July 18, 2017

THE HONORABLE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, MADISON, GEORGIA, MET THIS DAY IN A SPECIAL CALLED MEETING.

PRESENT: Chairman Donald Harris, Vice-Chair Ron Milton, Commissioners Ben M. Riden, Jr. and Philipp Von Hanstein

ABSENT: Commissioner Andrew A. Ainslie, Jr.

STAFF: County Manager Adam Mestres, Assistant County Manager Mark Williams, Planning and Development Director Chuck Jarrell and County Clerk Jane Laseter

The Special Called Meeting convened immediately following the Work Session.

ADOPTION OF 2017-2036 COMPREHENSIVE PLAN
This Joint Comprehensive Plan includes the identification of important issues that the residents and business owners of Morgan County and the Cities of Bostwick, Buckhead and Rutledge expressed during an extensive public involvement process. The five major issues in the plan identified in public hearings are (1) Sustainable Economic Growth and Prosperity, (2) Responsible Public Investment in the Future, (3) Treasured Natural and Cultural Resources, (4) Maintain and Promote Culture of Civic Involvement in Vibrant, Healthy Communities, (5) Housing for People in All Stages of Life. The planning document is structured to allow the County and each of the Individual Cities to have a stand-alone plan.


CONTRACT FOR FOOD SERVICES TO MORGAN COUNTY SENIOR CENTER FOR FY2017-2018
This contract is for hot congregate and home delivered meals for the Senior Center. There is an increase of $ .08 per meal from the previous year contract.

MOTION by Comm. Milton, seconded by Comm. Riden to approve the Contract for Food Services to Morgan County Senior Center for FY2017-2018. Unanimously Approved. (COPY: Miscellaneous Book)

FY2018 NORTHEAST GEORGIA REGIONAL COMMISSION AGING SERVICES CONTRACT
Senior Center Director Mary Nunn presented the Board with a contract between NGRC through its Area Agency on Aging Division and Morgan County Board of Commissioners. The funding received from the contract helps to support the Family Ties program, congregate meals served on site, home delivery meals as well as supportive services.


CONDEMNATION FOR NECESSARY EXPANSION OF BUFFER FOR CLOSED LANDFILL
Morgan County owns a former Municipal Solid Waste Landfill located at 2480 Athens Highway. Morgan County employs engineering consultants to monitor the County’s closed landfill and they have determined a need to acquire additional land bordering the County’s closed landfill to serve as a buffer. Mr. Jimmy Gay owns the 7.547 portion of land to be acquired. Negotiations for the purchase of the buffer property have failed. County Attorney Christian Henry has requested authorization from the Board of Commissioners to begin condemnation proceedings in the name of Morgan County and to use the special master method.

Chairman Harris asked if there was anyone present on behalf of the property owner, and there was none.


EXECUTIVE SESSION – PERSONNEL

MOTION by Comm. Riden, seconded by Comm. Von Hanstein to enter Executive Session to discuss personnel. Unanimously Approved. (Original signed Affidavit in Executive Session Legal Requirement Book).


Donald B. Harris, Chairman

ATTEST:

Jane S. Laseter, County Clerk

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