Exhibit 3) Resolution #24-240

B. DE-AX-24-04 (Not a Public Hearing)

Henry County has received a request for deannexation from the City of Stockbridge to Unincorporated Henry County for a total of nine (9) properties located at 615 and 625 Edgecombe; 115, 145, and 150 Jasper Drive; and 340, 350, 360, and 370 Kerrith Drive consisting of a combined 11.58 +/- acres in Land Lots 8 and 9 of the 12 District. District 2 (Presenter: Toussaint Kirk, Cluster Leader)(Exhibit 4) Resolution #24-241

Police Department

A. Resolution awarding Bid #25-11 to TMDE Calibration Labs, Inc. to provide services for recertification and repair of laser and radar speed detection devices on a renewable contract basis for the Henry County Police Department (HCPD), utilizing funds from the Repair and Maintenance account. (Presenter: Captain William Powell, HCPD)(Exhibit 5) Resolution #24-242

(This ends the consent agenda)

Commissioner Neat Robinson made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda; **Commissioner Dee Anglyn** seconded. The motion carried 6-0-0.

REGULAR AGENDA

Courts

A. (Moved from Consent Agenda to Regular Agenda) Resolution approving appointment of Henry County Magistrate Court Judge: Andrea Boyd (Presenter: April Blackburn, Clerk of Magistrate Court) (Exhibit 2) Resolution 24-243

Judge Martin Jones, Chief Magistrate Judge, came forward to discuss the appointment of Andrea Boyd to Henry County Magistrate Court Judge. Judge Donald Patton was appointed to State Court leaving a judge position open.

Chair Harrell asked Judge Boyd to come to the podium. Chair Harrell stated that the board is happy to have her and appreciates how much she takes part in the community. A photo was taken with the board.

Commissioner Neat Robinson made the motion to approve; **Commissioner Kevin J. Lewis** seconded. The motion carried 6-0-0.

Department of Transportation

A. **Public Hearing:** Resolution of the Board of Commissioners to abandon and declare surplus a portion of Industrial Parkway Right of Way. (Presenter: David Simmons, DOT Deputy Director) (Exhibit 6) Resolution #24-244

David Simmons, DOT Deputy Director, presented the resolution to abandon and declare surplus a portion of Industrial Parkway Right of Way. Request is from Bennett International. The widening of the road created a portion of property that is of no use to the county.

Chair Harrell called for a Public Hearing

Public Hearing

No persons spoke.

Commissioner Kevin J. Lewis made the motion to approve; **Commissioner Dee Anglyn** seconded. The motion carried 6-0-0.

B. Resolution of the Board of Commissioners to authorize the sale of abandoned/declared surplus portion of Industrial Parkway Right of Way. (Presenter: David Simmons, DOT Deputy Director) (Exhibit 7) Resolution #24-245

David Simmons, DOT Deputy Director, presented the resolution to abandon and declare surplus a portion of Industrial Parkway Right of Way. The resolution is an authorization to sell the portion of abandoned right of way. Bennett International seeks to acquire the property for \$5,000.

Commissioner Kevin J. Lewis made the motion to approve; **Commissioner Dee Anglyn** seconded. The motion carried 6-0-0.

Stormwater

Resolution approving the drainage improvements at Greenview Subdivision in the amount of \$1,539,452.75 utilizing Community Development Block Grant and Stormwater Enterprise Funds. District 4 (Presenter: Roque Romero, Public Works/Cluster Lead) (Exhibit 8) Resolution #24-246

Roque Romero, Public Works Cluster Lead presented the resolution to approve drainage improvement at Greenview Subdivision for \$1,539,452.75. Summit Construction and Development, LLC. was the lowest bidder for the project.

Chair Harrell stated the county had received several emails about the problem.

Commissioner Michael Price stated he was glad the day has finally come. Emails from residents with photos were some of the first emails he received as a new commissioner. He commented that the older developments are the foundation of the community.

Commissioner Michael Price made a motion to approve the resolution; **Commissioner Kevin J. Lewis** seconded. The motion carried 6-0-0.

Transportation Planning

A. Resolution approving a contract with Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc. for \$232,000, to be paid entirely with the Strengthening Mobility and Revolutionizing Transportation (SMART) Grant received from the U.S. Department of Transportation and no cost to Henry County, to conduct connected vehicle technology deployment prototype performance analysis. (Presenter: Sam Baker, Transportation Planning Director) (Exhibit 9) Resolution #24-247

Sam Baker, Transportation Planning Director, presented the resolution to approve a contract with Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc. to conduct connected vehicle technology deployment prototype performance analysis. This will allow Henry County emergency vehicles to change lights from red to green in busy intersections to allow for faster response to emergencies.

Vice Chair Johnny Wilson commented that it is challenging to get emergency vehicles through intersections when the signal is red. He thanked Sam Baker for bringing the resolution forward.

Commissioner Neat Robinson made the motion to approve; **Commissioner Kevin J. Lewis** seconded. The motion carried 6-0-0.

B. Resolution approving a contract with Sonamore, Inc. (doing business as P3Mobility) to develop the Henry County Connected Vehicle Technology Deployment Plan, the first community to develop such a plan in the State of Georgia, for \$298,975 to be paid entirely with a Strengthening Mobility and Revolutionizing Transportation (SMART) Grant from the U.S. Department of Transportation, with no additional cost to Henry County. (Presenter: Sam Baker, Transportation Planning Director) (Exhibit 10) Resolution #24-248

Sam Baker, Transportation Planning Director, presented the resolution to approve a contract with Sonamore, Inc. to develop the Henry County Connected Vehicle Technology Deployment Plan.

Commissioner Kevin J. Lewis made the motion to approve; **Commissioner Dee Anglyn** seconded. The motion carried 6-0-0.

ADDED

A. Moratorium to modify the May 7, 2024, North Ola moratorium. This one will include additional parcels North of Hwy 20 and East of Airline Road as shown on the map. Ordinance #24-8

Commissioner Dee Anglyn explained following a stakeholder meeting it became clear the expansion was needed for the North Ola area's master plan. Moore Bass Consulting stated they would include in the plan at no extra cost. The expansion is based on the parcels included in the map displayed at the meeting (north of Hwy 20 that would go to Airline and then ultimately over to Elliott Road)

Commissioner Anglyn stated that he would like to call for a motion to modify the May 7, 2024 North Ola moratorium on rezonings, comprehensive plan amendments, lot modifications greater than 5 total acres of area, and residential development applications to include additional parcels North of HWY 20 and East of Airline Road as shown on the overhead map and the staff provided excel sheet of Parcels within said area. This is not to stop a private property owner from building single-family residences or accessory structures, but to reject all applications for mass development such as subdivisions or commercial complexes in this area, until a North Ola Master Plan has been devised by staff and consultants.

Vice Chair Johnny Wilson thanked Commissioner Anglyn for the courtesy phone call to discuss this moratorium, but he added that he would like to see staff bring a resolution back to the board for the west side of 19/41 (to remove all parcels in District 1).

Commissioner Dee Anglyn made the motion to approve; **Commissioner Kevin J. Lewis** seconded. The motion carried 6-0-0.

County Manager Comments

Cheri Hobson-Matthews thanked the Henry County team for all their hard work regarding the severe weather we had last week with Hurricane Helene. She stated that it was truly a team effort, and staff worked day in and day out even when their personal homes were at risk.

In addition, the county manager noted that every morning agenda will include a county financial update.

She then called Lynn Planchon, Director of Capital Projects, to provide an overview of all capital project statuses in the county.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No one signed up for public comment.

UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS

- A. October 15, 2024 at 6:30 p.m. is a regularly scheduled BOC meeting.
- B. October 24, 2024 at 3:00 p.m. is a Called Joint Meeting with the Henry County Water Authority and the Henry County Development Authority.

(ADDED) Executive Session re: Personnel Matter

Commissioner Kevin J. Lewis made a motion to enter into executive session; **Commissioner Dee Anglyn** seconded. The motion carried 6-0-0.

(ADDED) Reconvene Executive Session

Commissioner Dee Anglyn made a motion to reconvene from executive session; **Commissioner Michael Price** seconded. The motion carried 6-0-0.

(ADDED) Approval of an affidavit and resolution pertaining to executive session

Commissioner Neat Robinson made to approve the resolution pertaining to executive session; **Commissioner Kevin J. Lewis** seconded. The motion carried 6-0-0.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 11:20 a.m.

Carlotta Harrell, Chair

Stephanie Braun, County Clerk