

**MINUTES OF PRE-COMMISSION MEETING
MACON-BIBB COUNTY COMMISSION
April 7, 2020
Government Center
(Large Conference Room)**

The Pre-Commission meeting of the Macon - Bibb County Commission was held April 7, 2020 at 5:00 P.M. via Video Conference in the Commission Chambers at the Government Center.

Commission Members On Teleconference:

Mayor Robert A. B. Reichert
Commissioner Larry Schlesinger
Commissioner Elaine Lucas
Commissioner Valerie Wynn
Commissioner Bert Bivins, III

Commissioner Virgil Watkins, Jr.
Commissioner Mallory Jones, III
Mayor Pro Tem Al Tillman
Commissioner Joe Allen
Commissioner Scotty Shepherd

Staff Present

Duke Groover, Interim County Attorney
Michael McNeill – Assistant County Attorney
Keith Moffett – County Manager
Janice Ross – Clerk of the Commission
Chris Floore - Public Affairs
Michelle Harris – Assistant County Attorney
Joel Callins, Assistant County Attorney

1. Call to Order

Mayor Reichert called the meeting to order. He read the following statement regarding the Pre-Commission and Commission meeting:

Pursuant to instructions from the president of the united states, the Honorable Donald j. Trump, the Governor of Georgia, the Honorable Brian Kemp and the Mayor of Macon-Bibb County, the Honorable Robert A. B. Reichert, the Macon-Bibb County Commission meeting scheduled for Tuesday, march 17, 2020 will be available to the Macon-Bibb County Commissioners by conference call only for the 5:00 p.m. pre-commission meeting and 6:00 p.m. commission meeting.

The commission chambers will be closed to the public and press, as we follow the recommendation from the white house to limit public gatherings for the next 15 days, in order to slow the spread of covid-19. therefore, the public and press may only access the meeting simultaneously online at www.maconbibb.us or www.facebook.com/maconbibbcounty.

2. Announcements

Mayor Reichert gave an update on the COVID-19 virus as of today the County has 42 cases with one death who was a 96 year old female. The Governor's Stay in Place will expire on Monday, April 13, 2020. The peak for Georgia should be between April 20 through April 25, 2020. The government has altered the work schedule for the safety of the employees. He continued that there is a change to Solid Waste schedule by suspending yard debris, but they are picking up additional cans. The Chamber of Commerce and the University of

Georgia are working to assist small businesses. Mayor Reichert stated that he was grateful for the stimulus bill that would help citizens.

The meeting tonight was being held as a Committee of the Whole.

3. Review of the Agenda for tonight's Commission meeting

- A. A Resolution establishing Commission meeting procedures for the foreseeable future in response to the COVID-19 Pandemic (Sponsored by Mayor Robert A. B. Reichert)

Duke Groover, Interim County Attorney review the reason for the Resolution. The resolution is necessary to meet the requirements of the open meeting law.

ACTION

On motion of Commissioner Wynn, seconded by Commissioner Jones and carried unanimously, the Resolution establishing Commissioner meeting procedures was approved.

4. Consent Agenda

- A. Denial of New Alcohol Beverage License for V. K. Napier LLC d.b.a. Napier Neighborhood Grocery located at 1095 Pio Nono Avenue, Macon, Georgia 31204

Michelle Harris addressed the efforts made to contact the owner of the Napier Neighborhood Grocery all of which was unsuccessful. Due to the fact that all attempts to contact the owner were unsuccessful which gives the Commission the authority to deny the license.

On motion of Commissioner Watkins, seconded by Commissioner Jones and carried unanimously, the license for V. K. Napier LLC d.b.a. Napier Neighborhood Grocery located at 1095 Pio Nono Avenue was denied.

5. New Business

- A. A Resolution to approve the terms of Professional Services Agreement with Agape Tennis Academy, LLC for exclusive tennis and pickleball professional services at all Macon-Bibb County Tennis Centers and a lease agreement for the pro shops located at all Macon-Bill County Tennis Centers in exchange for fees paid to the County as described herein (Sponsored by Mayor Robert A. B. Reichert)

Michell Harris, Assistant County Attorney, reviewed the contract.

ACTION

On motion of Commissioner Wynn, seconded by Commissioner Jones, and carried unanimously, the Resolution was moved off the table.

ACTION

On motion of Commissioner Allen, seconded by Commissioner Wynn and carried unanimously, the Resolution for the Professional Services Agreement with Agape Tennis Academy was approved and added to tonight's agenda.

- B. Adding an Item of the Agenda)

ACTION

On motion of Commissioner Allen, seconded by Commissioner Schlesinger and carried unanimously, the following item was added to the agenda:

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to approve a Construction Contract with Warren Associates, Inc to build the Lake Tobesofkee Ranger Station, in the amount of \$1,324,500 to be paid from 2018 SPLOST Proceeds Recreation: Lake Tobesofkee Property Line Item (Sponsored by Mayor Robert A. B. Reichert)

On motion of Commissioner Wynn seconded by Commissioner Jones and carried unanimously, the Resolution to approve a construction contract with Warren Association to build the Lake Tobesofkee Ranger Station was approved and added to tonight's agenda.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the Pre-Commission meeting was adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Janice S. Ross, CMC
Clerk of the Commission