

**ACTION MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
WARE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
NOVEMBER 9, 2009**

The Ware County Board of Commissioners met in a Regular Meeting at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, November 9, 2009 in the Ware County Commission Chambers with Chairman Jimmy Brown presiding.

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Jimmy Brown.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Chairman Jimmy Brown, Commissioners Carlos Nelson, Kathy E. Davis, Gene Dixon and Victor Aldridge.

STAFF PRESENT: County Manager Gail Boyd, County Clerk Pam Gibson and County Attorney Huey Spearman.

PRESS: Waycross Journal Herald Reporter Myra Thrift.

INVOCATION: Commissioner Aldridge gave the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Chairman Brown led the Pledge of Allegiance.

LENGTH OF SERVICE AWARDS: County Manager Gail Boyd and Human Resource Director Preston Settle presented the Length of Service Awards: Janice F. Henderson, Yavonda A. Stephenson, and George W. Grant, Jr. – 5 years of service; Constance S. Sartain – 10 years of service; Sarah D. Whitaker and Ginger A. Lewis – 15 years of service; James Dale Tyre and Peggy M. Guinn – 25 years of service; Dennie Garrett – 30 years of years of service; and Bell Elmore – 35 years of service.

CHIEF RANGER NICKIE JORDAN – GEORGIA FORESTRY ANNUAL REPORT: The 2009 Fiscal Year report was presented by Chief Ranger Nickie Jordan and Forest Technician Rebecca Peacock.

WARE COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT NURSE MANAGER CONNIE BAREFIELD – H1N1 (SWINE FLU UPDATE): Ms. Barefield presented the citizens with a Swine Flue update. She encouraged everyone to take precautions; washing hands, using tissues, etc.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: There were none.

APPROVAL OF OCTOBER 2009 MINUTES:

CONSENT ITEMS:

Approval of October 2009 Minutes:

Public Hearings – October 12, 2009

Work Sessions – October 12, 2009 and October 26, 2009

Regular Meeting – October 12, 2009
Called Meeting – October 26, 2009

Commissioner Nelson moved to approve the October 2009 minutes with Commissioner Davis seconding. Commissioner Davis – yea, Commissioner Aldridge – yea, Commissioner Nelson – yea, Commissioner Dixon – yea, Chairman Brown – yea. The motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

WARE COUNTY ZONING RESOLUTION TEXT AMENDMENTS: AMEND THE WARE COUNTY ZONING RESOLUTION ARTICLE VIII BY DELETING HEIGHT REQUIREMENTS IN THE GI GENERAL INDUSTRIAL ZONING DISTRICT - - COUNTY: Commissioner Aldridge moved to approve the Ware County Zoning Resolution Text Amendments amending the Ware County Zoning Resolution Article VIII by deleting height requirements in the GI General Industrial Zoning District with Commissioner Dixon seconding. Commissioner Dixon – yea, Commissioner Nelson – yea, Commissioner Aldridge – yea, Commissioner Davis – yea, Chairman Brown – yea. The motion carried.

APPOINTMENT – 2010 CENSUS COMPLETE COUNT COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN: Commissioner Nelson moved to table this appointment until further notice with Commissioner Davis seconding. Commissioner Davis – yea, Commissioner Aldridge – yea, Commissioner Nelson – yea, Commissioner Dixon – yea, Chairman Brown – yea. The motion carried.

BIDS:

PUBLIC WORKS ITEMS:

Local State Route Acceptance Resolution for CR #27 Jim Mixon Road – Commissioner Aldridge moved to approve the Local State Route Acceptance Resolution for CR #27 Jim Mixon Road with Commissioner Davis seconding. Commissioner Aldridge added the county would not be soliciting rights-of-way from any of the adjoining properties. Commissioner Davis – yea, Commissioner Aldridge – yea, Commissioner Nelson – yea, Commissioner Dixon – yea, Chairman Brown – yea. The motion carried.

Bid – Swamp Road GDOT #PR000-S010-00(964) and Various Other Roads – resurfacing – Civil Construction Coordinator Paul Smith said the resurfacing project would be approximately 12.6 miles with the GDOT portion being \$512,457.26. Commissioner Dixon moved to approve the bid from Dixie Roadbuilders in the amount of \$1,318,457.81 for Swamp Road and Various Other Roads resurfacing with Commissioner Aldridge seconding. Commissioner Dixon – yea, Commissioner Nelson – yea, Commissioner Aldridge – yea, Commissioner Davis – yea, Chairman Brown – yea. The motion carried.

BID – AMBULANCE – EMS: EMS Director Mark Walker explained Ware County received a grant from the Georgia Trauma Commission in the amount of \$71,428.57 for the purchase of an

ambulance. Bids were solicited and staff recommends the bid from Peach State Ambulance, Inc. in the amount of \$165,344.00 for a Wheeled Coach ambulance. The grant portion is \$71,428.57, and Ware County's portion is \$93,915.43 which will be funded from 2008 SPLOST. Commissioner Nelson moved to approve the bid of Peach State Ambulance, Inc. in the amount of \$165,344.00 with Commissioner Davis seconding. Commissioner Davis – yea, Commissioner Aldridge – yea, Commissioner Nelson – yea, Commissioner Dixon – yea, Chairman Brown – yea. The motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT: Commissioner Aldridge moved to adjourn the Regular Meeting at 8:00 p.m. with Commissioner Davis seconding. Commissioner Davis - yea, Commissioner Aldridge – yea, Commissioner Dixon – yea, Commissioner Nelson – yea, Chairman Brown – yea. The motion carried.

These are the unofficial minutes of the Ware County Board of Commissioners for November 9, 2009.