MINUTES OF PRE-COMMISSION MEETING
MACON-BIBB COUNTY COMMISSION
March 18, 2014 – 5:00 P.M.
Government Center
(Large Conference Room)

The Pre-Commission meeting of the Macon-Bibb County Commission was held on March 18, 2014. The meeting started at 5:35 P.M. in the Large Conference Room at Government Center.

Commission Members Present

Mayor Robert A.B. Reichert
Commissioner Gary Bechtel
Commissioner Larry Schlesinger
Commissioner Elaine Lucas
Commissioner Mallory Jones, III
Commissioner Ed DeFore
Commissioner Scotty Shepherd
Commissioner Virgil Watkins, Jr.
Commissioner Al Tillman

Commission Members Absent

Mayor Pro Tem Bert Bivins, III

Staff Present

Judd Drake – County Attorney
Crystal Jones – Asst. County Attorney
Chris Johnson, Sr. Asst. County Attorney
Shelia Thurmond – Clerk of Commission
Steve Layson – Asst. County Manager (Infrastructure)
Charles Coney – Asst. Co. Mgr. (Operations)
Chris Floore – Asst. to Co. Mgr. - Public Affairs
Jean S. Howard – Asst. Clerk of Commission
Janice Ross – Training & Events Coordinator

Guests/Visitors

Jim Grubiak - General Counsel (ACCG)
Association County Commissioners of Georgia

Dave Wills – Government Relations Manager (ACCG)
Association County Commissioners of Georgia

News Media Present

Jim Gaines – The Telegraph
Shonti Tager- WPGA FOX 24

The Pre-Commission meeting was called to order by Mayor Robert A. B. Reichert.

The Mayor reviewed the agenda items for tonight's Regular Commission Meeting at 6:00 P.M. and stated that all items under New Business would be referred to a committee.

AGENDA ITEMS:

PRAYER – Rev. Rex Odom – Heritage at Bass United Methodist Church

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Pre-Commission Meeting on March 4, 2014
B. Regular Commission Meeting on March 4, 2014
C. Special Called Meeting on March 11, 2014

INVITED GUESTS

Rev. Rex Odom – Heritage at Bass United Methodist Church

Dave Wills – ACCG (Association County Commissioners of Georgia)

Jim Grubiak – ACCG (Association County Commissioners of Georgia)

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES AND DEPARTMENTS

Mayor Reichert asked Committee Chairs to be prepared to give their Committee reports tonight.

A. Operations and Finance
B. Economic and Community Development
C. Public Safety
D. Facilities and Engineering

CONSENT AGENDA

A. Resolution recognizing March 2014 as Purchasing Month

OLD BUSINESS

A. Resolution to obtain certification as a Workers Compensation Self-Insurer

B. Resolution authorizing the execution of an agreement with Reeves Construction Company to resurface the intersection of Jeffersonville Road and Millerfield Road

C. Ordinance appropriating $500,000 to Superior Court for Special Litigation

D. Ordinance appropriating funds to Clerk of Superior Court

E. Ordinance appropriating funds to provide equipment for the jail

F. Ordinance appropriating funds to State Court Clerk's Office

G. Ordinance appropriating funds from 2012 SPLOST Fund

H. Ordinance appropriating funds from Urban Development Authority 2013 Bond Fund

I. Ordinance appropriating funds to FY 2014 Airport Fund for taxiway lighting

J. Ordinance appropriating funds to Facilities Management for uniform purchases

K. Ordinance appropriating funds to Debt Service to pay taxable revenue - Convention Center Hotel Project

L. Resolution expressing support of the Alternative "B" Ocmulgee National Monument Boundary Expansion adding an additional 1500 to1800 acres

M. Resolution regarding the Cherry Blossom Music Festival in Downtown Macon to allow alcoholic beverages between bars downtown

N. Ordinance adopting business regulations regarding the operation of Ambulance Services to have a paramedic and cardiac technician in ambulances

NEW BUSINESS

A. Resolution regarding an Anti-Salvaging Policy
***To Be Referred To*:** Facilities and Engineering Committee

B. Resolution for the re-appointment of Kathryn Gerhardt to the Urban Development Authority
***To Be Referred To*:** Economic and Community Development

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:46 P.M.

Unanimous approval by Commissioners Gary Bechtel, Larry Schlesinger, Elaine Lucas, Mallory Jones, III, Scotty Shepherd, Virgil Watkins, Jr., Ed DeFore, and Al Tillman.

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Shelia Thurmond, CCC
Clerk of Commission