

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

MINUTES

February 25, 2020

The Committee of the Whole was called to order by Mayor Robert A. B. Reichert

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

Mayor Robert A. B. Reichert
Commissioner Valerie Wynn
Commissioner Bert Bivins
Commissioner Joe Allen
Commissioner Virgil Watkins
Commissioner Mallory Jones
Commissioner Larry Schlesinger
Commissioner Scotty Shepherd
Commissioner Elaine Lucas

OTHERS PRESENT:

Duke Groover, Interim County Attorney
Joel Callins, Assistant County Attorney
Michael McNeill, Sr. Assistant County Attorney
Chris Floore, Public Affairs
Janice Ross, Clerk of Commission
Sheriff David Davis, Bibb County Sheriff's Office
Judge Jeffery Hanson
Tim Wilder, Interim Director of Public Works
Charles Brooks, Interim Director of Engineering
Rob Ryals, Director, Facilities Management
Rebecca Grist, Solicitor General

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT:

Mayor Pro Tem Al Tillman

NEW MEDIA:

Tanya Modersitzki, WMGT
Tiffany Thompson, WGXA
Liz Jarvis, Center for Collaborative Journalism

GUESTS PRESENT

David Lucas, Stifel
Robert Abbott
Wade Greene, SafeBuilt
Bill Howell
Jack Cote
Matthew Arrington, Terminus Municipal Advisors
Kamal Azar, Azar Walsh Architects
Matt Satterly, Standguard Aquatics, Inc

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1. Approval of minutes from the February 11, 2020 meeting

ACTION

On motion of Commission Schlesinger, seconded by Commissioner Wynn and carried unanimously, the minutes of the February 11, 2020 meeting were approved.

2. Update On Justice Grant

- A. Update from Judge Jeffery Hanson concerning the Swift, Certain and Fair Grant

Judge Hanson gave a review of the recent work accomplished through the availability of the Grant. He thanked Jack Cote' for all of his work along with Sherita Jones. He continued that he hoped this grant would assistant at least 120 people by the end of the year and lead to reduce recidivism.

3. Appointment of Department Directors

- A. A Resolution to appoint Timothy Wilder, as Director of Public Works (Sponsored by Mayor Robert A. B. Reichert)

On motion of Commissioner Lucas, seconded by Commissioner Schlesinger and passed unanimously, Tim Wilder was appointed Director of Public Works.

- B. A Resolution to appoint F. Charles Brooks as County Engineer (Sponsored by Mayor Robert A. B. Reichert)

On motion of Commissioner Schlesinger, seconded by Commissioner Wynn and carried unanimously, Charles Brooks was appointed the County Engineer.

- C. A Resolution to appoint Alisha Duhart as Director of Human Resources (Sponsored by Mayor Robert A. B. Reichert)

On motion of Commissioner Lucas, seconded by Commissioner Watkins and carried unanimously, Alisa Duhart was appointed Director of Human Resources.

4. Revenue Bond

- A. A Resolution requesting that the Macon-Bibb County Urban Development Authority issue its revenue bond in the principal amount not to exceed \$24,000,000 for the purpose of the projects described herein; to authorize the negotiation of an intergovernmental contract to be entered into between the County and the Authority to provide security for the Series 2020 Bond; to authorize the reimbursement of planned expenditures for the projects with proceeds from the Series 2020 Bond; to designate various firms and professionals to work and assist the County with the issuance of the Series 2020 Bond (Sponsored by Robert A. B. Reichert)

ACTION

On motion of Commissioner Wynn, seconded by Commissioner Jones and carried unanimously, The Resolution requesting UDA to issue \$24,000,000 in revue bonds was approved.

5. Sandy Beach Water Park

- A. A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to approve a Professional Services Agreement with Standguard Aquatics Inc., to manage the Water Park at Sandy Beach, in exchange for a One-Time Fixed Management fee of \$44,600, plus utilities, with funds to be paid from the Tobosofkee Recreation Area Fund Balance and a share of Water Park Revenues (Sponsored by Robert A. B. Reichert))

ACTION

On motion of Commissioner Allen, seconded by Commissioner Schlesinger and carried unanimously, the item was removed from the table.

On motion of Commissioner Bivins, seconded by Commissioner Lucas to table failed by a vote of four to three with Commissioners Watkins, Lucas and Wynn casting the affirmative votes and Commissioner Jones, Allen, Schlesinger and Shepherd casting the dissenting votes.

On motion of Commissioner Jones to change the percentage to 50% / 50% failed for lack of a second.

On motion of Commissioner Jones, seconded by Commissioner Watkins and passed unanimously, to postpone to a time certain which will be the March 3 Pre-Commission meeting.

6. SafeBuilt

- A. A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to approve a professional services agreement with Safebuilt Georgia, LLC to provide a full range of internal and external services for building development administration, professional plan review, and inspection services, to include labor, supervision, materials, equipment, and transportation needed to perform high quality work, with compensation to be sixty percent of county building permit fees and other hourly rates as provided herein, to be paid from Business Development Services budget, Contract Labor - Contractual Services Line item (Sponsored by Mayor Robert A. B. Reichert).

ACTION

On motion of Commissioner Allen, seconded by Commissioner Schlesinger and carried unanimously, the Resolution to consider SafeBuilt was removed from the table.

On motion of Commissioner Bivins, seconded by Commissioner Allen and carried five to two with Commissioners Shepherd, Lucas, Bivins, Allen and Schlesinger casting the affirmative votes and Commissioner Watkins and Jones casting the dissenting votes the Resolution regarding SafeBuilt was approved..

There being no further business and on motion duly made and seconded, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted:

Janice S. Ross, CMC
Clerk of the Commission