

**MINUTES OF PRE-COMMISSION MEETING
MACON-BIBB COUNTY COMMISSION
Wednesday, September 19, 2017 – 5:00 P.M.
Government Center
(Large Conference Room)**

The Pre-Commission meeting of the Macon - Bibb County Commission was held on September 19, 2017 at 5:00 P.M. in the Large Conference Room at the Government Center.

Commission Members Present

Mayor Robert A. B. Reichert
Commissioner Mallory Jones, III
Commissioner Gary Bechtel
Commissioner Joe Allen
Commissioner Scotty Shepherd

Commissioner Elaine Lucas
Commissioner Virgil Watkins, Jr.
Mayor Pro Tem Bert Bivins, III
Commissioner Larry Schlesinger
Commissioner Al Tillman

Commissioner Absent

Staff Present

Judd Drake - County Attorney
Crystal Jones – Sr. Asst. County Attorney
Jansen Head - Assistant County Attorney
Charlotte Woody – ECD Department

Julie Moore – Co-Interim County Manager
Chris Floore - Assistant to the County Manager
Janice Ross – Clerk of the Commission
Charles Coney – Co-Interim County Manager

News Media Present

Stanley Dunlap, The Telegraph
Mary Grace Shaw, WMAZ13

Visitors Present:

Ivey Hall – Exec. Dir., Habitat for Humanity
Ken North - Planning and Zoning Commission
Cass Hatcher – Blight Project Manager
Allison Goldey – Land Bank Authority

1. Call To Order
2. Announcements
 - *Mayor Reichert announced that the new chairs for the Chamber had arrived*
 - *He also announced that the Economic and Community Development Community Event which is scheduled for October 5, 2017 in Commission Chambers.*

REVIEW OF REGULAR COMMISSION MEETING AGENDA

OLD BUSINESS

Mayor Reichert stated that there were no old items of business due to the Commissioners not meeting on September 12, 2017.

PRE-COMMISSION AGENDA ITEMS

CONSENT AGENDAS

There were no items on the consent agenda.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Appointment of County Voting Delegate for the Association of County Commissioners of Georgia.

ACTION

On motion of Commissioner Bechtel, seconded by Commissioner Schlesinger and carried unanimously, Commissioner Gary Bechtel was appointed to serve as the ACCG 2017 Legislative Leadership Conference Voting Delegate and added to tonight's agenda..

- B. A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute an agreement of extension with the Houston County Board of Health WIC Program for the lease of office space located at 456 Oglethorpe Street for the annual lease amount of \$21,215

ACTION

On motion of Commissioner Bechtel, seconded by Commissioner Schlesinger and carried unanimously, the Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute an agreement of extension with the Houston County Board of Health WIC Program for the lease of office space located at 456 Oglethorpe Street for the annual lease amount of \$21,215 was approved and added to tonight's agenda..

- C. A Resolution appointing Edmund Strozier to serve as a member of the Retirement Committee for the Macon Pension and Retirement Systems Division A Plan

ACTION

On motion of Commissioner Bechtel, seconded by Commissioner Schlesinger and carried unanimously, the Resolution appointing Edmund Strozier to serve as a member of the Retirement Committee for the Macon Pension and Retirement Systems Division A Plan was approved and added to tonight's agenda..

- D. A Resolution approving the re-appointment of Johnny Gordon to the Macon-Bibb County Board of Tax Assessors

ACTION

On motion of Commissioner Bechtel, seconded by Commissioner Schlesinger and carried unanimously, the Resolution approving the re-appointment of Johnny Gordon to the Macon-Bibb County Board of Tax Assessors was approved and added to tonight's agenda.

- E. A Resolution appointing Charlotte Woody to serve as a member of the Retirement Committee for the Macon Pension and Retirement Systems Division A Plan

ACTION

On motion of Commissioner Bechtel, seconded by Commissioner Schlesinger and carried unanimously, the Resolution appointing Charlotte Woody to serve as a member of the Retirement Committee for the Macon Pension and Retirement Systems Division A Plan was approved and added to tonight's agenda.

- F. A Resolution to approve and authorize the Mayor to execute a general release and settlement agreement related to Larry Dunning's separation from employment with Macon-Bibb County

ACTION

On motion of Commissioner Bechtel, seconded by Commissioner Schlesinger and carried unanimously, the Resolution to approve and authorize the Mayor to execute a general release and settlement agreement related to Larry Dunning's separation from employment with Macon-Bibb County was approved and added to tonight's agenda.

- G. A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to accept a Georgia Transportation Infrastructure Bank Grant from the State Road and Tollway Authority in the amount of \$1,500,000 for construction costs related to the Second Street Revitalization Project

ACTION

On motion of Commissioner Bechtel, seconded by Commissioner Schlesinger and carried unanimously, the Resolution authorizing the Mayor to accept a Georgia Transportation Infrastructure Bank Grant from the State Road and Tollway Authority in the amount of \$1,500,000 for construction costs related to the Second Street Revitalization Project was approved and added to tonight's agenda.

Motion to add item to the agenda:

ACTION

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

- H. A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to accept a Georgia Transportation Infrastructure Bank Grant from the State Road and Tollway Authority in the amount of \$1,500,000 for construction costs related to the Second Street Downtown Revitalization Project

ACTION

On motion of Commissioner Allen, seconded by Commissioner Schlesinger and carried eight to one with Commissioners Allen, Bechtel, Jones, Lucas, Schlesinger, Shepherd, Tillman and Watkins casting the affirmative votes and Commissioner Bivins casting the dissenting vote the Resolution authorizing the Mayor to accept a Georgia Transportation Infrastructure Bank Grant from the State Road and Tollway Authority in the amount of \$1,500,000 for construction costs related to the Second Street Downtown Revitalization Project was approved and added to tonight's agenda.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, and on motion of Commissioner Schlesinger, seconded by Commissioner Bechtel and carried unanimously, the Pre-Commission meeting was adjourned at 5:55 P.M.

Respectfully submitted:

Janice S. Ross, CCC
Clerk of the Commission