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I. CALL TO ORDER

9:00 A.M. - Commission Meeting Room
2nd Floor Old Courthouse
124 Bull Street
Savannah, Georgia

II. INVOCATION

Commissioner Martin S. Jackel

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

IV. ROLL CALL

- **At noon the County Commission will recess for approximately 30 minutes.**

V. ORGANIZATIONAL ITEMS

1. Elect a Chairman Pro Tem and set the days and time for regular Commission meetings for 1998.

VI. CHAIRMAN'S ITEMS

1. Discussion regarding golf course.
2. Discussion regarding surplus property.
3. Discussion regarding water systems.
4. Discussion regarding Eighth Air Force Museum.

VII. COMMISSIONERS' ITEMS

1. Citizens' financial review of County's operating budget (Commissioner Price).

VIII. PROCLAMATIONS AND SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

IX. TABLED/RECONSIDERED ITEMS

Unless action is contemplated at today's meeting, staff report and file material has not been duplicated in your agenda packet. The files are available from the Clerk. Those on which staff is requesting action are indicated by asterisk (*).

1. Request Board approve General Fund M & O Contingency transfer of \$55,000 for Board of Education to perform certification, outreach and training for minority, female and local small business enterprises; request Board approval to enter into an inter-governmental agreement with the Board of Education to provide certification, outreach and training services to minority, female and local small business enterprises on behalf of Chatham County. (NOTE: At the time of agenda preparation a meeting of Dr. Thomas' committee is pending.) **Tabled at meeting of January 24, 1997. Further note: Committee has been unable to meet in intervening period. Tabled at the meeting of February 21, 1997.**
2. Board consideration of action regarding advisory boards and committees. **Tabled at meeting of April 25, 1997. Further note: Assigned to committee at meeting of May 9, 1997.**
3. Board consideration on changing the County's fiscal year. **Tabled at meeting of May 9, 1997.**
4. Board consideration of modification to Employee Assistance Program regarding notification as to participating employees. **Tabled at meeting of May 9, 1997.**
5. Board consideration of a request from the Clerk of Superior Court for additional resources for fine collection. **Tabled at meeting of June 13, 1997. Please see memo from Clerk of Superior Court asking that item remain on the table.**
6. Salary adjustments, Chairman Hair. **Tabled until budget deliberations.**

X. ITEMS FOR INDIVIDUAL ACTION

(Unless the Board directs otherwise, adoption of an Action Item will mean approval of the respective County staff report and its recommended action.)

1. Adoption of the 1998 budget resolutions for Chatham County.
2. Request from Mr. Stuart B. Meisenzahl, owner, for a Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance variance for 9 Windwalk Lane, Lot 2148, The Landings. **Staff recommends denial.**
[District 4.]
3. Request Board approval to waive the 90-day hiring freeze and authorize Human Resources to advertise positions that the department deems more cost efficient to fill.
 - Clerk of Superior Court - Clerical Assistant II (one position)
 - Jail - Clerical Assistant III (one position)

XI. ACTION CALENDAR

(The Board can entertain one motion to adopt the below-listed calendar. Such motion would mean adoption of staff's recommendation. Any Board Member may choose to pull an item from the calendar and it would be considered separately.)

1. Approval of the minutes of the regular meeting of December 19, 1997, as mailed.
2. Request from Eagle Development Group of Savannah, Inc., developer, to record the subdivision plat, accept the financial guarantee and recombine the Streetlighting Assessment District for Betz Creek, Phase 4.
[District 4.]
3. Request from Eagle Development Group of Savannah, Inc., developer, to record the subdivision plat, accept the financial guarantee and recombine the Streetlighting Assessment District for Laurel Green Subdivision, Phase 3.
[District 7.]
4. Request Board confirm Chatham County as local government sponsor on behalf of a grant under the Georgia Coastal Management Program for Clean Coast, Inc.
5. Request for new beer and wine retail license for 1998. Petitioner: McKenzie P. Roberts, agent for Boardman Petroleum, Inc., d/b/a Smile Gas #85, located at 5920 Ogeechee Road.
[District 6.]
6. Request Board approve an agreement between the County and the Board of Education to provide grant funds to Oatland Island Education Center to develop a community-wide training program to reduce, reuse and recycle yard and garden wastes.
7. Request Board approval to award bids as follows:

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>DEPT.</u>	<u>SOURCE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>FUNDING</u>
A. Confirmation Change Order No. 2 for the excavation and fill of the marine bulkhead	Trade Center	R. B. Baker Construction	\$543,569	SPLOST (1993-1998) - Trade Center
B. Confirmation of emergency purchase of computer equipment and software migration services	Library	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •GE CITS •AscomTimeplex •Dell Marketing •Entré •Sirsi 	\$66,400 6,444 5,066 450 <u>17,400</u> Tot. \$95,760	General Fund/M & O - Library

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C. Confirmation of emergency purchase of undercarriage repair parts for a CAT dozer	Fleet Operations	Carlton Company	\$11,503.52	Solid Waste Management Fund - Equipment Parts
D. Agreement to raise transmission power lines which cross DMCA 2A on Hutchinson Island	Engineering	SEPCO	\$776,542	General Fund/M & O - Harbor Maintenance (100% reimbursable by GDOT)
E. Confirmation of emergency purchase of personal computers and printers	Cooperative Extension Service	Entré Computers	\$9,207	General Fund/M & O - Cooperative Extension Service
F. Confirmation of emergency purchase of office furniture	Public Works	VIP Office Products, Hinesville	\$3,047.80	SSD - Public Works
G. Change Order No. 7 to contract for engineering services to design an off-shore "bird island" and for modifications of services for dike design of DCMA 2A & 12B	Engineering	GeoSyntec Consultants	\$75,320	General Fund/M & O Harbor Maintenance (100% reimbursable by GDOT)
H. Change Order No. 8 to contract for engineering services to revise the plans for Pooler Parkway Phase II into two separate projects, provide additional documentation for environmental assessment and other engineering/environmental services	Engineering	EMC Engineering Services, Inc.	\$82,485	SPLOST (1993-1998) - Pooler Parkway Phase II

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I. Confirmation of a study to identify economically viable alternatives for expanding Jail capacity, expediting the flow of detainees through and out of the Jail and alternatives for confinement of low-risk offenders	Jail	Nelson Meek and Associates (Carter Goble subsidiary)	Not to exceed \$10,000	General Fund/M & O - Jail
J. "No-cost" contract to install and operate an automated banking machine in the lobby of the Judicial Courthouse	Central Services	Wachovia Bank, N.A.	No cost to the County	N/A
K. Contract to survey, engineer, design and provide construction monitoring of a 50-car additional parking lot for the RYDC. This is part of the <i>Quid pro Quo</i> with the State for conveying 1.67 acres of land to the County for construction of Juvenile Court.	SPLOST	Thomas and Hutton Engineering	\$6,100	SPLOST (1993-1998) - Juvenile Court

XII. FIRST READINGS

Proposed changes to ordinances must be read or presented in written form at two meetings held not less than one week apart. A vote on the following listed matters will occur at the next regularly scheduled meeting.

Comments, discussion and debate from members of the public will be received only at the meeting at which a vote is to be taken on one of the following listed items.

NOTE: Copies of items 1 through 6 are not provided in this agenda packet.

1. To adopt "An Amendment to the Emergency Management Ordinance of Chatham County to Modify Certain Provisions in Accordance with the Georgia Emergency Management Act and Any Amendments Thereto; Repealing Prior Ordinances in Conflict and for Other Purposes;" and to approve the accompanying "Declaration of Emergency" and "Declaration of Effective Ordinances During Emergency" forms. **Hold on first reading until response is received from each of the municipalities.**
2. To adopt "An Amendment to the Emergency Management Ordinance of Chatham County to Prohibit Price Overcharging During Emergencies; Repealing Prior Ordinances in Conflict and for Other Purposes." **Hold on first reading until response is received from each of the municipalities.**
3. To adopt "An Amendment to the Emergency Management Ordinance of Chatham County to Allow for Temporary Mobile/Manufactured/Industrialized Homes, Travel Trailers, Recreational Vehicles, and Mobile/Manufactured/Industrialized Home Parks in Any Zoning District During Emergencies; Repealing Prior Ordinances in Conflict and for Other Purposes." **Hold on first reading until response is received from each of the municipalities.**
4. To adopt "An Amendment to the Emergency Management Ordinance of Chatham County to Allow for Emergency Business Licenses; Repealing Prior Ordinances in Conflict and for Other Purposes." **Hold on first reading until response is received from each of the municipalities.**
5. To adopt "An Amendment to the Emergency Management Ordinance of Chatham County to Allow for Emergency Building Permits; Repealing Prior Ordinances in Conflict and for Other Purposes." **Hold on first reading until response is received from each of the municipalities.**
6. To adopt "An Amendment to the Emergency Management Ordinance of Chatham County to Provide a Curfew and Closed or Restricted Areas During Emergencies; Repealing Prior Ordinances in Conflict and for Other Purposes." **Hold on first reading until response is received from each of the municipalities.**

7. Petitioners, Hilda Whitaker, Frank L. Bourne, Jr., James Sheppard, Ronald Kolman, Martin J. Heimes and Marianne M. Heimes, are requesting that the text of the Chatham County Zoning Regulations be amended by repealing the current ordinance and enacting a new one in its place. Given the magnitude of this undertaking, the MPC recommended that the request be approved and that the County fund the activity as a line item in the next two years' budgets.
MPC File No. 97-11982-C
No District/Text Amendment/Unincorporated Area

8. Petitioner, Robert W. Lee, Owner, is requesting that a 34.84 acre portion of a 52.45 acre tract located on the east side of Fort Argyle Road be rezoned from R-A (Residential-Agriculture) to a PD-R-SM (Planned Development-Reclamation-Surface Mining) zoning classification in order to develop a borrow pit on the site. The MPC recommended that the petitioner's request and the general site plan which shows ultimate redevelopment of the site as a fish pond and three single-family residential lots be approved.
MPC File No. 97-11984-C
[District 7.]

XIII. SECOND READINGS

1. An amendment to the Chatham County Purchasing Ordinance, Section XIII, Board Approval of Purchases to raise the threshold level of purchases requiring Board of Commissioners approval from \$2,500 to \$10,000.

XIV. INFORMATION ITEMS

None.

Recess to Executive Session, if necessary.

Appointments - board and number of vacancies to be filled.

Board	Vacancies
A. South Georgia Hospital Authority Board of Trustees	1
B. Veterans Council of Chatham County	3
C. Housing Code Board of Adjustments and Appeals	3
D. Mosquito Control Commission	1
E. Development Authority of Chatham County	3
F. Handicapped Grievance Committee	4
G. Aging Services Advisory Council	1
H. Economic Opportunity Authority	1
I. Youth Futures Authority	2
J. Chatham County Board of Health	1