Hart County Board of Commissioners

February 12, 2013

5:30 p.m.

The Hart County Board of Commissioners met February 12, 2013 at 5:30 p.m. at the Hart County Administrative & Emergency Services Center.

Chairman William Myers presided with Commissioners R C Oglesby, Daniel Reyen and Joey Dorsey in attendance. Commissioner Brandon Johnson was absent.

1. Prayer

Prayer was offered by the Rev. Brad Goss.

1. Pledge of Allegiance

Everyone stood in observance of the Pledge of Allegiance.

1. Call to Order

Chairman Myers called the meeting to order.

1. Welcome

Chairman Myers welcomed those in attendance.

1. Approve Agenda

Commissioner Oglesby moved to approve the meeting agenda. Commissioner Reyen provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 4-0.

1. Approve Minutes of Previous Meeting(s)

* 1/22/13 Regular Meeting
* 2/05/13 Called Meeting

Commissioner Oglesby moved to approve the minutes of the January 22, and February 5, 2013 meetings. Commissioner Reyen provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 4-0.

1. Remarks By Invited Guests, Committees, Authorities

None

1. Reports By Constitutional Officers & Department Heads

County Attorney Walter Gordon reported that the current Board of Registrars will be retiring at the end of June and the BOC might consider the creation of an elections board to assume the duties of the election superintendent.

1. County Administrator’s Report

County Administrator Jon Caime did not have anything to report.

1. Chairman’s Report

Chairman Myers reported that Commissioner Johnson was absent due to the birth of a new baby and Whitworth Parole Center has assigned a crew to pick up litter along the county right-of-ways.

1. Commissioners’ Reports

Commissioner Reyen reported that a senior citizen job fair will be scheduled March 7, 2013 at the Clay Street Recreation building; he attended the Humane Society’s meeting and they were pleased of the BOC’s decision to support the NEGA with additional funding for the remainder of the fiscal year.

1. Old Business
2. Little League Annual Contract Renewal

Commissioner Oglesby moved to approve the Little League Contract for the 2013 baseball season. Commissioner Reyen provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 4-0.

1. Barnes Academy Baseball Facility Use Agreement

Commissioner Oglesby moved to approve Barnes Academy Facility Use Agreement for the 2013 baseball season. Commissioner Reyen provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 4-0.

1. Transit Passenger Fare

Commissioner Reyen moved to increase the transit passenger fares by $1.00 for inside the city limits and outside the city limits. Commissioner Oglesby provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 4-0.

Commissioner Reyen moved to increase the transit passenger fare effective March 1, 2013. Commissioner Oglesby provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 4-0.

1. Relay for Life Month Proclamation

Commissioner Oglesby moved to adopt the Relay for Life Proclamation declaring April shall be observed as “Relay for Life” month. Commissioner Reyen provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 4-0.

1. Hart County Hospital Authority Board Replacements (Tabled action)

Commissioner Oglesby moved to take the item off the table for discussion. Commissioner Reyen provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 4-0.

Commissioner Dorsey moved to submit candidates John Herron, Jim Lugo and David Thompson to the Hospital Authority for consideration to fill the unexpired term of Scott Hardigree. Commissioner Reyen provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 4-0.

1. Bio Fire Station Bid Award

Commissioner Reyen moved to award the bid for the Bio Fire Station well to Herring Well Drilling at a cost of $7,300. Commissioner Oglesby provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 4-0.

1. New Business
2. Hart Community Garden Request for Removal of House at County Rec Park

Jim Martin, Mark Seabolt and Rita Chapman of the Hart Community Garden submitted a request to demolish the house located on the county property at the corner of the Elberton Highway Recreation Park. Hart Community Garden is a 501C3 organization which will allow the group to save on the cost for much of the work performed using county funds for demolition at an estimated cost of $2,750; they will oversee all work performed and will be done by EPA Standards. They also requested the county waive the fee at the Transfer Station.

Commissioner Reyen moved to grant the Hart Community Garden’s request to demolish the house that is located at the Elberton Highway complex. Commissioner Dorsey provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 4-0.

1. Jail Food Bid Opening

The following local vendors submitted sealed bids for the inmate jail food:

* Hartwell Health Care ($5.25 per meal)
* Ludi’s Soul Food ($2.65 breakfast, $3.40 dinner)

Commissioner Reyen moved to defer the bids to County Administrator Jon Caime for review and recommendation. Commissioner Dorsey provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 3-0 (Commissioner Oglesby abstained).

1. Public Comment

Donna Madkiff representing the Humane Society thanked the BOC for increasing funding for NEGA and offered support for an animal control officer.

1. Executive Session – Real Estate, Personnel

Commissioner Reyen moved to exit into Executive Session to discuss real estate and personnel matters. Commissioner Dorsey provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 4-0.

With no further action taken during Executive Session, Commissioner Reyen moved to exit. Commissioner Oglesby provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 4-0.

In the regular meeting, Commissioner Reyen made a motion to authorize the County Administrator to write a letter to the USDA indicating the BOC’s support for the IBA seeking a USDA loan. Commissioner Oglesby provided a second to the motion. Motion passed 4-0

1. Adjournment

Commissioner Oglesby moved to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Reyen provided a second to the motion. The motion carried 4-0.

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William Myers, Chairman Lawana Kahn, County Clerk