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PUBLIC HEARING
PROPOSED FY2018 PEACH COUNTY BUDGET
5:00 p.m., Tuesday, August 1, 2017

The Peach County Board of Commissioners held a public hearing to hear questions and comments on the proposed FY2018 Budget at 5:00 p.m., August 1, 2017, in Commission Chambers, 213 Person Street, Fort Valley, Georgia, with all Commissioners except Commissioner Hill and Commissioner Lewis in attendance. Chairman Moseley opened the public hearing and welcomed the following persons who were also in attendance:

COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE STAFF:

County Administrator Marcia Johnson
Assistant County Clerk April Hodges
IS Manager Rich Bennett
Assistant Finance Director Michaela Jones
Human Resources Manager Michelle Douglas

SHERIFF'S OFFICE:

Sheriff Terry Deese
Mike Montford
Hermes Rodriguez
Michael Mobley
Robert Shannon
John Edwards

NEW MEDIA:

Linda Reynolds, Byron Buzz

OTHER COUNTY OFFICE STAFF:

County Marshal Jimmy Russell
E911 Director Angela Tharpe
Clean Community Director Jann Culpepper
Tax Commissioner W. L. Brown
Assistant Chief Appraiser T'Umbia Ashmon
EMS Director Alfonzo Ford
Zoning Administrator Rickey Blalock
EMS Maintenance Coordinator Michael Giles
Chief Appraiser Brian Madison
Juvenile Court Administrator LaTonia Ages
Public Works Director Paul Schwindler
Tamaree Bishop, District Attorney's Office

OTHER HONORED GUESTS:

Carol Hunnicutt
Barbara Davidson
Kathy Thomas

Chairman Moseley advised those present that there are copies of the proposed budget available for review. Chairman Moseley stated that the Board of Commissioners wants to extend its appreciation to the employees for their hard work on behalf of the County, and the Board is very proud to include a 5% Cost of Living Adjustment to all regular full-time and regular part-time employees in the proposed FY2018 Budget. However, to make this budget successful, the Board needs for all departments to continue saving as much money as possible in their budgets as has been done in the past couple of years. This is what has enabled the Board to be in a position to give the 5% COLA for FY2018. Chairman Moseley asked if anyone had any questions or comments.

Vice Chairman Smith stated that he is glad to be able to help the Sheriff and the other public safety offices to hopefully reduce the number of employees going to other counties seeking higher pay. Vice Chairman Smith thanked Mr. W. L. Brown, Tax Commissioner, for all his hard work on the digest and collecting taxes. Commissioner Yoder thanked everyone and stated that he appreciates everything that everyone has done. This was his first budget process, and it was a struggle to get through. He is very pleased to give the COLA, but he is not used to being in a budget situation where you spend money in advance of ~~it coming in~~ projected revenue.

Vice Chairman Smith advised the Sheriff that at the last meeting the Board approved the cameras for courthouse security and asked him if those will help to fill the blind spots. Sheriff Deese stated that he had been working with Paul Schwindler on the project, and only four (4) of the original sixteen (16) cameras are still in working order. Even when those first cameras were put into place, there were still blind spots, and those older cameras had limited ability in identifying tag numbers or faces. The new cameras have a zoom capability that will enable them to get tag numbers and facial features for help in identification. Sheriff Deese stated that when he first started working in law enforcement, all they had were polaroid cameras, but the technology today is unreal compared to then. Sheriff Deese further stated that he is under a mandate to upgrade courthouse security every five (5) years and has to submit a security plan to the Superior Court Judges Council. He has not been able to do that in the last couple of years, but this will enable him to do that now. The Judge's Council as well as the State dictate what he is required to do, and he appreciates the Commissioners working with them on the courthouse security upgrades and for the help they are giving to law enforcement officers as well.

Ms. Linda Reynolds, Georgia Post, asked what the 127% increase in the Federal Drug Fund 212 is as shown on page 12. Sheriff Deese responded that when they make a drug bust, they seize the monies and then use the funds to purchase equipment and information to use against the drug dealers. Ms. Reynolds asked if he anticipates any drug seizures. Sheriff Deese stated that the anticipated drug seizure amount in the proposed Federal Drug Fund Budget is a very conservative number. Sheriff Deese stated that there are all

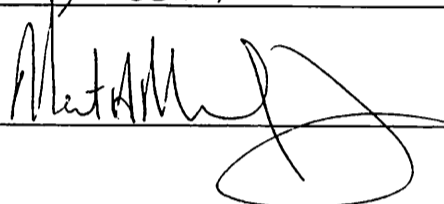
kinds of guidelines for the use of those funds. They can purchase law enforcement equipment, supplies, and even information to aid in the arrest of drug dealers. There is also a State Drug Fund 211 that is used in the same way.

Chairman Moseley thanked Mr. W. L. Brown, Tax Commissioner, and Brian Madison, Chief Tax Appraiser, for their hard work in getting the tax digest completed. Vice Chairman Smith echoed Chairman Moseley's remarks and stated that they also appreciate Michaela Jones, Assistant Finance Director, and all of their staff for the hard work and time put into the budget.

Chairman Moseley congratulated Sheriff Deese on being voted Sheriff of the Year by the Georgia Sheriff's Association and advised those present that he is also the President of the Georgia Sheriff's Association, representing all of the State of Georgia in addition to Peach County.

Vice Chairman Smith asked the Sheriff if the new cameras will cover all of the exterior of the Courthouse, and Sheriff Deese stated they will.

Chairman Moseley thanked everyone for being present and declared the public hearing for the proposed FY2018 Budget closed at 5:15 p.m.

August 8, 2017
APPROVED: 
CHAIRMAN

PEACH COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
BY: 
COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

MONTHLY WORK SESSION
Peach County Board of Commissioners
5:15 p.m., Tuesday, August 1, 2017

The Peach County Board of Commissioners held its regular monthly work session at 5:15 p.m., Tuesday, August 1, 2017, immediately following the Public Hearing for the Proposed FY2018 Budget in Commission Chambers at 213 Persons Street, Fort Valley, Georgia, with all Commissioners except Commissioner Hill and Commissioner Lewis in attendance. Chairman Moseley opened the work session and welcomed those present. The purpose of the work session was to discuss topics being considered for the regular monthly meeting to be held on August 8, 2017, as follows:

1. W. L. Brown – Tax Commissioner – Mobile Home Tax Sale
2. Jann Culpepper – Clean Community – Budget Transfer
3. Alfonzo Ford – EMS – Request to Advertise Paramedic Vacancy
4. Magistrate Court – Amendment to Agreement for Offender Supervision Services
5. Proclamation – Sheriff Terry Deese
6. April Hodges – Request to Change Peach County Job Advertisement Period
7. Finance Matters – Michaela Jones – Assistant Finance Director
 - a. Budget Amendments/Transfers
 - i. Other General Government
 - ii. Various Departments – Funds 100/540
 - b. Department of Transportation – 5311 Transit Contract
8. Public Works – Paul Schwindler, Public Works Director
 - a. Property Condemnations for the SWSS Project - Phase 2
 - b. Permission to Advertise Heavy Equipment Operator and Equipment Operator Vacancies
 - c. Permission to Re-Bid South Peach Recreation Park Trails Project
 - d. Request to Change Peach County Bid Advertisement Period
 - e. Permission to Advertise Building Maintenance Worker Custodian
 - f. Request to Search for Used Road Department Vehicles and Equipment
9. Byron Municipal Election Agreement
10. Additional Items To Be Placed on Regular Meeting Agenda
 - a. Executive Session – Board Appointments – Development Authority
 - b. Personnel Matter #1
 - c. Personnel Matter #2
11. Setting Meeting Agenda & Consent Agenda for Regular Meeting on August 8, 2017

The work session adjourned at 6:25 p.m.

 8-3-2017
COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR Date

PEACH COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING AUGUST 8, 2017

The Peach County Board of Commissioners held its regular monthly meeting at 6:00 p.m., Tuesday, August 8, 2017, in Commission Chambers at 213 Persons Street, Fort Valley, Georgia, with all members in attendance. Chairman Moseley called the meeting to order, and Commissioner Hill opened the meeting with prayer. Chairman Moseley led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag and welcomed those present.

CONSENT AGENDA – August 8, 2017:

- Mobile Home Tax Sale – Tax Commissioner’s Office:** W. L. Brown, Tax Commissioner, has advised that he has scheduled a Mobile Home Tax Sale for September 2, 2017. Several of the homes have had delinquent taxes for a number of years, and Commissioner Brown does not expect to receive bids on some of these properties because the taxes owed exceed the value of the home. If no bids are received following the initial offering for the home for the amount of taxes owed, Commissioner Brown has asked to be allowed to offer the mobile home again for a reduced price as follows:

PARCEL ID	LOCATION	TAXES DUE	INTEREST & PENALTIES	TOTAL OWED	VALUE	PROPOSED SALE PRICE
064G-198	95 Sherwood Blvd, Byron	\$ 2,084.27	\$ 1,311.87	\$ 3,396.14	\$ 10,391.00	\$ 2,500.00
064B-019	Grove Estates, Lot 22, Byron	\$ 1,473.84	\$ 1,320.86	\$ 2,794.70	\$ 5,180.00	\$ 1,000.00
064G-112	1156 Irby Road, Fort Valley	\$ 7,087.17	\$ 6,776.81	\$ 13,863.98	\$ 28,903.00	\$ 2,500.00
		\$ 10,645.28	\$ 9,409.54	\$ 20,054.82	\$ 44,474.00	\$ 6,000.00

ACTION REQUESTED: To approve the recommendation from Tax Commissioner W. L. Brown that if no bids are received following the initial offering for the amount of taxes owed at the Mobile Home Tax Sale on September 2, 2017, Commissioner Brown would be authorized to offer the mobile home again for the above stated reduced price.

- Budget Transfer – Clean Community:** Jann Culpepper, Clean Community Director, presented the following budget transfer to cover overages and appropriate additional funding for the remainder of the FY2017 Budget year:

Budget Transfer – Solid Waste Fund 540 - FY2017 - Clean Community

540.5.4540.52.3700	From: Education & Training	\$ 700
540.5.4540.52.3210	To: Telephone	\$ 360
540.5.4540.52.3600	To: Dues and Fees	\$ 40
540.5.4540.53.1110	To: Uniforms and Clothing	\$ 300
		\$ 700

ACTION REQUESTED: To approve the above stated budget transfer as requested by Jann Culpepper, Clean Community Director, as presented.

- Request to Fill Full-Time Paramedic Position - EMS:** Due to a recent resignation, Alfonzo Ford, EMS Director, has requested to advertise and refill a full-time paramedic vacancy at EMS.

ACTION REQUESTED: To approve the request from Alfonzo Ford, EMS Director, to advertise and refill a full-time paramedic vacancy at EMS.

- Amended Agreement for Offender Supervision Services - Magistrate Court:** At the regular monthly meeting on June 13, 2017, the Board approved the renewal agreement for Offender Supervision Services with Georgia Probation Management, Inc. as requested by Magistrate Judge Larry Lee, for the five (5) year period beginning January 1, 2018, and ending December 31, 2023. Judge Lee has advised that the following corrections were added to the agreement due to new requirements added to the Department of Community Supervision Rules earlier this year that were overlooked when the agreement was first presented:

Page 4, 2. Supervision Services.

L. The Company shall supervise consecutive cases in accordance with O.C.G.A. §42-8-103.1

Page 7, 4. Fees.

D. The Company shall supervise pay only cases in accordance with O.C.G.A. §42-8-103

Page 6, 4. Fees.

B. Unless prohibited by O.C.G.A. §42-8-102, the Court may assess against each offender a reasonable fee payable to the Company for the preparation of Court documents and for the Company’s performance of special programs or activities, including, but not limited to, electronic and alcohol monitoring, alcohol and drug testing. The Court will order against each Offender a minimum amount equal to the amount listed on Exhibits A and B payable to the Company for the Company’s performance of said services. The Court may also assess against each Offender a minimum fee of \$10.00 payable to the Company for the generation and review of criminal histories.

ACTION REQUESTED: To approve the Amended Agreement for Probation Supervision and Rehabilitation Services between Georgia Probation Management, Inc. and the Peach County Magistrate Court for the period beginning January 1, 2018, through December 31, 2023, with automatic annual renewals as requested by Magistrate Judge Larry Lee, and to authorize the Chairman to sign the document on behalf of the Board of Commissioners. *(A copy of said Amended Agreement is attached to Page 446, Minutes Book J, for future reference.)*

5. **Budget Amendment – Human Resources:** Michaela Jones, Assistant Finance Director, has requested that the following budget amendment be approved in various departments to allocate the cost of Christmas checks to individual departments as part of the FY2017 closeout process and to cover current overages in advertising costs in Human Resources, as follows:

<u>Budget Amendment - General Fund & Fund 540 - FY2017 - Christmas Check Distribution</u>			
100.5.1540.51.1100	From:	Salaries - Regular - HR	\$ 11,263
100.5.1110.51.1100	To:	Salaries - Regular - Commissioners' Office	\$ 433
100.5.1110.51.1500	To:	Salaries - Elected - Commissioners' Office	\$ 271
100.5.1400.51.1100	To:	Salaries - Regular - Elections	\$ 54
100.5.1545.51.1100	To:	Salaries - Regular - Tax Commissioner	\$ 217
100.5.1545.51.1500	To:	Salaries - Elected - Tax Commissioner	\$ 54
100.5.1550.51.1100	To:	Salaries - Regular - Tax Assessors	\$ 379
100.5.1565.51.1100	To:	Salaries - Regular - Public Buildings	\$ 269
100.5.2180.51.1100	To:	Salaries - Regular - Clerk Superior Court	\$ 163
100.5.2180.51.1500	To:	Salaries - Elected - Clerk Superior Court	\$ 54
100.5.2200.51.1100	To:	Salaries - Regular - District Attorney	\$ 54
100.5.2210.51.1100	To:	Salaries - Regular - Victim Assistance	\$ 109
100.5.2400.51.1100	To:	Salaries - Regular - Magistrate Court	\$ 217
100.5.2400.51.1500	To:	Salaries - Elected - Magistrate Court	\$ 54
100.5.2450.51.1100	To:	Salaries - Regular - Probate Court	\$ 163
100.5.2450.51.1500	To:	Salaries - Elected - Probate Court	\$ 54
100.5.2600.51.1100	To:	Salaries - Regular - Juvenile Court	\$ 54
100.5.3300.51.1100	To:	Salaries - Regular - Sheriff	\$ 1,571
100.5.3300.51.1500	To:	Salaries - Elected - Sheriff	\$ 54
100.5.3326.51.1100	To:	Salaries - Regular - Sheriff/Jail	\$ 1,354
100.5.3345.51.1100	To:	Salaries - Regular - Sheriff/Drug Rehab	\$ 54
100.5.3500.51.1100	To:	Salaries - Regular - Fire	\$ 650
100.5.3600.51.1100	To:	Salaries - Regular - EMS	\$ 1,029
100.5.3700.51.1500	To:	Salaries - Elected - Coroner	\$ 54
100.5.3800.51.1100	To:	Salaries - Regular - E911	\$ 650
100.5.3920.51.1100	To:	Salaries - Regular - EMA	\$ 54
100.5.3920.51.1600	To:	Salaries - Appointed - EMA	\$ 54
100.5.4000.51.1100	To:	Salaries - Regular - Public Works	\$ 109
100.5.4220.51.1100	To:	Salaries - Regular - Roads	\$ 542
540.5.4540.51.1100	To:	Salaries - Regular - Clean Community	\$ 217
540.5.4450.51.1100	To:	Salaries - Regular - Stormwater	\$ 54
100.5.5500.51.1100	To:	Salaries - Regular - Community Services	\$ 54
100.5.6100.51.1100	To:	Salaries - Regular - Recreation	\$ 271
100.5.7131.51.1100	To:	Salaries - Regular - Cooperative Extension	\$ 162
100.5.7400.51.1100	To:	Salaries - Regular - Planning & Zoning	\$ 162
100.5.1540.52.3300	To:	Advertising - HR	\$ 1,569
			\$ 11,263

ACTION REQUESTED: To approve the above stated budget amendment allocating the cost of Christmas checks to individual departments as part of the FY2017 closeout process and to cover current overages in advertising costs in Human Resources, as requested by Michaela Jones, Assistant Finance Director.

6. **Budget Amendment – Commissioners' Office:** Michaela Jones, Assistant Finance Director, has presented the following budget amendment to appropriate additional funds to purchase employee recognition supplies to be presented at the employee luncheon, as follows:

<u>Budget Amendment – General Fund - Other General Government - FY2017</u>			
100.5.1102.52.3700	From:	Education and Training - Moseley	\$ 1,000
100.5.1104.52.3700	From:	Education and Training - Lewis	\$ 1,500
			\$ 2,500
100.5.1599.53.1731	To:	Supplies - Employee Recognition	\$ 2,500

ACTION REQUESTED: To approve the above stated budget amendment to appropriate additional funds to purchase employee recognition supplies to be presented at the employee luncheon scheduled for September 22, 2017.

7. Property Condemnations for the Southwest Peach Sanitary Sewer Project - Phase 2 - Public Works: Paul Schwindler, Public Works Director, has advised that in order to expedite the property acquisition process, he has recommended the following property easements are acquired by use of eminent domain:

PARCEL	OWNER	ADDRESS	FILE NO.
F01F-110	Marvin Owens, et al.	68 Powell Street	4
F01F-070	Harry Robinson, et al.	806 State University Drive	7
F01F-106	Rose D. Moseley	1885 State University Drive	12
F01F-081	Valeria McCrary	335 South Jones Street	21

Mr. Schwindler added that extensive attempts have been made on each property to acquire the easements required for the Southwest Peach Sanitary Sewer Project - Phase 2, but these attempts have been unsuccessful.

ACTION REQUESTED: To approve the request from Paul Schwindler, Public Works Director, to acquire the above stated property easements by use of eminent domain.

8. Request to Refill Vacancies - Road Department: Paul Schwindler, Public Works Director, has requested to proceed with advertising and refilling six (6) full time Equipment Operator vacancies and (1) full time Heavy Equipment Operator vacancy in the Road Department.

ACTION REQUESTED: To authorize Paul Schwindler, Public Works Director, to proceed with advertising and refilling (6) full-time Equipment Operator positions and (1) full time Heavy Equipment Operator position in the Peach County Road Department.

9. Request to Advertise for Vehicles & Equipment - Road Department: Paul Schwindler, Public Works Director, has requested permission to solicit bids for new or used vehicles and equipment to replace the following vehicles as approved in the FY2017 Budget:

1. PW #204 - 1999 Ford 4WD Dully Pick-up Truck, 522,696 miles
2. PW #305 - 1994 Ford L8000 Tandem Dump Truck, 129,439 miles
3. PW #307 - International Tandem, 287,329 miles
4. PW #414 - Compact T60-2 Roller/Compactor, 1,880 hours
5. PW #306 - International 4700 Flatbed Dump Truck, 210,655 miles

ACTION REQUESTED: To authorize Paul Schwindler, Public Works Director, to proceed with the bid solicitation process pursuant to the Peach County Purchasing Ordinance for new or used vehicles and equipment as approved in the FY2017 Budget.

Commissioner Lewis moved to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Commissioner Hill seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

AGENDA:

Commissioner Hill moved to approve the Regular Agenda with the following additions: Under New Business, add Item #1 – Recreation – Short Term Grass Cutting Contract, Item #2 – Advanced Disposal, Item #3 – Fire/EMA Capital Expenditure Request, Item #4 – Sheriff - Budget Amendment, and Item #5 - Annexation on Houser’s Mill Road – City of Fort Valley. Under Executive Session, add Item #2 – Board Appointment – Region 6 Mental Health Advisory Council. Commissioner Yoder seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

MINUTES:

Regular Meeting – July 18, 2017 – Commissioner Lewis moved to approve the minutes as presented. Commissioner Yoder seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.

Public Hearing – August 1, 2017 – Commissioner Yoder asked that a correction be made to Page 113, third paragraph, line 7, to be changed from “advance of it coming in.” to “advance of projected revenue.” Vice Chairman Smith moved approval of the minutes with the requested change. Commissioner Hill seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & UPDATES:

Chairman Moseley presented a proposed Proclamation to be presented to Sheriff Terry Deese at a special reception to be held at 3:00 p.m., Tuesday, August 22, 2017, to express appreciation from the Board of Commissioners and the citizens of Peach County for all he has done for Peach County and to honor and congratulate him on being voted Sheriff of the Year. Commissioner Lewis moved to approve the Proclamation as written. Vice Chairman Smith seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously. *(A copy of said Proclamation is attached to Page 445, Minutes Book J, for future reference.)*

APPEARANCES: (None)

OLD BUSINESS:

Ms. Michaela Jones, Assistant Finance Director, advised the Board that she had emailed the proposed 5311 Transit Contract to County Attorney Liipfert this afternoon and is not sure that he has had time to go over it prior to the meeting. Mr. Liipfert advised that he was just reading it. Commissioner Lewis moved to table the contract until next month to give Mr. Liipfert time to go over it. Commissioner Hill seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Paul Schwindler, Public Works Director, requested permission to re-bid the South Peach Park Trails Project as he did not get any competitive bids when it was advertised previously. After discussion, Commissioner Lewis moved to approve the request to re-bid the South Peach Park Trails Project as requested. Commissioner Yoder seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Paul Schwindler, Public Works Director, requested to amend the Peach County Purchasing Ordinance to be in compliance with the changes made in 2013 to the state rules for public works contracts. He would like to get with Mr. Liipfert to draw up a document to present to the Board. Commissioner Yoder moved to table the issue. Commissioner Hill seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Yoder asked Mr. Schwindler about the progress he has made filling the vacancies at Public Works. Mr. Schwindler stated that he has been advertising the positions but has not had much response. He will continue to advertise the positions.

Commissioner Hill asked Mr. Schwindler about the progress that has been made on the tree removal project in the Southwest Peach County Sanitary Sewer Project- Phase 1 area. Mr. Schwindler advised that the work is progressing very well, and he has been very satisfied with the quality of the work being performed.

Ms. Marcia Johnson, County Administrator, stated that the City of Byron has provided a proposed Intergovernmental Agreement for Conduct of Equipment Custodian, City of Byron's Municipal Election for use of the County's election machines. The Agreement has been reviewed by County Attorney Jeff Liipfert and is ready for Board consideration. Commissioner Lewis moved to approve the agreement as presented. Commissioner Yoder seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously. *(A copy of said Agreement is attached to Page 444, Minutes Book J, for future reference.)*

NEW BUSINESS:

Mr. David Parrish, Recreation Director, advised the Board that the new grass cutting contract for the park is scheduled to begin on October 1, 2017, but the current contractor submitted his thirty (30) day termination notice effective August 18, 2017, leaving the remainder of August and September 2017 with no grass cutting service. The new contractor, Valley Lawn Shark, LLC has agreed to start earlier under a short term contract to provide grass cutting services at a cost of \$571.43 for the remainder of August 2017 and \$2,375.00 for the month of September 2017. County Attorney Liipfert has reviewed the short term contract and found it to be acceptable. Commissioner Hill moved to approve the short term grass cutting agreement as presented. Commissioner Lewis seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously. *(A copy of said Agreement is attached to Page 443, Minutes Book J, for future reference.)*

Vice Chairman Smith addressed Mr. Schwindler with concerns about Advance Disposal's garbage pickup. He stated that he has noticed that they are leaving cans in the road. He was behind the Sheriff a few days ago when he stopped for a can in the road. He is concerned about traffic safety. Mr. Schwindler asked if Vice Chairman Smith had been on Highway 96 when this occurred. Vice Chairman Smith advised that he was. Mr. Schwindler stated that the issue is with 18 wheelers going by the cans so fast that they blow them into the roadway. Empty cans are also blown into the roadway when it is extremely windy. The mechanism that the trucks use to pick up the can puts the can back in almost the exact spot. Chairman Moseley asked if the County has an ordinance that says how long the cans can remain at the road after the trash has been picked up. Mr. Schwindler advised that he had done some research on this previously, but he had not gotten anything written to present to the Board. After some discussion, Mr. Schwindler advised that he will try to get something written up for Board consideration that will require that the can at least be removed from the right of way within a certain amount of time

after the trash has been collected. Mr. Schwindler also stated that he would send a letter to Advance Disposal asking them to be conscious of the issue.

Chairman Moseley presented a letter provided by Jeff Doles, Fire Chief, advising that he had obtained prices for the two (2) thermal imagers that were approved in the FY2017 Budget for the 2015 SPLOST. The budget approved for this purpose was \$11,330.00, and the total for both thermal imagers was \$9,976.00, leaving a balance of \$1,354.00, which he would like to use to purchase two (2) handheld investigative thermal imagers at a cost of \$625.00 each. If approved, he will still be under the approved budget by \$104.00. Commissioner Hill moved to approve the request to purchase two (2) standard thermal imagers and two (2) handheld thermal imagers as presented in the amount of \$11,226.00. Vice Chairman Smith seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Michaela Jones, Assistant Finance Director, presented a budget amendment request on behalf of Sheriff Deese to cover the \$1,588.00 budget shortage in the cost of his new vehicles. He is requesting that this come from contingency. Commissioner Lewis moved to approve the request, as follows:

<u>Budget Amendment – 2015 SPLOST Fund 326 - FY2017 – Sheriff</u>			
326.5.1599.57.9000	From: Contingency	\$	<u>1,588</u>
326.5.3300.54.2200	To: Capital – Motor Vehicles	\$	<u>1,588</u>

Commissioner Hill seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Moseley presented a letter from City of Fort Valley Mayor Barbara Williams concerning the proposed annexation of Parcel Number 052 039 on Houser's Mill Road. The parcel is owned by the City of Fort Valley and is the location where the water tower is located. The letter states that the City of Fort Valley intends to construct a fire station on the property.

During the discussion that followed concerning the proposed annexation, the following points were made: Commissioner Hill stated that she had no problem with Fort Valley building the fire station if they own the property. Mr. Liipfert stated that there is no issue if the property is contiguous with the City of Fort Valley. Mr. Rickey Blalock, Zoning Administrator, stated Fort Valley has annexed two houses on Houser's Mill Road. Commissioner Yoder stated that the citizens are already being double taxed. Commissioner Lewis stated there is already a problem with who is supposed to respond to fires, and this is the County's service delivery area. Mr. Liipfert stated that the Board cannot stop the annexation, although he disagreed with Fort Valley's desire to construct a fire station in this location.

Commissioner Lewis stated that he did not feel this property was contiguous to the City of Fort Valley since their primary service area is eleven (11) miles away, and the Board needs to let the City of Fort Valley know that they disagree with what they intend to do. Mr. Liipfert stated there is no action to take. Commissioner Lewis stated that the Board can go on record that it opposes even if the Board cannot stop it. Commissioner Lewis moved to express opposition and to deny the annexation request based on it not being contiguous to Fort Valley, that it violates the service delivery rules, and there are no homes to be served by a new fire station at this location. Commissioner Yoder seconded the motion. Ms. Johnson asked if the letter from Fort Valley complies with the correct format for making an annexation notification. Mr. Liipfert stated that it did not. Ms. Johnson stated that the County's response usually expresses the Board's opinion on the City's proposed land use of the property to be annexed, and the letter does not give enough information to make a response. Commissioner Lewis moved to amend his motion to state that the notification did not follow the proper annexation procedures or provide the required documentation to make the request. Commissioner Yoder seconded the amendment. Motion carried three in favor. Vice Chairman Smith and Commissioner Hill opposed.

Commissioner Hill moved to go into an Executive Session at 6:48 p.m. for Board Appointments and two (2) Personnel Matters. Commissioner Yoder seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

--EXECUTIVE SESSION--

Commissioner Hill moved to terminate Executive Session at 7:28 p.m. and return to the Regular Meeting. Vice Chairman Smith seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

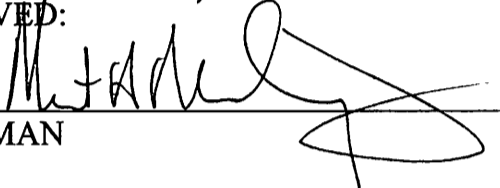
Commissioner Yoder moved to appoint Tiffany Peavy to the Peach County Development Authority to fill the unexpired six (6) year term scheduled to expire September 30, 2020, previously held by Kevin Bentley. Commissioner Hill seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.


Commissioner Hill moved to authorize advertising and refilling the building maintenance worker at Public Works. Commissioner Yoder seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.

Vice Chairman Smith moved to rescind the previous offer made for back pay to Ms. Marsha Gosier and to approve instead retroactive back pay for Ms. Gosier to December 11, 2014, for work she performed as Interim Elections Supervisor, in the amount of \$19,260.19, and to reinstate the previously removed 50.75 hours of compensatory time to Ms. Gosier's accrual. Commissioner Yoder seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.

There being no further business to come before the Board at this Regular Meeting on this date, Commissioner Hill moved to adjourn at 7:37 p.m. Commissioner Lewis seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned.

September 12, 2017
APPROVED:

CHAIRMAN

PEACH COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
BY 
COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

STATE OF GEORGIA
COUNTY OF PEACH

AFFIDAVIT OF CHAIRMAN

Martin H. Moseley, Jr., Chairman of the Peach County Board of Commissioners, being duly sworn, states under oath that the following is true and accurate to the best of his knowledge and belief.

The Peach County Board of Commissioners met in a duly advertised meeting at 6:00 p.m., Tuesday, August 8, 2017.

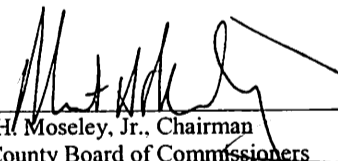
During such meeting, the Board voted to go into closed session.

The Executive Session was called to order at 6:48 p.m.

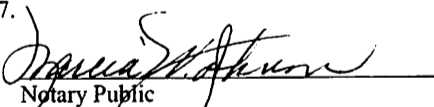
The subject matter of the closed portion of the meeting was devoted to the following matter(s) within the exceptions provided in the open meetings law:

- (1) Discussion or deliberation on the appointment, employment, compensation, hiring, disciplinary action or dismissal, or periodic evaluation or rating of a county officer or employee as provided in O.C.G.A. §50-14-3(6).

This 12th day of September, 2017.


Martin H. Moseley, Jr., Chairman
Peach County Board of Commissioners

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 12th day of September, 2017.


Notary Public
My Commission Expires June 30, 2019

CALLED MEETING
Peach County Board of Commissioners
11:00 a.m., Thursday, August 10, 2017

The Peach County Board of Commissioners held a Called Meeting at 11:00 a.m., Thursday, August 10, 2017, in Commission Chambers at 213 Persons Street, Fort Valley, Georgia, with all Commissioners except Commissioner Hill in attendance. Chairman Moseley welcomed those present, and Commissioner Lewis opened with prayer.

Chairman Moseley advised that the County has proposed a millage rate of 14.616 that will be applied to the 2017 Peach County Tax Digest, representing the rollback rate when applied to a slightly reduced 2017 Tax Digest. The Peach County Board of Education has provided a letter indicating that on August 1, 2017, it also approved to adopt the rollback millage rate of 17.073.

Tax Commissioner W. L. Brown advised that he has scheduled a meeting with the Georgia Department of Revenue for 10:30 a.m., Monday, August 1, 2017, to present the 2017 Peach County Tax Digest for approval.

Vice Chairman Smith asked about the pending appeals. Brian Madison, Chief Appraiser, stated that there are currently 210 appeals, but most have been referred to the Board of Equalization for resolution. Marcia Johnson, County Administrator, advised that the 15% reduction in tax revenue has already been taken into consideration in the budget documents since the properties under appeal can only be billed at 85% of their value until the appeal is resolved.

Commissioner Lewis moved to adopt the millage as presented with the Peach County millage at 14.616 mils and the Peach County Board of Education school millage at 17.073 mils and to authorize Chairman Moseley to sign all required millage documents, as follows:

(Document #1: Computation of Millage Rate Rollback for Tax Year 2017)

PT32.1 - Computation of MILLAGE RATE ROLLBACK AND PERCENTAGE INCREASE IN PROPERTY TAXES - 2017				
COUNTY	PEACH	TAXING JURISDICTION	COUNTY	
INFORMATION FOR THE SHADED PORTIONS OF THIS SECTION MUST BE ENTERED				
This information will be the actual values and millage rates certified to the Department of Revenue for the applicable tax years.				
DESCRIPTION	2016 DIGEST	REASSESSMENT OF EXISTING REAL PROP	OTHER CHANGES TO TAXABLE DIGEST	2017 DIGEST
REAL	630,422,297	-2,721,374	10,754,701	638,455,624
PERSONAL	76,589,297		-5,553,858	71,035,439
MOTOR VEHICLES	30,321,420		-5,992,420	24,329,000
MOBILE HOMES	3,504,025		79,540	3,583,565
TIMBER -100%	773,096		-251,571	521,525
HEAVY DUTY EQUIP	0		0	0
GROSS DIGEST	741,610,135	-2,721,374	-963,608	737,925,153
EXEMPTIONS	91,531,448	0	-3,574,378	87,957,070
NET DIGEST	650,078,687	-2,721,374	2,610,770	649,968,083
FLPA Reimbursement Value	926,327		-269,273	657,054
Adjusted NET DIGEST	651,005,014	-2,721,374	2,341,497	650,625,137
	(PYD)	(RVA)	(NAG)	(CYD)
2016 MILLAGE RATE >>>	14.555	2017 PROPOSED MILLAGE RATE >>>		14.616
THIS SECTION WILL CALCULATE AUTOMATICALLY UPON ENTRY OF INFORMATION ABOVE				
DESCRIPTION	ABBREVIATION	AMOUNT	FORMULA	
2016 Net Digest	PYD	651,005,014		
Net Value Added-Reassessment of Existing Real Property	RVA	-2,721,374		
Other Net Changes to Taxable Digest	NAG	2,341,497		
2017 Net Digest	CYD	650,625,137	(PYD+RVA+NAG)	
2016 Millage Rate	PYM	14.555		
Millage Equivalent of Reassessed Value Added	ME	-0.061	(RVA/CYD) * PYM	
Rollback Millage Rate for 2017	RR	14.616	PYM - ME	

COMPUTATION OF PERCENTAGE INCREASE IN PROPERTY TAXES		
If the 2017 Proposed Millage Rate for this Taxing Jurisdiction exceeds Rollback Millage Rate computed above, this section will automatically calculate the amount of increase in property taxes that is part of the notice required in O.C.G.A. Section 48-5-32.1(c) (2)	Rollback Millage Rate	14.616
	2017 Millage Rate	14.616
	Percentage Increase	0.00%

CERTIFICATIONS

I hereby certify that the amount indicated above is an accurate accounting of the total net assessed value added by the reassessment of existing real property for the tax year for which this rollback millage rate is being computed.

Richard W. Woodard
Chairman, Board of Tax Assessors
Date Aug 10, 2017

I hereby certify that the values shown above are an accurate representation of the digest values and exemption amounts for the applicable tax years.

W. J. Drew
Tax Collector or Tax Commissioner
Date 8/10/17

I hereby certify that the above is a true and correct computation of the rollback millage rate in accordance with O.C.G.A. Section 48-5-32.1 for the taxing jurisdiction for tax year 2017 and that the final millage rate set by the authority of this taxing jurisdiction for tax year 2017 is _____

CHECK THE APPROPRIATE PARAGRAPH BELOW THAT APPLIES TO THIS TAXING JURISDICTION

____ If the final millage rate set by the authority of the taxing jurisdiction for tax year 2017 exceeds the rollback rate, I further certify that the required advertisements, notices, and public hearings have been conducted in accordance with O.C.G.A. Sections 48-5-32 and 48-5-32.1 as evidenced by the attached copies of the published five year history and current digest advertisement, the "Notice of Intent to Increase Taxes" showing the times and places when and where the required public hearings were held, and a copy of the press release provided to the local media.

If the final millage rate set by the authority of the taxing jurisdiction for tax year 2017 does not exceed the rollback rate, I further certify that the required five year history and current digest advertisement have been published in accordance with O.C.G.A. Section 48-5-32 as evidenced by the attached copy of such advertised report.

Martin H. Moseley, Jr.
Signature of Responsible Party (Martin H. Moseley, Jr.)
Chairman, Peach County Commissioners
August 10, 2017
Title
Date

(Document #2: Letter to Georgia Department of Revenue adopting Countywide Millage on 2017 Tax Digest)

August 10, 2017

Director Ellen Mills
 Georgia Department of Revenue
 Local Government Services Division
 4125 Welcome All Road, S. W.
 Atlanta, Georgia 30349-1824

Dear Director Mills:

This is to certify that the Peach County Board of Commissioners has adopted the following millage rates for the 2017 tax year:

County M&O -----	17.598
Deduct Rollback for Local Option Sales Tax -----	<u>2.982</u>
Net Maintenance & Operations Incorporated Areas -----	14.616
Deduct Rollback for Insurance Premium -----	<u>0.000</u>
Net Maintenance & Operations Unincorporated Areas -----	<u>14.616</u>

* Insurance Rollback is being used for the unincorporated area of Peach County in the amount of \$722,767.61 for fire service.

Martin H. Moseley, Jr.
 Martin H. Moseley, Jr., Chairman
 Peach County Board of Commissioners

(Document #3: PT-35 County Millage Rate Certification for Tax Year 2017)

PT-35 (Rev 01/17)

COUNTY MILLAGE RATE CERTIFICATION FOR TAX YEAR 2017

Please provide a copy of this form to your county's Clerk of Superior Court.

<http://www.dor.ga.gov>

COUNTY: PEACH

Submit three (3) original signed copies with digest submission

COLUMN 1	COLUMN 2	COLUMN 3		COLUMN 4	COLUMN 5	COLUMN 6	COLUMN 7	COLUMN 8	COLUMN 9	COLUMN 10
District Number Must be Shown	District Name (Inc, Uninc, School, Special Districts, Etc.)	Mark X if District Falls in Unincorporated Area	Mark X if District Falls in Incorporated Area	Enter Gross Millage Rate Before Rollbacks	Sales Tax Rollback OCGA § 48-4-91	Insurance Premium Rollback OCGA § 33-8-3.3	Duplication of Services Rollback Pursuant to OCGA § 36-70-24	Net M&O Millage Rate Column 4 less Columns 5, 6 & 7	Enter Bond Millage Rate	Total Millage Rate Column 8 plus Column 9
	Incorporated			17.598	2.982	0.000		14.616		14.616
	Unincorporated			17.598	2.982	0.000		14.616		14.616
	School			17.073	0.000	0.000		17.073		17.073

I hereby certify that the rates listed above are the official rates for the Districts indicated for Tax Year 2017

August 10, 2017
 Date

Martin H. Moseley, Jr.
 Chairman, Board of Peach County Commissioners (Martin H. Moseley, Jr.)

Vice Chairman Smith seconded the motion, and the motion carried 3 to 1. Commissioner Yoder opposed.

Chairman Moseley presented the proposed FY2018 General Fund & Special Revenues Budget Resolution for adoption, as follows:

RESOLUTION
 FY2018 PEACH COUNTY GENERAL FUND
 AND SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS BUDGETS

The Peach County Board of Commissioners hereby adopts the following FY2018 Peach County Annual General Fund and Special Revenue Budgets to appropriate necessary funding to continue providing services to the citizens of Peach County.

FUND 100 - GENERAL FUND:

Revenues	\$ 16,680,816
Residual Equity Transfer In General Fund (FUND BALANCE)	\$ -
	<u>\$ 16,680,816</u>
Expenditures	\$ 15,876,177
General Contingency	\$ 322,345
Operating Transfer Out to Solid Waste Fund for Post Closure Care Costs	\$ 260,250
Operating Transfer Out to Solid Waste Fund - Other	\$ 170,396
Operating Transfer Out to Transit Fund	\$ 48,334
Operating Transfer Out to Hotel/Motel Fund	\$ 3,314
	<u>\$ 16,680,816</u>
REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES	<u>\$ (0)</u>

FUND 205 - LAW LIBRARY:

Revenues	\$ 9,469
Expenditures	\$ 9,469
REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES	<u>\$ -</u>

FUND 211 - DRUG FUND:

Revenues	\$ 19,814
Expenditures	\$ 19,814
REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES	<u>\$ -</u>

FUND 212 - FEDERAL DRUG FUND:

Revenues	\$ 14,025
Expenditures	\$ 14,025
REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES	<u>\$ -</u>

FUND 213 - JUVENILE FUND:

Revenues	\$ 3,600
Expenditures	\$ 3,600
REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES	<u>\$ -</u>

FUND 214 - JAIL INMATE STORE FUND:

Revenues	\$ 11,000
Expenditures	\$ 11,000
REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES	<u>\$ -</u>

FUND 215 - E911 FUND:

Revenues	\$ 443,952
Operating Transfer In from General Fund	\$ -
	<u>\$ 443,952</u>
Expenditures	\$ 443,952
REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES	<u>\$ -</u>

FUND 275 - HOTEL/MOTEL FUND:

Revenues	\$ 5,280
Operating Transfer In from General Fund	\$ 3,314
	<u>\$ 8,594</u>
Expenditures	\$ 9,612
REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES	<u>\$ (1,018)</u>

FUND 321 - 1994 SPLOST FUND:

Revenues	\$ 142,690
Residual Equity Transfer In	\$ 150,000
	<u>\$ 292,690</u>
Expenditures	\$ 292,690
REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES	<u>\$ -</u>

FUND 323 - 2000 SPLOST FUND:

Revenues	\$	-
Residual Equity Transfer In	\$	-
	\$	-
Expenditures	\$	-
Operating Transfer Out to 2004 SPLOST	\$	-
	\$	-
REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES	\$	-

FUND 324 - 2004 SPLOST FUND:

Revenues	\$	-
Operating Transfer In From 2000 SPLOST	\$	-
Residual Equity Transfer In	\$	940,802
	\$	940,802
Expenditures	\$	940,802
REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES	\$	-

FUND 325 - 2008 SPLOST FUND:

Revenues	\$	69,965
Operating Transfer in From 1994 SPLOST	\$	-
Residual Equity Transfer In	\$	1,010,190
	\$	1,080,155
Expenditures	\$	1,080,155
REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES	\$	-

FUND 326 - 2015 SPLOST FUND:

Revenues	\$	5,097,061
Residual Equity Transfer In	\$	-
	\$	5,097,061
Expenditures	\$	5,097,061
REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES	\$	-

FUND 540 - SOLID WASTE ENTERPRISE FUND:

Revenues	\$	1,353,788
Operating Transfer In from General Fund	\$	170,396
Operating Transfer In from General Fund for Post Closure Care Costs	\$	260,250
Residual Equity Transfer In	\$	-
	\$	1,784,434
Expenditures	\$	1,784,434
REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES	\$	-

FUND 545 - TRANSIT:

Revenues	\$	96,668
Expenditures	\$	96,668
REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES	\$	-

So adopted, this 10th day of August, 2017.

Martin H. Moseley, Jr.
Martin H. Moseley, Jr., Chairman
Peach County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:
Marcia W. Johnson
County Administrator

Vice Chairman Smith moved to adopt the FY2018 General Fund and Special Revenues Budget Resolution as presented. Commissioner Yoder seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Brian Madison, Chief Appraiser, advised the Board that the FY2018 Budget includes a \$20,000.00 appropriation to purchase a department vehicle for the Assessors' Office. He has located a program vehicle at Allan Vigil Ford in Morrow, Georgia, which has been placed for sale and will meet the needs of the Assessors' Office. The vehicle is a 2017 Ford Escape SE FWD 4 Cylinder vehicle, VIN 1FMCU0GD9HUC59077, with only 2,607 miles. Mr. Madison has negotiated a price of \$20,000.00 out the door and requested that he be allowed to proceed with the purchase now rather than waiting until October 1 when the new budget is implemented. Commissioner Lewis moved to approve proceeding with the vehicle purchase and to approve the following budget amendments in the FY2017 and FY2018 budgets to appropriate the funds to make the purchase in the current year and to remove the funding in the FY2018 Budget:

Budget Amendment - General Fund - FY2017 - Tax Assessors

100.5.1599.57.9000	From: Contingency	\$ 20,000
100.5.1550.54.2200	To: Capital - Motor Vehicles	\$ 20,000

Budget Amendment - General Fund - FY2018 - Tax Assessors

100.5.1550.54.2200	From: Capital - Motor Vehicles	\$ 20,000
100.5.1599.57.9000	To: Contingency	\$ 20,000

Vice Chairman Smith seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

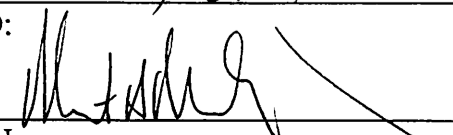
Mr. Paul Schwindler, Public Works Director, presented a proposal from Edifice Consulting, Inc. to provide design and construction administration, including bid preparation and processing, for the masonry repairs at the Peach County Law Enforcement Center. Mr. Schwindler said that the temporary fix had addressed the immediate leaking problem, but due to the age of the building, more extensive repairs are required to provide a long term solution. They will not know the extent of the long term repairs until further structural investigation is completed. The cost quoted in the Edifice Consulting proposal is for 6% of the total project cost, which Mr. Schwindler advised is customary for proposals of this type. Commissioner Lewis moved to approve the proposal provided by Edifice Consulting, Inc. to provide design and construction administration, including bid preparation and processing, for the masonry repairs at the Peach County Law Enforcement Center for 6% of the total project cost as presented and to authorize the Chairman to sign the proposal acceptance on behalf of the Board of Commissioners. Commissioner Yoder seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. *(A copy of said Proposal is attached to Page 442, Minutes Book J, for future reference.)*

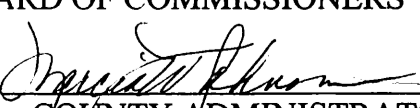
Jeff Liipfert, County Attorney, addressed the Board and stated that he had erred in advising the Board that it was appropriate to take a termination vote in Executive Session during the Regular Monthly Meeting on August 8, 2017. He stated that the vote would need to be made in open session and asked Ms. Michelle Douglas, Human Resources Manager, to present her recommendation again as provided in closed session at the August 8th meeting. Ms. Douglas stated that she had recommended that Ms. Marsha Gosier be terminated from her employment with Peach County based on Ms. Gosier's filing of a false report of a crime against another employee. Vice Chairman Smith asked if the back pay approved by the Board to be paid to Ms. Gosier would be provided in a separate check and if the compensatory time that had been removed from her record had been restored. Ms. Douglas advised that the back pay would be issued in a separate check, and the compensatory time has been restored to Ms. Gosier's accrual. Commissioner Lewis moved to accept the recommendation provided by Ms. Michelle Douglas, Human Resources Manager, to terminate Ms. Marsha Gosier from her employment with Peach County. Commissioner Yoder seconded the motion. Motion carried 3 to 1. Vice Chairman Smith opposed.

Marcia Johnson, County Administrator, advised that she is in receipt of a letter and agreement from Richard E. Dunn, Director of the Georgia Environmental Protection Division, advising that Peach County's request for reimbursement from the Hazardous Waste Trust Fund for monies spent investigating and cleaning up Houser's Mill Landfill has been approved for \$126,735.45. Director Dunn has provided an Agreement Governing Expenditures for State & Local Government Costs, as well as a Resolution providing Authorization to Execute the Agreement Governing Expenditures for State & Local Government Costs, which need to be approved and signed by the Board of Commissioners before the reimbursement funds can be issued to Peach County. Commissioner Lewis moved to approve the Agreement and separate Resolution Authorizing the Execution of the Agreement as presented and to authorize the Chairman to sign the Agreement and any other documents required concerning the Hazardous Waste Trust Fund reimbursement on behalf of Peach County. Vice Chairman Smith seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. *(Copies of said Agreement and Resolution are attached to Page 441, Minutes Book J, for future reference.)*

There being no further business to come before the Board at this Called Meeting on this date, Commissioner Lewis moved to adjourn at 11:24 p.m. Commissioner Yoder seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned.

September 12, 2017
APPROVED: 
CHAIRMAN

PEACH COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
BY: 
COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR