

The Agenda Setting Meeting of the Oconee County Board of Commissioners was held on Tuesday, January 31, 2006, at 7:00 p.m. in the Commission Meeting Chambers at the Oconee County Courthouse.

Members Present:

Chairman Melvin Davis
Commissioner Jim Luke
Commissioner Donald H. Norris
Commissioner Margaret Hale
Commissioner Chuck Horton

Staff Present:

Administrative Officer Alan Theriault
County Attorney Daniel Haygood
County Clerk Gina M. Lindsey

Jeff Benko, Finance Director
Matt Forshee, Econ. Development Director
BR White, Planning Director
Gary Dodd, Utility Director
Chris Thomas, Asst. Utility Director
Wayne Provost, Strategic Plan Director
Don Oliver, Interim Parks & Rec. Director
Quinton Still, EMA Director
William White, Project Coordinator
Mike Leonas, Public Works Director

Media Present:

Vinnie Williams, The Oconee Enterprise
Merritt Melancon, Athens Banner-Herald

Chairman Davis began the meeting with a Moment of Silence. Commissioner Hale led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Central School House: By consensus, the Board tabled discussion on the placement of the Central School House at Heritage Park, as requested by the Cultural and Recreational Affairs Committee, to allow time for the committee to consider additional information that had been received.

St. Mary's Health Care Donations: Kim Argo, Cultural and Recreational Affairs Committee Chair, and Don Oliver, Interim Parks and Recreation Director, recommended the Oconee County Parks and Recreation Department establish a partnership with St. Mary's Health Care that includes a \$5,000 cash donation, plus supplies. St. Mary's would provide first aid kits to each of the parks and all football teams and would help sponsor 3 park events – Movie in the Park, Disc Golf Course and Touch A Truck. By consensus, this item will be placed on the consent agenda for February 9, 2006.

National Incident Management System: EMA Director Quinton Still reported the National Incident Management System (NIMS) was issued by the Department of Homeland Security to provide a consistent approach to incident management across the nation. Jurisdictions will be required to meet the FY 2006 NIMS implementation requirements as a condition of receiving federal funding in FY 2007. Director Still recommended the adoption of the National Incident Management System as the Incident Management System in Oconee County to comply with the Presidential Directive and State law. By consensus, this item will be placed on the consent agenda for February 9, 2006.

FY 2007 Budget Schedule: Finance Director Jeff Benko reviewed the proposed FY 2007 Budget Meeting Schedule and Budget Submittal Plan. By consensus, this item will be placed on the consent agenda for February 9, 2006.

Kelly Lane: Administrative Officer Alan Theriault reported the four property owners on Kelly Lane have asked that a cul-de-sac be constructed at the end of Kelly Lane on the Old Farmington Road side of the existing railroad tracks to eliminate the use of the short road as a cut-through between Old Farmington Road and U.S. Hwy. 441. By consensus, this item will be placed on the consent agenda for February 9, 2006.

Planters Ridge Easement Exchange: Administrative Officer Alan Theriault reported an “Emergency Vehicle Access Road” is shown on the final plat for Planters Ridge Subdivision as an inter-connect between Planters Ridge and Keeneland Subdivision. A water line is also shown. The “access road” was never completed and the easement has never been used. A water line is stubbed from both subdivisions into these easements, but lacks approximately 20 ft. from being connected. Mr. Theriault recommended exchanging the emergency vehicle access road easement for a water line easement to allow the Utility Department to connect the two water lines. By consensus, this item will be placed on the consent agenda for February 9, 2006.

February 9, 2006 Agenda: The agenda for the February 9, 2006 meeting was read by County Clerk Gina M. Lindsey.

Executive Session: On motion by Commissioner Luke and second by Commissioner Norris, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn into Executive Session to discuss potential land acquisition and pending litigation. No action was taken.

On motion by Commissioner Luke and second by Commissioner Horton, the Board adjourned Executive Session.

On motion by Commissioner Horton and second by Commissioner Luke, the Board adjourned back into Regular Session.

There being no further business, on motion by Commissioner Horton and second by Commissioner Hale, the meeting was adjourned.

County Clerk

Chairman

Date